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**Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
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Business: John Winther
Education: Scott Appel
Religion: Mike Genewick
Other Nonprofit: Tucker Carney



**GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

General Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, October 2, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
The Ebell of Los Angeles
743 S. Lucerne Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90005
(No Bike Parking Available)

**GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

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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 Council Commission) 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 September 11, 2019 Meeting minutes
- B. **Revisions to Previously Adopted Minutes**
- C. **Existing Committee Administration; New Committee Establishment; Liaison Appointments** (Discussion and Possible Action)
 - i. Formation of Ad Hoc Neighborhood Purpose Grants (NPG) Committee
 - ii. Appointment of Hayden Conner Ashworth to Public Works Liaison
 - iii. Discussion of revision to committee order at GWNC Board Meetings
- D. **Sign-up for Committees** (Board members and stakeholders)
Non-Board Member Ethics Training: <http://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx>
- E. **Board Area Reports:** Area 3 - Country Club Heights (Brian Donahoe)

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, 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, Joy McManus - Ethics & Funding, Maria Sulprizio - Funding, 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) within 30 days of their election or appointment. The following Board Members or Alternates have not completed their Code of Conduct Policy Statement:
Vincent Cox, Brian Curran, Joy McManus

VII. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

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

- A. **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 whom we can honor at <http://greaterwilshire.org/citizen-recognition-program/>. The Committee accepts nominations year-round.
- B. **Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting**
The next GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, October 5, 2019, 9:30 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 October 1, 2019 GWNC Sustainability Committee Meeting**
- B. **Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion for timeline for GWNC-LASAN Biodiversity Project.** Report on GWNC-LASAN Biodiversity Project and next steps for the year-long program, including iNaturalist training sessions and GWNC community bioblitzes.
- C. **Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting**
 Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 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. **829 N. Orange Dr:** (Shane Patel) Tree removal at a new construction site
Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council send a letter opposing the removal of a street tree at 829 N Orange Drive.
- B. **639 S. La Brea Ave:** (Zachary Andrews, Dana Sayles) Presentation of Hotel Project ZA 2019-1744-CU-MCUP-SPR-TOC, ENV-2019 1736-EAF
Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the 639 S. La Brea Ave project with the request to provide additional employee parking
- C. **743-749 S. Gramercy Dr:** (John Arnold, Michelle Chen) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 19019-10000-03861 and 19019-10000-03864 and 19019-10000-03867
Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the 8th & Gramercy project located at 743-749 S. Gramercy Dr as presented so they can get more neighborhood outreach, address the material and stylistic aspects of the architecture, and the parking
- D. **POSSIBLE FUTURE LUC AGENDA ITEMS**
- i. **950 S. Wilton Place:** (Ben Borukhim) Demolition Pre-inspection Application number 19019-10000-02545.
 - ii. **607 N. Manhattan Pl:** (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
 - iii. **611 N. Manhattan Pl:** (Matthew Hayden) applicant will provide more information when it becomes available
 - iv. **5212 W. Melrose Ave:** (Dana Sayles, Olivia Joncich)
 - v. **371-377 N. St. Andrews Pl:** (Shapour Shajirat, Babak Bardi Chaharmahali) A new 15 unit 4-story apartment building over street level parking and one level of subterranean parking. DIR-20194911-TOC, ENV-2019-4912-EAF
 - vi. **105 S. St. Andrews Pl:** (Marc Tavakoli) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 19019-10000-03612
 - vii. **742 N. Highland Ave:** (Ashley Gardner) Renewal of an existing CUB. ZA-2004-6850-CUB-PA3, ENV-2019-5487-CE

viii. **131 N Larchmont Blvd:** (Gary Benjamin) New CUP application

E. **Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting** will be held at 6:30 p.m. on October 22, 2019 at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave, the Collins Room, D200, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

XII. **NEW BUSINESS**

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

A. **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”

iv. Homeless Resources Pocket Guide

Funding Motion: The GWNC will allocate up to \$200 from its Outreach budget for costs associated with the printing of a Homelessness Resources Pocket Guide to be made available to GWNC Directors and Alternates for distribution to GWNC Stakeholders.

B. **Resilience Liaison Report** (Conrad Starr)

C. **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, November 13, 2019 at The Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 S. Lucerne Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90005.

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