



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
4th Floor Conference Room A

Beverly Hills City Council Liaison/Recreation and Parks Commission Committee

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, March 7, 2019 8:15 AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: March 7, 2019 / 8:19 AM

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Julian A. Gold, MD, Councilmember Lester Friedman, Assistant City Manager George Chavez, Community Services Director Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Assistant Director of Community Services Pam Shinault, Recreation Services Manager Patty Acuna, Recreation Services Manager Kristin Buhagiar, Venue Coordinator Sara Scrimshaw, Recreation and Parks Commission Chair Alissa Roston, Recreation and Parks Commission Vice Chair Julian Javor, President of Friends of Greystone, Susan Rosen, Vice President & Treasurer Vicky Swartz, Executive Assistant Linda Kyriazi
Public Attendance: Residents: David Gingold, Gregory Haller

1) PUBLIC COMMENT

- a) Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item listed on the agenda.

Speakers: David Gingold

2) LIAISON REVIEW OF RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION PRIORITIES

Staff and Commissioners informed the City Council liaisons that at their February 26, 2019 Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting, they motioned to approved the four (4) FY 2019-20 Commission Priorities which are:

- Citywide Fountain Plan
- La Cienega Park and Recreation Complex Master Plan project
- Greystone Historic Restoration and Maintenance
- Mini Park Analysis including possible renovation of Crescent Mini Park.

3) FRIENDS OF GREYSTONE ITEMS:

Friends of Greystone Restoration Projects

- After reviewing the City projects and the Friends of Greystone (FOG) donor projects which included costs and City resources, it was agreed a City based project manager was needed.
- Director of Community Services Nancy Hunt Coffey reviewed the City Council set priorities that were: Complete the Library, plan lower Greystone, renovate the Theatre, 2nd phase: the woodwork project and 3rd phase: carry out the plan of lower

- Greystone. Included in the top priorities are projects that include fire and safety such as the brick paths. Most work is being done by City staff such as the City's Public Works Department, except for one vendor who is assisting with some projects.
- It was advised for FOG to have donation contracts in place with vendors instead of Letters of Acknowledgment and to have the donor commit to the full project not just an estimate.
 - Needing to understand the intent of the work is important. Advised that a Scoping Plan is needed for City Council so they can be advised what the impact would be on the Mansion grounds as far as events planned and to see what projects can be done in parallel.
 - It was suggested to contract a Project Manager with historic renovation experience instead using of a number of City staff.

City of Beverly Hills Community Services Quarterly Brochure

- President of Friends of Greystone, Susan Rosen, requested advertising space, a page every quarter, in the Community Services Quarterly Brochure on a regular basis to promote their events instead of inconsistent space offerings as it is great exposure and helps sell tickets.
- After Director of Community Services, Nancy Hunt Coffey, informed the liaisons of the City Programs and Community Partners who also need the exposure, such as The Wallis and Friends of the Library (FOL,) it was suggested that City Council would support the additional pages and cost. Director of Community Services, Nancy Hunt Coffey, is to prepare a policy and schedule for City Council.

City of Beverly Hills Shuttle Service

- Friends of Greystone want to continue using the City of Beverly Hills' shuttle service for their events taking attendees from the upper parking lot, down to the house and back, since a high number of seniors attend these events and it is dark where the stairs are. Additionally, it helps move people out quicker. FOG staff is requesting the City's rate for the use of the Beverly Hills Shuttle Service as opposed to the Resident Rate. The liaisons agreed this request needs to go through the City's Special Events Committee for fee reduction and/or fees waived.

Joy to the Holidays Annual Event

- Friends of Greystone representatives are requesting their Joy to the Holidays Annual Event be incorporated into the 2019 BOLD Programming and requesting the City to be their partner. This would assist in promoting Greystone instead of it being just a construction project. Liaisons informed FOG staff that all BOLD Programming goes through the Special Events Committee and the cost of this program should be included in their ask.

Designer Show House

- Friends of Greystone is requesting if there is any interest from City Council for a Designer Show House before they proceed with requests from promoters. An event such as this would bring world-wide attention to the Mansion. The Liaisons informed FOG that a plan and budget that would inform City Council of the cost, manpower required and how long the Mansion would be closed for to the public and not

available for filming, weddings, etc. and this additionally needs to go through the
Special Events Committee.

Adjournment

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