



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting April 11, 2018
Approved by the Board on May 9, 2018

I. WELCOMING REMARKS

A. Call to order (Owen Smith – President)

A duly noticed Meeting of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”) Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, at the Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 S. Lucerne Blvd., Los Angeles. President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:03 p. m.

B. Flag Salute (Frances McFall)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Frances McFall.

C. Roll Call (Joe Hoffman – Secretary)

The Secretary called the roll. Sixteen of the 21 Board Members or their Alternates were present at the Roll Call: Tucker Carney, Jeffry Carpenter, Jennifer DeVore (Alternate for James Wolf, Vice-President), Philip Farha, Michael Genewick, John Gresham, Joseph Hoffman (Secretary), Frances McFall, Caroline Moser, Tess Paige (Alternate for Max Kirkham), Tammy Rosato (Alternate for Bradley Jewett), Owen Smith (President), Julie Stromberg, Colin Turner (Alternate for Bobbie Kumetz), John Winther and Greg Wittmann. Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Karen Gilman and Charles D’Atri arrived later. Scott Appel and Steven Senigram were absent and not represented by an Alternate. The GWNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is 3/5 of the 21 filled Seats, or 13 Members (see the Bylaws at

<https://lacity.quickbase.com/db/bj3apxsp3?a=q&qid=32&qskip=0&qrppg=1000&dlta=su46~>), so the Board could take such votes. All 21 of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Alternate Seats were vacant [Area 3; Business; Education; and Religion] [to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attended: approximately 19 Stakeholders and guests.

II. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS (Representatives from government offices and community-based organizations).

A. CD4 Update (Rob Fisher)

Rob Fisher, Deputy for L.A. City District Four Councilman David Ryu (323-957-6415; Rob.Fisher@LACity.org; <http://CD4.LACity.org>), could not attend and there was no report at this time.

B. CD5 Update (Robert Oliver)

Mr. Smith reported for Robert Oliver, Field Deputy for L.A. City District Five Councilman Paul Koretz (323-866-1828; Robert.Oliver@LACity.org; www.lacity.org/council/cd5), that there would be an April 24th Armenian Genocide March for Justice.

Board Members Patricia Carroll (7:05) and Karen Gilman (7:06) arrived at this time, making 18 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was 13).

C. LAPD Senior Lead Officers / CPAB

Joseph Pelayo, LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer (office 213.473.0476; mobile/text phone 213.793.0709; 31762@LAPD.LACity.org; www.LAPDWilshire.com), reported about a residential burglary. He urged reporting suspicious activity; they typically happen between 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., with someone looking around the front door, then going to the back. He recommended front and back cameras, facing the entrances.

Board Member Charles D’Atri arrived at this time (7:16), making 19 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was 13).

Alexander E. Ortez, Jr, LAPD Wilshire Division Sergeant (office 213.473.0476; mobile/text phone 213.382.9102; 27531@LAPD.LACity.org; www.LAPDWilshire.com), reported that the Police “prefer . . . call us” if you see or know of suspicious activity, instead of posting about it on social media such as Nextdoor, which often includes unsubstantiated rumors.

Hebel Rodriguez, LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer (office 213.473.0476; mobile/text phone 213.793.0715; 35738@LAPD.LACity.org; www.LAPDWilshire.com), reported that “thefts went up”; he reminded not to leave valuables in shopping carts or other public places, or in vehicles, and to remind neighbors. “Know your neighbors, know your community.” When reporting suspicious activity, the more details, the better.

D. Metro (Ned Racine)

Ned Racine, Metro Senior Construction Relations Officer (cell 213.479.7884, RacineN@metro.net; 24-hour information 213.922.6934; Bus Rapid Transit 24-hour hotline 213.922.2500+1; PurpleLineExt@metro.net; www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt; www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt; www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt), could not attend and there was no report at this time.

E. Department Of Neighborhood Empowerment (John Darnell)

John Darnell, Neighborhood Council Advocate, L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) (213-978-1551; John.Darnell@LACity.org; www.EmpowerLA.org), reported that land use planning seminars are available.

F. Other local government representatives

There were no other reports at this time.

