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**Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council  
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**GREATER WILSHIRE  
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**Agenda**

Wednesday, September 11, 2019

6:30 p.m - Town Hall

7:30 p.m. - General Board Meeting

The Ebell of Los Angeles

743 S. Lucerne Boulevard

Los Angeles, CA 90005

(No Bike Parking Available)

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 elected 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 (Caroline Moser)**
- B. **Flag Salute**
- C. **Roll Call of Board Members and/or Alternates (Conrad Starr)**

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

- A. CD4 Update (Rob Fisher)
- B. CD5 Update (Kevin Nahai)
- C. LAPD Senior Lead Officers
- D. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (John Darnell)
- E. Other Government Representatives

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

- A. DWP Report
- B. Budget Advocate Report
- C. LANCC (LA Neighborhood Councils Coalition) Report

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

Those wishing to speak during general public comment are asked to complete a speaker card and submit it to the Board Administrator, or the Secretary, prior to the start of the meeting. All are welcome, but time may be limited to 3-5 minutes per speaker at the discretion of the chairperson.

V. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS** (Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. **Review and Adoption** of the August 14, 2019 Meeting minutes
- B. Review of possible date change for October 2019 Board meeting from 10.9.19 to 10.2.19.
- C. **Revisions to Previously Adopted Minutes**
- D. **Existing Committee Administration; New Committee Establishment; Liaison Appointments** (Discussion and Possible Action)
  - i. Film Liaison(s)
  - ii. Public Works Liaison(s)
  - iii. Purposeful Aging Liaison(s)
  - iv. Grievance Panel Liaison(s)
- E. **Other Committee Business** (Board members and stakeholders)
  - i. Non-Board Member Ethics Training: <http://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx>
- F. **Appointment of Maria Sulprizio to Renter Alternate Board Seat** (vacant): Discussion on qualifications to verify eligibility to the board before board motion and vote
- G. **Administer Neighborhood Council Oath of Office** to new Alternate Board Member(s):  
*“I pledge to represent the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council 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.”*
- H. **Board Area Reports**
  - i. Area 2 - Citrus Square
  - ii. October: Area 3 - Country Club Heights

VI. **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

- A. **Remarks**
- B. **Board Member Vacancy**  
Positions eligible for nominations of qualified candidates - to be submitted to the board for approval: (none)
- C. **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 9 - Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews, Area 12 - Western-Wilton, Area 15 - Windsor Village, Renter, Religion
- D. **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:  
Matt Cheesebro - Ethics & Funding, Brian Curran - Ethics & Funding, Joshua Kirchmer - Ethics & Funding, Joy McManus - Ethics & Funding, Angie Szentgyorgyi - Ethics, Bob Reeves - Ethics & Funding
- E. **Code of Conduct Policy** - Board Members and Alternates are required to read and sign the Neighborhood Council Code of Conduct Policy (<http://empowerla.org/code-of-conduct/> for

online version). The following Board Members or Alternates have not completed their Code of Conduct Policy Statement at the time of drafting of the agenda:

Vincent Cox, Brian Curran, Jennifer Devore, Michael Genewick, Bobbie Kumetz, Joy McManus, Kimberly Nortman

## VII. TREASURER'S REPORT

- A. **Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)** for August 2019 (Discussion and Possible Action)
  - 8/3 Public Storage \$159
  - 8/14 San Wilshire Board Print outs \$56.84
  - 8/27 San Wilshire Luc \$14.88
- B. **Approval of Individual Expenses** Listed in the August 2019 MER (Discussion and Possible Action)
- C. **Review of August 2019 Board Expenses that Will Appear on the September 2019 MER**
  - Ebell \$350 August meeting, Larchmont Chronicle \$358 August Ad, Lloyd Staffing

## VIII. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Max Kirkham)

- A. **Report** on the September 7, 2019 Outreach Committee Meeting
- B. **GWNC Advertising Budget and Allocation**

Following a discussion and review of current GWNC advertising budget at both the July 6, 2019 & August 3, 2019 Outreach Committee Meetings, the committee proposed allocation of advertising funds for the current fiscal year.

