



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Transportation Committee
Monday, December 5, 2016
Approved by Committee on February 6, 2017

1. WELCOMING REMARKS

A. Call to order

A duly noticed meeting of the Transportation Committee of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”) was held on Monday, December 5, 2016, at Marlborough School, Collins Room – D200, 250 South Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004. Chairwoman Julie Stromberg called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Ms. Stromberg called the roll. Three of the five Committee Members were present at the roll call: Jeff Carpenter, Justin Urcis, and Julie Stromberg. Committee Members absent: Cindy Chvatal-Keane and Jack Humphreville. 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 three of the five Members, so the Committee could take such votes. Also attended: two Stakeholders --- Diane Dicksteen and Michael Cane.

C. Welcome and Approval/Seating of New Committee Members

MOTION (by Ms. Stromberg, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): Add Michael Cane to The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Transportation Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a voice vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Urcis discussed station excavation for Metro Purple Line Extension Project at Wilshire Blvd. and La Brea Ave. Stakeholder Diane Dicksteen recommended a recent article on the construction in the Larchmont Buzz. Ms. Stromberg announced that Ned Racine replaced Michael Cortez as Metro Purple Line Extension Construction Relations Officer.

Mr. Urcis reported on Mid-City West Community Council’s Town Hall on 6th Street Safety and position for a road diet for section of 6th Street west of La Brea Ave.

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

A. Review and adoption of August 1, 2016 Meeting Minutes.

Review and adoption of August 1, 2016 Meeting Minutes TABLED until next meeting.

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

A. Report on September 7, 2016 Town Hall Meeting on Highland Ave. (Olympic Blvd. to Melrose Ave.) Traffic Conditions and Related Updates (Julie Stromberg).

Ms. Stromberg reported that the Town Hall held at The Ebell of Los Angeles was very well attended by stakeholders from various communities, including Brookside, Hancock Park, and Sycamore Square. As a result of the Town Hall, Officer Pedro Cordero performed a traffic study subsequent to the meeting. The speed survey was conducted on September 14th and September 15th. The results were as follows:

- (i) On the first 24 hour survey for Sept 14th there was a total of 13,904 vehicles traveling northbound with the average speed of 34.95 MPH. One vehicle was recorded at a top speed of 78 MPH, sixteen other vehicles were recorded between 60 and 70 MPH. 85% of the vehicles traveling were recorded with an average speed of 41 MPH.
- (ii) On the second 24 hour survey for Sept 15th there was a total of 13,346 vehicles traveling northbound with the average speed of 34.45 MPH. One vehicle was recorded at a top speed of 70 MPH, thirteen other vehicles were recorded between 60 and 69 MPH. 85% of the vehicles traveling were recorded with an average speed of 41 MPH.

At the Town Hall meeting, Councilman David Ryu requested that Jeannie Shen with LADOT perform a study of the area at issue to help determine possible mitigation measures. The results of the study are due 90 days from the date of the Town Hall. Ms. Stromberg reported that she has followed up on the results of the study, but has not received a reply from LADOT. She expects a delay in the results given that the due date for the study results coincides with the holidays.

No Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Second Town Hall on Highland Avenue (Olympic Blvd. to Melrose Ave.) Traffic Conditions (Julie Stromberg)

MOTION (by Ms. Stromberg, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): GWNC Transportation Committee to host a second Town Hall meeting when the results from LADOT's study are available.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a voice vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

5. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on January 2017 Bureau of Street Services-GWNC Initiative (Julie Stromberg).

Ms. Stromberg reported that the GWNC Transportation Committee is to submit its top 15 recommended requested repairs to the Bureau of Street Services by Wednesday, December 7, 2016. BSS will inspect the recommended requested repairs and decide on which repairs it can perform. Repairs will be done by an asphalt truck and will primarily be patchwork. Street, sidewalk, and curb repairs may be submitted for consideration. Repairs will be performed December 14, 2016 subject to weather conditions.

No Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on City-Wide Sidewalk Repair Program. (Julie Stromberg)

Ms. Stromberg discussed the City of LA's new city-wide sidewalk repair program initiated as a result of the *Willits* lawsuit and pending settlement. Website to request repairs is <http://www.sidewalks.lacity.org>.

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS (Including Discussion and Possible Action)

There were no reports at this time.

7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, Monday, February 6, 2016, at Marlborough School, Collins Room – D200, 250 South Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

Ms. Stromberg noted the above meeting date, time, and location.

8. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

A. Discussion on Bicycle Rules

There was no discussion at this time.

B. Discussion on Skateboarding Rules

There was no discussion at this time.

C. Remedies Available to Correct Utility Cuts in Roads

There was no discussion at this time.

D. New Transportation Measures Impact on Development

There was no discussion at this time.

E. Addressing Increased Cut-Through Traffic in Residential Neighborhoods

There was no discussion at this time.

F. Addressing Traffic and Related Safety Measures to be Implemented at 4th Street.
Committee members discussed issue of new safety mitigation measures needed at 4th Street for pedestrians and bicyclists.

G. Traffic Mitigation Measures Needed on the 800 to 1000 Blocks of S. Lucerne Blvd.
Ms. Stromberg discussed her efforts to implement safety mitigation measures at the above locations. Stakeholder Diane Dicksteen reported on her efforts to do the same.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Stromberg **ADJOURNED** the Meeting without any objections at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Stromberg, Chair of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Transportation Committee
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