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**MINUTES OF THE BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Brentwood Presbyterian Church**  
**Wednesday, December 14, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Carolyn Jordan acted as Chair and called the meeting to order at about 5:35 p.m.

Council members present:

**REPRESENTATIVES**

Binder, John  
Brown, Pam  
Davis, Jane  
Edmunds, Eric  
Howard, Thomas  
Hulett, Judie  
Jalali, Meg  
Jordan, Carolyn  
Klein, Ray  
Krell, Marilyn  
Lador, Orit

Shaloo, Andrea  
Simmons, Sheila  
Smolen, Neil  
Watts, Larry

**ALTERNATES**

Adomian, Jerry  
Arbour, Elyse  
Jamal, Amber  
Morganthaler, Alisa  
Kahn, Teri Redman  
Reifsneider, Daren

\*Note: Only those Representatives and Alternates who are present at the meeting will be listed; late arrivals are asked to announce themselves so the Board can recognize them and list them as present.

**Elections**

The Chair recognized Marilyn Krell who presented the Nominating Committee's slate of officers for 2023: Chairman Carolyn Jordan; Vice Chairman Larry Watts; Secretary, Treasurer Jane and Non-Officer Executive Committee Member Judie Hulett. Ballots were distributed and collected.

**Approval of Minutes-**

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the October and November 2022 minutes were approved.

**Special Recognition Award-**

The Chair presented Janet Turner with a special award in recognition of her many years of service as Congressman Ted Lieu's liaison with the Brentwood community.

**Government Representatives-** None were present other than Janet Turner.

**LAPD Crime Report and Public Safety.**

The Chair recognized SLO Matt Kirk. There has been a slight increase in crime. He noted burglars are breaking rear glass doors and windows to gain entry after disabling alarm systems. He also addressed a number of questions from members and the public.

**Retail Cannabis Licensing-**

The Chair announced the ad hoc Cannabis Licensing Committee will continue to develop recommendations to present to the City to avoid situations such as the recent Cookies store on San Vicente which was permitted without any advance notice and opportunity for community input. She also indicated several other cannabis stores have been permitted or are in the process of being permitted in the area, apparently on Wilshire Boulevard.

**Proposed Resolution regarding No Smoking on Movie/Film Sets locations within a VHFHSZ.**

The Chair called for discussion of a proposed resolution regarding smoking on film locations in VHFHSZs.

There were a number of questions raised, including posting of non-smoking signs, penalties, designating a person to be responsible for enforcement. Watts explained that issue arose because non-smoking signs were being ignored. He briefly described how the film permitting process functions and that the City has adopted a number of special restrictions governing film permits have been adopted for specific communities. He explained that the proposed resolution is not intended to set forth detailed requirements but to initiate a dialogue with the City and FilmLA to adopt specific restrictions that should apply to all film permits for locations within a designated VHFHSZ.

THEREUPON, following the discussion and a motion duly made and seconded, the following was adopted.

WHEREAS outdoor smoking is prohibited in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZ);

WHEREAS, permits for film shoots are regularly issued by FilmLA for locations within a VHFHSZ;

WHEREAS, film permits can and do contain special conditions for numerous locations within the City;

WHEREAS, there are currently no special conditions limiting smoking included in film permits issued by FilmLA for locations within a VHFHSZ; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works has a dedicated Motion Picture and Television Manager, to act as the FilmLA contract administrator;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

The BCC urges the Motion Picture and Television Manager for the Board of Public Works require FilmLA to include a specific no outdoor smoking prohibition in all film permits issued for locations within a FHFHSZ.

**WRAC motion on De Leon-** Following a brief discussion and upon a motion duly made and seconded, the following action was taken.

RESOLVED, the Brentwood Community Council calls for Kevin de Leon to resign from the Los Angeles City Council.

**Environmental**

The Chair recognized Orit Lador who gave a brief update on her committee's plans to reach out to discuss environmental issues with residents at the Sunday Farmers Market. She also announced Barrington Recreation Center will host a public program on December 21 explaining various ways people may participate in recreational activities sponsored by the center, including pickle ball.

**Land Use-** The Chair briefly described several proposed multi-use projects, including a high rise development at Wilshire and Barrington. She also explained AOC will construct and interior

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wall to allow a second restaurant to open. This does not require any discretionary action by the City and BCC will send a no opposition letter at the request of the owner.

**Board Member and Public Comments**

Member Davis announced the schedule for Christmas services at the Brentwood Presbyterian Church.

Member John Binder noted that the City has not been cleaning debris from roads in Mandeville Canyon.

Nancy Freedman gave an update on the San Vicente median. She would like to see a single trunk coral tree planted. She also explained the time has come to consider planting other tree species in the median. In large part this is a necessity because coral trees are no longer be cultivated by nurseries.

**Election results-** Member Krell announced that all nominees were elected.

**Adjourn.**

The meeting adjourned at about 6:40 p.m.

**Next meeting:** January 11, 2023, time and location TBD.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Watts,  
Secretary