*Motion to allocate advertising funding approved at the June 12, 2019 GWNC Board Meeting to specific publications who serve the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Area. [note: final language for a motion to appropriate funds was subject to discussion and clarification at the September 7, 2019 Outreach Meeting. Final motion may include a combined allocation of up to \$698.00 a month.]*
- C. **Fair Work Week LA** (Alice Berliner & Edgar Ortiz)

Members of the Fair Workweek Coalition presented at the August 3, 2019 Outreach Meeting on a motion introduced on March 1, 2019 by Councilmembers Price, Wesson, and Koretz entitled Fair Work Week LA (CF-19-0229)

*Motion: that the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Board submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in support of Council File 19-0229 entitled Fair Work Week LA.*
- D. **Citizen Recognition Award**

The GWNC awards community members for their service, dedication and/or commitment to enhancing and/or improving the Greater Wilshire neighborhood. Let us know who we can honor at <http://greaterwilshire.org/citizen-recognition-program/>. The Committee accepts nominations year-round.
- E. **Upcoming GWNC Outreach Events**
  - i. **Sycamore Square Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting**  
September 22, 2019, 2 – 5pm (*tentative*)
  - ii. **Wilshire Community Police Station Open House**  
October 20, 2019, 12 – 4pm
  - iii. **Larchmont Family Fair**  
October 27, 2019, 12 – 5:30pm
- F. **Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting**

The next GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, October 5, 2019, 9 a.m. at Bricks and Scones Café, 403 N. Larchmont Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90004.

## IX. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Conrad Starr)

**A. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting**

The next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be on Monday, October 21, 2019, 7 p.m., at Marlborough School, Collins Room - D-200, 250 South Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004. Please enter via 3rd Street Driveway. Security will direct to parking (cars & bikes); rideshares please use Rossmore Avenue driveway.

**X. SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Dan Kegel)**

**A. Update and Report on September 3, 2019 GWNC Sustainability Committee Meeting**

**B. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting**

The next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 1, 2019, at Marlborough School, Large Conference Room - Munger Hall, 250 South Rossmore Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004. Please enter via 3rd Street Driveway. Security will direct to parking.

**XI. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Philip Farha)**

- A. 6535 Melrose Ave:** (Daniel Ahadian) A new 3-4 story mixed use building ranging from 35' to 56' with 33 units (3-ELI) with 4,895 sq. ft. of commercial space. DIR-2019-647-TOC, ENV-2019-648-EAF.

**Motion:** That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the project located at 6535 Melrose Ave as presented on June 25, 2019

- B. 517 -525 ½ N. Gramercy Pl.:** (Matthew Hayden) Proposed construction, use and maintenance of a new 4-story (max 56' height) 32-unit apt. bldg. including 3 ELI and 2 moderate units over level of subterranean 32 vehicle parking and 33 bicycle parking. DIR-2019-1971-TOC, ENV-2019-1972-EAF.

**Motion:** That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the project located at 517-525-1/2 N. Gramercy Pl. as presented.

- C. 710 El Centro:** (not GWNC) (Brett Engstrom) CUB to allow for the continued on and off-site sale of a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with a new 3,345 SF restaurant. ZA-2013-CUB-PA1.

**Motion:** That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the renewal of the CUB for Le Petit Marche located at 710 El Centro.

- D. 125 N. Western Ave:** (FMG, Nathan Freeman) CUB/CUZ to allow the previously approved sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 4,066 sf restaurant on 2 levels with 144 indoor seats, operating from 7:00 am to 2:00 am daily.

**Motion:** That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the new CUB/CUZ for Los Angeles Craft Eatery & Sports (LACES) located at 125 N. Western Ave contingent upon presentation of neighborhood outreach and support.

- E. 152 N. Citrus Ave:** (Farhad Zomorodi) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 19019-20000-03722/B19VN12573

**Motion:** That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the demolition and construction of the project located at 152 N Citrus Ave as presented.

- F. CF 19-0623:** Empty Homes Tax/Vacant and Habitable Housing Units

**Motion:** That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council submit a CIS in support of CF 19-0623 to include specific policy concerns affecting the GWNC (to be amended at the September 11, 2019 Board meeting).

