



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, May 13, 2020
Approved July 8, 2020

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, this duly noticed meeting was held entirely online and telephonically.

Supporting documents for this Meeting were available at
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1KJ9PTaYQ-vBZNOLjiHRA9Ds09vo757Nx>.

I. WELCOMING REMARKS

A. Call to Order (Caroline Moser)

President Moser called the meeting to order at 7:02 p. m. She thanked Mr. Starr, Mr. Kirkham, and Ms. DeVore, and John Darnell for extensive facilitation work. Ms. Moser encouraged to sign up for the GWNC newsletter and join a Committee, and explained online meeting procedures.

B. Flag Salute

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Moser.

C. Roll Call of Board Members and/or Alternates (Conrad Starr).

The Secretary called the roll. Eighteen of the 20 Board Members or their Alternates were present online at the Roll Call: Scott Appel, Hayden Ashworth, Jeffry Carpenter, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Brian Curran (Alternate for Karen Gilman), Charles D' Atri, Jennifer DeVore, Philip Farha, Michael Genewick, John Gresham, Max Kirkham (Vice-President), Bobbie Kumetz, Caroline Moser (President), Tammy Rosato, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr (Secretary), Joseph Suh, and John Winther. Tucker Carney and Brian Donahoe 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) was 3/5 of the 20 filled Seats, or 12 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. Twenty (20) of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). One seat was vacant – Area 15, Windsor Village. Eight Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #VI. C.; to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attended: at least 10 Stakeholders and guests.

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

A. CD4 Update (Rob Fisher)

Rob Fisher, Deputy for L.A. City District Four Councilmember David Ryu (323-957-6415; Rob.Fisher@LACity.org; <http://CD4.LACity.org>), working to determine face mask wearing requirements. CD 4 has been sending lots of texts and phoning seniors to provide

services. The City Council passed a rent increase moratorium on non-commercial tenants. HCID can grant rent money to tenants, who have 12 months to pay it back. Commercial tenants who get a grant have three months to pay it back. “They cannot be charged” late fees or interest during that time. Information is at DavidRyu.LACity.org. The Councilman sponsored legislation for a moratorium on storage unit rent payments. Mr. Fisher described the Mayor’s programs to help homeless people. He encouraged contacting him regarding homeless encampments; cleanups still are being done.

B. CD5 Update (Kevin Nahai)

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

C. LAPD Senior Lead Officers

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), could not attend and there was no report at this time.

D. 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 Neighborhood Council Chairpersons can spend up to \$5,000 in emergency funds. It is anticipated that next year’s Neighborhood Council budgets will be reduced \$10,000 from \$42,000 to \$32,000; rollovers still will be allowed. June 20 is the bank card use deadline. EmpowerLA.org/evg has online meeting procedures and more information at tiny.cc/NCCoronavirusUpdates.

E. Other Government Representatives

Angie Aramayo, Central Area Representative for Mayor Eric Garcetti (213-978-3130; Angie.Aramayo@LACity.org; <http://LAMayor.org>), reported on tenant and immigrant protections and rights. HCID eviction information is at 866-557-7368. She reviewed business and public facility opening guidelines and will email information links May 14 to Ms. Moser.

Erin Seinfeld, a Field Deputy for L.A. County District Three Supervisor Sheila Kuehl (310-231-1170; ESeinfeld@bos.LACounty.gov; <http://www.lacounty.gov/government/supervisors/sheila-kuehl>), reviewed business opening guidelines and reported that “everyone will receive a vote-by-mail ballot for the November election.” Ms. Moser requested information links to be emailed to her.

Kimberly Morosi, a Community Resource Specialist in the City Attorney’s Neighborhood Prosecutor Program [General 213-978-8100, Criminal 213-978-7840; <https://www.LACityAttorney.org/neighborhood-prosecutors>], reported that, at this time, automatic car washes are allowed; hand car washes are not.

Daniela Prowizor, of the L.A. County Treasurer and Tax Collector Office (213-974-2111), reported that information is at TTC.LACounty.gov and encouraged subscribing to news

emails. Foreclosure help is at 833-238-4450. She will email information links to Ms. Moser.

