

Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, June 10, 2020 Approved August 12, 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/1H5FMEsCROkO6v83k7FbmvzMFdPGZC6a1?usp=shari ng\.

## I. WELCOMING REMARKS

A. Call to Order (Caroline Moser)

A duly noticed Meeting of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ("GWNC") Board of Directors was held entirely online and telephonically. President Moser called the meeting to order at 7:00 p. m.

- B. Flag Salute The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tammy Rosato.
- C. Roll Call of Board Members and/or Alternates (Conrad Starr).

The Secretary called the roll. Nineteen of the 20 Board Members or their Alternates were present online at the Roll Call: Scott Appel, Jeffry Carpenter, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Brian Curran (Alternate for Karen Gilman), Charles D'Atri, Jennifer DeVore, Brian Donahoe, Philip Farha, Michael Genewick, John Gresham, Max Kirkham (Vice-President), Bobbie Kumetz, Caroline Moser (President), Tammy Rosato, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr (Secretary), Joseph Suh, Maria Sulprizio (Alternate for Hayden Ashworth) and John Winther. Alternate Board Member Colette Amin (for Tucker Carney) arrived later. Cathy Roberts (Alternate for Tammy Rosato) later replaced Ms. Rosato. 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=su4 6~), so the Board could take such votes. Twenty of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). One Board Seat was vacant [Area 15 - Windsor Village; see below]. Eight Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #VI. C.; to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attended: at least 14 Stakeholders and guests.

D. Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was held.

## II. <u>COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS</u> (Representatives

from government offices and community-based organizations).

A. 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), reported that the Councilman is working with fellow Council Members to "re-open" Police contract discussions. Streets with "a high level of multi-family" residences can be nominated for the Great Streets program. Mr. Fisher recommended that everyone get tested for Novel Coronavirus infection.

Alternate Board Member Colette Amin (Alternate for Tucker Carney) arrived at this time (7:13), making 20 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

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)

[*This Agenda Item was addressed after Aditi Shakkarwar's report.*] John Darnell, Neighborhood Council Advocate, L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) (213-978-1551; John.Darnell@LACity.org; www.EmpowerLA.org), reminded that Board Members need to complete trainings every two years. He noted that anyone with Funding training expiration of 6/30/2020 would be given until 9/30/2020 to complete the training due to COVID-19.

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 expanded City safety programs. Report Police complaints to 213-893-6400, the Office of the Inspector General.

Aditi Shakkarwar, Field Representative for State 50th District Assemblyman Richard Bloom (310-450-0041; Aditi.Shakkarwar@asm.ca.gov; http://assembly.ca.gov/Bloom), reported on various issues including affordable housing and unemployment.

# III. <u>CITY BUDGET and NC BUDGET ADVOCATES</u> (discussion and possible action) (Jack Humphreville)

A. DWP Report

Mr. Humphreville reported.

B. Budget Advocate Report

Mr. Humphreville reported for the Budget Advocates [http://ncbala.com] that the City adopted "a placeholder budget." There been "about a \$2B swing" in the budget toward the negative due to the Novel Coronavirus. The City Controller projects that revenues will be \$200M lower than expected.

C. LANCC (LA Neighborhood Councils Coalition) Report.

Mr. Humphreville reported regarding LANCC [the Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition; LANCC@EmpowerLA.org; www.LANCC.org].

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

Tabatha, representing Nithya Raman, City Council District Four Candidate (nithyaforthecity.com), noted Ms. Raman's community service, including as a Silver Lake NC Member. Ms. Raman worked for the City Administrator's Office and started a neighborhood homelessness advocacy organization (SELAH) [http://www.selahnhc.org] to bring services to those not served.

Moises Gomez, Co-Chair of the LAPD Olympic Division CPAB (Community Police Advisory Board) [http://www.lapdonline.org/olympic\_community\_police\_station/content\_basic\_view/8984], reported.

B. Revisions to Previously Adopted Minutes. There were no revisions.

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

- A. Review and Adoption of General Board Meeting Minutes
  - i. March 11, 2020 Copies were available at www.GreaterWilshire.org/BdDocs.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Minutes of its March 11, 2020 General Meeting as written. **MOTION to AMEND** (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council amends the Motion as follows: "as written" should read "with the following correction on page 11, Item #X. B.: "**AMENDED MOTION FAILED** with seven in favor; four opposed (Farha, Genewick, Gresham, and Winther); four abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes (Appel, Carney, \_\_\_ and Rosato)" should read "**AMENDED MOTION FAILED** with seven in favor; four opposed; four abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes."

Board Member Philip Farha had stepped out by this time, making 19 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

**AMENDMENT to the MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with all 19 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Amin, Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Genewick, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, Sulprizio, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. **AMENDED MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with all 19 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Amin, Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Genewick, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, Sulprizio, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

Board Member Philip Farha returned at this time, making 20 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

ii. May 13, 2020

**MOTION to POSTPONE** (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Starr): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council POSTPONES this Item to its next Board Meeting. **MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED** unanimously by the 20 eligible voters present.

