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**GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, July 12, 2017
7 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 (Owen Smith – President)
- B. Flag Salute (Frances McFall)
- C. Roll Call (Joe Hoffman – Secretary)

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

- A. CD4 Update (Catherine Landers)
- B. CD5 Update (Robert Oliver)
- C. LAPD Senior Lead Officers / CPAB (Frank Rosato)
- D. Metro (Ned Racine)
- E. Department Of Neighborhood Empowerment (John Darnell)
- F. Other local government representatives

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

- A. DWP Report

Motion re the recent IBEW Contract:

Whereas the DWP Board of Water and Power Commissions approved the new labor agreement between the Department of Water and Power and IBEW Local 18 at a Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 20, 2017;

Whereas the Notice of this Special Meeting was not given until Monday, June 19, 2017;

Whereas the documentation concerning the new labor agreement was not placed on line until the day of the meeting;

Whereas the City Council approved the new labor agreement on June 28, 2017;

Whereas DWP, the City Council, and the Mayor did not conduct any outreach to the Neighborhood Councils or the Ratepayers;

Whereas, the lack of transparency erodes the trust of confidence of Ratepayers and Angelenos in the Department, the City Council, and the Mayor;

Therefore, the DWP Committee condemns the lack of transparency by DWP, the City Council, and the Mayor;

Therefore, the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council calls for a full presentation and discussion on the new labor agreement to the Neighborhood Councils and Ratepayers.

B. Budget Advocate Report: Update and report on Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates - Budget Day 2017 (Julie Stromberg) (Jack Humphreville)

C. LANCC 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 June 14, 2017 minutes (Joe Hoffman)

VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

A. Introduction, Approval, Installation of New Board Alternate – (Discussion and Board Action).
Tess Paige – Area 9 – Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews
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
Area 3 Alternate

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:

Mintz – Ethics & Funding
Morgens – Ethics
Rosales – 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:

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

- A.** Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for June 2017 (Discussion and Board action)

6/5 Public Storage	\$129
6/7 Larchmont Buzz	\$1800
6/7 Wilshire United (May LUC)	\$150
6/8 San Wilshire - Board Handouts	\$97.50
6/8 Lloyd Staffing - SF 5/21	\$400.00
6/8 Lloyd Staffing - SF 5/28	\$400.00
6/8 Lloyd Staffing - SF 5/7	\$400.00
6/8 Lloyd Staffing - SF 5/14	\$400.00
6/8 Larchmont Chronicle	\$340.00
6/8 Wilshire United (June LUC)	\$150.00
6/11 Office Depot	\$313.20
6/11 Office Depot	\$4.34
6/12 Lloyd Staffing – SF June 4	\$400.00
*6/8 Ebell - Chk 5916	\$350.00
*6/13 Wilshire Crest PTA - Chk 5199	\$1000.00
*6/13 Enrich LA - Chk 5200	\$1000.00
Congress of Neighborhoods	\$500.00
Budget Advocates - chk 5142	\$500.00
*2/2 Artisenal Brewers	\$5.00

*outstanding check had not been cashed by June 13

- B.** Approval of individual expenses listed in the June 2017 MER (Discussion and Board Action)

See above

- C.** Review July 2017 Board Expenses that will show up on the July 2017 Monthly Expense Report (Discussion only no Board Action necessary)

Larchmont Chronicle, July - \$340
Lloyds Staffing, SF - TBD
Lloyds Staffing, DL - TBD
Ebell Rent, July - \$350
UMC Rent LUC, July - \$150
Public Storage, July - \$129
San Wilshire TBD

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

Chronicle Aug - \$340
Lloyds Staffing - TBD
Sans Wilshire, photocopies - TBD

LUC meeting space - TBD up to \$150

Ebell, Board meeting Aug - \$350

Public Storage, Aug - \$129

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

F. Budget Package for FY 2017-2018 (Discussion and board action) (Carroll/Hoffman)

DONE budget package for FY 2017-2018 includes the Annual Budget, Outreach Survey, Self-Assessment, and Strategic Plan.

G. Any other Board action pertaining to the Treasurers report that is not covered in the above categories

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

A. Update on the July 1, 2017 meeting. Discussion of advertising providers with presentations by Allison Cohen (Larchmont Ledger) and Liz Fuller/Patty Lombard (Larchmont Buzz), materials provided by the Larchmont Chronicle and the Beverly Press.

B. Presentation by Vincent Ababao, LAFD CERT Coordinator for Battalion 11 regarding free CERT training, Red Cross Home Fire Campaign (free smoke detectors), distribution of emergency bins to all NCs.

C. Citizen Recognition Awards

The Committee unanimously approved the nomination of Holly Holyk. Motion to approve and schedule the award at an upcoming Board Meeting

D. Next Outreach Committee meeting:

August 5, 2017 at 9am at Bricks and Scones Café, 403 N. Larchmont Blvd.

IX. **TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Julie Stromberg)**

A. Report on the Monday June 19, 2017 meeting at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA.

Next GWNC Transportation Committee will be on Monday, August 21, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., at Marlborough School, Collins Room – D200, 250 South Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004 (Tentative).

X. **SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Board Action) (Julie Stromberg, Barbara Savage)**

A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion GWNC Sustainability Committee Green Harvest Festival. The GWNC Sustainability Committee would like to host a Green Harvest Festival. This community festival will bring stakeholders together and connect them with city and private resources that will help them adopt a more sustainable or green lifestyle. The event will be held on Saturday, October 7, 2017, or Sunday, October 8, 2017.