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), reported that 88% of nearby tunneling is done. He will email information links to Ms. Moser.

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

A. DWP Report

Mr. Humphreville reported on the local government corruption investigation.

B. Budget Advocate Report

Mr. Humphreville reported for the Budget Advocates [www.ncbala.com] that pension contributions are down and that labor agreements “blew a massive hole in the City’s finances.” The City had a \$200,000,000 deficit last year; \$300,000,000 is projected for next year, then a \$1.4 billion deficit. Mr. Darnell reported that Budget Advocate elections will be June 27; he encouraged volunteering. Mr. Humphreville wants to continue representing the GWNC and explained the responsibilities.

C. LANCC (LA Neighborhood Council Coalition) Report

There was no report.

IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

Michael Burbank reported that the L.A. Triathlon scheduled for Sunday, May 17 was postponed to Sunday, October 25th. Patty Lombard from the Larchmont Buzz commented that the meeting format did not allow her to see who besides board members was in attendance at the meeting and encouraged more transparency. Steven Rosenthal, of the Olympic Medical Center, gave COVID-19 testing information and encouraged RYLAN [ReadyYourLANeighborhood; <http://www.emergency.lacity.org/rylan>] participation.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Review and Adoption of General Board Meeting Minutes

i. For February 12, 2020

Board Member Mike Genewick left the meeting by this time, making 17 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

Copies had been distributed of the draft Minutes. The following correction was requested: page seven, Item #VIII. D. i: replace the wording “MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.” with “FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gresham, Kirkham, McManus, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Stromberg and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.”

MOTION (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Minutes of its February 12, 2020 General Meeting as corrected.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

ii. For March 11, 2020

Copies had been distributed of the draft Minutes. It was agreed to POSTPONE approval of the March 11 Minutes.

B. Revisions to Previously Adopted Minutes

There were no revisions.

C. Existing Committee Administration; New Committee Establishment; Liaison Appointments (Discussion and Possible Action).

i. NPG Committee Updates

Mr. Kirkham reported that Neighborhood Purposes Grant applications can be submitted until May 27 to GreaterWilshire.org/NPG. The Committee needs more volunteers; Joe Suh volunteered.

D. Alternate Resignations: Mary Proteau (Area 2 - Citrus Square); Matt Cheesebro (Area 4 - Fremont Place).

Ms. Moser noted the above.

E. Appointment of Additional CIS Filers: Community Impact Statements are submitted to LA City Council files as official statements from Neighborhood Councils. Such statements require Board discussion and vote prior to their submission. Motion: to appoint of Philip Farha as a CIS Filer.

MOTION (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Philip Farha as a CIS Filer.

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 16 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Farha).

F. Board Area Reports - Area 7 - Larchmont Village (Charles D’Atri)

Mr. D’Atri agreed to defer this report.

VI. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

A. Remarks

Ms. Moser thanked Margaret Sowma, who turned 105, for her community service.

i. Ratification of GWNC Contributions under the Emergency Declaration:

- LA Parks Foundation
- Anderson Munger YMCA
- Meals on Wheels
- Alexandria House
- Big Sunday

Motion: that the GWNC ratify emergency contributions authorized by its President under her Emergency Authority.

Ms. Moser explained social services of the above organizations; \$500 was given to each.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Ms. Carroll): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ratifies emergency contributions to LA Parks Foundation authorized by its President under her Emergency Authority.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Moser).

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Suh): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ratifies emergency contributions Anderson Munger YMCA authorized by its President under her Emergency Authority.

Board Member Patti Carroll recused herself and was placed on hold in Zoom so that she was unable to participate in the Meeting, making 16 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Moser); one recused (Carroll).

Board Member Patti Carroll returned online at this time; Charles D’Atri had stepped away, making 16 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Starr): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ratifies emergency contributions Meals on Wheels authorized by its President under her Emergency Authority.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Moser).

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ratifies emergency contributions Alexandria House authorized by its President under her Emergency Authority.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Moser).

