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**GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, October 19, 2016
7:00 p.m.

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 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 & Flag Salute** (Owen Smith – President)
- B. **Roll Call** (Joe Hoffman – Secretary)

II. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

(Representatives from government offices and community-based organizations)

- A. **Assemblymember Richard Bloom, District 50** (Tim Harter)
- B. **Assemblymember Miguel Santiago, District 53**
- C. **CD4 Update** (Daniel Park/Nikki Ezhari)
- D. **CD5 Update** (John Darnell)
- E. **LAPD Senior Lead Officers**
- F. **Metro** (Michael Cortez)
- G. Other local government representatives

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

- A. DWP Report
- B. Budget Advocate Report

IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (up to 2 minutes per speaker; speakers are requested to fill out speaker cards)

V. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS** (Discussion and Board Action)

- A. Review and adoption of September 14, 2016 minutes (Joe Hoffman)

VI. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT:**

- A. **Introduction, Approval, Installation of New Board Alternate** – (Discussion and Board Action).

Colin Turner – Area 4 – Fremont Place
Vince Cox – Area 7 – Larchmont Village
Nathalie Rosen – Area 15 – Windsor Village
Neighborhood Council Oath of Office:

“I pledge to represent the Greater Wilshire NC with dignity, integrity and pride. I will encourage other points of view, even when they differ from my own. I will respect, value and consider everyone’s opinion. I will find the good in my neighborhood and praise it and promote it. To my neighbors, and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best of my ability.”

- B. **Alternate Board Member Vacancies.** Eligible for nominations of qualified candidates, to be submitted to the Board for approval:

Education
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:

Brook – Ethics & Funding
Mintz – Ethics & Funding
Rosales – Ethics & Funding
Szentgyorgyi – Ethics & Funding

- 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. Members who have not yet completed the Code of Conduct include:

Brook

VII. **TREASURER’S REPORT** (Discussion and Board Action, as noted) (Patti Carroll)

- A. **Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report for September 2016** (Discussion and Board action)

9/6	Public Storage	\$117.00
9/9	Lloyd Staffing - Minutes Writer DL	\$160.88
9/9	Lloyd Staffing - Minutes Writer DL	\$199.49
9/9	Larchmont Chronicle - September Ad	\$340.00
9/13	Lloyd Staffing - Minutes Writer DL	\$96.53
9/16	San Wilshire - photocopies Board meeting	\$40.00
9/20	Lloyd Staffing - Minutes Writer DL	\$173.75
9/20	Ebell - September Board Meeting	\$350.00
9/20	Lloyd Staffing - Admin SF	\$400.00
9/20	Lloyd Staffing - Admin SF	\$400.00
9/29	San Wilshire - Photocopies LUC Meeting	\$25.07

B. Approval of individual expenses listed in the Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERs)
(Discussion and Board Action)

See above

C. Review of September 2016 Approved Expenses that will show up on the October 2016 Monthly Expense Report (Discussion only; no Board Action necessary)

10/3	Public storage	\$117
10/3	Lloyd Staffing- Admin SF	\$400
10/3	Lloyd Staffing- Admin SF	\$400
10/3	Lloyd Staffing- MR DL	\$244.53
10/13	Larchmont Chronicle - October ad	\$340
10/13	Larchmont Blvd Assoc. (Family Fair)	\$350
	Ebell - October Board meeting	\$350
	UMC- LUC meeting	\$150

D. Pre-Approval of Upcoming Board Expenses (Discussion and Board Action)

Public Storage – Nov	\$11
Larchmont Chronicle – Nov	\$340
Office Supplies	\$250
UMC LUC meeting	\$150
Sans Wilshire	TBD
Lloyd Staffing	TBD

E. Review and update of General Treasury information and DONE update.

Done deposited \$9250 into the GWNC account on 10/7.

VIII. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Board Action as noted) (Joe Hoffman)

A. Update on the October 1, 2016 meeting

B. Larchmont Fair (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

Volunteers needed for setup, clean-up, and booth duties in shifts from 11am to 5:30 pm.

C. Content of November 2016 GWNC ads in the Larchmont Ledger and Park LaBrea - Beverly Press (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

D. Approval of the 5x7 GWNC Information Card (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

Presentation of proposed artwork for the card approved at the last meeting.

E. AIDS Walk Los Angeles (Julie Stromberg)

TeamGWNC recruitment for the annual fundraising event on Sunday, October 23, 2016.

F. Request for Citizen Recognition Award Candidates

Please contact outreach@greaterwilshire.org with suggestions for future awards.

