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*GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL*

Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, June 13, 2018
7:00 p.m.

The Ebell of Los Angeles – Dining Room
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 (Rob Fisher)
- B. CD5 Update (Robert Oliver)
- C. LAPD Senior Lead Officers
- 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
- B. Budget Advocate Report
Budget Dav is June 23, 2018 and Jack Humphreville has expressed his wish to continue as Representative for the GWNC. Representatives act as liaisons between the Budget Advocates and the Neighborhood Councils that they represent.
Proposed Motion: That the Greater Wilshire NC Board continue Jack Humphreville as their

Budget Representative.

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 the May 9, 2018 minutes

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 – Country Club Heights
- Business
- Education
- Religion

B. Introduction, Approval, Installation of New Board Alternate – (Discussion and Board Action)
Conrad Starr – Renter Representative Alternate
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.”

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:

- Hanne Mintz – Ethics & Funding
- Adam Morgens – Ethics
- Bobbie Kumetz – Ethics
- Kathleen Mulligan – Ethics
- James C. Wolf – Ethics
- Bradley Jewett – 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** (Discussion and Board Action, as noted) (Patti Carroll)

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

OFFICE

5/1/18 - Ebell - April Board Meeting Rental	\$350
5/1/18 - Ebell - May Board Meeting Rental	\$350
5/2/18 - Public Storage - May	\$146
5/7/18 - Home Depot - Office Supplies	\$147.75
5/9/18 - San Wilshire Board Handouts	\$53.85
5/22/18- San Wilshire LUC Handouts	\$41.97
5/23/18 - Lloyd Staffing - SF Admin 3/12-3/18, 3/19-3/25, 3/26-4/1	\$880
5/23/18 - Lloyd Staffing - SF Admin 4/2-4/8, 4/9-4/15	\$520
5/23/18 - Lloyd Staffing - SF Admin 4/16-4/22, 4/23-4/29	\$500

5/24/18 - Lloyd Staffing - SF Admin 4/29-5/6	\$320
5/24/18 - Lloyd Staffing - SF Admin 5/6-5/13	\$340
OUTREACH	
5/1/18 - Park LaBrea News Advertising	\$250
5/8/18 - Larchmont Chronicle Advertising - April & May	\$716
5/21/18 - DNH Media Temple - Web/Email Hosting	\$240
NPG	
5/2/18 - HopeNet	\$500
5/2/18 - Van Ness Elementary	\$750
5/2/18 - Anderson Munger YMCA	\$750

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

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

D. Review and approval of end-of-year Budget Expenditures (Discussion and Board Action)

Transfer unspent CIP funds to Operations	
Larchmont Chronicle (advertising)	up to \$1500
Wilshire Ebell (Board meeting space)	up to \$1400
Office Supplies	up to \$300

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

A. The June 2, 2018 Outreach Meeting Report.

B. Update on Soft Story Town Hall Event.

C. Next Outreach Committee meeting: July 7, 2018, at 9am at Bricks and Scones Café, 403 N. Larchmont Blvd.

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

A. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be on Monday, July 16, 2018, 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. Report from April 10, 2018 and June 12, 2018 GWNC Sustainability Committee Meetings and GWNC Sustainability Committee Projects.

Report on GWNC Green Fair and GWNC Drought-Tolerant Garden Tour 2018. Discussion regarding upcoming projects and programs.

Proposed Motion: GWNC to host a rain barrel workshop with Rain Barrels, Intl. on Saturday, October 27, 2018, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Memorial L.A. High Library, 4625 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90019, with expenditures for advertising and other related-expenditures up to \$500.

B. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting with Featured Presentation by Climate Resolve.

Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at Marlborough School, Collins Room – D200, 250 South Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

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

A. Melrose Business Improvement District (BID) (Discussion and Possible Action) (Jeffry Carpenter and Philip Farha)

The Melrose Business Improvement District is seeking the support of the GWNC in the renewal by the LA City Council of its BID from Fairfax to Highland.

Proposed Motion: The Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council endorses the Melrose Business Improvement District’s BID renewal by the LA City Council.

B. Neighborhood Council Reforms (Discussion and Possible Action)

Councilman David Ryu (CD4) has proposed a motion to reform the Neighborhood Council system (Council file 18-0467) and is requesting feedback within 90 days via a CIS. Please see the motion for review and comment at the next Board meeting.