Board Member Jennifer DeVore recused herself and was placed on hold in Zoom so that she was unable to participate in the Meeting, due to working with Big Sunday, making 15 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ratifies emergency contributions Big Sunday authorized by its President under her Emergency Authority.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Moser); one recused (DeVore).

Board Member Jennifer DeVore returned online at this time, making 16 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

B. Board Member Vacancy. Positions eligible for nominations of qualified candidates - to be submitted to the board for approval: Area 15 - Windsor Village.

Ms. Moser noted the above.

C. Alternate Board Member Vacancies. Positions eligible for nominations of qualified candidates - to be submitted to the board for approval: Area 2 - Citrus Square, Area 3 - Country Club Heights, Area 4 - Fremont Place, Area 9 - Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews, Area 12 - Western-Wilton, Area 15 - Windsor Village, Education, and Religion.

Ms. Moser noted the above.

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: Bob Reeves - Ethics & Funding.

Ms. Moser noted the above. Mr. Starr listed Board Members who now or soon need to renew their Training(s). GWNC Administrator Shirlee Fuqua noted that she would email Board Members this week about renewing their Training(s).

- 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: (NONE).

Ms. Moser noted the above.

VII. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- A. Land Use Tracker - Update on status of Land Use Committee tracker - built by Joe Hoffman - and discussions with CD4 on possible expansion.

Mr. Kirkham explained the above and will request that the Committee Agendize this.

- B. GWNC Budget for FY20-21 - The Mayor's most recent budget proposed a 24% cut to all Neighborhood Councils next year and the City Council has proposed not automatically rolling over unused budgets unable to be spent due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Proposed Motion: that the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council write a letter, addressed to the Mayor's office and City Council, categorically rejecting any budget cuts for the Neighborhood Council system and a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to that effect. The letter will quantify the amount of free time and expertise donated by each volunteer involved and will emphasize the direct - local - impact of all money spent by the GWNC.

Mr. Kirkham revised the Motion as follows.

MOTION (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will write a letter, addressed to the Office of the Mayor's and City Council, categorically rejecting any budget cuts for the Neighborhood Council System in FY20-21, and request that the amended motion in CF 20-0416 be reconsidered to restore the original language of the motion allowing Neighborhood Councils to roll over all remaining funds from FY19-20 into FY20-21 unencumbered. In addition, the letter will quantify the amount of free time and expertise donated by each volunteer involved and will emphasize the direct, local impact of all money spent by the GWNC.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Gresham noted that Neighborhood Councils do work that the City should do. Mr. Humphreville suggested that the City Council have an equal pay cut.

Board Member Charles D'Atri returned online by this time, making 17 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Revised NC Budget

It was agreed to POSTPONE Items VIII. B. iv.-xi. Ms. Moser will convene a Special Board Meeting to consider them.

i. Public hearing on May 20th - budget

Ms. Carroll noted the above.

- #### **ii. Rollover funds status. Per DONE Newsletter 5/8/2020: "During the City Council meeting on Wednesday, May 6, an amendment was adopted and passed by the City Council relative to the rollover of Neighborhood Council funds (Council File 20-0416). Councilmember Krekorian amended Council File 20-0416 instructing the City Clerk and Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) to allow NC funds to be rolled over if encumbered by June 30, 2020, into Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021, without a corresponding reduction to the regular budget allocation of funds to each Neighborhood Council for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020."**
- Ms. Carroll noted the above.

- #### **iii. Possibility of special meeting for GWNC budget (see Mayor's proposed budget p. 911).**

Ms. Carroll noted the above.

B. Budget Allocation (Funding Motion):

- #### **i. Motion: That the GWNC move \$1,000 from Community Improvement Grant budget to the Operational Budget.**

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will move \$1,000 from Community Improvement Grant budget to the Operational Budget.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- #### **ii. Motion: That the GWNC allocate up to \$500 for Office Supplies including but not limited to Ink, Paper, Storage Boxes, Paper Clips etc.**

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates up to \$500 for Office Supplies including but not limited to Ink, Paper, Storage Boxes, Paper Clips etc.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- iii. Motion: That the GWNC allocate up to \$300 (\$12/per user/per month) for a standard Dropbox business account for 2 users for one year.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates up to \$300 (\$12/per user/per month) for a standard Dropbox business account for 2 users for one year.

