



Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee will conduct a Special Meeting, at the following time and place, and will address the agenda listed below:

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210**

TELEPHONIC / VIDEO CONFERENCE MEETING

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**Tuesday, January 11, 2022
4:00 PM**

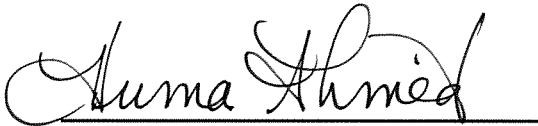
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AGENDA

- 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.
- 2) Resolution of the Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee authorizing public meetings to be held via teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and making findings and determination regarding the same.

New legislation (AB 361) was recently adopted allowing the Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee to continue virtual meetings during the COVID-19 declared emergency subject to certain conditions and the proposed resolution implements the necessary requirements.

- 3) Health and Safety Commission 2021 Accomplishments
- 4) Discussion of 2022 Incoming Chair's Focus Area Topics, Areas of Interest, and Work Plan Initiatives
- 5) Future Agenda Items Discussion
- 6) Adjournment



Huma Ahmed
City Clerk

Posted: January 6, 2022

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STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: January 11, 2022

To: Health and Safety Commission Committee

From: Gabriella Yap, Secretary of the Health and Safety Commission Committee

Subject: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL LIAISON / HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS AUTHORIZING PUBLIC MEETINGS TO BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e) AND MAKING FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS REGARDING THE SAME

Attachments: 1. Proposed resolution

RECOMMENDATION

Staff and the City Attorney's office recommend that the Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee adopt a resolution making the following findings so that meetings of the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee will be subject to the special Brown Act requirements for teleconference meetings: (1) the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee has reconsidered the circumstances of the COVID-19 state of emergency; (2) the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person; and (3) state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

FISCAL IMPACT

The proposed resolution allowing the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee greater flexibility to conduct teleconference meetings is unlikely to cause a greater fiscal impact to the City as the Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee has been conducting such teleconference meetings for over a year.

INTRODUCTION

Governor Newsom recently signed new legislation (AB 361) allowing the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee to continue virtual meetings during the COVID-19 declared emergency subject to certain conditions. These special requirements give the City greater flexibility to conduct teleconference meetings when there is a declared state of emergency and either social distancing is mandated or recommended, or an in-person meeting would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees.

BACKGROUND

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in California due to the spread of COVID-19. The Governor subsequently issued numerous executive orders suspending or modifying state laws to facilitate the response to the emergency. Among other things, these executive orders superseded certain Brown Act requirements and established special rules to give local public agencies greater flexibility to conduct teleconference meetings. Those special rules expired on September 30, 2021.

On September 16, 2021, in anticipation of then-imminent expiration of his special rules for teleconference meetings, the Governor signed AB 361. In key part, this bill amends the Brown Act to establish special requirements for teleconference meetings if a legislative body of a local public agency holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and either state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or the body determines, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

AB 361 builds upon Executive Order (“EO”) N-29-20, issued by the Governor on March 17, 2020, which relaxed the teleconferencing requirements of the Brown Act to facilitate virtual meetings during the COVID-19 declared emergency. EO N-29-20’s provisions concerning public meetings applied through September 30, 2021.

AB 361 authorizes local agencies to continue meeting remotely without following the Brown Act’s standard teleconferencing provisions if the meeting is held during a state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor and either of the following applies: (1) state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; or (2) the agency has already determined or is determining whether, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

EO N-29-20 required legislative bodies to make remote public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body, and to make reasonable efforts to adhere as closely as reasonably possible to the provisions of the Brown Act. AB 361 adds new procedures and clarifies the requirements for conducting remote meetings as follows:

- Public Comment Opportunities in Real Time: A legislative body that meets remotely pursuant to AB 361 must allow members of the public to access the

meeting via a call-in option or an internet-based service option, and the agenda for the remote meeting must provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the body in real time. Although the agency may still ask for public comments to be submitted in advance, the agency cannot require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting. If an agency does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, it must allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow members of the public the opportunity to provide public comment, including time to “be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.”

