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Homelessness the Major Topic at City Council Meeting

BY MATTHEW BLAKE



The City Council discussed homelessness at its meeting on Aug. 2. Photo by Lisa Friedman Bloch

Homelessness in Beverly Hills “seems to be increasing,” but it is “difficult to know with certainty.”

So read a report that Nancy Hunt-Coffey, assistant city manager, delivered to the Beverly Hills City Council, a five-page study that triggered two hours of heated discussion and community outcry.

At the three-hour affair’s end, no executive mandates or legislation was proposed. Instead, Mayor Lili Bosse directed Hunt-Coffey - who the city council elected last

month to city manager, effective in January - to return the second week of September after having further studied the issue.

Hunt-Coffey was instructed to review the present usefulness, or lack thereof, of an on-the-books law regarding the unhoused. And Bosse told Hunt-Coffey to see about expanding a homeless outreach team that the city’s Park Rangers piloted two weeks ago. (Homelessness continues on page 19)

Walls, Fences and Hedges on Planning Commission Agenda

BY MATTHEW BLAKE

Walls, fences, and hedges in the central area of Beverly Hills may soon be much taller, in what the city’s police chief calls a possible crime deterrent.

The Beverly Hills Planning Commission voted unanimously on July 28 to advance an ordinance to the City Council raising the maximum allowable heights for walls, fences and hedges in much of the city. It was one of a quartet of items passed without opposition by the five-person panel - but not without ample discussion.

In fact, the meeting sailed past the three-hour mark, as two Commissioners - Theresa Kaplan and Jeff Wolfe - partook in their first session, replacing Andy Licht and Thomas Hudnut.

“This was great fun,” Kaplan declared upon meeting’s end.

Build the wall

Under the maximum allowable height legislation, walls that could once be 10 feet high may now extend to 16 feet. Fences are able to be built up to 16 feet from 10 feet. Hedges may double in height from 8 feet to 16 feet. (Planning Commission continues on page 17)

“200 Trunks, 200 Visionaries: The Exhibit” Opens on Rodeo Drive

BY ANA FIGUEROA



Mayor Lili Bosse held a special session of "Business with Bosse" on Aug.3 at the exhibit. Photo courtesy City of Beverly Hills

There are treasures in every corner of the new Louis Vuitton exhibit on Rodeo Drive. Some vie for attention. Others lie discreetly out of sightlines, confident of being sought out. Though grand in title, the show is intimate in its appeal. Indeed, “200 Trunks, 200 Visionaries: The Exhibit,” calls to each visitor differently.

Unveiled in December at Vuitton's historic residence in Asnières-sur-Seine, France, the exhibit traveled to Singapore in April. It arrived at 468 North Rodeo Drive last week, opening to the public on July 29. “200 Trunks, 200 Visionaries: The Exhibit” will remain in residence there until Sept. 6. Its provocative nature and sheer scope will no doubt inspire repeat visits. (200 Trunks continues on page 14)

Co-Principals Take the Helm at BHHS

BY BIANCA HEYWARD

For the first time in its nearly 100-year history, Beverly Hills High School (BHHS) will have two interim co-principals this upcoming school year: Assistant Principal of Instruction Kim Decatrel and Assistant Principal of Student Services Drew Stewart. With former BHHS Principal Mark Mead being promoted to Director of School Safety in June, the district began searching for candidates to replace him, but ultimately did not move forward with any applicants. According to Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) Superintendent Dr. Michael Bregy, a nationwide search for a new permanent principalship will resume this December. (Co-Principals continues on page 19)

NOW - AUG. 7
EL CAPITAN THEATRE: “TRON”
FRI., SUN. 10 A.M., 1 P.M., 4 P.M., 7 P.M.
SAT. 10 A.M., 1 P.M., 5 P.M.
The El Capitan Theatre presents screenings of “Tron” for its 40th anniversary. On Aug. 5, Mike Bonifer, author of “The Art of Tron,” will host the “A Night On the Grid Panel” at 7 p.m. On Aug. 6, both “Tron” and “Tron: Legacy” will be screened during “The Digital Frontier Double Feature” at 5 p.m. Props from both films will be on display starting Aug. 5. Standard tickets are \$12, and tickets for the double feature are \$20 and include a reserved seat, 64-ounce popcorn, and 20-ounce bottled beverage. <https://elcapitantheatre.com>

NOW - AUG. 13
UTA ARTIST SPACE LA: “THE DARK, TOO, BLOOMS AND SINGS”
TUES.-FRI. 10 A.M.-5 P.M.
SAT. 11 A.M.-4 P.M.
UTA Artist Space LA presents an exhibition of new work from the Yale School of Art, Photography MFA Class of 2022. An opening reception for the show will be held Aug. 5 from 6-8 p.m. The show is curated by Genevieve Gagnard and features works from artists Emily Barresi, Dylan Beckman, Amartya De, Anabelle DeClement, Eileen Emond, Ian Kline, Chinaedu Nwadibia, Brian Orozco, Rosa Polin, and Jessica Tang. Mediums in the exhibition include photography, sculpture and video. UTA Artist Space LA is located at 403 Foothill Road, Beverly Hills. Admission to the gallery is free. <http://utaartistspace.com/exhibitions/the-dark-too-blooms-and-sings/>

NOW - SEPT. 7
NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM: “HOUSE OF THE DRAGON: THE TARGARYEN DYNASTY EXPERIENCE”
MON.-SUN. 9:30 A.M.-5 P.M.
The Natural History Museum in collaboration with HBO Max presents an exhibition experience “House of the Dragon: The Targaryen Dynasty Experience.” The exhibit will allow visitors to explore the mythical world of Westeros, the Targaryen dynasty, and the dragons that ruled beside them. Included are tutorials in the Valyrian language, costumes from the show, series memorabilia (including dragon eggs), and a replica of the new Iron Throne, which visitors can sit on and take photos. Tickets are free with paid admission to the museum or free for members. Advanced tickets to the Natural History Museum are free for L.A. County residents from 3-5 p.m., and otherwise are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and students, and \$7 for children. The Natural History Museum is located at 900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles. <https://nhm.org/houseofthedragon>

AUG. 6
WEST LA OUTDOOR SCULPTURE SUMMER FESTIVAL
10 A.M.-1 P.M.
The Art Muse Academy, in collaboration with the Hammer Museum and the City of Beverly Hills’ Community Services and its Arts and Culture Commission, presents the three day West LA Outdoor Sculpture Summer Festival. The second day of the festival, Aug. 6, features a self-guided tour at the Franklin D. Murphy Sculpture Garden at UCLA located at 245 Charles E. Young Drive East. Explore art with a treasure hunt, a highlights tour, and art-making activities. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/day-1-west-la-outdoor-sculpture-summer-festival-2022-tickets-380696893657>

AUG. 6
ROOFTOP CINEMA CLUB DTLA: “MARCEL THE SHELL WITH SHOES ON”
8:15 P.M.
Rooftop Cinema Club presents a showing of the new A24 film, “Marcel the Shell with Shoes On.” The film focuses on Marcel, voiced by Jenny Slate, a 1-inch-tall shell who lives a colorful life with his grandmother Connie and pet lint, Alan. As the sole survivors of a mysterious tragedy, they gain public prominence after a documentary filmmaker releases a short film about them, which may present an opportunity to find their long lost family. All screenings at Rooftop Cinema Club take place on the 4th floor terrace at LEVEL, at 888 South Olive St., Los Angeles, between high-rise towers. Attendees must be 18 or older. Doors open 1 hour prior to the showtime so guests can purchase concessions and find their seats. A standard ticket is \$19.50, a ticket including a 46-ounce popcorn bucket is \$22.50, and tickets for two-person love seats with a popcorn bucket per person is \$26 each. <https://rooftopcinemaclub.com/los-angeles/dtla/film/9355-marcel-the-shell-with-shoes-on/>