- B. Revisions to Previously Adopted Minutes There were no revisions.
- C. Ratification of Standing Committees

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council recognizes its Standing Committees: Land Use; Environmental & Sustainability; Executive; Quality of Life; and Transportation. MOTION to TABLE (by Mr. Suh): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council TABLES this Item.

MOTION to TABLE FAILED for lack of a second.

MAIN MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with all 20 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Amin, Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Genewick, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, Sulprizio, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- D. Existing Committee Administration; New Committee Establishment; Liaison Appointments.
  - i. Motion: That the Board [see the below Motion] (Joseph Lee Suh). Mr. Suh explained the Motion.

MOTION (by Mr. Suh, seconded by Ms. Amin): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will create a Bylaws and Rules Committee to advise the Board on revisions to the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Bylaws and Board Rules. DISCUSSION: Ms. Moser reminded no Bylaws changes can be made until after the 2021 GWNC election and that an ad hoc Governance Committee is working on Board

Rules. John Darnell, NEA, confirmed the bylaws status. Mr. Gresham noted there have been ad hoc Bylaws Committees. Mr. D'Atri volunteered to help review the Bylaws.

**CALL for the QUESTION** (by Ms. Amin, seconded by Mr. Suh): **PASSED** unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes).

**CALL for the QUESTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with all 20 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Amin, Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Genewick, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, Sulprizio, and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. **MAIN MOTION FAILED** by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with three in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Amin, Starr and Suh); 16 opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Genewick, Gresham, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Sulprizio, and Winther); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Kirkham).

- ii. Report on Governance Committee status (Moser) Ms. Moser reported on the Committee.
- iii. Motion: [see the below Motion]. (Moser)

**MOTION** (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Ms. Kumetz): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Motions that new members to a standing committee may be appointed with a majority vote either of the Board or the members of the Committee to be later ratified with a majority vote by the other group.

**DISCUSSION**: Ms. Moser explained the ambiguity in the process. Mr. Kirkham suggested deleting the wording after the phrase ". . . of the Committee." There was extensive discussion of what the Board can or should do.

**MOTION to AMEND** (by Mr. Starr): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council AMENDS the Motion by inserting the words "with voting privileges after ratification." **MOTION to AMEND FAILED** for lack of a second.

MAIN MOTION WITHDRAWN by Ms. Moser, agreed to by Ms. Kumetz. MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council motions that new members to a standing committee may be appointed with a majority vote either of the Board or the members of the Committee to be later ratified by the Board.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with 13 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Genewick, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Sulprizio, and Winther); six opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Amin, Appel, Farha, Kirkham, Starr, and Suh); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Gresham).

- E. Sign-up for Committees (Board members and stakeholders).
  - i. Non-Board Member Ethics Training is required for all Committee Members who are not GWNC Board Members or Alternates: http://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx The above was noted.
  - ii. Possible new members to Transportation Committee.

• Board Alternate, Cindy Chvatal

**MOTION** (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Cindy Chvatal to the Transportation Committee. **DISCUSSION**: Ms. Chvatal noted that she was an original Transportation Committee Member and that 'there are a lot of issues in our neighborhood," on which she elaborated.

Tucker Carney replaced Alternate Board Member Colette Amin and John Gresham had left by this time, making 19 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with 16 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Farha, Genewick, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, Sulprizio, and Winther); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Donahoe); two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Carney and Kirkham).

• Hancock Park HOA member, Jon Vein

Board Member Caroline Moser recused herself and was placed on hold in Zoom so that she was unable to see, hear or participate in the Meeting Mr. Vein serves on a Board in which her daughter has an interest, making 18 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve). Mr. Kirkham became the Presiding Officer.

> **MOTION** (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Mr. Suh): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Jon Vein to the Transportation Committee. **DISCUSSION**: Mr. Vein described his extensive community service background, including as an HPHOA Transportation Committee Member.

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

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 13 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Farha, Kumetz, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, Sulprizio, and Winther); two opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Carney and Donahoe); two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Carpenter and Kirkham); one recused (Moser).

Board Member Caroline Moser returned online at this time and as Presiding Officer, making 18 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

• SSNA Member, Chris Palencia

**MOTION** (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Chris Palencia and Jonah Bliss to the Transportation Committee.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Palencia and Mr. Bliss described their backgrounds and goals. **MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kumetz, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, Suh, Sulprizio, and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Kirkham).

- SSNA Member, Jonah Bliss See the above Item.
- F. Motion to adopt Code of Conduct Requirement for Committee Members (Caroline Moser). Ms. Moser requested and it was agreed to POSTPONE this Item to the next Board Meeting.
- G. Nomination and Possible Vote for Board Alternate for Area 12 Fremont Place: Discussion on qualifications to verify eligibility to the board before board motion and vote.
  - i. Sam Randazzo

Ms. Moser reported that Mr. Randazzo could not attend this Meeting but will attend the next one.