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

A. DWP Report

[*This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #III. C.*] Mr. Humphreville reported that the Citizens Selection Committee for the Ratepayers Advocate will meet on Thursday. The 100% Renewables Advisory Committee has met several times. Mr. Humphreville was concerned about the reliability of the power grid: he believed the cost is uncertain given the high cost of solar and the needs for increased transmission lines and batteries. The One Water 2040 Plan that is being developed will cost almost \$14 billion, the funding

source of which is uncertain; more than likely, the City will try to have Ratepayers absorb a disproportionate share. The Metropolitan Water District approved the \$17 billion twin tunnels project despite the opposition of the Cities of Los Angeles and San Diego. This is expected to cost Ratepayers about \$5 per month.

B. Budget Advocate Report. Proposed Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council hereby supports the work of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates and their 2018 White Paper and approve the filing of a Community Impact Statement for Council file 18-0600.

Mr. Humphreville reported that the Budget Advocates [www.ncbala.com] reported that Mayor Garcetti has not released any upcoming budget details despite repeated requests. He questioned how the City will close the \$250 million budget deficit that is the result of huge wage increases caused by step increases, increased pension contributions, more employees, a 5% pay increase for Police and a yet-to-be-determined raise for City civilian workers. He believed it unlikely that any money will be reserved for the City's failed streets and other capital projects such as the revitalization of the LA River, Convention Center expansion, and Civic Center improvement. He reported that, over the last several years, the City has given tax breaks of about \$1 billion to developers of hotels near the Convention Center. He believed the developers do not need these subsidies as their returns on investment are more than adequate. The Budget Advocates issued their annual White Paper, which contains ten recommendations:

1. Increase transparency into the City's budget and finances by holding monthly town hall meetings at convenient times such as weekends or after 7 PM on weekdays.
2. Reject any new labor contracts or other agreements that will increase the budget gap.
3. Develop and implement a ten-year financial plan based on realistic and dynamic assumptions that eliminate the Structural Deficit, provide for the maintenance and repair of the City's infrastructure, pay for the City's out-of-control litigation costs, and begin to reduce the unfunded pension liability.
4. Develop a comprehensive plan to repair and maintain our streets and the rest of the infrastructure, including our sidewalks, parks, and urban forest. Accidents on City streets and sidewalks that need repair account for a substantial portion of the City's litigation costs.
5. Benchmark the efficiency of the City services, beginning with Public Works, Recreation and Parks, Building and Safety, and General Services.
6. Outsource to private contractors 50% of the repair and maintenance of our streets and sidewalks and compare the results with City-staffed crews. Work performed by independent contractors must be supervised to insure quality and that the work is on time and on budget.
7. Review and analyze the City's two underfunded pension plans and develop and implement recommendations to eliminate the unfunded pension liability over the next fifteen years. The pension plans are a ticking time bomb as the City is legally obligated to pay the pension liabilities that will accrue.

8. Build the Reserve Fund and Budget Stabilization Fund to an amount equal to 10% of the General Fund, a level recommended by the City Administrative Officer and the State of California. Unappropriated balances are not considered reserves. [Note: The Government Finance Officers Association suggests reserves equal to 17% of the General Fund.]
9. Develop a capital expenditure plan that addresses the expansion of the Convention Center, the improvement of the Civic Center, the revitalization of the Los Angeles River, compliance with the Clean Water Act, and the modernization of the City's Management Information Systems and IT infrastructure.
10. Establish an independent Office of Transparency and Accountability to oversee the City's finances and ensure fiscal responsibility. This recommendation was first made to the LA 2020 Commission, a body established at the suggestion of City Council President Herb Wesson.

MOTION (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Ms. Stromberg): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council hereby supports the work of Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates and their 2018 White Paper and approves the filing of a Community Impact Statement for Council File 18-0600.

DISCUSSION: It was noted that the Budget Advocates' recommendations are the same as this Board discussed in November.

MOTION PASSED by a hand vote with 18 in favor; one opposed (Carney); zero abstained.

C. LANCC Report

Mr. Humphreville reported that at LANCC [the Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition; LANCC@EmpowerLA.org; www.LANCC.org] an engineer from the County Public Works Department discussed a proposed stormwater parcel tax that has a high likelihood of being on the November ballot; see www.SafeCleanWaterLA.org. City Planners discussed Transit Oriented Development; people were skeptical about residents in luxury high-rises using the bus or subway.

IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

Danny Gibson and two other Brookside Homeowners Association (BHA) Board Members were opposed to a proposed "zoning split for Brookside." A BHA Board Member read aloud a letter sent to L.A. City District Four Councilman David Ryu. Mr. Smith explained the proposed zoning change, which would change some R-1 zoning to R-3.

Board Member Owen Smith recused himself and left the room at this time, making 18 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum is 13).

Stakeholder Liz Fuller explained that the proposal is part of work to protect neighborhoods from mansionization. A BHA Board Member stated that "there was not a consensus" among neighbors of a preference for more or less restrictive zoning. At this meeting, there was extensive discussion of what the BHA can do.

Board Member Owen Smith returned to the room at this time, making 19 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum is 13).

Judy Han-Gregory, Wilshire Park Association Co-President, was concerned about “unregulated . . . detox facilities” the City Council was considering regulating them, which she encouraged the GWNC to support. Such a facility that recently opened in a home next to hers is run by a renter; both are in a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ). Mr. Hoffman noted that the Land Use Committee will consider this at its [April 24th] meeting.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Board Action)

A. Review and adoption of the March 14, 2018 Minutes.

The following corrections were requested: “Risoto” should be “Rosato” wherever mentioned; page one, Item #II. A.: Larchmont Boulevard Association installed an American flag” should read; and page two, Item #II. F.: “Maguel” should read “Miguel.”

MOTION (by Mr. Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Winther): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Minutes of its March 14, 2018 General Meeting as corrected.

MOTION PASSED by a hand vote with 15 in favor; zero opposed; four abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes).

VI. PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

A. Alternate Board Member Vacancies. Eligible for nominations of qualified candidates, to be submitted to the Board for approval: Area 3; Business; Education; and Religion. Mr. Smith noted the above.

B. 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/>. Mr. Smith noted the above.

C. 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: Mintz – Ethics & Funding; Morgens – Ethics; Rosales – Ethics & Funding; Bobbie Kumetz – Ethics; Kathleen Mulligan – Ethics; and James C. Wolf – Ethics. Mr. Smith noted the above.

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-ofconduct/>) within 30 days of their election or appointment. Mr. Hoffman confirmed that all Board Members and Alternates are current.

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

A. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for March 2018 (Discussion and Board action)

3/2/18 - Public Storage \$129

3/3/18 - Hope Lutheran Church - LUC Meeting Feb \$135.00

3/8/18 - Ebell of Los Angeles - Feb Board Meeting \$350.00

3/8/18 - Ebell of Los Angeles - March Board Meeting \$350.00
3/12/18 - Lloyd Staffing -Minutes DL Board 1/8-1/14 LUC 1/22-1/28 \$257.40
3/12/18 - Lloyd Staffing - Admin SF- 1/1-1/7, 1/8-1/14 \$640
3/12/18 - Lloyd Staffing - Admin SF 1/15-1/21, 1/22-1/28 \$680.00
3/13/18 - Lloyd Staffing - Minutes DL 2/12-2/18 \$283.14
3/14/18 - San Wilshire - Board Handouts \$54.61
3/16/18- San Wilshire - Green Fair Flyers \$76.30
3/27/18 - San Wilshire - LUC Handouts \$59.41
3/27/18 - Larchmont Chronicle – Jan \$358
3/27/18 - Larchmont Chronicle – Feb \$358
3/27/18 - Larchmont Chronicle – March \$358
3/29/19 - Hope Lutheran – LUC Meeting March \$135
2/29/18 - Facebook – Green Fair Outreach \$50

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above and the GWNC March 2018 Monthly Expenditure Report.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for March 2018.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with all 19 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Hoffman, McFall, Moser, Paige, Rosato, Smith, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittmann); zero opposed; zero abstained.

B. Approval of individual expenses listed in the March 2018 MER (Discussion and Board Action). See above.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Hoffman): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the individual expenditures it made in March 2018.

Board Member Tucker Carney left at this time, making 18 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was 13).

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with all 18 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Hoffman, McFall, Moser, Paige, Rosato, Smith, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittmann); zero opposed; zero abstained.