Mr. Kirkham explained the need.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- iv. Motion: That the GWNC allocate up to \$2000 for a 21.5” iMac and necessary software and/or associated equipment for use by GWNC Administrator and at council events as necessary

It had been agreed in Item VIII. A. to POSTPONE Items VIII. B. iv.-xi. Ms. Moser will convene a Special Board Meeting to consider them.

- v. Motion: That the GWNC allocate up to \$250 for the Congress of Neighborhood Councils Committee Programming.

It was agreed after all to vote on this Item.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates up to \$250 for the Congress of Neighborhood Councils Committee Programming.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Starr clarified that, though the Congress was cancelled this year, funding will carry over to future years.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- vi. Motion: That the GWNC allocate up to \$1000 for the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates.

It was agreed after all to vote on this Item.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates up to \$1,000 for the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates.

Board Member Scott Appel stepped out of the meeting by this time, making 16 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (D’Atri).

- vii. Motion: That the GWNC allocate up to \$660 (40 hours) for additional training and admin work to be performed by Shirlee Fuqua and David Levin as assigned by the President.

MOTION to POSTPONE (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council POSTPONES to Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Agenda Item #'s VIII. B. iv., vii., viii., ix., x., and xi.

MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (D’Atri).

Board Member Scott Appel returned online at this time, making 17 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

- viii. Motion: That the GWNC allocate up to \$200 for an official timing clock and assorted office supplies.

See above Item #VIII. B. vii.

- ix. Motion: That the GWNC allocate up to \$1100 for a custom pop-up tent, a retractable banner, two tablecloths, assorted document stands, and informational postcards for use during Community Outreach events.

See above Item #VIII. B. vii.

- x. Motion: That the GWNC allocate or encumber up to \$2607 for 5 sponsored posts in the Larchmont Buzz, 1 half-page advertisement in The Larchmont Chronicle, and a 4-column advertisement in the Park La Brea / Beverly Press.

See above Item #VIII. B. vii.

- xi. Motion: That the GWNC encumber for FY 20-21 up to \$4,337 to continue existing storage locker and mailbox rentals, and Lloyd Staffing invoices.

See above Item #VIII. B. vii.

- C. Reminder of approved allocation of rollover funds: on 8/14/2019, the GWNC Board voted to roll over “funds in the amount of \$7,358.77 as follows: \$2,500 for NPGs, \$2,500 to outreach for advertising and promotions, \$2,358.77 for Operational.”

The above was noted.

- D. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for March, 2020 (Discussion and Possible Action)
- i. 3/3 Public Storage \$159
 - ii. 3/4 Ebell - Feb \$350
 - iii. 3/11 San Wilshire - Board Meeting \$64.91
 - iv. 3/17 Anderson Trophy - Badges \$96.91

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for March 2020.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- E. Approval of Individual Expenses Listed in the March, 2020 MER (Discussion and Possible Action).

Ms. Carroll reviewed the expenses.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the individual expenditures it made in March 2020.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- F. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for April, 2020 (Discussion and Possible Action).
- i. 4/3 Public Storage \$159
 - ii. Larchmont Chronicle- April \$358
 - iii. Larchmont Chronicle-Feb/March \$716
 - iv. LA Parks Foundation - Emergency Funds \$500
 - v. AndersonMunger YMCA- Emergency \$500
 - vi. Ebell of Los Angeles - March \$350
 - vii. DNH Media Temple - Web Hosting \$240
 - viii. Big Sunday - Emergency Funds \$500
 - ix. Lloyd Staffing Admin WE 1/12, 1/19, 1/26 \$917.70

- x. Lloyd Staffing Minutes WE2/9 \$77.28
- xi. Lloyd Staffing Minutes WE2/16 \$217.78

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for April 2020.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

