Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Special Meeting

November 2, 2005

Approved by the Board, as corrected, on 11/9/05

FINAL MINUTES

A duly noticed meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ("GWNC") was held on Wednesday, November 2, 2005, at John Burroughs Middle School, 600 South McCadden Place. Charles Dougherty, President of the Council, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

The Secretary called the roll, and Board of Directors members in attendance were: Yigal Arens, Carolyn D. Bennett, Chickie Byrne, Moon Chung, Cindy Chvatal, Charles Dougherty, Larry Eisenberg, Roy Forbes, Elizabeth Fuller, Tom Gibbons, Jane Gilman, Rudolph Gintel, Margaret Hudson, Lisa Hutchins, Arlin Low, Shemaya Mandelbaum, Norman Murdoch, Susan O'Connell, Van Dyke Parks, Mary Rajswing, Thomas Roe, Ruth Silveira, Jolene Snett, Baruch Twersky, Jane Usher, James Wolf, and John A. Woodward III, The following Directors were absent and were not represented by Alternates: Arnold Castaneda, Shemaya Mandelbaum, Michael Rosenberg, Robert Wishart, and Gary Zeiss.

The Secretary stated that 26 of the 31 Directors were in attendance and that constituted a quorum.

The Minutes of the Council's General Meeting of September 14, 2005, were read by the Secretary and approved by the Board.

Treasurer Susan O'Connell reported that President Dougherty had appointed Jolene Snett as an Assistant ("Co-") Treasurer, and that she and Ms. Snett recently had received the required financial training by DONE.

Budget

Treasurer O'Connell presented a proposed Budget to the Board, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes. Ms. O'Connell explained that, for its first year, ending in June 2006, the Council will receive \$12,500 from the City each quarter. Jane Usher moved that the Budget be approved as submitted. Baruch Twersky seconded the motion, and the Budget was adopted by the Board. Ms. O'Connell noted that DONE requires that

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individuals with signing authority to draw down on the City funds be approved by the Board. Upon motion made and adopted by the Board, the following Directors were named signatories until such time as their successors shall be appointed: Charles Dougherty, Cindy Chvatal, Susan O'Connell, and Jolene Snett. It was noted that, as the Council gains more experience, the Board certainly may revisit its Budget and make revisions as appropriate.

Power Outages

A letter from Councilman LaBonge was distributed regarding power outages. Following the letter's presentation to the Board, and, upon motion made and seconded, the Board directed President Dougherty to send a similar letter on behalf of the GWNC to the Department of Water and Power.

Bylaws

Jane Usher reported that her ad hoc committee had met several times and that she had a Report and Recommendations concerning possible Bylaws revisions that she would like Board members to review. The report was distributed. Discussion of the report and possible Bylaws revisions is on the Agenda for the Board's upcoming November 9, 2005, General Meeting.

Board Orientation

The business portion of the meeting ended, and DONE representatives proceeded with Board Orientation, the mail subject of the Special Meeting.

Next Meeting

The Board was reminded that the next regularly scheduled bi-monthly meeting of the Board is on November 9, 2005, at the Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 South Lucerne Boulevard, and that Notices and the Agenda for that meeting have been distributed.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Jane Gilman Secretary