



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, November 14, 2018
Approved December 12, 2018

I. WELCOMING REMARKS

A. Call to order (Owen Smith – President)

A duly noticed Meeting of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”) Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at the Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 S. Lucerne Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90005. President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:19 p. m.

B. Flag Salute (Frances McFall)

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. McFall.

C. Roll Call (Max Kirkham – Secretary)

The Secretary called the roll. Eighteen of the 21 Board Members or their Alternates were present at the Roll Call: Tucker Carney, Jeffry Carpenter, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Jennifer DeVore (Alternate for James Wolf, Vice-President), Michael Genewick, Karen Gilman, John Gresham, Bradley Jewett, Max Kirkham (Secretary), Frances McFall, Caroline Moser, Steven Senigram, Owen Smith (President), Conrad Starr, Julie Stromberg, Colin Turner (Alternate for Bobbie Kumetz), John Winther and Greg Wittmann. Charles D’Atri arrived later. Scott Appel and Philip Farha were absent and not represented by an Alternate. The GWNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is 3/5 of the 21 filled Seats, or 13 Members (see the Bylaws at <https://lacity.quickbase.com/db/bj3apxsp3?a=q&qid=32&qskip=0&qrppg=1000&dlta=su46~>), so the Board could take such votes. All 21 of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). No Board Seats were vacant. Five Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #VI. A.; to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attended: approximately 21 Stakeholders and guests.

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

A. Los Angeles County Vector Control West (Heather Teodoro)

a. Town hall on the Invasive Aedes Mosquito

Copies were distributed of “Flea-borne Typhus” information. Ms. Teodoro showed slides and presented.

B. CD4 Update (Rob Fisher)

Rob Fisher, Deputy for L.A. City District Four Councilman David Ryu (323-957-6415; Rob.Fisher@LACity.org; <http://CD4.LACity.org>), encouraged contacting the City Dept. of Building and Safety [www.ladbs.org] to report over-height walls and abandoned construction equipment and/or debris, then emailing the Ticket number to him to follow up.

C. CD5 Update (Robert Oliver)

Robert Oliver, Field Deputy for L.A. City District Five Councilman Paul Koretz (323-866-1828; Robert.Oliver@LACity.org; www.lacity.org/council/cd5), could not attend and there was no report at this time.

D. LAPD Senior Lead Officers

[*This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #II. E.*] Hebel Rodriguez, an LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer (office 213-473-0476; mobile/text phone 213-793-0715; 35738@LAPD.LACity.org; www.LAPDWilshire.com), reminded not to leave packages on porches; have them delivered to your work or an “Amazon locker,” and do not show holiday gifts in front windows.

E. Department Of Neighborhood Empowerment (John Darnell)

John Darnell, Neighborhood Council Advocate, L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) (213-978-1551; John.Darnell@LACity.org; www.EmpowerLA.org), reported that GWNC election candidate filing will be from December 16th through January 15th.

F. Metro (Ned Racine)

Ned Racine, Metro Senior Construction Relations Officer (cell 213-479-7884, RacineN@metro.net; 24-hour information 213-922-6934; Bus Rapid Transit 24-hour hotline 213-922-2500+1; PurpleLineExt@metro.net; www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt; www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt; www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt), could not attend and there was no report at this time.

G. Other local government representatives

There were no other reports at this time.

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

A. DWP Report

Mr. Smith indicated that Mr. Humphreville was not present; there was no DWP report.

B. Budget Advocate Report

Mr. Smith indicated that Mr. Humphreville was not present; there was no Budget Advocates [www.ncbala.com] report.

C. LANCC (LA Neighborhood Council Commission) Report

Mr. Smith indicated that Mr. Humphreville was not present; there was no LANCC [Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition; LANCC@EmpowerLA.org; www.LANCC.org] report.

IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

A. Kate Walsh, Via Transportation. Micro-transit feasibility study (intro and discussion). Copies were distributed of company and related data. Ms. Welsh (not “Walsh”; Kate@RideWithVia.com) presented and showed slides. She said “Via’s a ride-sharing company . . . since 2013” like a “bus service . . . across LA County.” Via operates Mondays-Thursdays 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., Fridays 7:00 a.m.-2:00 a.m., Saturdays 10:00 a.m.-2:00 a.m. and Sundays 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

Board Member Tucker Carney left at this time (7:42), making 17 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was thirteen).

Jesus Torres, Liz Oh and Chris Vargas of EPath (EPath.org; LA-HOP.org) showed a video. Ms. Rosato supported it. EPath is “not for someone who is dangerous . . . [or] mentally ill”; it helps people into interim housing.