C. Review February 2018 Board Expenses that will show up on the April 2018 Monthly Expense Report (Discussion only, no Board Action necessary)

Larchmont Chronicle - Feb 2018 \$358
Hope Lutheran Church - Feb LUC meeting \$135
Ebell – Feb Board meeting \$350
LAUSD – Permit Fee \$78
Lloyd Staffing TBD

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

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

Office Supplies up to \$300.00

Web & Email hosting (annual) – Media Temple \$240

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council pre-approves the upcoming expenses indicated by its Treasurer.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with all 18 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Hoffman, McFall, Moser, Paige, Rosato, Smith, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittmann); zero opposed; zero abstained.

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

Ms. Carroll reported that the storage fee will increase from \$129.00 to \$146.00 per month.

VIII. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Tess Paige)

A. The April 7, 2018 Outreach Meeting Report.

Ms. Paige reported.

B. Next Outreach Committee meeting: May 5, 2018, at 9am at Bricks and Scones Café, 403 N. Larchmont Blvd.

Ms. Paige noted the above and that, tentatively, the Committee will meet June 24th at John Burroughs Middle School regarding an emergency preparedness event.

IX. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Julie Stromberg)

A. Updates on Committee Meeting Action Items. Updates designation of historic Pink’s Square and letters of support for various traffic mitigation measures in the Greater Wilshire area.

Ms. Stromberg reported that the City Council designated Historic Pink’s Square at Melrose and La Brea Aves.

B. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting. The GWNC February Transportation Committee meeting was cancelled due to the date of the meeting conflicting with a holiday. The next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be on Monday, April 16, 2018, 7:00 p.m., at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004.

Ms. Stromberg noted the above.

X. SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Julie Stromberg)

A. Report from April 10, 2018 GWNC Sustainability Committee Meeting and Update on GWNC Sustainability Committee Projects. (Julie Stromberg).

Ms. Stromberg reported on the above.

B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Second GWNC Drought-Tolerant Tour
GWNC Board voted at the March 13, 2018 Board Meeting to host the second GWNC Drought-Tolerant Tour on June 3, 2018, with expenses for advertising and other related-expenditures up to \$500. The GWNC Sustainability Committee would like to host the

GWNC Drought-Tolerant on Saturday, June 2, 2018, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Proposed Motion: [see below].

Ms. Stromberg explained the above.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Stromberg, seconded by Mr. Farha): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will host its second Drought-Tolerant Garden Tour on Saturday, June 2, 2018, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., with expenditures for advertising and other related-expenditures up to \$500.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with all 18 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Hoffman, McFall, Moser, Paige, Rosato, Smith, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittmann); zero opposed; zero abstained.

C. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting with Featured Presentation by Climate Resolve. Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at Marlborough School, Collins Room – D200, 250 South Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

Ms. Stromberg noted the above.

Board Member Patricia Carroll recused herself and left the room at this time, making 17 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum is 13).

XI. AD HOC COMMITTEES GWNC (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. 2018 GWNC Neighborhood Purposes Grants. (Julie Stromberg). The GWNC will be awarding up to two grants, with a maximum award of \$1,000 each, for the 2017-2018 GWNC NPG Awards. Applications were due on Friday, March 23, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. (PST). The NPG Committee was reduced from 7 members to 4 members. The GWNC received 4 NPG applications, three that were complete: Anderson Munger YMCA, Hope Net, and Van Ness Elementary. The NPG Committee unanimously recommended to award an NPG to Van Ness Ave. Elementary. Anderson Munger YMCA came in second. The Committee, with the exception of one member, was split on all three applicants. Proposed Motion: [see below].

Copies were distributed of filled-in Neighborhood Purposes Grant applications for the three entities. Ms. Stromberg explained that “we received four applications; three were complete” and “considered.”

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will award the following Neighborhood Purpose Grants: \$750 to Van Ness Ave. Elementary, \$750 to Anderson Munger YMCA, and \$500 to Hope Net.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Hoffman, McFall, Moser, Paige, Rosato, Smith, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittmann); zero opposed; zero abstained; one recused (Carroll).

Board Member Patricia Carroll returned to the room at this time, making 18 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum is 13).