B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion GWNC Sustainability Committee Green Harvest Festival. Request to fund up to \$1,500 for the GWNC Sustainability Committee a Green Harvest Festival to be held on Saturday, October 7, 2017, or Sunday, October 8, 2017. Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 12, 2017, 7:00 p.m., Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA

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

XII. **LAND USE COMMITTEE (Jim Wolf)**

A. **985-991 3rd Ave, formerly 3607 W. Olympic Blvd.** (Discussion and Possible Action) (Laszlo Faerstain) Applicant requests a Vesting Tentative Tract for 6 single- family lots in accordance with the Small Lot Subdivision Ordinance No. 176,354 on a 7,982.3 square foot parcel of land in the C2.1 zone. Applicant attended the Jan. 2016 Meeting but did not present and has since completely revised

the plans. VTT-73951-SL, ENV-2015-4443-EAF. The Land Use Committee voted 9, 0, 0 to oppose the project the developer did not appear.

Proposed motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the project at 985-991 3rd Ave until presented by the applicant.

B. **4806 W. Elmwood Ave** (Discussion and Possible Action) (T. Kim)

Demolish 1 existing single family dwelling, construct 4 lots small lot subdivision

AA-2017-1576-PMLA, ENV-2017-1577-EAF. The Land Use Committee voted 9, 0, 0 to oppose the project the developer did not appear.

Proposed motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the project at 4806 W. Elmwood until presented by the applicant.

C. **310 S. Van Ness Ave** Discussion and Possible action) (Steve Shaw) Renovation of existing rectory interior with second floor addition of 1,007 sq. ft. ZA-2017-0109-PAD, ENV-2017-0110-CE. The Land Use Committee voted 9, 0, 0 to support the project.

Proposed motion: That the Board of the Greater Neighborhood Council support the project at 310 S. Van Ness Ave.

D. **5570 Melrose Ave/647 N, Beachwood Ave** (Wilshire Discussion and Possible Action) (Tracey Clarke). This project was supported by LUC and the Board. Neighbors have filed an appeal because the developers have not complied with the agreed upon conditions of the DB and would like GWNC support. CPC-2016-4316-DB, ENV-2016-4317-EAF. The Land Use Committee voted 8 yes, 1abs, 0 no to support the neighbor's appeal.

Proposed motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the appeal.

E. **4749 W. Elmwood Ave** (Discussion and Possible Action) (Matthew Hayden)

Demolition of an existing single family dwelling and construction, use, and maintenance of new 14-unit apartment building, including 1 unit (10%) for very low income households, approximately 45-feet. Pursuant to: LAMC 12.22 a 25, approval of affordable housing incentives for DB as follows: parking option # 1; off-menu incentive-12-foot front yard; off-menu incentive-1 compact stall in lieu of a standard stall. CPC-2017-2121-DB, ENV-2017-2122-EAF. The Land Use Committee voted 9, 0, 0 to oppose the project the developer did not appear.

Proposed motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the project 4749 W. Elmwood Ave. until presented by the applicant.

F. **Council File #17-0274 Affordable Housing Linkage Fee / Housing Impact Trust Fund / Code Amendment(s) Directing Fees Derived from Projects**

The proposed ordinance introduces new regulations to establish the Affordable Housing Linkage Fee, a fee levied on new development meeting specific criteria to mitigate that development's impact on the demand for affordable housing. Fees generated as a result of this ordinance may be used to fund the construction of new units, or for the rehabilitation and preservation of existing affordable units..

The Land Use Committee voted 6, 2, 0 to oppose the Proposed Ordinance.

Proposed motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the Proposed Affordable Housing Linkage Fee Ordinance.

G. Next Land Use Committee meeting: July 25, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

H. Possible agenda itlems for upcoming meetings:

- i. **612 S. Norton and 4055 W. Wilshire Blvd.** - Updates on plans for townhouses and condominiums.
- ii. **3377 W. Olympic Blvd.** (Steven Sharp/Dan Zararoni)
Application for an Elder Care Facility, Medical Building – 146 Bed Units and 24 Memory Care Rooms APPC-2017-569, ENV-21017-570. Follow-up on Community Outreach efforts.
- iii. **3869-3879 Wilshire Blvd/626-664 S. St. Andrews Place:** 16 – Story, 196 – Unit Building with 5 levels of parking
- iv. A proposed amendment to LAMC concerning location restrictions and limited immunity

from enforcement of specific City prohibitions relating to commercial Cannabis Activity. CPC-2017-2260-CA, ENV-2017-2261-EAF.

- v. **5226 W. Melrose Ave:** Zone Variance to allow continued use of a 370 - sq. ft. spray booth within an existing auto body repair facility in the C2 zone that is within 500 – ft. of a residential zone. ZA-2017 -2354-ZV, ENV-2017-2355-EAF.
- vi. **5058 W. Maplewood Ave:** Demolition of an existing single family dwelling and construction of a new 13-unit building with 1 very low income affordable unit DB. DIR-2017-2437-DB, ENV-2017-2438-EAF.
- vii. **703 N. McCadden Place:** Modification of the approved Preliminary Parcel Map to allow a 20% reduction in the rear and side yards. AA-2016-1963-PMLA-M1.

XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

- A. **Congress of Neighborhoods** (Colette Amin)
- B. **Film Liaison report** (Colette Amin)
- C. **Homeless Liaison** (Joe Hoffman)
2017 Homeless Count results, Safe Parking Ordinance

XIV. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Next meeting - Wednesday, August 9, 2017

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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