Resident Allison Schallart wanted all construction sites to have “standards of conduct”; many construction nails have punctured her vehicle tires.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and possible action)

A. Review and adoption of the October 10, 2018 minutes. Motion: The GWNC Board approves the October 10, 2018 minutes (as presented/amended).

It was agreed to POSTPONE approval of the Minutes.

B. Establishment of Ad Hoc Resilience Steering Committee (Conrad Starr). Motion: that the GWNC Board President appoint an ad-hoc Steering Committee for the Greater Wilshire Resilience Plan, which will be co-chaired by GWNC's Resilience Liaisons; and whose members will be invited to participate based on their experience and authority in the areas of emergency preparedness, community organizing, crime and safety, and the like; and which will meet approximately quarterly until the adoption of the Greater Wilshire Resilience Plan, or on December 31, 2019, whichever comes first.

Mr. Smith appointed an Ad Hoc Resilience Steering Committee, to be co-chaired by the GWNC Resilience Liaisons, toward the development of the GWNC Resilience Plan due in 2019. [The Minutes Writer had not received the revised Agenda showing this Item.]

VI. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

[This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #XII.]

A. Alternate Board Member Vacancies. Positions eligible for nominations of qualified candidates, to be submitted to the board for approval: Area 3 – Country Club Heights; Area 12 – Western-Wilton; Business; Education; and Religion.

Mr. Smith noted the above.

B. 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; Kathleen Mulligan – Ethics; James C. Wolf – Ethics; Charles D’Atri – Ethics; Sue Horowitz – Ethics; Kimberly Nortman – Ethics; Colin Turner – Ethics; and Steven Senigram – Ethics.

Mr. Smith noted the above. Mr. Gresham said Ms. Nortman completed Ethics Training.

C. 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.

It was confirmed that all Board Members and Alternates are current.

VII. TREASURER'S REPORT

- A. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for September 2018) (Discussion and action)

Copies were distributed of and Ms. Carroll reviewed the GWNC October "Monthly Expenditure Report."

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Genewick): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for October 2018.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, DeVore, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Jewett, Kirkham, McFall, Moser, Senigram, Smith, Starr, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- B. Approval of individual expenses listed in the October 2018 MER (discussion and action)
Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Ms. Carroll): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the individual expenditures it made in October 2018.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, DeVore, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Jewett, Kirkham, McFall, Moser, Senigram, Smith, Starr, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- C. Review of November 2018 Board expenses that will show up on the October 2018 MER (Discussion only, no action necessary)
Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates \$300 for office supplies.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, DeVore, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Jewett, Kirkham, McFall, Moser, Senigram, Smith, Starr, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves Max Kirkham as its Alternate Signer.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, DeVore, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Jewett, Kirkham, McFall, Moser, Senigram, Smith, Starr, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

VIII. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action as noted) (Tess Paige)

- A. Report: on the November 3, 2018 Committee Meeting.

B. Nomination for the Citizen Recognition Award (Max Kirkham). Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council nominates Joe Hoffman for a citizen recognition award. Copies were distributed of a completed nomination form and Mr. Kirkham explained the above.

MOTION (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Turner): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council nominates Joe Hoffman for a citizen recognition award.

DISCUSSION: There was discussion as to whether any Board Member was eligible or not for the award.

CALL for the QUESTION (by Mr. Gresham): zero opposed; zero abstained.

MOTION PASSED by a hand vote with 15 in favor; zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes (Starr and Stromberg).

C. Appropriation of funds for election purposes. Funds appropriated will be used for election related materials/marketing to include, but not be limited to, flyers to be posted at businesses and passed out at the Farmers Market, book marks to be given out at the libraries, postcards to be passed out in all neighborhoods (hopefully by the Board Members to the Neighborhood Associations as well as the door to door effort) and advertising in both the Buzz and the Larchmont Chronicle. Motion: The GWNC spend up to \$2,500.00 on election related outreach, to include advertising and printed materials.

Copies of “2019 GWNC Elections” information had been distributed. A Google form will be emailed to Board Members regarding local neighborhood groups. Advertising possibilities were described.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Winther): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will spend up to \$2,500.00 on election related outreach, to include advertising and printed materials.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Kirkham clarified that “some of the materials will be translated by the [City] Clerk’s Office.” Mr. Darnell added that most Neighborhood Councils spend around \$5,000 for election outreach.

AMENDMENT to the FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Winther): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adds the words “and translation services” to the above main Motion.