**G. FUTURE LUC AGENDA ITEMS**

- i. **950 S. Wilton Place:** (Ben Borukhim) Demolition Pre-inspection Application number 19019-10000-02545.
- ii. **307 S. Citrus Ave:** (Dafane Abergel) Demolition Pre-inspection Application 19019-2000000575/B19VN01972
- iii. **930 S. Mansfield Ave:** (Warren Techentin, NELA-Edward Solis) A new 19-unit apartment building, 6 stories high with 4 one-bedroom and 15 two-bedroom apartments over 1 story of below grade parking. DIR-2018-7019-TOC, ENV-2018-7020-EAF. Project is currently on hold. Committee will discuss possible illegal demolition.
- iv. **5279 W. Olympic Blvd.:** (R. Bruce Evans, Michael Coffman) Proposed Project, approval of plans from ZA-2015 -1026CUB-CU to allow the continued sale and dispensing of beer and wine for off site consumption in conjunction with a 2,537 sq. ft. convenience store (7-Eleven) operating 24 hours daily in a C2-1 zone. Renewal application –No Change Requested. ZA-2015-1026-CUB-CU-Pal, ENV-2019-2562-.CE.
- v. **607 N. Manhattan Place:** (Matthew Hayden) Demolition of SFD with the construction, use and maintenance of a new 6-story, 67 ft 10-unit apartment building (1 ELI DU and 9 MKT rate DU) with at grade parking for 17 vehicle and 12 bicycle spaces. Landscaping to be retained or removed/replaced. DIR-2019-553-TOC, ENV-2019-554-EAF.
- vi. **611 N. Manhattan Place:** (Matthew Hayden) applicant will provide more information when it becomes available
- vii. **105 S. St. Andrews Pl.:** (Mist Properties) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 19019-10000-03612

H. **Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting** will be held at 6:30 p.m. on September 24, 2019 at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave, the Collins Room, D-200, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

## XII. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Street Lighting Outages (Jeffrey Carpenter)

Discussion of a possible future motion to address street lighting outages and responsiveness to stakeholder complaints in GWNC; possible recommendations/requests to the Bureau of Street Lighting and to the City Controller.

## XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS (Discussion and Possible Action)

### A. Congress of Neighborhoods (Colette Amin)

### B. Homelessness Liaison Report (Tammy Rosato)

- i. Report on the August 27, 2019 Homeless Connect Day
- ii. LA City Controller Audit of LA Homeless Services Authority

**Motion:** The GWNC will write a letter to LA Controller Ron Galperin, Councilmember David Ryu, Councilmember Paul Koretz, and Mayor Eric Garcetti supportive of recommendations in Galperin’s LA Homeless Services Authority 2019 Audit and Report, namely to 1) Create “HomeSTAT,” a statistically-driven performance management system that would fundamentally reshape LAHSA’s outreach program by using real-time data on homelessness to evaluate performance and make informed decisions about resource allocation; 2) Work with City and County partners to define a unified set of clear and consistent goals, specific metrics and accurate reporting on outreach activities throughout the greater L.A. area; 3) Focus on a proactive outreach strategy to reach a greater number of homeless people

for the first time; and 4) Enhance LAHSA transparency and accountability by geo-based mapping of outreach activities.

iii. The Ending Homelessness Act of 2019 / Homeless Housing / Funding

**Motion:** The GWNC will file a Community Impact Statement in support of CF #19-0002-S151, "HR 1856 (Waters) /The Ending Homelessness Act of 2019 / Homeless Housing / Funding"

- C. **Resilience Liaison Report** (Conrad Starr)
- D. **Possible Council Candidate Forum (Spring 2020)** (Conrad Starr)
- E. **Other Liaison Reports** (<https://empowerla.org/liaison/>)

XIV. **REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

XV. **ADJOURNMENT**

A. **Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting**

The next GWNC Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at The Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 S. Lucerne Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90005.

*Items in italics above were unconfirmed at the time of publishing and may be tabled until a later meeting.*

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