G. Approval of Individual Expenses Listed in the April, 2020 MER (Discussion and Possible Action).

Ms. Carroll reviewed the expenses.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the individual expenditures it made in April 2020.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

H. Review of March/April 2020 Board Expenses that Will Appear on the May 2020 MER.

- i. Alexandria House - Emergency Funds- \$500
- ii. Meals on Wheels - Emergency Funds \$500
- iii. Larchmont Buzz (Jan -March) \$300
- iv. Larchmont Buzz (sponsored post CD4 Forum) \$200
- v. Larchmont Buzz (April Big Banner) \$270
- vi. Various Lloyd Staffing Invoices Approx \$1,700

Ms. Carroll reviewed above and reported that \$18,398.43 was available.

I. Discussion and Review on any other Treasurer Matters

- i. Contracts Needed: Village Mail, Buzz, Advertising, Storage
Ms. Carroll noted the above.

- ii. *****IMPORTANT FISCAL DATES*****

- May 20th, 2020 - Final date to submit event requests scheduled through July 15th, 2020.
- June 1st, 2020 - Final date to submit a check payment request, including NPG applications.
- June 20th, 2020 - Final date to make purchases with the NC bank card
- June 30th, 2020 - Final date to allocate encumbered funds

Ms. Carroll noted the above.

IX. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Max Kirkham)

A. Report on the May 2, 2020 Outreach Committee Meeting.

Mr. Kirkham reported that the Committee met online May 2nd and discussed how the Committee can address the COVID-19 pandemic. The Committee will “highlight businesses that are open”; to add more, email Social@GreaterWilshire.org. He also encouraged sending pet photos to that address.

B. 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.

This Item was not addressed.

C. NPG Committee and Applications Update - Neighborhood Purposes Grants can be used by either certified 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations or public schools for community improvement projects. You can find more information at <https://greaterwilshire.org/npg/>.

Mr. Kirkham noted the above.

D. Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, June 6, 2020, 9:30 a.m. via Zoom. Login details will be on the meeting agenda and at www.greaterwilshire.org.

Mr. Kirkham noted the above.

X. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Conrad Starr)

A. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be on Monday, May 18, 2020 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Login details will be on the meeting agenda and at www.greaterwilshire.org.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

XI. SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Dan Kegel & Julie Stromberg).

A. Report on the May 5, 2020 Sustainability Committee Meeting.

Mr. Kegel reported that Committee recommended that the Board file a comment on the Safe Sidewalks LA Draft Environmental Impact Report.

B. Motion: to ratify the Environmental and Sustainability Committee election of Dan Kegel as its chair.

MOTION (Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ratifies the Environmental and Sustainability Committee election of Dan Kegel as its Chair.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- C. Motion: that the GWNC board file a comment on the Safe Sidewalks LA Draft EIR, addressed to Shilpa Gupta of LA BoE, Mayor Garcetti, and Councilmember Ryu, with the attached text.

The Committee’s draft letter was explained regarding 1) Urban Forestry-approved trees for planting; 2) that the Plan only provides for three years of tree, though Urban Forestry recommends five years of monitoring; and 3) that the Plan “doesn’t seem to provide for any community engagement,” and the letter recommends how to do that.

MOTION (Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will file a comment on the Safe Sidewalks LA Draft EIR, addressed to Shilpa Gupta of LA BoE, Mayor Garcetti, and Councilmember Ryu, with the attached text.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- D. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting. Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2020 via Zoom. Login details will be on the meeting agenda and at www.greaterwilshire.org. Mr. Kegel noted the above.

XII. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Philip Farha).
[The following sub-section first paragraphs are copied from the Agenda.]

