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**GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday March 13, 2019, 7:00 pm
The Ebell of Los Angeles
743 S. Lucerne Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90005

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The Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an elected advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, made up of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us.

I. WELCOMING REMARKS:

- A. **Call to order** (Owen Smith – President)
- B. **Flag Salute**
- C. **Roll Call** (Max Kirkham – Secretary)

II. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Representatives from government offices and community-based organizations)

- A. CD4 Update (Rob Fisher)
- B. CD5 Update (Robert Oliver)
- C. LAPD Senior Lead Officers
- D. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (John Darnell)
- E. United States Census Bureau (Fred Mariscal, Partnership Specialist Los Angeles Regional Census Center)
- F. West Hollywood Advocates for Metro (Marina Kay)
 - a. Brief presentation on the Northern Extension of the LAX-Crenshaw line and information about community outreach efforts by LA Metro.
- G. Other Local Government Representatives

III. CITY BUDGET and NC BUDGET ADVOCATES (discussion and possible action) (Jack Humphreville)

- A. DWP Report
- B. Budget Advocate Report
- C. LANCC (LA Neighborhood Council Commission) Report

IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Those wishing to speak during general public comment are asked to complete a speaker card and submit it to the board administrator, or the Secretary, prior to the start of the meeting. All are welcome,

but time may be limited to 3-5 minutes per speaker at the discretion of the chairperson.

- V. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS** (Discussion and possible action)
 - A. **Review and adoption** of the February 13, 2019 minutes

VI. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

A. **Board Member Vacancy**

Positions eligible for nominations of qualified candidates, to be submitted to the board for approval

Area 3 – Country Club Heights

B. **Alternate Board Member Vacancies**

Positions eligible for nominations of qualified candidates, to be submitted to the board for approval

Area 3 – Country Club Heights

Area 12 – Western-Wilton

Renters

Business

Religion

C. **Board Member and Alternate Training Requirements**

All board members and alternates must complete ethics and funding training in order to vote on funding motions before the board. The training courses and instructions can be found at <http://empowerla.org/boardmembers/>. The following Board Members and Alternates are shown, by DONE, as NOT having completed the trainings noted below and are NOT eligible to vote on financial matters:

Adam Morgens – Ethics

Bridget Bones – Ethics & Funding

Kathleen Mulligan – Ethics

Hanne Mintz – Ethics & Funding

James C. Wolf – Ethics

Sue Horwitz – Ethics

Jeff McManus – Ethics

Nathalie Rosen – Ethics

Colin Turner – Ethics

- D. **Code of Conduct Policy** - All Board Members and Alternates are required to read and sign the Neighborhood Council Code of Conduct Policy (online version at <http://empowerla.org/code-of-conduct/>) within 30 days of their election or appointment.

VII. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

- A. **Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for February 2019** (Discussion and action)

2/1 Village Mail Call - Annual Mail Box Rental \$400

2/2 Public Storage \$146.00

2/8 San Wilshire - Election Materials \$181.49

2/12 Larchmont Chronicle - February \$358.00

2/13 San Wilshire - Board Print outs \$71.40

2/21 Lloyd Staffing SF Admin \$640.00

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2/26 San Wilshire LUC Handouts \$30.41

- B. **Approval of individual expenses listed in the February 2019 MER** (discussion and action)

- C. **Review of March 2019 Board Expenses that will show up on the April 2019 Monthly Expense Report** (Discussion only, no action necessary)

Ebell Board Room Rental \$350.00

Lloyd Staffing SF Admin

Lloyd Staffing DL Minutes

D. Approval of up to \$200 in Office Supplies

E. Approval of up to an additional \$2500 in election expenses if needed

VIII. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Tess Paige)

A. Report on the March 2, 2019 Committee Meeting

a. The meeting was cancelled and did not occur.

B. Election Update: (Max Kirkham)

a. The Candidate Information Session

C. Upcoming Outreach Committee meeting April

The next GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, April 6, 2019, at 9am, at Bricks and Scones Café, 403 N. Larchmont Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90005

IX. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Conrad Starr)

A. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting.