- ***No Action During Disruptions:*** In the event of a disruption that prevents the local agency from broadcasting the remote meeting, or in the event of a disruption within the local agency’s control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, AB 361 prohibits the legislative body from taking any further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in or internet-based options is restored.
- ***Periodic Findings:*** To continue meeting remotely pursuant to AB 361, an agency must make periodic findings that: (1) the body has reconsidered the circumstances of the declared emergency; and (2) the emergency impacts the ability of the body’s members to meet safely in person, or state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing. These findings should be made not later than 30 days after teleconferencing for the first time pursuant to AB 361, and every 30 days thereafter.

DISCUSSION

To continue to hold meetings under these special teleconferencing requirements, the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee needs to make two findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3). First, there must be a declared state of emergency and the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee must find that it has reconsidered the circumstances of such emergency. Second, the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee must find that such emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee members to meet in person. Alternatively, for the second finding, the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee must find that state or local officials continue to impose or recommend social distancing measures. These findings must be made within 30 days after the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee teleconferences for the first time under AB 361 and every 30 days thereafter.

The declared emergency is still in effect. Furthermore, the State of California and the County of Los Angeles have recommended measures to promote social distancing. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention continue to advise that COVID-19 spreads more easily indoors than outdoors and that people are more likely to be exposed to COVID-19 when they are closer than 6 feet apart from others for longer periods of time. Additionally, the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health still encourages people at risk for severe illness or death from COVID-19 to take protective measures such as

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social distancing and, for those not yet fully vaccinated, to physically distance from others whose vaccination status is unknown. The County Health Department also continues to recommend that employers take steps to support physical distancing.

Please note that AB 361 applies to all legislative bodies. Therefore, Commissions and standing committees will need to also comply with the requirements of AB 361.

Gabriella Yap
Secretary of the City Council Liaison / Health
and Safety Commission Committee

Approved By

RESOLUTION NO. CCL-HSCC-01

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL LIAISON / HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS CONTINUING TO AUTHORIZE PUBLIC MEETINGS TO BE HELD VIA TELECONFERENCING PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e) AND MAKING FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS REGARDING THE SAME

WHEREAS, the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee is committed to public access and participation in its meetings while balancing the need to conduct public meetings in a manner that reduces the likelihood of exposure to COVID-19 and to support physical distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, all meetings of the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code Sections 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee conduct its business; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, signed by Governor Newsom and effective on September 16, 2021, legislative bodies of local agencies may hold public meetings via teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e), without complying with the requirements of Government Code Section 54953(b)(3), if the legislative body complies with certain enumerated requirements in any of the following circumstances:

1. The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.
2. The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether as a result of the

emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

3. The legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and has determined, by majority vote, that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic (the “Emergency”); and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention continue to advise that COVID-19 spreads more easily indoors than outdoors and that people are more likely to be exposed to COVID-19 when they are closer than 6 feet apart from others for longer periods of time; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County “Responding together at Work and in the Community Order (8.23.21)” provides that all individuals and businesses are strongly encouraged to follow the Los Angeles County Public Health Department Best Practices. The Los Angeles County Public Health Department “Best Practices to Prevent COVID-19 Guidance for Businesses and Employers”, updated on September 13, 2021, recommend that employers take steps to reduce crowding indoors and to support physical distancing between employees and customers; and

WHEREAS, the unique characteristics of public governmental buildings is another reason for continuing teleconferenced meetings, including the increased mixing associated with bringing people together from across several communities, the need to enable those who are immunocompromised or unvaccinated to be able to safely continue to fully participate in public

meetings and the challenge of achieving compliance with safety requirements and recommendations in such settings; and

WHEREAS, the Beverly Hills City Council has adopted a resolution that continues to recommend steps to reduce crowding indoors and to support physical distancing at City meetings to protect the health and safety of meeting attendees; and

WHEREAS, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the need to promote social distancing to reduce the likelihood of exposure to COVID-19, the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee intends to continue holding public meetings via teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e).