XII. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Caroline Labiner-Moser)

A. 3323 W. Olympic Blvd. & 975-987 S. Manhattan Pl (Kevin Reed and Dominic Hong)

7-story residential building w/ 95 apartments, 2 levels of subterranean parking w/ 162 parking stalls. Total gross building square footage = 123,445 sq. ft. Building height 95' CPC-2018-656-DB-SPR, ENV-2018-657-EAF. Density Bonus Review. The Manhattan Project I. Presenter possible changes. No motion made and no vote taken. Applicant will return with further updates.

B. 3323 W. Olympic Blvd & 970-996 S. Manhattan Pl. (Kevin Reed and Dominic Hong)

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. Total gross building square footage = 159,186 sq. ft. Building height 95' CPC-2018-617-DB-SPR, ENV-2018-618-EAF. Density Bonus Site Plan Review. The Manhattan Project II. No motion made and no vote taken. Applicant will return with further updates.

C. 4653, 4653 ½, 4655, 4657 Beverly Blvd. (Discussion and Possible Action) (Tari Kuvhenguhwa, Eddie Navarrette)

A CUB to allow the Zone Change for the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 2,322 sq. ft. restaurant with 48 indoor seats and with hours of operation from 8:00 am to 1:00 am daily. ZA-2018-1943 CUB, ENV-2018-1944-CE. The Committee voted to support the project

Proposed Motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the CUB to allow the Zone Change sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 2,322 sq. ft. restaurant with 48 indoor seats and with hours of operation from 8:00 am to 1:00 am daily at 4653, 4653 ½, 4655, 4657 Beverly Blvd.

D. 856-870 S. Gramercy Drive (Discussion and Possible Action) (Joseph Mayberg, Daniel Ahadian)

Demolish 3 single-family residences and a small child care facility to construct a 6-story, 53-unit multi-family project over 1-level of subterranean parking. Request 3 TOCs. 1) To allow a height increase of 22' from 45' to 67' with the 6th floor stepped back from street frontages. 2) to allow 2-yard reductions of 30% to the northerly and southerly side yards from the 9' required to 6.3'. 3) to allow a rear yard reduction of 30% from 15' to 10.5%. DIR-2018-1626-TOC, ENV-2018-1627-CE. Applicant agreed to return to LUC. Committee voted unanimously to oppose the project.

Proposed Motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the project at 856-870 S. Gramercy Drive as presented.

E. 985-991 3rd Avenue (Discussion and Possible Action) (Laszlo Faerstain, Michael Ko, Irina Tudorache)

Demolition of an existing SFD for new construction, use and maintenance of 6 story 51 unit apartments with 11 units set aside for low income. Requested entitlement: Pursuant to LAMC 12.22.a31, applicant request approval for the construction of a tier 2 TOC development. A 6-story and 51 unit apartment building with 11 units set aside as low income. Utilizing TOC base incentives: 1. FAR 2. Density 3. Parking reduction and two additional incentives: 1. Yard reduction to RAS 3 standards 2. Tier 2 Transitional Height Option. LUC voted unanimously to oppose as presented.

Proposed Motion: That the Board of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the project at 985-991 3rd Avenue as presented.

F. The next Land Use Committee meeting will be June 26, 2018 at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave, the Collins Room, 200-D, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

G. Possible agenda items for upcoming meetings:

- i. **236 S. Larchmont Bl.** The Jane Club. Use of an R-1 zoned property for a commercial use.
- ii. **5212 W. Melrose Ave.** Repurposing of 10,045 sq. ft. building for a new boutique hotel use, consisting of up to 18 guest rooms, with a small hotel lobby. Requested entitlements: 1.

Conditional use permit to allow a hotel within 500 feet of any A or RE zone; 2. Zone variance to allow the maintenance of the existing driveway width of 8' 9" feet to serve the hotel use in lieu of the required 10 feet; 3. A zoning administrator adjustment to allow parking stackers within the required rear yard setback. ZA-2017-3165-CU-ZV-ZAA, ENV-2017-3166-EAF.

- iii. **5784 Melrose Ave:** 7-Eleven Store (Adan Madrid) Requesting to contact us at a later date.
- iv. **Wilshire Center Koreatown Neighborhood Council/Proposed Wilshire Center Bangladesh Neighborhood Council:** (Information only) Possible impact on GWNC borders.
- v. **LUC Guidelines** (Caroline Labiner-Moser)

XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/LIAISON REPORT

XIV. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Next meeting – July 11, 2018
- B. Adjournment

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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