

Informal Minutes of Bel Air HOA, UCLA, and LASRE Meeting

Meeting Date: 13 June 2022

Attendees:

Hosts – Mr. Fred Rosen, Bob Anderson,

UCLA – Mr. Michael Beck, David Karwaski, Peter Hendrickson, and Ms. Duane Muller

LASRE – Mr. Michael Aparicio, Michael Hoghooghi, Shesi Xie, and Ben Jurjevich

This meeting with UCLA was arranged quickly, with a short notice to LASRE, by the Bel Air & Sherman Oaks' HOA & influencers – Mr. Fred Rosen and Mr. Bob Anderson – and hosted in the Bel Air Hotel conference room. The invitation did not have any agenda by the invitees, nor was any presentation requested from LASRE.

The intent of the meeting, as we understood upon attending, was for Mr. Rosen to articulate the needs & concerns of their neighborhood communities and hear directly from UCLA leadership their concerns to hopefully find an amicable solution for the project.

- The HOA hosts voiced their concerns regarding the risk of fierce ligations from tunneling under their communities, which will impact construction schedules, project affordability, etc. UCLA articulated their goals and objectives for the project and shared their willingness to work with the LASRE team to achieve them.
- Mr. Beck from UCLA mentioned the following flexibilities that UCLA may be willing to provide:
 - A station on UCLA Lot-36 property, with the goal to only use a small portion of Lot-36 – noting prior significant uses with the development of the Purple Line. UCLA will support this station if there was a direct/convenient transfer to the Purple Line (change in elevation is fine).
 - Mr. Beck is open to a spur line (ideally underground) – so long as it does not “get dropped” in the planning process. He voiced his flexibility in not requiring a 1-seat ride to the UCLA campus. However, UCLA would like to understand the time it will take to get to campus from the main rapid fixed guideway (this spur). UCLA was under the impression that such ‘spur lines’ were optional, or that they may be delayed for construction, if Metro budgets were strained for implementation.
 - UCLA was open to a connection that does not go directly up the Luskin center and instead drops off riders closer to the perimeter of campus.
- The UCLA team (David and Peter) requested collaboration between UCLA and LASRE to crystalize and improve on these flexibilities accordingly. They mentioned the collaboration process would assist UCLA in developing their long-range programming plan and analysis of the impact to their real-estate portfolio.
- UCLA showed interest in supporting LASRE’s new Design Option 2A, subject to reviews with the VA, so the transfer could take place with Purple Line at the Westwood/VA station (not the Westwood/UCLA station).
- UCLA suggested a Design Workshop in the next week to remove ambiguity in the understanding of LASRE’s proposals; followed by a series of Monthly Reviews through Sept. 2022 to ensure the project would be able to address as many UCLA needs as practicable.
- LASRE suggested for UCLA to facilitate these meetings, subject to the PDA third-party/stakeholder engagement processes.