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee of the City of Beverly Hills resolves as follows:

Section 1. The Recitals provided above are true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference.

Section 2. The City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee hereby determines that, as a result of the Emergency, meeting in person presents imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

Section 3. The City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee shall continue to conduct its meetings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e).

Section 4. Staff is hereby authorized and directed to continue to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution including, conducting open and public meetings in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(e) and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

Section 5. The City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that: (i) the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person, and (ii) state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Section 6. The Secretary of the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution and shall cause this Resolution and her certification to be entered in the Book of Resolution of the City Council Liaison / Health and Safety Commission Committee of this City.

Adopted: January 11, 2022

LILI BOSSE
Presiding Councilmember of the City
Council Liaison / Health and Safety
Commission Committee of the City of
Beverly Hills, California



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
FIRE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Beverly Hills City Council Liaison/Health and Safety Commission Committee
FROM: Gabriella Yap, Deputy City Manager
DATE: January 11, 2022
SUBJECT: Health and Safety Accomplishments 2021

This memo is to provide the Beverly Hills City Council Liaison/ Health and Safety Commission Committee, comprised of Vice Mayor Bosse and Councilmember Gold, with an overview of the Health and Safety Commission’s accomplishments for calendar year 2021. These accomplishments were reviewed by the Health and Safety Commission at their December 20, 2021, meeting.

Cathy Baker and Kirk Y. Chang, MD, served as the Chair and Vice Chair from January 2021 to December 2021.

The areas of interest for 2021 included:

- Resiliency
- Smoking Education, Outreach and Cessation

During this time, the Health and Safety Commission accomplished the following:

1. Swearing in of new Commissioner Helena M. Rosenthal.
2. The Fire Department named as the new Health and Safety Commission lead facilitating Department.
3. No Commissioner recusals or absences.
4. Continued the Health and Safety Recognition Program, honoring individuals, businesses, and groups who have demonstrated leadership in the field of health and safety issues or made a contribution to the mission of the Health and Safety Commission.

February	Monoclonal Antibody Task Force at Cedars-Sinai, and the impact their efforts have had on reducing COVID-19 disease progression and related hospitalizations in the community. Core team members honored were Rita Shane Pharm. D., Philip Zakowski M.D., Peter Chen M.D., Sam Torbati M.D., Steve Simons M.D., Hai Tran Pharm. D., Ethan Smith Pharm. D., Greg Marks Pharm. D., Thanh Tu Pharm. D., Cindy Chavira MBA, and Tesha Seabra MSN. Selected by Vice Chair Kirk Chang.
April	UCLA Health and Cedars-Sinai that have kept us safe or healed us during

	the COVID-19 pandemic. Core team members honored were Johnese Spisso, RN, MPA, Karen Grimley, RN, PnD, MBA, Jeff Smith, MD, JD, MMM, David Marshall, JD, DNP, RN, FAAN. Members of the Beverly Hills City Council attended the meeting for this item. Selected by Commissioner Lee Hilborne.
June	Eve Rodsky for working to change society one partnership at a time by coming up with a new 21st century solution to an age-old problem: women shouldering the brunt of childrearing and domestic life responsibilities regardless of whether they work outside the home. Selected by Commissioner Erica Felsenthal.
August	EMS Administrator Sean Stokes for spearheading the initiative of the Beverly Hills Nurse Practitioner Program. Selected by Commissioner Helena Rosenthal.
October	Dion Jackson, Athletic and Fitness Association of America certified group fitness trainer. Selected by Chair Cathy Baker.
December	Mickey Fine Pharmacy & Grill

5. The Health and Safety Commission Employee Excellence Award recognizes employees who have gone beyond their daily responsibilities to contribute to the City's health and safety efforts.

