



STREET SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order at Margie Perenchio's home at 4:30 p.m. on April 20, 2016.

In attendance were Margie Perenchio, Jaye Rogovin, Erika Brunson, Aida Babajanian, Felicia Hedley, Maureen Levinson, and Nook Suphamongkhon.

We began the meeting discussing the interest we each have in the issues of safety on the roads of Bel-Air. Following are the issues that arose:

SPEEDING/SAFETY

- Rumble strips would “wake people up” when speeding through the curves. It works elsewhere.
- The mid-lane is not delineated on many BA streets. This would help with speeding and accidents.
- Blinding construction lights at night
- The use of flagmen—is there a clear policy?
- What is the function of person who sits in the middle of the triangle at Bellagio in Stone Canyon?
- Should valets be required to use flag people if there valet line turns a street into a one lane street (yes).

CONSTRUCTION

- There was a strong feeling that developers should have a very high bar to cross when coming into Bel-Air to build, especially if they are spec builders. Make developers think twice about choosing Bel-Air. Be ore like Montecito.
- There should also be limited parking and rumble strips. With these three items, we would reduce the speed we would reduce the droves of workers and trucks would reduce number of vehicles parked up and down our street illegally, we would reduce the need for lunch trucks, we would reduce the overuse of our streets by heavy trucks.
- Quantity of BIG trucks is excessive.
- Quantity of worker trucks is excessive. Why not shuttle workers in? This would be great for our wear and tear, safety, would reduce lunch trucks, and would make developers more wary about building willy nilly.
- Quality of streets is denigrated with excessive trucks.
- Lunch trucks are disruptive. Need a strict permitting process.
- Developers have no protocols.
- We need a road fund, paid for by big developers. If we could at least charge a huge premium which we could then put back into street safety and quality, that would be both a deterrent and a boon for the community.



DAMAGED STREETS

- Paving
- Potholes
- Tree roots.
- Why are some streets paved and others are not? This is a concern of all residents.

PARKING ISSUES

- There is virtually no parking on our streets, which is not realistic. Many streets have no parking anytime signs all the way up and down both sides. Several years ago, it was possible to contact somebody in the City of Los Angeles and get a special permit for parties, but this office function has gone away.
- We would like to understand how the little Holmby area handles their resident parking with decals and permits. This system, of allowing parking on the street for residents, seems to work well for them.
- Also, there is the issue of valets and whether they are required to pull permits. We would like to understand exactly what is required to have valet parking, and how it is achieved.
- We should educate ourselves as to this issue and then find a way to spread the word to other residents as many people seem to be in the dark about it
- Bel-Air Association parking lot. It used to be that residents could use it, but then that right was taken away. Important to understand whether that is something residents can use or not.

OTHER

- How do we educate the community if/when we learn of a new law/guideline/their rights?
- It was suggested that a hotline or a way to report infractions would be very helpful. A little bit like our coyote hotline – – if a cement truck is barreling up the wrong side of the road, how do we report him?
- How can we communicate to the rest of the world that Bel-Air is a strict and rigid place to develop property (rather than the opposite which seems to prevail now)?
- All of these issues come with rules and regulations. We should be the committee to find out exactly what the residents have the right to do and what they have not the right to do and find a way to educate people.
- It was mentioned that finding best practices from other communities might be a good way to start as well.
- It became clear as our list of concerns grew that we really need a staff member or a dedicated captain to spearhead this. It is too unruly of an issue for a committee volunteers to manage.
- Hoped to invite Jamie and Marcia to the next meeting (done).
- We wondered as a group whether a brief online survey might help us understand whether we have hit all the issues. Possible questions would be how do you rate Bel-Air's



road on a scale of 1 to 5? List the streets that are most important to you, etc.

FOLLOW UP

Here are the items we thought we could tackle first.

- parking permits
- valet permits
- a list serve or hotline for street safety
- food truck issue and
- what is involved in rumble strip installation?

We agreed to re-convene at Margie's home on May 5 at 5 p.m. The meeting ended at 5:45 p.m.

Notes respectfully submitted by Jaye Rogovin