AUG. 7
BEVERLY HILLS ARTWALK: SCULPTURE PARK AND RARE TREE TOUR
11 A.M.
At Beverly Gardens Park, the City of Beverly Hills will host a complimentary artfully crafted guided tour of art, nature, and historic elements. Guests will view a collection of important sculptures, and a special element of the tour is planned with the City of Beverly Hills Arborist to locate rare and historic trees in Beverly Gardens Park. Some of the trees were planted when the park was founded in 1907. Guests are invited with family, friends, or anyone who is interested in art, nature, or history. The

tour meets at the Beverly Hills Sign and Lily Pond in Beverly Gardens Park. There is no cost to participate, but registration is required. <https://www.beverlyhills.org/departments/communityservices/artwalkguidedtour/?NFR=1>

AUG. 7
SKIRBALL CULTURAL CENTER: “LUNCH” FILM SCREENING
2 P.M.
The Skirball Cultural Center presents a screening of the film “Lunch.” The film centers on a group of comedy writers and directors that has met every other Wednesday for lunch for 40 years. The meeting places have changed, but their friendship and humor persist and features old comedy figures, including Sid Caesar, Carl Reiner, and Monty Hall. A discussion with the director, Donna Kanter, will follow the film. The movie has a runtime of 78 minutes. Doors open at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$18 for general admission and free for members. Attendees must produce proof of COVID-19 vaccination and wear a mask indoors. <https://www.skirball.org/programs/film/lunch>

AUG. 7 - MAY 21, 2023
LACMA: “CONVERSING IN CLAY: CERAMICS FROM THE LACMA COLLECTION”
“Conversing in Clay: Ceramics from the LACMA Collection” opens at LACMA on Aug. 7. The exhibit explores the medium of ceramics through 14 case studies. These historical pieces are in visual dialogue with contemporary works to illustrate the technical achievements, symbolism, and resonances throughout time. Through references to the past and clay’s materiality, the exhibit also includes how artists today relate to international artistic traditions of ceramics. “Conversing in Clay: Ceramics from the LACMA Collection” features recent acquisitions, including works by Nicholas Galanin, Steven Young Lee, Courtney Leonard, Roberto Lugo, Mineo Mizuno, Elyse Pignolet, and more. <https://www.lacma.org/art/exhibition/conversing-in-clay>

AUG. 9
HOLOCAUST MUSEUM LA: "PIZZA IN AUSCHWITZ" VIRTUAL SCREENING AND PANEL DISCUSSION
6-7:30 P.M.
Holocaust Museum LA presents a screening of "Pizza in Auschwitz," which tells the story of survivor Danny Chanoch, who retraces his steps during the Holocaust with his adult children, intending to spend a night in his old barrack in Auschwitz-Birkenau. A panel discussion will be held with historians, filmmakers, and survivors, moderated by journalist/author Tom Teicholz. Registration for this webinar is free online. <https://www.holocaustmuseumla.org/event-details/pizza-in-auschwitz-virtual-screening-and-panel-discussion>



The exhibit "House of the Dragon: The Targaryen Dynasty Experience" is on display at the Natural History Museum until Sept. 7. Photo courtesy of HBO



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City Makes Plans for Holiday Decorations

BY GRACE HARMON



Glowing Reeds Audio and Light Show will take place again this year at the Lily Pond. Photo courtesy City of Beverly Hills.

At a City Council Liaison Joint Special Meeting of the Rodeo Drive Committee/Special Events/Holiday Program Committee on Aug. 1, plans were discussed for the city’s winter holiday decorations. Teresa Revis, the associate project manager, asked Beverly Hills Mayor Lili Bosse and Councilmember Lester Friedman, the committee liaisons, for input on proposed new decorations and approval to replace

certain elements from previous years. The city has invested in expansive decorations and public exhibits in past years in the interest of entertaining residents and attracting visitors to Beverly Hills. No additional funding was requested from the city, as all funding requested is included in the year-round decor and holiday decorations budget of \$3.54 million. (Holiday Decorations continues on page 17)

Charge Against Friedman’s Son Reduced to Misdemeanor

BY ANA FIGUEROA

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Mildred Escobedo reduced the felony charge against Adam Friedman at a preliminary hearing on Aug. 1. The 37-year-old Friedman is the son of Beverly Hills City Councilmember Lester Friedman. The younger Friedman now faces two misdemeanor counts stemming from his alleged creation of a fake Instagram account in the name of Councilmember Sharona Nazarian in April.

Friedman’s lawyer argued that the Instagram account amounted to nothing more than political satire. Nonetheless, after hearing testimony from law enforcement and Nazarian herself, Escobedo found that the account had been created with the intent to harm Nazarian’s campaign. She ruled that probable cause existed to hold Adam Friedman over for trial on the misdemeanors. The probable cause standard is significantly lower than that needed for an actual conviction, however.

A statement from the Public Integrity Division of the LA District Attorney’s Office to the Courier noted:

“We are pleased that a judge found probable cause to allow us to move forward with the criminal prosecution of Mr. Friedman. This political corruption case spotlights the ongoing need to protect the integrity of the election process at every level of government. We believed this conduct represented a serious breach of the state’s identity theft laws but respect the judge’s decision to reduce that criminal charge to a misdemeanor.”

The next date in the case is Aug. 23 for a pretrial hearing. ●

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Council Discusses RHNA Reform and Parking Upgrades in Beverly Hills

BY OMAR REYES BENÍTEZ



The Beverly Hills City Council discussed its initial contributions to the Regional Housing Needs Assessment reform process at the Aug. 2 Study Session. The Council also heard updates to parking meter and garage upgrades during the meeting.

The Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) is a state law that determines the number of housing units a jurisdiction is required to plan for during the next eight years. Currently, Beverly Hills is required to plan for 3,104 units to be constructed in

the next eight years. Recently, the Southern California Association of Governments reported that multiple concerns were raised regarding RHNA and, in an effort to reform the process, are accepting comments and ideas from jurisdictions such as Beverly Hills.

Beverly Hills has had problems in the past with RHNA requirements. In 2020, the city challenged their RHNA number, calling the system “flawed.” In 2022, the city was denied a housing element that would allow them to meet the RHNA share through mixed-use developments.

The Council was presented with a draft letter from city staff, which requested process modifications that promoted an increase in collaboration between cities. The draft was met with criticism from the Council. “The cross-jurisdictional opportunity has failed, my concern is that so much of this particular letter is focused on that,” said Mayor Lili Bosse.

(Council Discusses continues on page 19)

BHUSD Awarded \$1,046,610 from MTA

BY ANA FIGUEROA

A jury awarded the Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) the sum of \$1,046,610 on July 29 in an eminent domain case with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA).

BHUSD officials expressed considerable disappointment with the verdict. Legal fees expended in litigation with MTA in recent years have exceeded \$20 million.

