



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Transportation Committee

February 1, 2016

Approved by the committee on June 6, 2016

**1. WELCOMING REMARKS:**

A. Call to order (Julie Stromberg)

A duly noticed meeting of the Transportation Committee of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”) was held on Monday, February 1, 2016, at Wilshire United Methodist Church, Youth Chapel, 4350 Wilshire Blvd. Chairwoman Julie Stromberg called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

B. Roll call (Julie Stromberg)

Ms. Stromberg called the roll. Seven Committee Members were present at the roll call were: Jeffry Carpenter, Cindy Chvatal-Keane, Bill Funderburk, Jack Humphreville, Eric Oliver, Julie Stromberg and Justin Urcis. No Committee members were absent. The GWNC Transportation Committee quorum (the minimum number of Committee Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is 51%, or four of the six Members, so the Committee could take such votes. Also attending: Diane Dicksteen, Stakeholder; Michael Cane, Stakeholder; and Shirlee Fuqua, GWNC.

**2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no comments at this time.

**3. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Action)**

A. Review and adoption of November 30, 2015 Minutes. Recommended Amendment: “Ursis” to be corrected to “Urcis.”

**MOTION** (by Mr. Humphreville, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Transportation Committee approves the Minutes of its November 30, 2015 Meeting as Amended.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously.

**4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)**

A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Hancock Park Failed Streets and Hancock Park Intersection Repairs (Cindy Chvatal-Keane).

Ms. Chvatal-Keane updated that a City pilot program will have it repair one street while an independent contractor repairs another street; costs will be compared. Also, City Council District 4 (CD4) will have two intersections repaired. There was discussion of possible funding, charges and challenges, “but we are moving forward.” No Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on LA Mobility Plan 2035 (Cindy Chvatal-Keane).

Ms. Chvatal-Keane described challenges to providing public input and that many community comments “didn’t make it into the Plan” including “specific requests.” There was discussion of areas included in and excluded from the Plan.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Humphreville, seconded by Ms. Chvatal-Keane): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Transportation Committee recommends to the GWNC Board to request that City Council District Four, specifically Julia Duncan and Sarah Dusseault, the L.A. Planning Department’s Claire Bowin, L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti’s Office and the Chair of the City Council Transportation Committee to add to the LA Mobility Plan 2035’s Chapter Six Action Plan a new plan PL-14 that will include extensive community engagement, conduct detailed operational studies and design options and undertake additional environmental analysis per AB2245 and AB417 for all the BEN, NEN and TEN Networks in City Council District Four before implementing any street modifications. The Council Office and community Stakeholders will play a critical role in analyzing any projects or finalizing any plans or projects for these corridors. Alternative parallel corridors identified in lieu of Mobility Plan 2035 may be considered as potential network substitutes during this process.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Chvatal-Keane noted that the Plan will result in “reduced response time . . . additional pollution . . . a tremendous increase in cut-through traffic into residential” streets; “they say all that.”

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a hand vote.

C. Report on GWNC Transportation Committee-Council District 4 Street and Sidewalk Repairs Database Program (Julie Stromberg).

Ms. Stromberg is still working on it and encouraged volunteering to help. “Around 80” requests from “every area” of the GWNC have been received. No Motion was made or vote taken.

D. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Two Options Presented by Metro for Street Closures Relating to Decking Work at La Brea Ave. and Wilshire Blvd. for the Purple Line Extension Project and Discussion of Updates on the Matter (Julie Stromberg/Cindy Chvatal-Keane).

Ms. Stromberg reported that “Metro will be closing down Wilshire from Highland to Detroit.” City Councilman Ryu and Metro are deciding when the work will be done. No Motion was made or vote taken.

E. Report on GWNC Transportation Committee-Bureau of Streets Services January 2016 Initiative (Julie Stromberg).

Some street repairs were made January 6<sup>th</sup> while it was raining; Ms. Stromberg will report on when the remaining repairs will be made.

**5. NEW BUSINESS** (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Changing the Permit Parking Restrictions on North Sycamore Avenue. (Jeffry Carpenter/Michael Fuller).

Mr. Fuller was not present. Mr. Carpenter reported that petition signatures are being collected for a proposal to the L.A. Dept. of Transportation for parking restrictions on

Detroit St. in “the first block south of Sycamore” to “mimic the parking restrictions that Detroit has, which would be no parking from 6 p.m. – 8 a.m., two-hour parking 8 a.m. – 6 p.m., people with District Permit 41 exempted.” He explained “it’s already a parking District.” There was discussion of parking District establishment challenges and applications. No Motion was made or vote taken.

- B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Increased Traffic on Highland Ave. in between Wilshire Blvd. and Olympic Blvd. in the Brookside Community (Julie Stromberg).

Stakeholder Michael Cane initiated discussion of vehicle and pedestrian traffic and safety challenges regarding speeding and cut-through traffic, and difficulties getting the City to implement mitigations. Ms. Stromberg recommended asking CD4’s Nikki Ezhari to “revisit” requests that are at least two to three years old. No Motion was made or vote taken.

- C. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on the Impact of Filming on Traffic in Residential Neighborhoods (Jack Humphreville).

Mr. Humphreville described extensive filming at multiple residences causing increased traffic and safety challenges, including film crew vehicles blocking fire hydrants and driveways. Possible mitigations were discussed. No Motion was made or vote taken.

## **6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, April 4, 2016; Wilshire Methodist Church, 4350 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90005.

Ms. Stromberg noted the above.

[*There was no Agenda Item #7.*]

## **8. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- A. Discussion on Bicycle Rules
  - B. Discussion on Skateboarding Rules
  - C. Remedies Available to Correct Utility Cuts in Roads
  - D. New Transportation Measures Impact on Development
  - E. Bicycle Coalition Speaker
  - F. Addressing Increased Cut-Through Traffic in Residential Neighborhoods
- No other possible Agenda Items were mentioned.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Stromberg declared the Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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