The next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be on Monday, April 15, 2019, 7:00 p.m., at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004.

X. SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Julie Stromberg)

A. Update and Report on March 5, 2019 GWNC Sustainability Committee Special Meeting
Meeting held at Bricks & Scones to address two items.

B. Revised Community Impact Statement (CIS) on Establishing Human Health and Safety Buffer Zones Between Oil Drilling Sites and Sensitive Land Use. (Dan Kegel, and Julie Stromberg) GWNC Sustainability Committee recommends for the GWNC Board file a community impact statement on establishing human health and safety buffer zones between oil drilling sites and sensitive land use. CIS is a revision based on comments from GWNC Board members.

Motion: GWNC to file a community impact statement on establishing human health and safety buffer zones between oil drilling sites and sensitive land use.

C. GWNC Sustainability Committee Water Wise Garden Tour 2019. (Julie Stromberg) The GWNC will host its third Water Wise (formerly Drought-Tolerant) Garden Tour on Saturday, June 22, 2019, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. This year's tour will feature the Greater Wilshire community of Windsor Square, and possibly some adjacent areas, with a highlight of a historic, LEED certified home with water wise garden in Windsor Square

Motion: Approve the GWNC Sustainability Committee to host its Water Wise Garden Tour on Saturday, June 22, 2019, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

D. Approve up to \$500 for the GWNC Sustainability Committee Water Wise Garden Tour 2019. (Julie Stromberg) The GWNC Sustainability Committee requests funding for its 2019 Water Wise Garden Tour to pay for advertising, outreach, and printed tour materials.

Motion: Approve up to \$500 for the GWNC Sustainability Committee Water Wise Garden Tour for advertising, outreach, printer tour materials, and other related expenses.

E. Update on Councilmember David Ryu's Tree Motions Set Forth in Council File Nos. 15-0467-S8, 18-0988, and 15-0499-S1. (Julie Stromberg) GWNC Board supported Councilmember Ryu's motions and submitted community impact statements to that effect.

F. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting. Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, at Marlborough School, Collins Room – D200, 250 South Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

XI. **LAND USE COMMITTEE** (Discussion and Possible Action) (Caroline Mosier)

A. **TOC/TNP:**

Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support holding a joint special meeting with adjacent Neighborhood Councils to discuss proposed Transit Neighborhood Plans.

- B. **Mae West Square** (Tamela D'Amico) Seeking the support of GWNC for a proposed Designation on Rossmore Avenue between Beverly Blvd and Melrose Ave as "Mae West Square." LUC voted to support 8/0/1 but suggested more outreach might be appropriate (ie: the Wilshire Country Club, Hancock Park HOA, and the El Royale.)

Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the proposed designation of Rossmore Ave, between Melrose Ave and Beverly Blvd, as "Mae West Square or Curve."

- C. **445 S Plymouth Blvd:** (Lopez Architects) Demolition Pre-inspection Application 18019-200005641/B18VN19612

Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the demolition permit for 445 N. Plymouth Ave

- D. **176 S. La Brea Ave** (Alex Kagianaris) A request to allow the sale and dispensing of Beer and wine only for on-site consumption in conjunction with a 1458 SF Restaurant with 44 indoor and 21 outdoor seats. Hours of operation are 7:00am to 11:00pm daily ZA-2018-5968-CUB. [Note: the agenda for the February 13, 2019 General Board meeting, and the subsequent motion, mistakenly refer to this project as "180" S. La Brea Ave.] At a duly noticed meeting of the GWNC Land Use committee on 02/26/2019, Mr. Kagianaris was present to speak with the committee. The committee decided not to make a recommending motion to the board due to a lack of community outreach, as well as the shortened window of time to adequately review the case as their hearing date was on March 05, 2019.