“We are very disappointed with the results. Unfortunately, the results represent years of decision-making by the prior board majorities along with former attorneys and construction/bond manager. Thankfully, this chapter of our history is over, and I look forward to moving on with more transparency and better fiscal and legal management with our new team in place,” said BHUSD Board of Trustees President Mary Wells.

Dr. Michael Bregy, Superintendent of the BHUSD also issued a statement about the verdict to the school community.

“Today we received the verdict regarding the final chapter of our MTA journey. We are disappointed in the decision as we were optimistic that the jury would have seen the merits of our case and awarded a more favorable result. However, with this conclusion, there is now no pending litigation with MTA, and we are moving forward.

“The good news is we will begin the new school year with a fresh start in so many areas. The BHUSD community deserves our full attention to be focused on teaching and learning. This summer our leadership team and the Board of Education restructured our foundation for excellence. We are well positioned to welcome you back and hit the ground running. I am excited to continue working with you as we reimagine education together.”

(BHUSD Awarded continues on page 17)



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Photos by Lisa Friedman Bloch



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Questions? Email us at businesswithbosse@beverlyhills.org



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Thursday, August 25, 2022
TIME: 1:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard
LOCATION: Commission Meeting Room 280A
Beverly Hills City Hall
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210



Members of the public may also participate via teleconference; details provided below

PROJECT ADDRESS: 421 North Rodeo Drive
(nearest cross street: Brighton Way)

The Planning Commission of the City of Beverly Hills, at its **REGULAR** meeting on **Thursday, August 25, 2022**, will hold a public hearing beginning at **1:30 PM**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard to consider the following:

Conditional Use Permit. A request for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow for the establishment of a cosmetic spa located at **421 North Rodeo Drive**. Pursuant to Beverly Hills Municipal Code (BHMC) §10-3-1620.2, a CUP shall be obtained prior to the establishment of such facility.

This project has been assessed in accordance with the authority and criteria contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15000 et seq.), and the environmental regulations of the City. Upon review, the project appears to qualify for a Class 1 Categorical Exemption (Existing Facilities) in accordance with the requirements of Section 15301 of the state CEQA Guidelines. This exemption is applicable to the minor alteration of existing public or private structures involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Accordingly, the Planning Commission will consider a recommendation to find the project exempt from the environmental review requirements of CEQA.

How to Participate

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According to Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge the City's action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City, either at or prior to the public hearing. Please note that any comments received prior to or during the public hearing will be considered as part of the public record.

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact **Didier Murillo, Associate Planner**, in the Planning Division at (310) 285-1156, or by email at dmurillo@beverlyhills.org. Copies of the project plans and associated application materials are on file in the Community Development Department, and can be reviewed by contacting the project planner listed above.

Sincerely,
Didier Murillo, Associate Planner



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PROJECT ADDRESS: 464 North Beverly Drive
(nearest cross street: South Santa Monica Boulevard)

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Conditional Use Permit. A request for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow a vehicle sales use at **464 North Beverly Drive**. The applicant, Faraday, proposes to occupy the ground floor of an existing multi-tenant building. The project site is zoned Commercial (C-3) and, pursuant to Beverly Hills Municipal Code (BHMC) §10-3-1604, vehicle sales are permitted only if authorized by a CUP.

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A REVIEW OF A REVISED VERSION OF THE 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT IN RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (HCD)

The Project is a review of the City of Beverly Hills' adopted 2021-2029 Housing Element of the General Plan, which has been revised in response to comments from the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The 2021-2029 Housing Element was adopted on October 12, 2021 by the City Council, but has not yet received certification from HCD. At this time, the revised Housing Element document is being presented to the Planning Commission at a public hearing to obtain their input and feedback before it is submitted to HCD for review. Once the Housing Element is certified by HCD, it will be brought forth to the Planning Commission and City Council for re-adoption. The revisions to the Housing Element include but are not limited to:

- Revisions to the Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) analysis section, and addition of information regarding outreach, historical context, and policies/programs to address fair housing issues in the City;
- Revisions to the sites inventory section, which identifies sites with potential housing capacity sufficient to meet the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA);
- Additional and revised policies/programs related to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs), which intend to incentivize their construction;
- Additional policies/programs related to entitlement processing and permit fees;
- Addition of more specific language and target dates for the implementation of certain policies/programs; and
- Addition of information regarding existing City programs and actions responsive to comments provided.

The Housing Element is a planning document, which contains programs and policies to guide housing development in the City. The Housing Element includes the following topics: analysis of the City's demographic characteristics and housing needs; evaluation of resources and opportunities available to address housing needs; analysis of potential constraints to meeting the City's housing needs; a review of the City's accomplishments during the previous planning period; and updated policies and programs intended to address the City's housing needs for the next 8 years. Additionally, the Housing Element discusses how the City's land use and zoning regulations and programs will accommodate the City's Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA), which is the number of housing units expected to be needed for the next planning period (2021-2029), and includes housing at various levels of affordability. The Housing Element calls for changes to the land use and zoning regulations in the City, but does not approve specific development projects, and does not propose physical development nor construction. The Project area covers the entire City of Beverly Hills, since the Housing Element addresses housing conditions throughout the City. The revised Housing Element document will be available at: www.beverlyhills.org/housingelementupdate. In order to be notified about when this document becomes available to the public, please send an email to housingelement@beverlyhills.org to be added to the interested parties list.

Environmental Review

The City of Beverly Hills previously adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the updates to the Housing Element of the General Plan (Project). The City of Beverly Hills was the lead agency, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and was responsible for the preparation of the IS/MND. The Project description and Project location are described above. The adopted MND concluded that the project would not result in any significant environmental impacts. The document is currently available for viewing at www.beverlyhills.org/environmental. If a digital copy cannot be obtained by an interested party, please contact the staff listed in this notice and alternate arrangements will be made.

Since the Planning Commission is not considering adopting a revised Housing Element at this time, and is only reviewing and providing comments on the revised version that will be submitted to HCD, no revisions to the MND that will be considered at this time. Once the Housing Element receives certification from HCD, the Housing Element will be brought back to the Planning Commission for re-adoption, at which time further environmental review, if necessary, will be completed.

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Any written comments received by end of the day on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 will be attached to the agenda report regarding this item. Any comments received after Tuesday, August 16, 2022, but prior the public hearing, will be distributed to the Commission under separate cover.

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If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact **Chloe Chen, Associate Planner** in the Planning Division at (310) 285-1194, or by email at cchen@beverlyhills.org. Copies of the project plans and associated application materials are on file in the Community Development Department, and can be reviewed by any interested person at 455 North Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210.