AMENDMENT to the FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained.

AMENDED FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, DeVore, Genewick, Gilman, Gresham, Jewett, Kirkham, McFall, Moser, Senigram, Smith, Starr, Stromberg, Turner, Winther and Wittman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

D. Next Outreach Committee meeting will be Saturday, December 1, 2018, at 9am, at Bricks and Scones Café, 403 N. Larchmont Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90005

Mr. Kirkham noted the above.

Board Member Frances McFall left at this time (8:32), making 16 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was thirteen).

IX. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Julie Stromberg/Conrad Starr)

A. Report: on the October 15, 2018 Committee Meeting.

Mr. Starr reported that he will replace Ms. Stromberg as Committee Chair and that Mr. Humphreville resigned from the Committee. A Lime (electric scooters and dockless bikes) representative presented at the Meeting. No Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Next Transportation Committee Meeting will be on Monday, January 21, 2019, 7:00 p.m., at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004

Mr. Starr reported that the Meeting will be January 28, not "21"; LADOT Engineer Bhuvan Bajaj will be invited to present "on how . . . stakeholders can more effectively work with DOT on traffic mitigations . . ."

X. SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Julie Stromberg)

A. Report: on GWNC rain water harvest workshop co-hosted with Rain Barrels, Intl. on Saturday, October 27, 2018, at Memorial L.A. High Library.

Ms. Stromberg reported that "it was fantastic."

B. Update and report: on community impact statements filed by the Sustainability Committee.

Ms. Stromberg reported about supporting Measure W, the Safe Clean Water Program, City Council File 18-0384, and supporting Council File #17-0309 to raise the target for electric vehicle capability in new multi-family dwellings Citywide to 90% of available parking spots.

C. Update and report: on Measure W.

Ms. Stromberg updated about this.

D. The GWNC Sustainability Committee is looking to recognize a "Green" Business in the Greater Wilshire area. For more information and to nominate a Green Business, please see <http://www.greaterwilshire.org> or email sustainability@greaterwilshire.org.

Ms. Stromberg noted the above.

E. Next Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 7:00pm, at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004

Ms. Stromberg noted the above.

Board Member Charles D'Atri arrived by 7:50, making 17 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was thirteen).

XI. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Caroline Mosier/Max Kirkham)

[The following sub-section first paragraphs are copied from the Agenda.]

A. Parkway Trees (Motion to Reconsider) (Jeffrey Carpenter) The full motion language included in the recommendation from the Land Use Committee was not included in the

board agenda for October 24, 2018. The motion must be reconsidered and the missing language (in italics below) inserted. Motion (Jeffrey Carpenter) [see the below Motion].

Mr. Carpenter explained the need and Motion.

MOTION to RECONSIDER (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will reconsider the Motion regarding parkway trees in Item #XI. B. from its October 10, 2018 Board Meeting.

MOTION to RECONSIDER PASSED by a hand; zero opposed; zero abstained.

MOTION (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Ms. Moser): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council moves that, in view of the continued unpermitted taking of mature City parkway trees, the GWNC respectfully requests that the City Attorney’s Office and the City Administrative Officer, after appropriate analyses, prepare a set of actions for the City to take that would effectively:

- i. Establish an integrated process for any submissions for plan and permit approval that includes the documentation of existing parkway trees and that all parkway trees are preserved unless a determination is made by BOE that that relocation and/or replacement is absolutely necessary;
- ii. Notify the cognizant Neighborhood Council of all permits pending approval of City parkway or other protected trees and allow at least 45 days for the public comment;
- iii. Establish financial and other penalties for the unapproved or unpermitted taking of City parkway trees that are demonstrably sufficient to both deter these actions as well as to support the costs of enforcement, prosecution, and full restitution;
- iv. Establish a staff unit in the City Attorney’s Office charged with the swift and effective prosecution of illegal taking or damaging of City tree assets and the recovery of restitution;
- v. Establish one or more immediate reporting and response mechanisms whereby those that discover the potentially unpermitted destruction of a City tree in progress might be able to intervene and possibly deter the further immediate destruction of City assets;
- vi. Provide for an ensured funding resource for the establishment and operation of the above measures and the adoption of appropriate budget actions.

MOTION PASSED by a hand; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- B. 946-947 S. Norton Ave (Ron Ikejiri) Request granting of CUP for commercial parking lot with full time valet parking attendants during business hours. Permit the existing maximum height of 6 ft. fence in the front yard with zero (0) setback for an existing fence. ZA-2018- 5491-ZAA-F, ENV-2017-4918-CE. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council reaffirms its April 11, 2018 support and supports the Zoning Administrator’s adjustment and determination to allow the existing height and setback of the fences at 946-947 S. Norton Ave.