January	Pamela Mottice-Muller, former Director of Emergency Management, Resilience and Recovery, Office of Policy & Management
March	Robert Sahagun, Street Superintendent and Michael Hensley, Public Works Manager.
May	Fire Department member Kurt Versteeg for 30 years of service to the City of Beverly Hills and to the Fire Service.
July	Beverly Hills Police Department Lieutenant Robert Maycott.
September	Community Development Supervising Plan Engineer Arlen Eskandari.
November	Public Works Department, Facilities and Maintenance Supervisors Juan Morales, Elmer Andujar and their team.

6. Continued learning about the topic of Health and Safety Resiliency and received customized presentations.

February	Nurse Practitioner Program Update and Highlights
March	A presentation on Earthquake Preparedness Month. Licensed Electrician In-Home Electrical Safety Presentation. Fire Department General Home Safety Presentation. Police Department General Home Security Presentation.
April	A presentation on strengthening resiliency addressed a 2021 Health and Safety Commission priority topic. Calm'n'Roots LLC CEO Hamutal Gavish

	<p>provided a presentation on ways to manage stress and build resilience.</p> <p>Tim Davis and Elizabeth Stephens of National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI) Westside Los Angeles provided a presentation dedicated to increasing mental wellness.</p> <p>The Commission heard a presentation by Jason Eric Schiffman MD, MA, MBA, and Chief Executive Officer of the Camden Center, on the impact of COVID-19 on mental health and addictive disorders.</p>
May	<p>A presentation on nutrition and wellness by Certified Integrated Nutrition Health Coach and Holistic Nutrition Chef Lilly Padilla, AADP. It regarded holistic wellness, anti-inflammatory nutrition and gut health, and shared information about the human micro-biome.</p> <p>An informational presentation by David Stone, Assistant Fire Chief, Region 1 at State of California, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services Fire and Rescue. Topics of discussion included outlook of the 2021 fire season, federal/state response programs, engine types, and assistance grants and agreements.</p>
June	<p>The Commission heard a presentation about the Disaster Communications System, its roles and learned about the volunteer program.</p> <p>Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program and Disaster Preparedness.</p> <p>Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Program Information and Basic First Aid Tips.</p>
July	<p>JUST IN CASE, BEVERLY HILLS (JICBH) Program Update</p> <p>Beat the Heat, a presentation on sun safety.</p>
September	<p>A presentation about brain health and memory, presented by Health and Safety Commissioner and Clinical Neuropsychologist Erica Felsenthal, PhD. She spoke on key factors that impact memory and other cognitive functions, which are Nutrition, Physical Exercise, Stress Reduction, and Memory Enhancement Exercises.</p> <p>The citywide outdoor warning siren system. The system would provide another tool to notify the community of emergency and/or disaster information.</p>
October	<p>Resolution of the Health and Safety Commission of the City of Beverly Hills authorizing (and continuing to authorize) public meetings to be held via teleconferencing pursuant to government code section 54953(e) and making findings and determinations regarding the same. The Commission approved 3 resolutions.</p> <p>Substance and alcohol abuse and mental health by Beverly Hills High School Wellness Counselor Alison Norman-Franks.</p> <p>Online Privacy Expert Hayley Kaplan provided an informational presentation on cyber-security.</p>

	CEO of Organization for Social Media Safety Marc Berkman presented to the Commission on social media safety.
November	The Health and Safety Commission heard a presentation on natural alternative health by Drs. Seeta and Nisha Narsai. The Commission participated in a meditation exercise and ayurvedic self-massage. CERT Coordinator Gabriel Mier shared a demonstrational video highlighting various aspects to the CERT program. Community Risk Reduction Division on All About a Fire Extinguisher; topics included fire extinguisher components and classification of fires.
December	Informational presentation on consumer health and safety.

1. Every month, Commissioner Erica Felsenthal, PhD, will lead the Commission in a "Minute of Mindfulness." This topic title was renamed "Moment of Mindfulness" in March.