Sincerely,
Chloe Chen, Associate Planner



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TERM BEGINS JANUARY 1, 2023

Design Review Commission – One Vacancy
Recreation and Parks Commission – One Vacancy
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TERM BEGINS JULY 1, 2023

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Recreation and Parks Commission – One Vacancy

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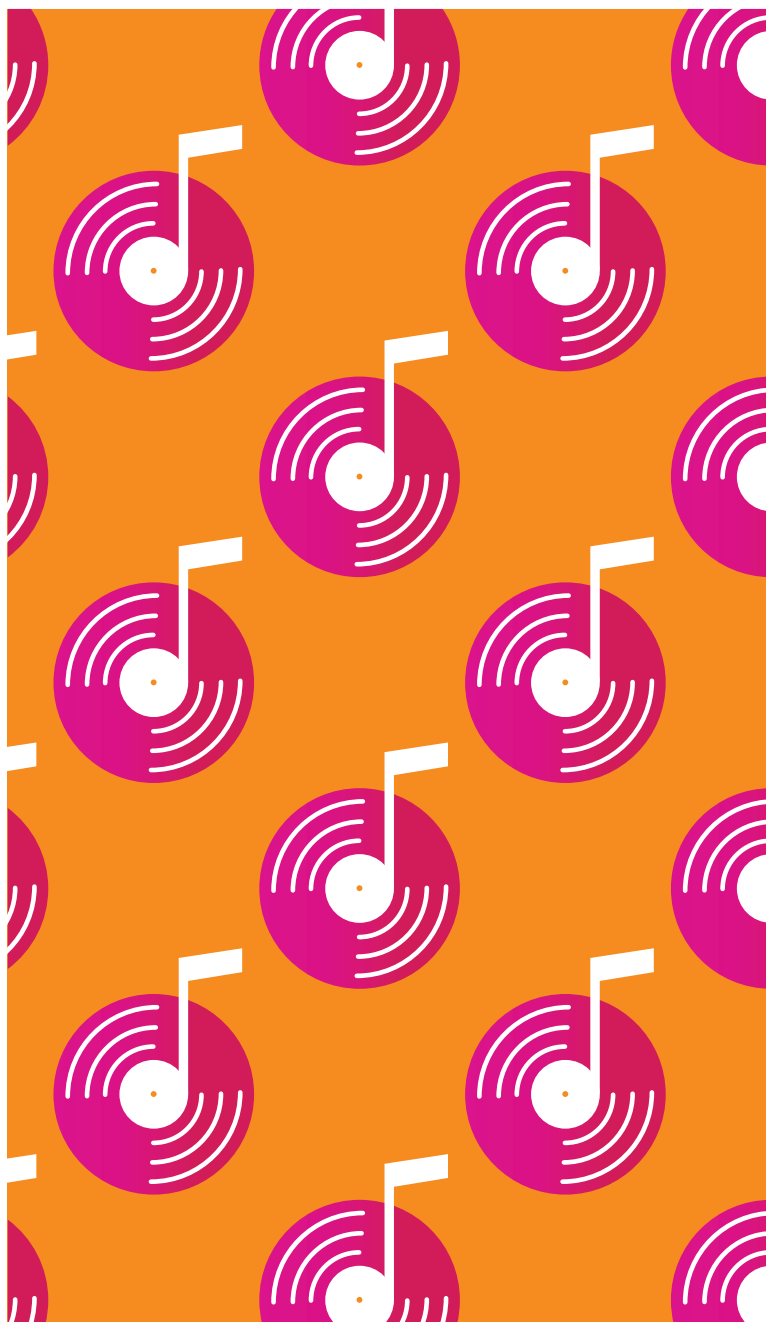


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“Golden Girls” Pop-Up Is a Bridge to the Past

BY BIANCA HEYWARD



Shady Pines Bar

Step inside the Miami home of Blanche Devereaux and grab a seat at the kitchen table at the new “Golden Girls” themed pop-up restaurant in Beverly Hills. The restaurant replicates the iconic kitchen, Blanche’s palm print covered bedroom, and a Shady Pines bar. The pop-up opened at 369 N. Bedford Drive on July 30, which was “National Golden Girls Day.”

An homage to the iconic NBC sitcom “The Golden Girls,” the pop-up is a fully functioning fast-casual restaurant (with an emphasis on desserts) and bar that transports guests to the girls’ 1980’s hangout spots. The pop-up has ample photo moments for fans to enjoy from the kitchen table to the lanai and more.

The menu was developed by executive chef Royce Burke with classic items like Sophia’s Lasagna al Forno (with vegan options), The Lanai: A “Miami style” Cuban sandwich, Blanche’s Georgia style cookie, a bacon lettuce potato sandwich, specialty cocktails, mocktails and cheesecake. Diners are required to purchase tickets in advance, and each 90-minute reservation includes a “Golden Main” and a slice of cheesecake. Guests have the option to purchase additional sides, drinks, desserts and exclusive The Golden Girls Kitchen merchandise. In partnership with East Side Cheesecakes, guests can order a variety of different cheesecake flavors including chocolate, strawberry, pumpkin, and Oreo.

The fully immersive restaurant experience is a collaboration between the online community Bucket Listers and Bucket Listers Creative Director Derek Berry. The pop-up is expected to open in New York City in the fall, Miami and San Francisco in the winter, and Chicago in the spring of 2023.

Tickets start at \$39 per person during non-peak hours and \$49 during normal hours.

For tickets, visit <https://bucketlisters.com/event/golden-girls-kitchen>.

Beverly Hills Lowers Flag to Half-Staff to Honor Vin Scully



The City of Beverly Hills flag has been lowered to half-staff and City Hall was lit in blue to honor legendary sports broadcaster and Los Angeles Dodgers icon Vin Scully, who passed away on Aug. 2.

“Southern California has lost a family member,” said Mayor Lili Bosse. “The memories he created for fans and families will endure forever. He is and always will be the Dodgers.”

(Honor Vin Scully continues on page 17)

Concerts on Cañon

AUGUST 2022

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241 N. Canon Drive, Beverly Hills

(200 Trunks continued from page 1)

The exhibit's raison d'être is simple: a celebration of the anniversary of the birth of Louis Vuitton. The Parisian luggage maker was born to humble circumstances in France 200 years ago. Today, the Maison bearing his name anchors a global empire and is synonymous with audacity and innovation. Who better then to populate the birthday party than a guest list of the world's top visionaries? Two hundred of them were invited to conjure up their own version of the iconic Vuitton trunk created in the 1850s.

The result is as striking as one would expect.

"200 Trunks 200 Visionaries: The Exhibit" is a carnival funhouse for grown-ups, complete with dark passages, flashing images, a room filled with balloons and a bit of sensory overload. It's a voyage back and forth in time as seen through the lens of mainstream icons and disrupters from the arts, sciences and activism. Pop culture co-exists with street culture, skateboard culture and hip-hop in the show, befitting a brand that constantly reinvents itself.

Armed with a work space of roughly 50 x 50 x 100 centimeters (the size of the Vuitton trunk), participants produced finished products that include the whimsical (a Lego-created birthday cake trunk at the entrance); the futuristic (Willo Perron's aluminum robot trunk); the elegantly simple (Nigo's beautifully wrapped trunk "package"); the contemplative (Gloria Steinheim's ode to a life spent traveling for causes); the

shocking (Ben Ditto's glowing cholera bacteria eating itself from the inside out) and the refreshingly silly (the history of the world as told by The Simpsons).

Special rooms showcase the above-mentioned (resin) balloon-festooned trunk from L.A.'s own Robert Moy of the Brooklyn Balloon Company. Another room is dedicated to Frank Gehry's birthday "tea party in a trunk," featuring Alice in Wonderland-inspired participants that look eerily like voodoo dolls.

The majority of the trunks are displayed on two main levels of the exhibit. On the ground floor, visitors enter past a giant robot sculpture composed of (what else?) trunks and then pass through a darkened room dedicated to a "magic box" trunk paneled in digital screens.