G. Next Outreach Committee meeting: November 5, 2016 at 9am at Bricks and Scones Café, 403 N. Larchmont Blvd. Note that due to the upcoming holidays, Outreach Committee meetings will be moved one week to the first Saturday of the month for November, December, and January.

IX. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Julie Stromberg)

A. The October 3, 2016 Transportation Meeting was Cancelled

The Next Transportation Committee Meeting: Monday, December 5, 2016, 7:00 p.m.; Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., 90004.

X. SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Julie Stromberg, Barbara Savage)

A. **Report on possible upcoming topics for next Sustainability meeting**

B. **Support Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance's (NCSA) call for 100% renewable energy by 2030** (Discussion and Possible Board Action)

The NCSA Board urges Neighborhood Councils to call for LADWP to shift its energy generation portfolio to 100% renewable energy by 2030 and refrain from further investment in its fossil fuel infrastructure.

C. **Next Sustainability meeting:** December 13, 2016, time and location TBD.

XI. **NEW BUSINESS** (matters not previously identified for future consideration and action)

XII. **LAND USE COMMITTEE** (Jim Wolf) (Discussion and Board Action, as noted)

A. **953 S. Citrus Ave**

Originally presented as an application for a subdivision of a single-family parcel to 2 single-family parcels in an R-1 zone which was opposed by the LUC and GWNC Board. Neighbors were notified of a demolition pre-inspection application. The Land Use Committee voted unanimously to oppose the application for the subdivision and the demolition pre-inspection application #16019-10000-03650.

Proposed motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the application for a subdivision of a single-family parcel to two single-family parcels in a R-1 zone at 953 S. Citrus Ave. and oppose the demolition pre-inspection application #16019-10000-03650.

[Note: the following items are presented for information only; no action is requested or required at this time.]

B. **Second Dwelling Unit Ordinance** – (Philip Farha) Unpermitted units had until September 30, 2016 to get a permit. The City standard has been repealed and the State standard AB1866 is being used. No Motion made and no vote taken the LUC.

C. **Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone** – (Joe Hoffman) The establishment of an Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone will enable owners of vacant property to apply for and enter into UAIZ agreements with the City to potentially receive a tax benefit if their property meets the eligibility criteria. CPC-2016-3161-CA, EN-2016-3162-CE. Planning Commission recommended approval of the ordinance at October 13th meeting. No motion was made and no vote was taken by the LUC.

D. **Possible agenda items for upcoming meeting:**

- i. **667-671 N Wilton Pl** – A density bonus project pursuant to section 12.22.A.25 For 2 on-menu incentives and using parking option 1. The project is a new 34-unit residential building, including 3 very low income units. ENV-2016-2599-EAF, DIR-2016-2598-DB
- ii. **6063-6065 W. Melrose Ave.** – New CUB Application requesting the sale of a full line of alcohol for on-site consumption at a new restaurant. Conversion of an auto shop to a restaurant is currently underway, ZA-2016-3374-CUB
- iii. **551 N. Bronson Ave.** – Application for hardship Exemption from the current ICO which prohibits expansions of greater than 20% of an existing home's floor area. Proposed addition is for 586 sq. ft. existing residence is 1,195 sq. ft.
- iv. **708-712 S. Gramercy Dr.** – Demo 2 single-family residences and build a 5-story, 32-unit apartment building.
- v. **3607 W. Olympic Blvd.** - (Lazlo Faerstain) Application for a Tentative Tract Map to build a 6-unit Small Lot Subdivision project.
- vi. **800 S. Lorraine Ave.** – (Kamran Khoubian) New 3-story, 11-unit apartment building on vacant.
- vii. **612 S. Norton and 4055 W. Wilshire Blvd.** - Updates on plans for townhouses and condominiums

viii. **7000-7024 W. Melrose Ave** - Density bonus with on-menu incentives for a 40-unit, 2-story residential development.

E. **Next Land Use Committee meeting:** October 25, 2016 at 6:30pm.

XIII. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. **Report on 2016 Congress of Neighborhoods** (Colette Amin)

B. **The Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count 2017** (Joe Hoffman)

Save the date for the annual count on Thursday, January 26, 2017.

XIV. **REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

XV. **ADJOURNMENT**

A. Next meeting - Wednesday, November 9, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

Time allocations for agenda items are approximate and may be shortened or lengthened at the discretion of the Chairperson.

Items in italics above are unconfirmed and may be tabled until a later meeting.

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- NextDoor.com
- The community bulletin board at the Bricks & Scones Café, 403 N. Larchmont Blvd., 90004
- Via e-mail (send a subscription request to admin@greaterwilshire.org)
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