MOTION PASSED by a hand; zero opposed; zero abstained.

C. 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. Motion: See next item.

Ms. Moser reported that Ms. McFall opposed the project.

D. 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. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the project at 3323 W. Olympic Blvd and 970-996 S. Manhattan Pl. & 3323 W. Olympic Blvd and 975-987 S. Manhattan Pl. as presented and with conditions as confirmed by City Council Districts Four and Ten.

MOTION PASSED by a hand vote with 14 in favor; one opposed (Gresham); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Turner).

E. 117 N. Manhattan Pl At the LUC meeting on October 23rd, the committee discussed ways forward and possible precedential actions the board could take to discourage future applicants and/or projects from building projects, after approval, that are different than what was agreed to through the GWNC project approval process. Emma Howard from CD4 was present at the meeting and said that she would research the project and report back to the committee on what she could find out about it.

Mr. Kirkham read aloud the above and explained the issue. No Motion was made or vote taken.

F. 845 S. St Andrews Pl (Sahar Khazani) Demolish a vacant school and Construct a 6-story 25-unit apartment building. TOC DIR-2018-3524-TOC, ENV-2018-3525-EAF. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the project at 845 S. St Andrews Pl. as presented.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with 16 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

G. 512 S. Van Ness Ave (Craig Frye) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 18019-10000- 04367. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council refers the project at 512 S. Van Ness Ave. to the Windsor Square HPOZ (Historic Preservation Overlay Zone) and requests a report back to the Land Use Committee.

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council refers the project at 512 S. Van Ness Ave. to the Windsor Square HPOZ (Historic Preservation Overlay Zone) and requests a report back to the Land Use Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with 16 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- H. 850 S. Gramercy Pl (Eric Lee, Erica J. Cha, Sara Lee) New 18- Unit Apartment Building Child Day Care Center with 21 – 40 Maximum child tenant improvement work. with garage (this project is currently under construction). ZA-2018-4722-ZAD, ENV-2018-4723-CE. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the application for a Conditional Use Permit for a child daycare center at 850 S. Gramercy Pl.

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

- I. 611 N. Manhattan Pl (Yonatan Partiel, Matthew Hayden) Proposed construction, use and maintenance of a new 5-story – 56Ft. building with 14-apartments (2- ELI) and one (1) Subterranean Level parking for 13 vehicle spaces and 16 bicycle spaces. Existing landscaping to be removed. DIR-2018-4817-TOC, ENV-2018-4818-CE. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the project at 611 N. Manhattan Pl. because the applicant did not appear before the Committee.

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

- J. 3477 W. Olympic Blvd (Ariel Gutierrez) CUB to allow the off sale of beer and wine in conjunction with an existing 2739 SF convenience store operating 24 hours daily in a C2-1 zone. ZA-2018-5753-CUB, ENV-2018-5754-CE. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the application for a CUB (Conditional Use Beverage) at 3477 W. Olympic Blvd. to allow the off-site sale of beer and wine in conjunction with an existing 2,739 sq. ft. convenience store operating 24 hours daily in a C2-1 zone.

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

- K. 639 N. Larchmont Blvd (Café Gratitude) (Mark Lehman) A Conditional Use Permit to allow the sale and dispensing of beer and wine for on-site consumption in conjunction with a 3,055 sq. ft. restaurant. Hours are from 7 am to 11 pm daily. No off-site alcohol sales.

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the reinstatement of the previous Conditional Use Permit

for 639 N. Larchmont Blvd. for beer and wine, with a special attention to maintain the 35 parking stalls that were part of the original conditions of approval.

DISCUSSION: Anthony Pecos (Anthony.Pecos@CafeGratitude.com) spoke.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with 16 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- L. TOC/TNP (Cathy Roberts) A letter from the La Brea Hancock Homeowners Association outlining their position on the Purple Line Transit Neighborhood Plan with respect to its impact on the community.

Copies were distributed of an October 18th letter from the Association to Metro.

MOTION (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the position taken by the La Brea Hancock Homeowners Association Board with regard to the Purple Line Transit Neighborhood Plan as stated in their October 18, 2018 letter to the Planning Department.

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

- M. Next Land Use Committee meeting will be at 6:30pm on November 27, 2018 at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave, the Collins Room, 200-D, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

The above was noted.