The first major display area is a warehouse-like space housing dozens of trunks stacked artistically atop each other. The notion that each work is the brainchild of a prominent creator with its own unique backstory can be overwhelming to the first-time visitor. While QR codes can be scanned to reveal information about the works, not all of the codes are easy to access. A better idea is to study the extensive exhibit website ahead of time (<https://louis200.com>). There, a list of the 200 participants, with an explanation of their artistic process and inspiration (many with videos), awaits. The advance homework will pay off, making encounters with the real-life works of art more meaningful.

Moving on past the warehouse room and the aforementioned Brooklyn Balloon Company room, visitors will climb up a stairway adorned with the same distinctive light grey and orange stripe that appears in the windows of the building. The pattern is meant to evoke an early motif of the Vuitton trunks. It leads to the "Dreamscape" level, housing some of the most imaginative and complex pieces, including British magician Dynamo's trick of embedding a trunk in a huge glass bottle. A traveling trunk affixed to a mini hot air balloon is the entry from multimedia artist KidSuper, while the South Korean group BTS chose to personalize their trunk with panels of messages.

Dog lovers will be drawn to "Monster's Playhouse," an elaborate dog house in a trunk by Derek Blasberg, while devotees of Southern California car culture will appreciate the "Lowrider Trunk" by Be Good Studios.

After wandering through the Dreamscape level, one last room holds a jukebox built in a trunk, the brainchild of British DJ and producer, Benji B. The jukebox really works and can play 200 specially-selected tracks. It's a fitting coda to an exhibit that "has always been about creativity," said Faye McLeod, Louis Vuitton's Visual Image Director.

Of course, the exhibit is also about connecting the past and the present. To that end, one of the most poignant entries is on display unobtrusively on the first floor. It is from the Asnières Maison de Famille, the Louis Vuitton ancestral home and workshop.

It is a trunk embellished with an image of the Vuitton family home that invokes an Impressionist painting. It seems hard to imagine, but in the 1860s when Vuitton ran a successful luggage shop in Paris, the group of young artists who founded the Impressionist movement were beginning to shake up the art establishment. Eventually, they created a new way to see the world.

Vuitton, in his own way, did exactly the same thing.

"200 Trunks, 200 Visionaries: The Exhibit" runs through Sept. 6.

468 North Rodeo Drive,
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Opening hours:

Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Sun. 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

<https://www.louis-200-exhibition-los-angeles-fastpass.com>



The trunk depicting the Louis Vuitton ancestral home and workshop

Photo by Ana Figueroa

BOLD Summer

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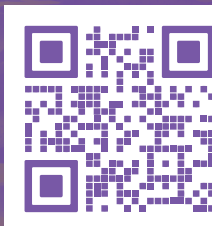
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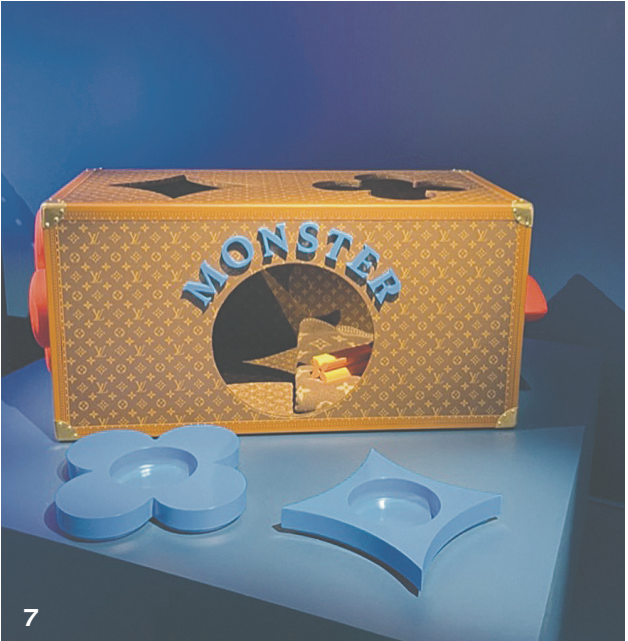
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- 1. Frank Gehry’s “Tea Party for Louis”
- 2. Jean-Michel Othoniel’s “Trunk of Hope”
- 3. LV200 Soap Box Car by Playlab, Inc.
- 4. Stairway to the Dreamscape level
- 5. “Lowrider Trunk” by Be Good Studios
- 6. Benji B’s “Jukebox”
- 7. “Monster’s Playhouse” by Derek Blasberg

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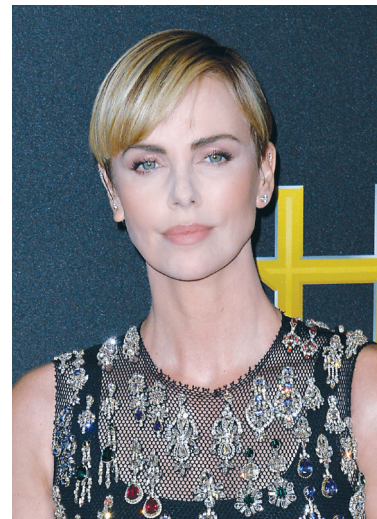
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Astrology

BY HOLIDAY MATIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If you don't possess a quality, it won't bother you to see it in others. What's bothersome is to recognize a quality in others that you do not enjoy in yourself. Self-acceptance is a key to loving others and vice versa.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You will witness inspiring examples of sharing and caring -- indeed you may be the instigator of these acts, as you will be moved to express the deep affection you feel for loved ones.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The well-known solution is not the one for you. You pull things together in unexpected and fascinating configurations and will raise eyebrows, praise and money as a happy result.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Relationships don't fix the problems of individuals, though they may distract from those problems or cloak them in a different garb. Each individual must ultimately solve for their own soul.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Fighting for a principle isn't so hard. Many people have what it takes. Living up to a principle is the real challenge. Start there, because if you can't live up to the principle, maybe it's not worth fighting for.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). When you're interested in someone, everything they say intrigues you. Even ordinary topics are made riveting. You'll find a little introspection on the matter to be beneficial. What do you think is really driving your curiosity?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You offer something that people will quickly get used to having in their daily lives. You'll either fill a need they didn't realize they had, or you'll create a need by providing something very interesting.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). In the juggle of your daily life, you may drop a few balls and that's to be expected. Even the professionals who practice thousands of hours drop a few, but the main thing is getting quickly back in the flow.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Hooray! You're on the final stretch of a project. You've been at this so long it's hard to remember the

before times. You had no idea what you were getting into back there but giving up just isn't your style.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you have a list, you're already ahead of the competition. You won't get to everything on it, which is good. "If you have accomplished all that you planned for yourself, you have not planned enough." -- Edward Everett Hale

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). While there is such a thing as wise anger, it's rare. Most of the frustrations you experience today can

be overcome when you learn a different way to think about them. You'll be so helped by your curious and open mind.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There's no benefit to holding back or playing it cool today. Express your feelings. Whatever excites you will revitalize others too. Let people see your interest, curiosity and happiness. You never know who needs the joy infusion.



Meet Toyota, the featured puppy of the week in need of a new home. He's a 12-week-old chihuahua mix who's ready to join a lucky family. To inquire about Toyota, please contact Shelter of Hope at 805-379-3538.

www.shelterhopepetshop.org

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The measure only applies to side and rear yards. It is for both single-family and multifamily residences. The city’s Trousdale and Hillside areas are excepted from the plan.