January	Breathing exercise targeting the vagal nerve
February	Breathing exercise focusing on mind and body awareness
March	The topic was about Balance and shifting our awareness to increase a sense of wellbeing.
April	Mindful Release, which helps protect our minds and bodies by focusing on the present moment.
May	Mindful Eating and focusing on the present moment while consciously engaging the senses.
June	Increasing compassion and using mindfulness practices to build community strength and improve emotional processing.
July	Box Breathing, a tactical breathing technique, for this month's topic of mindfulness during emergencies.
August	The concept of mindful hydration.
September	Lisa Kring, LCSW, led the Commission in a "Moment of Mindfulness." This month's topic of brain health and memory, which supports stress reduction.
October	Physiological Sigh, a powerful breath work tool to promote healing and relaxation, for this month's topic of mindfulness and social media.
November	Sponge Breath, a powerful breath work tool to promote healing and relaxation, for this month's topic of mindfulness and alternative health.
December	Mindful exercise for this month's topic of consumer safety.

2. The Health and Safety Commission introduced a pro-health intermission at its monthly meetings called the "Seventh Inning Stretch" to focus on the need to stay active via a short demonstrational which addressed the positive aspects of stretch relief, injury prevention, blood circulation and mind rejuvenation.

March	Director of Fitness Strategy Troy Titus-Barrow with All Seasons Fitness Media
April	Dr. Mae Murakami PT, DPT, CLT, lead the Commission in a "Seventh Inning Stretch".
May	Christo Pellani, Life and Health Coach and Master Drummer.

June	Kathleen Ross-Allee, C-AIYT, E-RYT 500, C.P.T.
July	Alison Crowley, C-AIYT, E-RYT 500.
August	Kundalini Yoga Teacher Monique Reymond
September	Justin Arevalo, PT, MTC.
October	Senior Yoga Teacher Rishi Nagori.
November	Certified Personal Trainer Remy Kam
December	Dion Jackson, Athletic and Fitness Association of America certified group fitness trainer.

The Beverly Hills Unified School District provided monthly updates on the following topics:

3. Presentation on various topics related to COVID-19.
4. Approval of the District Security Policies and Procedures Manual.
5. Return to school efforts: planning for re-opening schools in accordance with all safety mandates from the Department of Public Health and in-person and online instruction options.
6. Recognition of late Preschool Special Education Teacher, Lynn Gifford, who dedicated 25 years of service to BHUSD.
7. Parent education night for building supportive relationships.
8. The sports programs and in-person student promotions and graduation.
9. Announced new Principal and Vice Principal for the elementary school.
10. Programs offered through The Maple Counseling Center and NormanAid Wellness Center.
11. Partnership with private security company NASTEC.
12. Social and emotional impacts on students and families.
13. Suicide prevention month.
14. Horace Mann Elementary multi-cultural event, Hawthorne High School Harvest Festival, homecoming game and homecoming dance.

The Beverly Hills Police Department provided monthly updates on the following topics:

15. COVID-19 and protests updates and safety information.
16. Mask safety compliance and rules.
17. Increased private armed security companies assisting the Police Department patrol the City.

18. Just in Case, BH, the Police Department Explorer, and the Neighborhood Watch Programs, and participation with Team BH.
19. Presidential election safety preparedness information.
20. Protests and activity during the observed holidays as well as during the United States Presidential Inauguration.
21. Police activities, enforcement and major incidents like distracted driving enforcement, face masks.
22. Nixle notifications - Sign up for notification alerts by texting BEVHILLS and BEVHILLSPD to 888777 or at www.beverlyhills.org/emergencynotification.
23. Residents and business owners can call 310-288-2668 for free home and business security inspections.
24. Safety tips and crime prevention such as being aware and attentive, always locking vehicles, not leaving expensive items in vehicles, and leaving lights or sounds on when leaving the house to dissuade potential criminals.
25. Assigned unit dedicated to the homeless population in the City, and quality of life topics like traffic nuisance and resident noise complaints.
26. Department's Police Academy field training and hiring program.
27. Executive shared crime metrics and response times.
28. The Department's new staffing positions that of Police Chief Mark Stainbrook and Lieutenant Giovanni Trejo.