E. **Upcoming Land Use Committee meeting**

Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held at 6:30pm on March 26, 2019 at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave, the Collins Room, 200-D, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

F. **FUTURE LUC AGENDA ITEMS**

- a. **5212 Melrose Boulevard: (Dana Sayles)** The entitlement case for the historic Melrose Bungalows has been taken over by new representation. Update and information on revisions to the plans and historic analysis. Applicant is also in talks to present to the Larchmont Village Neighborhood Association.
- b. **800 S. 3rd Ave** (Lap Nguyen) New 2-story single family house on a vacant lot. Total living area 2855 sq. ft. Detached Garage 400 sq. ft. Porches 334 sq. ft. balcony 88 sq. ft. DIR-2018-5923-CCMP, ENV-2018-5924-CE
- c. **930 S. Mansfield Ave** (Warren Techentin, NELA-Edward Solis) A new 19-unit apartment building, 6 stories high with 4 one-bedroom and 15 two-bedroom apartments over 1 story of below grade parking. DZR-2018-7019-TOC, ENV-2018-7020-EAF. Project is currently on hold, Committee will discuss possible illegal demolition.
- d. **Reorganization of Administrative Provisions** Staff Report Released for Public Review (Karen Gilman)
- e. **TOC/TNP**
- f. **Quicker Liquor licenses/extended bar hours** (Karen Gilman)
- g. **State of Street Related Infrastructure Programs in Los Angeles** (Laila Alquresh) Executive Summary CF 17-1311.
- h. **622 N. Manhattan Place:** (Robert Tavasci) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 19019-70000-00361
- i. **5784-5786 ½ W. Melrose Ave:** (Adan Madrid) Notice of Exemption Tenant improvement for a new 7-Eleven with 24 hour operation. No alcohol sales. ZA-2019-422-CU, ENV-2019-423-CE
- j. **607 N. Manhattan Place:** (Matthew Hayden) Proposed Construction use, and maintenance of a new 6 story 10-unit apartment building including one ELI Unit with at grade parking providing 17 vehicle spaces and 12 bicycle spaces. Landscaping to be

retained or removed/replaced. DIR-2019-553-TOC, ENV-2019-554-EAF. 607 N. Manhattan Place: Demolition of a SFD with the construction, use and maintenance of a new 6-story, 67 ft 10-unit apartment building (1 ELI DU and 9 MKT rate DU). DIR-2019-553-TOC, ENV-2019-554-EAF.

- k. **622 N. Manhattan Place:** Demolition pre-inspection Application # 19019-70000-00361.
- l. 307S. Citrus Ave: Demolition pre-inspection application 19019-2000000575/B19VN01972.
- m. **206- 226 N. Larchmont Blvd:** A proposed parcel map to merge and re-subdivide 5 lots into two air space parcels. The existing site is improved and there will be two resulting commercial condominiums. AA-2019-557-PMLA-CC, ENV-2019-558-CE.
- n. **5080 Melrose Ave:** Demolition pre-inspection application 19019-20000-00882/B19VN03009

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Matters not identified above for future consideration and action

XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/LIASON REPORT (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Resilience Liaison Report (Conrad Starr)

- a. **Motion:** Whereas Mr. Terrence Gomes, Chair of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition and Battalion 18 Coordinator for the LAFD Community Emergency Response Team, has recently presented to at least 8 neighborhood councils who have enthusiastically endorsed his recommendations, the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council invites Mr. Gomes to deliver his 30-minute presentation on Post-Disaster Continuity of Operations (COOPS) and Continuity of Government (COGS) to the GWNC Board at its May 8th, 2019 meeting.

B. Final Board Meeting (Max Kirkham)

- a. Due to the March 31st GWNC general election, this meeting will be the final sitting of the GWNC board as it currently constituted. At its duly noticed meeting in April of 2019, the newly elected directors of the GWNC Board will be sworn in. At that same meeting, the board will elect new officers and discuss general board governance, functionality, and continuity.

XIV. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting

Next GWNC Board Meeting will be held at 7:00pm on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at The Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 S. Lucerne Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90005.

Items in italics above were unconfirmed at the time of publishing and may be tabled until a later meeting.

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