The ordinance is “in the best interest due to safety,” said Planning Chair Myra Demeter, a view echoed by other commissioners.

“Loathe as I am to say this, build the wall,” quipped Vice Chair Gary Ross.

Wolfe, meanwhile, gave the hypothetical of a burglar climbing into a property, stating, “The ability to reach out and climb up a 16-foot wall or fence seems more difficult.”

Mark Stainbrook, the city chief of police, agreed with Wolfe’s analysis. In testimony, Stainbrook said the added height makes home invasions, “quite a bit harder.”

“We do think it could have some effect,” Stainbrook offered. “The more you can do to make a target harder for the criminal to enter, the better.”

The police chief hedged on hedges, which may be more penetrable than a wall or fence.

“I sort of don’t have an opinion on the hedge,” Stainbrook said.

Curing caffeine addiction

The commission approved a new retail shop at 9661 Brighton Way despite questions of who the applicant was and what the business is for.

On the agenda: A proposed “cosmetic spa” from Sonny Henty that is to be called Eterne by ProTorc.

However, Ben Talei, a doctor at the Beverly Hills Center for Plastic Surgery, testified on behalf of the project while accompanied by Henty’s wife, Andrea Henty.

Talei explained the spa is his project. Sonny and Andrea Henty help manage his business operations, he told commissioners, and put in the application because of “time constraints” on his end.

The business will also serve as a non-medical wellness center, Talei explained, providing “natural alternatives to caffeine.”

The “main focus” is “people who have caffeine addictions, have trouble sleeping, and other issues.”

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In a tribute on Tuesday night, the team called him the “heartbeat of the Dodgers -- and in so many ways, the heartbeat of all of Los Angeles.”

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The verdict has generated extensive conversation on social media. Additionally, at least one former public official, retired LA Country Supervisor Zev Yaroslavy, excoriated the district’s handling of the matter in published reports. Describing the ongoing litigation as frivolous and politically

The business will conduct intakes for “why people are tired.” It will also offer “some off menu beauty stuff,” Talei said.

Commission members voiced satisfaction with the project.

“There is a great cry for this type of business here,” Demeter said.

Basement brouhaha

Can a real estate project first proposed back in 2016 be grandfathered out of a city ordinance that became law in 2018?

That was the crux of a voluminous debate on the planned 13,200-square-foot home at 1510 Lexington Road. The developer is Lexington Prime Estate, LLC, a business operated by prolific Los Angeles real estate investor David Taban, according to state records.

To build the two-story residence, the developer has sought to cut down 10 trees and build an 8,134-square-foot basement. At issue is the basement, which commission members pointed out exceeds current day size restrictions.

Commissioners were not sure if the current proposal was “substantially similar” to the one made six years ago. Ultimately, the panel tabled the project until the next commission meeting on Aug. 11 - much to the consternation of Lexington Prime Estate representative Russell Linch.

“You could just print out all the old documents,” Linch said, arguing the matter could be settled today.

It is “very frustrating,” added Linch, a former project representative for other high-profile developers including Mohamed Hadid. “This feels wrong.”

More room for medical

The commission also moved to make permanent “an urgency ordinance” first introduced in November 2020 that “Allows the conversion of existing commercial spaces to medical space” upon meeting certain criteria.

Under city law, medical facilities are zoned differently from commercial properties. The measure to expand eligible medical space now goes to the full City Council. ●

Scully joined the team’s broadcasting booth during the 1950 season when they were still in Brooklyn. He moved with the team to Los Angeles in 1958 and called thousands of games until his retirement in 2016.

Councilmember John Mirisch presented Scully with a key to the city in 2017. ●

motivated, he said the matter had left both students and taxpayers “shortchanged.”

In comments to the Beverly Hills Weekly, Yaroslavy added, “The \$1 million that the jury awarded Beverly Hills could have been negotiated in less than an hour over a decade ago.” ●

(Holiday Decorations continued from page 4)

One important difference between holiday decoration plans from 2021 and those for 2022 is that this year, Hanukkah will overlap with Christmas. Hanukkah decoration elements were separated from those for Christmas in 2021 but this year, Hanukkah will begin on Dec. 18 and end on Dec. 26. As a result, Revis recommended that elements for the separate holidays be incorporated together.

Two key elements of winter holiday decorations from previous years are the Beverly Gardens Park Hanukkah menorah statue and 14-foot Christmas tree. The tree is no longer working and the menorah statue’s base needs to be replaced as it was not designed to be climbed on, which many visitors have done while taking photos with it. Liaisons agreed to replace both decorations, which will cost a total of about \$36,000.


The audio system that played music along major streets in the city experienced serious malfunctions last year. As a result, technicians were called on a weekly basis. Consultants now advise that the system is past its lifespan and will not be reliable this season. Liaisons approved replacing the system at an estimated \$90,000.

With the sidewalk improvement project on Robertson Boulevard set to continue into the fall, Revis recommended that colored

lights replace the canopy décor on trees from previous years. This would save an estimated \$50,000 and allow construction to proceed with minimal disruption. The liaisons also approved a request to replace bows and faux tree garlands that decorate parts of Dayton Drive, Brighton Way and S. Santa Monica Boulevard. The garlands were initially purchased in 2016, and the new replacements should last another five years.

In addition to the discussion about decorations that need to be replaced, Revis requested feedback from liaisons on new decoration proposals for winter 2022. They elected to have a light sculpture exhibit at Beverly Canon Gardens and a light show to be projected onto Beverly Hills City Hall. The show will run from Nov. 17 to Jan. 1 and will end nightly no later than 10 p.m.

The committee will meet again on Aug. 14 to get updates on some details requested about the decoration plans and to hear a presentation from the Rodeo Drive Committee on the Rodeo Drive Holiday Lighting Celebration that is tentatively set for Nov. 17. ●



BURTON WAY LANE CLOSURE

Wednesday, August 10 through Late September, 2022
(24 hours per day)

Westbound Burton Way will be closed between Oakhurst and Palm Drives for the installation of an underground reservoir. Traffic will be detoured onto Doheny Drive. Local access will be granted to residents between Doheny and Oakhurst Drives.

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Beverly Hills High School Assistant Principals Phil Chang and Samantha Jung, and interim Co-Principals Kim Decatrel and Drew Stewart. Photo courtesy of BHUSD

(Co-Principals continued from page 1)
The 2022-23 school year marks the beginning of Stewart’s sixth year in the district and Decatrel’s fourth year.

“The last few years were really tough, and we had to grow in a lot of ways as a school,” Decatrel told the Courier. “We had to band together to make it through some very tumultuous times, but now we’re in a

position to reengage with the momentum we had in building our culture, in moving our test scores, and addressing student’s social emotional needs, so that we have a program that addresses the whole student. We’re feeling very well positioned to make progress in all those areas.”

Prior to BHUSD, Stewart taught at Steele Canyon High School in East County, San

Diego for 13 years, where he primarily taught 11th and 12th grade history. Before starting at the district, Decatrel was an education administrator at the New York City Department of Education.