B. BYLAWS Committee: (Caroline Labiner-Moser)

Ms. Moser indicated that there was no report at this time.

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

There were no Board Member comments or new business at this time.

XIII. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action, as noted) (Caroline Labiner Moser)

[The following sub-section first paragraphs are copied from the Agenda.]

A. Presentation by LAUSD on John Burroughs Middle School modernization project. The LUC will place this on a future agenda for community feedback.

Ms. Moser noted that “no one spoke against it.”

B. 947 S. Norton Ave: (Discussion and Possible Action). Application is for conditional use permit for a public parking lot in the R1-1 zone to be used as parking for an adjacent commercial business. ZA-2017-4917-CU, ENV-2017-4918-CE. The LUC voted 9-0-0 to support the project as noted below. Proposed Motion: [see below].

Ms. Stromberg explained the above.

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Hoffman): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will recommend to the City Zoning Administrator to approve the application for a Conditional Use Permit for the historic parking lot use at 946 and 947 S. Norton Ave. with the conditions in the attached March 15, 2018 Wilshire Park Association letter.

Board Member Frances McFall left at this time (8:33), making 17 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was 13).

DISCUSSION: Mr. Farha believed “this sets a very bad precedent . . . the R-1 zone needs to be protected.” Ms. Moser said that there are “quite restrictive conditions.”

MOTION PASSED by a hand vote with nine in favor; three opposed; four abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes).

C. 946 S. Norton Ave: (Discussion and Possible Action). Pursuant to LAMC section 12.24-W, 37, a conditional use permit for a public parking lot in the R1-1 zone to be used as parking for an adjacent commercial business. The Board previously voted 4-8-3 to oppose the CUP for a public parking lot. ZA-2017-3955-CU, ENV-2017-3956-CE. The LUC voted 9-0-0 to support the project as noted in item XIII.B. See motion above.

See above Item #XIII. B.

D. 4827 W. Oakwood Ave: (Discussion and Possible Action). Preliminary Parcel Map for a Small Lot Subdivision. Demo a Single-Family Residence to construct a 4-Unit SLS. AA-2017-5342-PMLA-SL, ENV-2017-5343-CE. LUC voted to support the project with conditions noted in the motion. Proposed Motion: [see below].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Hoffman): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the project at 4827 W. Oakwood Ave. as presented with

the condition that the Board has received and accepted the Land Use Committee's requested outreach from the applicant.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Hoffman reported that "we have not received the required outreach."

MOTION FAILED unanimously by a hand vote with zero in favor; all 17 opposed; zero abstained.

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the project at 4827 W. Oakwood Ave. as the Board has not received and accepted the Land Use Committee's requested outreach from the applicant.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- E. 5115 W. Wilshire Blvd.: Discussion and Possible Action). Conditional Use Permit to allow the continued operation and maintenance of an existing 4485 sq. ft. restaurant with on-site sales and consumption of beer and wine. 114 indoor dining seats and 24 outdoor patio dining seats. CUB-Hours of operation and alcohol sales from 11 am to 11 pm daily. ZA-2018-540-CUB, ENV-2018-541-CE. The LUC voted 9-0-0 to support the CUB. Proposed Motion: [see below].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Ms. Stromberg): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the application for a Conditional Use Permit at 5115 W. Wilshire Blvd. for the sale of beer and wine as presented, with the condition that the City Planning Dept. revisit the CUP for beer and wine if the business ownership changes.

MOTION passed by a 16__ vote; _0_ opposed; _0_ abstained.

- F. 5212 W. Melrose Ave: (Discussion and Possible Action). Application for designation of the bungalow court as a Cultural Historic Monument. The LUC voted 9-0-0 to support the application. Proposed Motion: [see below].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the Cultural Historic Monument application for 5212-5218 W. Melrose Ave.

DISCUSSION: Susan Hunter described the "historically significant" structures built in 1921-22. She said "the owner has not weighed in yet." Ms. Moser reported that "the owner came to [the Land Use Committee] with a proposal for a hotel." Stakeholder Elliott Rosenberger supported the protection. Resident Alexandra Hong reported that "the harassment continues"; she described the owner's actions as "completely unscrupulous and unethical . . . this is not a mom-and-pop landlord."