- A. POSSIBLE FUTURE LUC AGENDA ITEMS - Please note that meetings were not held in March or April, as such, due to the large backlog of applications, not all projects may be included in the upcoming agenda.
Mr. Farha reported that the Committee did not meet; the following was only for information.
- i. 506 N. Sycamore Ave.: (Albert Ng) 5-units – Small Lot Subdivision. In the LD-RD-1.5-IXL zone. Pursuant to ordinance #176-354. ZA-2019-6971, VTT-82842.
 - ii. 845 S. Orange Dr.: (Sonny Moraga) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 2019-20000-00035/B20VN00071.
 - iii. 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.
- iv. 611 N. Manhattan Pl.: (Matthew Hayden) Applicant will provide more information when it becomes available.
 - v. 4670 Beverly Blvd.: (Athena Novak, Behruz Gabbi) Project on hold. Development and use of the site for a 30-unit multi residential apartment community with 23 off street parking spaces and a height not to exceed 73 feet. Open space will include a 390 SF gym, 749 SF office community room and 1,325 SF roof deck. DIR-2019-6597-TOC, PAR-2019-4042-TOC.
 - vi. 985-991 3rd Ave.: (Laszlo Faerstein) Project is exempt from CEQA. Qualifying Tier 2 Project totaling 50 dwelling units, (6) Very Low Income with basic incentives and additional incentives. DIR-2018-2234-TOC, ENV-2018-2235-CE.
 - vii. 743-749 S. Gramercy Drive: (Sami Kohamin, Michelle Chen) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 19019-10000-03861 / No. 19019-10000-03864 / No. 19019-10000-03867 -991.
 - viii. 851-853 N. Las Palmas Ave.: (Cristian Santibanez) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No.20019-10000-00414, 20019-10000-00415.
 - ix. 3323 W. Olympic Blvd. and 970-996 S. Manhattan Place: New ownership is proposing changes to what has previously been presented.
 - x. 151 S. Citrus Ave.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application.
 - xi. 706 N. Citrus Ave.: New application.
 - xii. 834 N. June Street: Demolition Pre-inspection Application.
 - xiii. 682 S. Sycamore Ave.: Transit-oriented project.
 - xiv. 5570 Melrose Ave.: Proposed mural on existing building. Referred to GWNC by Cultural Affairs.
 - xv. 606 N. Manhattan Place: Demolition Pre-inspection Application.
 - xvi. 643-645 N. Rossmore Ave.: Notice of Public Hearing 5-13-2020
 - xvii. 307 N. Wilton Place: Pending further information.
 - xviii. 364 S. Mansfield Ave.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application.

B. Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, May 26, 2020, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Login details will be on the meeting agenda and at www.greaterwilshire.org.

Mr. Farha noted the above.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Use of NC Zoom Account for NC Congress-related Programs (Conrad Starr). Motion: to authorize the use of GWNC's Zoom Webinar account for NC Congress programming, subject to the Zoom account holder's participation and provided there is no conflict with scheduled GWNC meetings.

MOTION (Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council authorizes the use of GWNC's Zoom Webinar account for NC Congress programming, subject to the Zoom account holder's participation and provided there is no conflict with scheduled GWNC meetings.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Farha, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- B. Revised General Board Meeting Time. Motion: That the GWNC change its monthly meeting start time to 6 p.m.

It was agreed to keep the Board Meeting start time at 7:00. No Motion was made or vote taken.

XIV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS.

(Discussion and Possible Action).

- A. Public Works Liaison Report (Hayden Conner Ashworth)

- i. Bureau of Street Services - Neighborhood Council Initiative. Motion: The GWNC will elect for [Pothole Repairs or Tree Planting] for the semi-annual NC Blitz generally in May and November.

Mr. Ashworth reported on the above.

MOTION (Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will elect for Pothole Repairs for the semi-annual NC Blitz generally in May and November.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Starr was concerned about City tree maintenance quality.

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 10 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Ashworth, Carroll, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Kirkham, Rosato, Starr and Winther); one opposed (Moser); six abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Carpenter, Farha, Gresham, Kumetz, Smith and Suh).

Mr. Ashworth also met with the Bureau of Street Lighting to discuss issues.

- B. Other Liaison Reports (<https://empowerla.org/liaison/>).

Ms. Rosato reported that LAHSA and HCID have provided good housing help.

XV. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No other requests were made.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting. The next GWNC Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 via Zoom.

Ms. Moser announced a May 27 Special Board Meeting.

Ms. Moser adjourned the Meeting at 10:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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