FUTURE LUC AGENDA ITEMS

- A. 800 S. 3rd Ave (Lap Nguyen) New 2-story single family house on a vacant lot. Total living area a2855 sq. ft. Detached Garage 400 sq. ft. Porches 334 sq. ft. balcony 88 sq. ft. DIR- 2018-5923-CCMP, ENV-2018-5924-CE
- B. Processes and Procedures Staff Report Released for Public Review (Karen Gilman)
- C. 5123 W. Clinton St (Gavin McKiernan) Present use: Duplex. One Lot Subdivision into two Condominiums. Project is already under construction. AA-2018-2625- PMLA-CN, ENV- 2018-2626-CE.
- D. 6610 Melrose Ave (Brett Egstrom) Sale of beer and wine for on-site and off-site consumption in conjunction with an existing restaurant with 30 indoor seats. Hours 11 am to 11pm Sunday – Thursday and 11 am – 12 midnight Friday and Saturday. ZA-2018-4852- CUB, ZA- 2018-4854-CE.
- E. 985-991 3rd Ave (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 requests approval for the construction of a tier 2 TOC development. A 6-story, 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. DIR-2018-2234-TOC, ENV-2018- 2235-EAF
- F. 4749 W. Elmwood Ave (Don Tolentino, Brian Cohen) Demolition Application No. 18019-10000-03932

G. 545 S. Gramercy Pl (Clayton Przekop) Pursuant to LAMC section 12.27 applicant request a zone variance for a proposed an office use on first floor and residential use at existing twostory building.

Copies were distributed of “Proposed conditions for 545 Gramercy Home Occupation.”

- H. 474 N. Western Ave (Kevin Franklin) A CUB to allow sale/dispensing of beer and wine for onsite consumption in conjunction with an existing 1535 sq. ft. Restaurant w/44 seats and 218 sq. ft. patio w/14 seats. Hours 11 am to 12 am Mon – Wed and 11 am to 1 am Thursday – Sunday in a C2-1 zone. ZA-2018-3156- CUB, ENV-2018-3157-CE.
- I. 5784 Melrose Ave (7-Eleven Store) (Adan Madrid) A 7-11 Convenience Store – no alcohol will be sold. The LUC previously voted to oppose the project until outreach to Larchmont Village Association, Hancock Park Neighborhood Association. and the Christ the King Church.
- J. 222 N. Manhattan Pl (Varoosh Abedi, Arman Gharai) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 18019-20000-04771/B18VN-16576 CF17-1311
- K. Quicker Liquor licenses/extended bar hours (Karen Gilman)
- L. State of Street Related Infrastructure Programs in Los Angeles (Laila Alquresh) Executive Summary CF 17-1311.

Copies were distributed of an “Evaluation of the State of Street Related Infrastructure Programs in Los Angeles.” Ms. Moser indicated there were no other potential Items at this time.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business at this time.

XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/LIASON REPORT

(Discussion and Possible Action)

Mr. Starr reported that the Resilience Committee met October 30th, where he “presented on ways Neighborhood Councils can use mapping tools and publicly available data to identify threats and to collaborate on their resilience plans.”

- A. Regarding improvements to City codes and procedures to protect the urban tree canopy (Jeff Carpenter) The GWNC has received the August 22, 2018, “Protect Urban Canopy Through and Adjustments to the Municipal Code, Tracking System and Enforcement” recommendations by the Encino Neighborhood Council. Motion: The GWNC [see the below Motion].

Copies were distributed of information regarding and Mr. Carpenter explained the above.

MOTION (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council very much shares the concerns expressed by the Encino Neighborhood Council and commends the Encino Neighborhood Council’s recommendations improving the protections for the City’s tree assets. Among the particular recommendations GWNC would emphasize would be:

- 1) Fines should escalate in accordance with the seriousness of the violation and be sufficient to discourage illegal activities by contractors seeking to avoid the permitting process;

- 2) The City needs to make more efficient use of its over 600 non-LAPD inspection and enforcement personnel by rationalizing and coordinating enforcement authorities and procedures and streamlining inter-departmental enforcement communications; and
- 3) Permitting procedures, such as those for “A” and “B” class permits, should be reviewed and strengthened to help insure that existing parkway trees and new parkway tree requirements are enforced and all applicable fees and penalties are efficiently collected.

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

XIV. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

GWNC Administrator Shirlee Fuqua urged Board Members to view the shared Internet document folder and to complete Trainings if they have not. Mr. Smith urged Committee reporters to be brief.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

A. Next meeting of the GWNC Board will be on Wednesday, December 12, 2018.

Mr. Smith declared the Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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