The Beverly Hills Fire Department provided monthly updates on the following topics and programs:

29. Stop the Bleed, CERT, CPR, and EERT virtual training.
30. The Nurse Practitioner and the JUST IN CASE, BH programs.
31. Fire Department responses and incidents metrics.
32. Deployments to multiple structure fires and vehicle extractions.
33. Major incidents like a landslide, gas leak, a carbon monoxide emergency, and shooting.
34. Strike team assignments for Bond Fire in South Orange County; the Chaney Structure Defense Group with a Los Angeles County Fire Department Strike Team, two patrols, and two water tenders protecting homes off of Hillside Dr and Topanga Canyon as well as those off of Cheney Dr and Topanga Canyon; Tamarack Fire; Dixie Fire.
35. The CoV-2 vaccine distribution to first responder personnel.

36. Provided the CERT program monthly newsletters.
37. Personnel training, and the return to work for administration staff based on guidelines by Center for Disease Control and Prevention.
38. Cal OES Wellness/Mental Health Program; backfill for agencies that experienced grief while on-duty.
39. Information on wildland fire deployment system, the rapid extraction module support team (REMS).
40. Announcement of the retirement of Deputy Fire Chief Joseph Matsch.

COVID-19:

41. Received tips on mental health during COVID-19 and positive coping strategies, tips for increasing social connectedness include phone or video calls, virtual exercise classes, music, and positive thoughts.
42. Staff constantly kept the Commission updated with COVID-19 statistics in both Beverly Hills and Los Angeles County.
43. To help prevent infection, it is important to protect one's eyes, nose, and mouth by wearing face masks/covering and maintain at least 6 feet social distance from other individuals. Wash hands frequently and use hand sanitizer.
44. Masking mandates.
45. Heard updates on local, state, and nationwide COVID-19 statistics, the City's continued response, testing and vaccines, resources for residents, and the current health order.
46. There was extensive discussion on COVID-19, Public Health, and Outside Dining via a special meeting with the Medical Advisory Task Force in December 2020.
47. Heard presentations discussing vaccine planning, contact tracing and how to receive vaccines and booster shots.
48. Informational updates on vaccine passport and legal implications on fraudulent cards.
49. Partnership between the City of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, and Fulgent Genetics. This partnership allows for a COVID clinic at Roxbury Park in Beverly Hills for all Los Angeles County residents.
50. Virus Delta variant.

Smoking:

51. The new ordinance that took effect on January 1, 2021, Code Enforcement and Ambassador efforts related to this ordinance, and the associated hardship exemption applications from retailers in regards to this ordinance.

52. Received assistance from the Beverly Hills Ambassadors and Code Enforcement team.
53. No-smoking/vaping banners in the City.
54. Grant-funding for smoking cessation efforts.
55. Cedars-Sinai Smoking Cessation program.
56. Hardship exemption application appeals and City Council decision.
57. California State Legislature.
58. Shared statistics related to complaints and investigations, and information about tobacco retail enforcement.
59. Announcement of the Cities of Beverly Hills and Manhattan Beach as joint recipients of the World Health Organization's No Tobacco World Day Award.
60. Addressed topics about program grant funding from the Department of Justice.
61. Senate Bill 395, a 12.5% tax increase on electronic cigarettes.

Other Health and Safety Related Topics:

62. Review of the 2021 Health and Safety Commission meeting dates and Recognition Program schedule.
63. The Commission heard presentations on disaster preparedness including making a plan and stockpiling supplies.
64. The Commission heard a presentation on Connect Beverly Hills: Meet Me on Wilshire and La Cienega, a draft streetscape plan and design standards project.
65. Environmental Compliance and Sustainability Programs Manager Josette Descalzo presented to the Commission on the Public Works Department's Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP) to provide a city-wide plan to become carbon neutral by 2045 supporting the goals of the State of California for carbon neutrality. Staff solicited for two members of the Health and Safety Commission to participate on the established Community Advisory Committee (CAC) to look into the details of the CAAP. Health and Safety Commissioners Lee Hilborne and Erica Felsenthal volunteered for the positions.
66. Received important information on the upcoming flu season and how to prepare with vaccines, as well as how it is affected by COVID-19.
67. Heard a presentation from the City's Public Works Department regarding the annual Water Quality Report.
68. Adopted the 2021 Conflict of Interest Code.
69. Heard presentations from the Conservation Manager on water conservation and drought.