“Part of the reason we’re feeling so optimistic is because we have a great team this year with our Assistant Principal Phil Chang and new Assistant Principal, Samantha Jung,” Decatrel told the Courier. Chang remains on the administrative team in his role as Assistant Principal of Operations, and former Horace Mann Assistant Principal of three years, Jung will now serve as the second interim Assistant Principal for the 2022-23 school year. “We have a wealth of institutional knowledge, loyalty, enthusiasm for our community and really highly skilled people on the team,” Decatrel said.

Of primary importance to district administrators was maintaining continuity for students and being able to make more progress as a result. With shared leadership styles, Stewart and Decatrel stressed that the bedrock of their work is in maintaining communication and fostering relationships with staff, students, and families.

“My leadership is collaborative, empathetic, and goal and relationship oriented,”

Stewart told the Courier. The duo has adopted a “fail forward” mentality, hoping to instill a sense of trust and safety for students to learn, grow, and experiment. “We’ve worked together closely as assistant principals for three years,” Stewart said of Decatrel. “So, I think it’s just a matter of making sure that we’re not duplicating efforts.”

For Stewart, the challenge ahead lies in continuing to bring students and staff together out of isolation and out from COVID-19 restrictions. “I want to really try to bring not just a feeling of normal back, but of progress and pushing forward,” Stewart said.

“It’s a very huge job,” Decatrel added. “On any given day, any administrator will say, ‘I wish I could clone myself to be able to be multiple places at once.’ So, this is a great opportunity for that. We can engage with students and families and teachers a lot more than we would have been able to before.”

“We’re super grateful to be given this opportunity by the district, and to be able to work with the community,” Stewart said. “Beverly Hills is a special place, and we can’t believe the amount of support from all our community partners and how welcomed we feel by the community.” ●

(Homelessness continued from page 1)
Bosse also called for “hardcore data and accountability.”

“We’re just hearing stories,” the mayor noted after a meeting that extensively discussed crime and mental illness but provided almost no statistics on either subject.

The scant data on Beverly Hills homelessness that does exist is a count conducted on one evening, at 9:30 p.m., each year.

In 2020, 16 unhoused people were counted, per Hunt-Coffey’s report. No 2021 tally took place due to the pandemic. In 2022, 27 people were counted.

Such numbers are a far cry from the 65,000 homeless residents overall in Los Angeles County.

Still, the count may jump in the daytime, which is when most Metro commuters go between Santa Monica and downtown Los Angeles, the report noted.

Under that theory, the number of homeless could increase further in 2024 when the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority is expected to finish the Wilshire/Rodeo Purple Line station.

Several residents testified that homelessness already threatens their way of life. These community members equated homeless people with making evening walks unsafe, harassing women, and posing threats to “regular persons,” as one resident put it.

One speaker proposed that Beverly Hills appoint a full-time prosecutor to deal with the issue. Another said that while she is a supporter of law enforcement, she felt police did not do enough to protect city residents from being accosted by “crazy” homeless people.

“Many of my peers are considering moving because they consider the situation hopeless,” testified Amy Conroy, who said she is afraid to let her children play outside.

Residents and council members referenced a circulated photo of a perhaps homeless person smoking crack cocaine outside the Rite Aid.

But for the most part, Bosse and council members attempted to see both the

concerned resident’s perspective and that of the homeless.

Councilmember John Mirisch, for example, suggested “humanizing” the homeless population through the city taking data on their age and familial status.

“Are the homeless a danger?” said Councilmember Lester Friedman. “Perhaps, but more than likely not.”

“Being homeless, or being an eyesore, or smelling bad is not against the law,” Friedman said.

But the intersection between homelessness and lawlessness was up for debate.

The City of Beverly Hills does not per se outlaw homelessness. However, it is illegal to sit, lie or sleep on a public, street, alley or sidewalk in the city.

Bosse and Hunt-Coffey explored the potential absurdity of the law. The officials presented the hypothetical of a middle-aged woman sitting outside her favorite café while sipping iced tea and eating an avocado toast. Should the woman choose, for whatever reason, to sit on the sidewalk they would be in violation of the law.

The ordinance needs to be elaborated upon or perhaps thrown out, the mayor said.

“We’re not necessarily enforcing our own ordinance,” Bosse said. “I don’t think we ever want an ordinance we don’t enforce.”

The mayor also expressed concern about the homeless outreach team, which currently patrol two nights a week from 9 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Bosse and other council members sounded support for expanding the program’s resources.

Other solutions, including addressing mental health issues that can lead to homelessness, may require Los Angeles County cooperation.

Hunt-Coffey mentioned a partnership with Los Angeles County in which a mental health social worker teams up with the Beverly Hills Police Department. But the program has not gotten off the ground, because, “The county is having some trouble hiring social workers.”

(Council Discusses continued from page 5)

Aside from the draft letter concern, the Council was willing to offer suggestions to the RHNA process.

“Anything that is a formula is going to be one-size-fits-all, I think you need to look at a variety of factors and perhaps there are very polycentric factors that we need to look at,” said Councilmember John Mirisch. “Let those areas that would like to have economic development, that are in a different stage in their development as a city, grow to their ideal size, height and weight and don’t force it on other places that are going to suffer because of it.”

Vice Mayor Julian Gold agreed, while also offering his own opinion on just how the number of units is determined. “I don’t have the same negative reaction to formulaic approaches depending on what the formula is,” he said. “For instance, you could create a formula where various elements are weighted differently for different cities.”

The Council agreed to review the draft and provide the city with thorough notes by August 12.

The Study Session’s focus then shifted to the advancement of the Beverly Hills parking system. The Beverly Hills Public Works Department shared upcoming projects that

will make it easier to pay for parking.

Public Works will be adding new technology to parking garages, on-street parking meters and pay stations at the Santa Monica Five parking lots. Customers will soon be able to pay-by-phone and parking booths will be replaced with License Plate Recognition (LPR) to streamline transactions.

LPR functionality will be integrated with the police department’s mobile LPR technology to increase their geographical coverage capability.

Additionally, the number of Electric Vehicle Charging stations is increasing. Technologies and vendors are currently being explored and staff will present plans for review and recommendation by the City Council later this year. However, Tesla stations will not be coming to Beverly Hills as of right now.

The Council is eager to see the improvements currently worked on. “I’m very excited about this program,” said Councilmember Sharona Nazarian. “I think it’s going to be a fantastic way to modernize our community. [Parking is] the first point of impact and the last for a lot of our visitors.” ●

Hunt-Coffey said of the county, “They are working as quickly as they work to hire social workers.”

Though the Council was not sure what to do about homelessness, they had unambiguous feelings toward a United Nation’s commission regarding Palestinian territories - disband it.

Mirisch wrote a resolution calling for the end of the International Commission of Inquiry on the Occupied Palestinian Territories, which unanimously passed the Council. It is the Council’s first resolution on an international issue since a March measure that condemned the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

The U.N. commission has convened meetings over the past year, and published

a report in June regarding Middle East land including East Jerusalem.

Mirisch called such actions illegitimate due to commission members’ “pathological hatred of the Jews.”

“We see time and again that the United Nations looks to deny the historical connection between the Jewish people and their ancestral homeland,” said Mirisch. He argued that the international body condemns other prejudice but enable, “Jew hatred.”

Friedman and Bosse also voiced their support for a measure that they hoped would be replicated by municipal bodies across the world. ●

OBITUARIES

Phyliss Phillips Seidman
1930-2022

Phyliss Phillips Seidman, 92, a Philadelphia native and longtime Beverly Hills resident, died after a brief illness on July 10, 2022 in Thousand Oaks, CA.



