

VII. New Business

A. Compliance with Public Records Act: Morrison informed the Board that she received a letter from Bernard Franklin, of Hollywood Horizons Partnership, requesting a copy of the Burke Security contract on February 5, 2003. Morrison responded to Mr. Franklin's request on February 6, 2003, by mailing a copy of the contract in confidence, with an attached letter indicating that she was awaiting advice from the Los Angeles City Clerk, relative to the propriety and/or confidentiality of vendor contracts under the Public Records Act. On February 18, 2003, Morrison received a letter, written on behalf of Mr. Franklin, by Dennis Winston, from Moskowitz, Brestoff, Winston & Blinderman, asking for clarification relative to her request for Mr. Franklin to keep the contract confidential. Morrison distributed copies of all three letters, and indicated that she found the letter, written by Mr. Winston, "very offensive," for the reason that she responded to Mr. Franklin's request in a timely manner, and was in the process of obtaining advice from the City Clerk relative to requests for contracts. The Board suggested that Morrison submit a letter in response, reiterating the precedent nature of the request, and indicating that all requests were granted within 24-hours of Mr. Franklin's letter.

VIII. Report from Executive Director

A. Report–Observations from Coro Fellow: Morrison distributed a copy of the report summarizing his observations, after conducting interviews with HED property owners and community representatives.

B. City Planning Sign Ordinance Focus Group: Morrison indicated that the LA City Planning Department will be holding a second focus group meeting on February 25, 4 - 6 p.m. at the Hollywood Entertainment Museum. Property owners are invited to attend, and offer feedback for the proposed Supplemental Use District ordinance for Hollywood.

C. Chamber planning retreat: Morrison indicated that the Chamber needed to confirm reservations for their annual retreat in April, and the Board should consider the likelihood of convening a "BID planning session." After discussion, the Board did not elect to initiate a planning meeting at the retreat, and instead recommended holding a strategic planning session in Hollywood. Morrison reported that she would attend the Chamber retreat on behalf of the HED if agenda items were relevant to BID activities.

D. CRA Presentation to Board: Morrison reported that the Community Redevelopment Agency is interested in obtaining feedback from property owners relative to a proposed 5-year development plan on February 26 at 10:45 a.m. at the CRA-Hollywood office. Ed Collins, Joel Fisher, Donelle Dadigan, and Nathan Korman volunteered to attend.

E. American Cinematheque: Morrison indicated that she has been in discussions with the CRA and the American Cinematheque regarding the status of payment for delinquent assessments, running back five years. Morrison received copies of all outstanding tax bills, and the total amount owed, (including interest and penalties), is approximately \$150,000. Morrison will update the Board, as any progress of payments are made.