



October 18, 2013

RE: Council File 13-0046

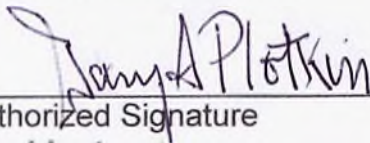
We, Gary Plotkin and Robert A. Ringler, declare that we are the President and Vice President, respectively, of the Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council and that on September 25, 2013, a Brown Act noticed public meeting was held by the BABCNC with a quorum of 12 board members present and that by a vote of 17 yes, 0 no, and 1 abstention the Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council adopted the following resolution:

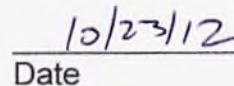
“1) To support the consolidation of the Planning & Building Departments and the Western Regional Alliance of Council’s support of that consolidation, and, 2) To oppose any efforts to oppose or hamper that consolidation.”

Therefore be it resolved that the Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council approves the above motion for the following purposes and community benefits:

- Currently, there is no enforcement of any Planning conditions that BABCNC spends countless volunteer hours negotiating and supporting our stakeholders to ensure Planning adjustments or variances are sensitive to the neighborhood and community.
- Often times, Building Departments issues permits in error without checking the underlying Planning approvals, in particular when it comes to adherence to the Baseline Hillside Ordinance.
- As such, we believe the consolidation of the departments will service our stakeholders, the NC and the community better by allowing the departments to communicate and enforce conditions.
- We also do not believe it is worth any additional investigation, the consolidation will be challenging but we are very cautious of any hampering of this consolidation.

This is a significant issue in our area for we have consistently had to be aware of applicants who ignore planning conditions or permits issued in error and this is the only way we believe the City can help reduce these issues that impact our residential stakeholders in a significant matter.


Authorized Signature


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