A graduate of Beaver College and Syracuse University, she married Dr. Herbert Phillips in Philadelphia and moved cross-country to raise their family in California. She was a community activist, avid fundraiser, patron of the arts, boater, reader, sports fanatic, traveler, and mahjong player. A vibrant and politically active woman, she championed education as President of the Beverly Hills Unified School District PTA, worked as a program coordinator for UCLA’s Extension Program and was an active member of the Beverly Hills Brandeis University Chapter. She will be remembered for finding everything in life either “wonderful” or “marvelous.”

Phyliss is survived by her children, Michelle (Kenny Hughes) Portney, Scott Phillips and Eric (Nina) Phillips, her grandchildren Ariana (Jeffry) Tessier, Michael (Mary Leigh) Phillips and Robert Phillips and great-granddaughters Emerson and Reagan Phillips and Norah Tessier, as well as many loving nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased by her son Ronald “Ronnie” Phillips, husband Dr. Herbert Phillips and brothers Leonard (Evelyn) and Burton (Norma) Melnick.

Marvin Seidman, her husband of the past 25 years, passed away on August 2nd from complications of a broken heart.

She was lovingly interned in Hillside Memorial Park Cemetery, Los Angeles.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2022139813 The following is/are doing business as: **1)TEACHTHESPECTRUM 2)TEACH THE SPECTRUM 3)TEACHING REVOLUTION** 418-1/2 S. Doheny Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90211; **Alan Aymie** 418-1/2 S. Doheny Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90211; The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**, registrant(s) has **NOT** begun to transact business under the name(s) listed on: **Alan Aymie, Owner.** Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: June 24, 2022; Published: July 15, 22, 29, August 05, 2022 **LACC N/C BEVERLY HILLS COURIER**

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
for the
OUTDOOR WARNING SIREN SYSTEM
WITHIN THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA
Bid No. 23-350-6

BIDS – The City of Beverly Hills (City), California invites electronic bids for the **OUTDOOR WARNING SIREN SYSTEM PROJECT** within the city of Beverly Hills, California. The City will receive such bids electronically via PlanetBids up to **2:00 p.m. on August 30, 2022.** <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/39493/bo/bo-detail/96191>

PRE-BID MEETING – A virtual pre-bid meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. [Click here to join the meeting.](#) There will be site tours for all sites on August 10, 2022 beginning at 10:00 a.m at Roxbury Park located at 471 S. Roxbury Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90210. Every Bidder is encouraged to attend the pre-bid meeting and site tours.

SCOPE OF THE WORK – The work to be done shall consist of furnishing all required labor, materials, equipment, parts, implements, supplies, and permits necessary for, or appurtenant to, the construction and completion of the project indicated above in accordance with Drawings and Specifications prepared for this project.

In general terms, the contract work for this project shall consist of the following items of work:

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT
Miscellaneous			
1	Mobilization and Demobilization	1	LS
System Requirements			
2	Siren System	1	LS
3	Radio Control System	1	LS
Construction			
4	Installation of Poles	1	LS
5	Grounding and Surge Protection	1	LS
System Acceptance			
6	System Acceptance and Testing	1	LS
7	Training	1	LS
8	Contract Allowance	1	LS
A	Extended Warranty	1	LS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS – Proposals for the **OUTDOOR WARNING SIREN SYSTEM** within the City of Beverly Hills, California, shall be uploaded as a PDF file to PlanetBids up to the hour of 2:00 p.m., on August 30, 2022. Bid results as submitted will be posted on PlanetBids soon after downloading the bids. Award of the contract will be made during a subsequent meeting of the City Council.

ENGINEER’S ESTIMATE – The preliminary cost of construction of this Work has been prepared and the said estimate is **\$1.2 million.**

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES – There will be a Five Hundred Dollar (\$500.00) assessment for each calendar day that work remains incomplete beyond the time stated in the Proposal Form. Refer to the Proposal Form for specific details.

BIDDER’S QUESTIONS – Any questions or requests for information shall be emailed to the project manager, Samer Elayyan, P.E., at Selayyan@beverlyhills.org by 5:00pm on August 17, 2022. Any questions submitted after due date will not be responded to.

CONTRACTORS LICENSE – At the time of the Bid Deadline and at all times during performance of the Work, including full completion of all corrective work during the Correction Period, the Contractor must possess a California contractor’s license or licenses, current and active, of the classification required for the Work, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 9, Division 3, Section 7000 et seq. of the Business and Professions Code.

In compliance with Public Contract Code Section 3300, the City has determined that the Bidder must possess the following license(s): **Class “A” General Engineering Contractor**

SUBSTITUTION OF SECURITIES - Pursuant to California Public Contract Code Section 22300, substitution of securities for withheld funds is permitted in accordance therewith.

THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY BID OR ALL THE BIDS AND TO WAIVE ANY INFORMALITY OR IRREGULARITY IN ANY BID, BUT IF THE BIDS ARE ACCEPTED, THE CONTRACT FOR THE IMPROVEMENT WILL BE LET TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR THE PROJECT AS A WHOLE.

NOTICE— Fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14400, et seq., Business and Professions Code).

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
OF BULK SALE
(Division 6 of the
Commercial Code)
Escrow No. 120-30991-CM

(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.

(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: DR. SVETLANA FISHER, AN OPTOMETRIC CORP, INC., 7976 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90046

(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: SAME AS ABOVE

(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: SPECS APPEAL OPTOMETRY, 14810 HARTLAND STREET, VAN NUYS, CA 91405

(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: CERTAIN FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, G O O D W I L L , INVENTORY AND OTHER ASSETS of that certain business located at: 7976 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90046

(6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: SPECS APPEAL OPTOMETRY AND OPTOMETRIC SPECS APPEAL

(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is AUGUST 18, 2022 at the office of: GLEN OAKS ESCROW, 24018 LYONS AVE. SANTA CLARITA, CA 91321, Escrow No. 120-30991-CM, Escrow Officer: CYNTHIA MOLLER

(8) Claims may be filed with Same as “7” above.

(9) The last day for filing claims is: AUGUST 17, 2022.

(10) This bulk sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.

(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE.

DATED: JULY 26, 2022
BUYER(S): SPECS APPEAL OPTOMETRY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION
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PUBLIC NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CASE NO: 22SMCP00370
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
In the Matter of the petition of:
Natalie Kunin
To all interested person(s):
Petitioner:
Natalie Kunin
current residence address:
309 S. Bedford Dr., Beverly Hills, CA 90212
filed a petition with the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles,
1725 Main St., Room #102 Santa Monica, CA 90401, Santa Monica Courthouse,
on **August 02, 2022** for a Decree changing names as follows:
Present Name: **Natalie Kunin**
Proposed Name: **Nathalie Kunin**
The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING:
Date: **October 21, 2022**
Time: **8:30am**
Dept: **K**
The address of the court is: **Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main St., Room #102 Santa Monica, CA 90401, Santa Monica Courthouse.**
I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information in the foregoing petition is true and correct.
Signed:
Natalie Kunin
Judge of the Superior Court
Laurence H. Cho, Sherri R. Carter, Executive Officer/Clerk, By: Leslie Kulkin, Deputy Clerk
Dated: **August 02, 2022**
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