MOTION PASSED by a hand vote with 16 in favor; zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes).

- G. 149 N. Western Ave: (Discussion and Possible Action). A Conditional Use Permit to allow the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with an

existing 1,219 sq. ft. restaurant with karaoke and live band entertainment. Hours of operation are from 6am to 2am, daily. ZA-2017-5527-CUB. Previous ZA determination for ZA-CUB-2013-1516 was for hours of operation until midnight daily in lieu of hours of operation until 11 p.m. Proposed Motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the recommendation of the St. Andrews Square Neighborhood Association regarding the requested expansion of business hours from midnight to 2 a.m. and the addition of karaoke and live band entertainment for the business located at 149 N. Western Ave.

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Hoffman): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the recommendation of the St. Andrews Square Neighborhood Association regarding the requested expansion of business hours from midnight to 2 a.m. and the addition of karaoke and live band entertainment for the business located at 149 N. Western Ave.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Carroll read aloud a letter from the St. Andrews Square Neighborhood Association opposing the project. It was agreed to revise the Motion word “regarding” to “opposing.”

AMENDED MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Hoffman): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the recommendation of the St. Andrews Square Neighborhood Association opposing the requested expansion of business hours from midnight to 2 a.m. and the addition of karaoke and live band entertainment for the business located at 149 N. Western Ave.

AMENDED MOTION PASSED by a hand vote with 14 in favor; two opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes).

H. The next Land Use Committee meeting will be April 24, 2018 at Hope Lutheran Church, 6720 Melrose Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90038.

Ms. Moser noted the above and reported that Max Kirkham is researching detox centers. Ms. Hunter described work of the Coalition to Preserve LA [2PreserveLA@gmail.com], including on SB 827, which “keeps changing.”

I. Possible agenda items for upcoming meetings:

- i. Potential local regulation of Detox Centers in residential neighborhoods.
- ii. SB 827 Planning and zoning: transit-rich housing bonus
- iii. 3323 W. Olympic Blvd. & 975-987 S. Manhattan Pl.: 7-story residential building w/ 95 apartments, 2 levels of subterranean parking w/ 162 parking stalls. CPC-2018-656-DB-SPR, ENV-2018-657-EAF.
- iv. 3323 W. Olympic Blvd & 970-996 S. Manhattan Place. 7-story mixed use building w/ 114 apartments and 3,550 sq. ft. of retail (hours of operation 9am to 9 pm) fronting Olympic Blvd., with 2 levels of subterranean parking w/ 216 parking stalls. CPC-2018-617-DBSPR, ENV-2018-618-EAF.
- v. 5784 W. Melrose Ave. 24-hour 7-11 convenience store with no alcohol sales.
- i. 870 S. Gramercy Dr. A tier 3 TOC project for the construction, use, and maintenance of 53 unit apartment building.

Ms. Moser indicated that above Item #“iii” “is a transit-oriented development project including “two quite large buildings.” Mr. Gresham is “requesting a group of people to meet with” City Councilman Ryu.

XIV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

- A. Recap on GWNC Crime Town Hall. (Julie Stromberg and Tammy Rosato) In response to the recent uptick in crime in the Greater Wilshire area, the GWNC hosted a Crime Town Hall on March 14, 2018. LAPO officers from the Olympic and Wilshire divisions attended. Next steps are for every GWNC area representatives to connect Julie Stromberg and Tammy Rosato with block captain leads in their area to set up a Neighborhood Watch. GWNC should also consider establishing a Crime & Safety Committee.

Ms. Stromberg reported that “we had a great turnout . . . 100 people or so” including a number of Police officials. Ms. Rosato urged every GWNC area “to get organized” with safety teams. Ms. Stromberg is working with the LAPD on the Larchmont Village and Wilshire Park areas and suggested the GWNC start a safety committee.

- B. Update on Homelessness Issues (Joe Hoffman)

Mr. Hoffman reported that the City Council passed a Permanent Supportive Housing Ordinance and that Homeless Count statistics should be available in early May.

XV. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Next meeting – May 9, 2018

No other requests were made. Mr. Smith noted the above.

- B. Adjournment

Mr. Smith declared the Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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