Attendance and Events:

70. Had a Health and Safety Commission Liaison Committee meeting in January to review the 2021 accomplishments and approve the 2021 Health and Safety work plan.
71. Reminded the Community on American Red Cross 'Giving Day'.
72. Reminded the community that April is Earthquake Preparedness Month.
73. Mayoral Initiative titled Wellness Wednesday.
74. National Mosquito Control Awareness Week.
75. Participated in the Great ShakeOut on October 21, 2021, a nationwide earthquake drill.
76. Reminded the community that September is National Preparedness Month.
77. Reminded the community that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
78. Chair Baker attended the monthly Mayor's Cabinet Meetings to report on Commission updates.

The following continues to be the goals of the Commission:

- To Create a "Community Culture of Awareness and Preparedness."
- To Encourage Good Decision Making and Battle Complacency on Health and Safety Matters.
- To Serve as Ambassadors to the Community on Health and Safety related Resources and Information.



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

FIRE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Beverly Hills City Council Liaison/ Health and Safety Commission Committee

FROM: Gabriella Yap, Deputy City Manager

DATE: January 11, 2022

SUBJECT: Discussion of 2022 Incoming Chair's Focus Area Topics, Areas of Interest, and Work Plan Initiatives

ATTACHMENTS None

The purpose of this memo is to request review and approval by the Beverly Hills City Council Liaison/Health and Safety Commission Committee, consisting of Vice Mayor Bosse and Councilmember Gold, of the Health and Safety Commission (Commission) calendar year 2022 work plan.

BACKGROUND

It has been the practice of the Commission that the incoming Chair names *an Area of Focus* for their term and that they provide suggestions and seek input on other *Items of Interest* the Commission may want to cover or highlight in the coming year. This format was designed by the previous Commissioners to establish a map or guideline for the Commission to follow that provides a clear direction and focus and allows the Chair to highlight a specific topic. Also historically, in December the Commission identifies a work plan item to be included in the budget. The definitions appear below.

Area of Focus:

One umbrella topic the Chair would like the Commission to focus on during their term.

Items of Interest:

Subject matter/topics of interest to the Commission. Commission may want to study or have a staff member, or a subject area expert or a community member provide information to the Commission or public.

Work Plan Items:

An actual task that will be completed by the Health and Safety Commission e.g. Health and Safety Awards. This is reflected in the City's budget and is based on the fiscal year.

Commissioners provide input and seek approval for any other areas of interest to be heard in 2022.

DISCUSSION

For 2022, incoming Commission Chair Kirk Y. Chang requested the following **area of focus** and corresponding **items of interest**:

FOCUS: Health and Safety Related Emergency Preparedness

- A. Health and safety emergency preparedness related topics, programs, presentations, outreach, and education.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

To support the Nurse Practitioner Program, the Outdoor Siren Warning System initiative, 5G education, and Medical Infrastructure outreach and education. To continue to support the Smoking Ordinance and COVID-19 education. Staff, or a subject area expert or a community member will provide information to the Commission or public.

- A. Topics will rotate monthly, every other month and quarterly. A schedule will be set accordingly.

Work Plan Items for FY 2021-2022/FY 2022-2023 (Budget)

- Develop and complete opportunities for the Commission on a variety of health and safety disaster preparedness related topics.
- Continue to support the Health and Safety Awards, and the CERT and JUST IN CASE, BH programs.

At the December 20, 2021 Health and Safety Commission meeting, incoming Chair Kirk Y. Chang presented the 2022 proposed Areas of Focus and Interest, which was subsequently and unanimously approved by the Commission.

RECOMMENDATION

The Commission requests the Beverly Hills City Council Liaison/ Health and Safety Commission Committee review and approve the Commission's focus and items of interest for the calendar year 2022 and the work plan items for the second half of fiscal year 2021-2022 and first half of fiscal year 2022/2023.