



AGENDA

PPCC BOARD MEETING

August 24, 2023

Via Zoom Videoconference Only

6:00 PM – 8:00PM

Meeting ID: 854 8661 0425

Passcode: 592034

Link to Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85486610425?pwd=aGNFdVVkY1VKN09rUURPUm5zd2JXdz09>

Meeting will be recorded for Secretarial purposes

1. **Call to Order and Reading of Community Council's Mission.** The purpose of the Pacific Palisades Community Council shall be to (1) be a forum for the consideration of Community issues, (2) be an advocate for Pacific Palisades to government and private agencies upon issues where there is broad Community agreement, as reflected by two-thirds of the Board Members voting on any one of those issues at a PPCC Meeting, and (3) assist other organizations in the Palisades which want help in accomplishing their objectives or projects, which the PPCC determines to support. See PPCC Bylaws: <http://pacpalicc.org/index.php/council-bylaws/>.
2. **Roll-call of Board members and Certification of Quorum.**
3. **Introduction of attendees**
Armine Sargsyan: CA Department of Insurance, outreach Analyst (presentation about Fire hazard insurance.)
Richard Fink: CA State Parks, District Superintendent II (discussion about the role of State brush clearance in VHFHSZ communities like ours.)
4. **Approval of Minutes:** July 27, 2023 - <https://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Draft-MIN-PPCC-July-27-2023-.pdf>
5. **Consideration of Agenda & Upcoming Meetings:**
September 14: New West LA LAPD Captain, Rich Gabaldon
WRAC motions: RSO housing replacement, two Metro CTN motions (perhaps combined)
September 28: RAP Superintendent, Sonya Young-Jimenez
Topics are only partially listed and may be amended.
6. **Treasurer's Report.**

7. **General Public Comment.** *This time is reserved for non-Board members to speak on any item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the PPCC. Speakers will be limited to one minute. Chair retains discretion to extend.*

8. **Reports, Announcements and Concerns.**

8.1. From the Chair/Presiding Officer

8.1.1. Appointing Advisors

- a Legal Advisor, re-appointing Rob Weber, requires consent of the board
- b Park Advisor, Mike Skinner
- c Tech Advisor, Ramis Sadrieh
- d Transportation Advisor, Lou Kamer
- e Education Advisor, Allison Holdorff
- f Business Advisor, Alan Goldsmith

8.1.2. Appointing Corresponding Secretary, JoAnna Rodriguez, requires consent of the board

8.1.3. Potrero pre-design outreach update, per CD11, gates update, moneys update

8.1.4. "Sense of the board" (straw poll) to be taken regarding the Metro TCN program (the matter may be scheduled for hearing by the City Planning Commission (CPC) before the PPCC board can next meet on September 14; the Executive Committee may wish to weigh in with a possible position in opposition). Bylaws Art. V.3.B and Art. IX.6. See also prior PPCC letter requesting ample time for community feedback: <https://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/extend-comment-for-billboard-blight.pdf>).

8.2. From Officers and Chair Emeritus

8.3. From At-Large and Area Representatives

8.3.1. Area 3: El Oro Slope, the city has been out and is assessing the extent of the slope movement on that street and will advise

8.3.2. Area Four: Tahitian Terrace brush clearance

8.3.3. Area One: update on matters concerning the area

8.4. From Organizational Representatives

8.5. From Government Offices / Representatives

8.5.1. LADWP, Deborah Hong, Sr. Community Relations Representative and Andrew Christopher, Inspection program Coordinator. Expecting to give an update on power pole inspections of all overhead power poles in the Palisades.

8.5.2. State

8.5.3. City

8.5.4. County

8.5.5. LAUSD

8.5.6. LAPD

8.6. From PPCC Committees, Advisors and WRAC Representatives

9. Reports from PPCC Committees:

9.1. Three Chairs Committee (David Card: Committee Chair, members: Chris Spitz, Maryam Zar). Nomination of 2nd Alternate Representatives, Areas 5; election by the Board.

10. Old Business - none

11. New Business

11.1. Discussion and motion on Temescal Canyon Road restriping as proposed by CD11 in order to preserve two lanes of traffic in both directions. See motion language below.

11.2. Discussion and motion to support Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky and Councilwoman Traci Park in urging the Director of City Planning to pause the approval project of the project by rescinding the process of initiating a zoning change to accommodate the design and construction of a hotel in Bel Air, referred to as the Bulgari Hotel Project, on 9712 Oak Pass Road in Benedict Canyon. See: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2021/21-0777-S1_caf_8-16-23.pdf

Proposed Motion:

PPCC urges the Director of City Planning and the Department of City Planning (DCP), to consider rescinding the initiation of a General Plan Amendment (GPA) for the Retreat at Benedict Canyon Project, Case No. CPC-2018-1506-GPA-VZC-SP- SPP-SPR, located at 9704 - 9712 West Oak Pass Road; 9800, 9801 - 9815 West Wanda Park Drive; and 2534 North Hutton Drive, in the Bel Air-Beverly Crest Community Plan Area, in order to halt the development of this project in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone within the Benedict Canyon, where the impact on local wildlife and community fire safety are likely to be irreversible.

12. Adjournment

For additional information see www.pacpalicc.org or e-mail info@pacpalicc.org

Item 11.1: Temescal Canyon Road Motion:

Whereas, Temescal Canyon Road (TCR) is a major artery for Pacific Palisades,

Whereas, it serves not only as a major roadway for daily commutes, including to and from Palisades High School which is located on TCR, but also as a major evacuation route.

Whereas, we have profound concerns with the way TCR has been re-striped, under the direction of LADOT, eliminating a lane of traffic travelling westbound.

Whereas, in light of recent natural disasters (storms close to home and fires in Hawaii) as well as the start of school (which results in even greater traffic backlog throughout the course of the day), we believe the current stripping of TCR compromises public safety – with drivers now attempting to skip lanes and drive along the yellow median or make unsafe U-Turns in the middle of this fast-paced road, creating perilous traffic conditions for all,

Whereas, CD11 informs us that there is enough space along the road to create interim lanes that would provide for two lanes of traffic in both directions,

Therefore, be it resolved that we support this alternative rather than the arrangement of lanes DOT has currently implemented, and believe it would be a vast roadway safety improvement.

Be it further resolved that; we urge LADOT to work closely with CD11 to immediately implement this alternative interim lane configuration providing for two continuous lanes in both directions on Temescal Canyon Road.