- H. Administer Neighborhood Council Oath of Office to new Board Member: "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."
- I. Board Area Reports Area 7 Larchmont Village (Charles D'Atri). Ms. Moser requested and Mr. D'Atri agreed to postpone this to the next Board Meeting.
- J. Retention Policy for Zoom Recordings (Conrad Starr) Ms. Moser requested and Mr. Starr agreed to postpone this to the next Board Meeting.

## VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## A. Remarks

Ms. Moser reported that the May 27th Town Hall Meeting "was a great success."

 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 3 Country Club Heights, 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 <a href="http://empowerla.org/boardmembers">http://empowerla.org/boardmembers</a>. 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.
- 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.

- F. Discussion of possible time change for start; separate meeting format for government reps. Ms. Moser suggested and explained the above. No change was made.
- G. Census Ambassador Ms. Moser encouraged volunteering; Mr. D'Atri volunteered to help.

## VII. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Kirkham said that "Black Lives Matter."

## VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT (Discussion and Board Action).

A. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for May, 2020 (Discussion and Possible Action).

Copies were available at

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1H5FMEsCROkO6v83k7FbmvzMFdPGZC6a1 and

5/2 Alexandria House - Emergency Funds \$500
5/3 Public Storage \$159
5/7 Lloyd Staffing DL - WE 2/24-3/1, 3/2-3/8, 3/9-3/15 - \$442.59
5/7 Lloyd Staffing SF - WE 2/24-3/1, 3/2-3/8, 3/19-3/15— \$917.70
5/7 Lloyd Staffing SF - WE 3/16-3/22— \$305.90
5/7 Lloyd Staffing DL - WE 4/134/19, 4/27-5/3— \$98.35
5/7 St Vincents MOW- Emergency Funds \$500
5/9 Larchmont Buzz - CD4 Forum \$200
5/9 Larchmont Buzz- email Banner Ad Jan -March \$300
5/12 Larchmont Chronicle - May - \$358

5/14 Larchmont Buzz - Big Box Ad April Website- \$240
5/20 Lloyd Staffing DL - WE 5/1-5/10— \$91.33
5/20 Lloyd Staffing DL - WE 5/115/17— Minutes Writer- 259.93
5/22 EIG My Domain- Domain renewal 2 yrs for greaterwilshire.org and .com - \$61.95

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

Alternate Board Member Maria Sulprizio had left and Board Member Philip Farha had stepped out by this time, making 16 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Rosato): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for May 2020.

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

B. Approval of Individual Expenses Listed in the May, 2020 MER.

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

Board Member Philip Farha had returned online by this time, making 17 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

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

- C. Review of May 2020 Board Expenses that Will Appear on the June 2020 MER. Ms. Carroll said "those are mainly going to be Lloyd Staffing."
- D. Line Item Increase including but not limited to GWNC Minutes Writer Ms. Carroll indicated that probably approximately \$500 would be moved from the General Administration to the Minutes Writer category.
- E. Review, Update, and Possible Action of General Treasury Information, Roll Over Options and Second Card Holder, Second Signature.Ms. Carroll confirmed that Ms. Moser is the Second Cardholder.

F. Review of and Possible Action on GWNC Inventory Certification.

Ms. Carroll reported that the projector is the only inventory; Mr. Kirkham reported that the projector is in storage along with files back to 2012 that need to be culled.

## G. 2020/21 Budget Package

Ms. Carroll reviewed and noted that "our budget has been reduced from \$42,000 to \$32,000" in funding per year; rollover funding will be added.

MOTION (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the 2020/21 Budget Package as presented. **DISCUSSION**: Ms. Carroll thanked the Board and Stakeholder Liz Fuller for their support. Ms. Fuller, the former GWNC Administrator, stated that "there is no way that volunteers can do the job . . .to keep the Board running . . . it is a necessary paid job." Stakeholder and former Board Member Julie Stromberg said advertising is "indispensible." Mr. Kirkham said that "the Administrator and the Minutes Writer are invaluable."

## Board Member Bobbie Kumetz had left by this time, making 16 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 16 eligible voters present with 13 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr, and Winther); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Suh); two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel and Carney).

H. Deadlines:

- May 20th, 2020 Event requests scheduled through 7-15-2020
- June 8th, 2020 Receive refund checks to ensure reimbursed funds are credited back to the NC's account this Fiscal year
- June 15th, 2020 Check payment requests, including NPGs (normally 6/1)
- June 20th, 2020 NC bank card purchases
- June 30th, 2020 Encumbrance Requests to clerk.NCFunding@lacity.org

Ms. Carroll noted the above.

- I. NPG Ad Hoc Committee Report (Jennifer DeVore/Max Kirkham).
  - i. The Committee met on June 1 and June 4, 2020. Mr. Kirkham reported that the Committee discussed seven NPG applications, for which
    - he explained the criteria.
  - ii. The GWNC NPG Ad Hoc Committee recommended granting PESA, KYCC and First in Fire NPG grants with a final decision on amounts postponed until the budget for fiscal year 2020-2021 is approved by the board. Mr. Kirkham noted the above.
  - iii. The GWNC NPG Ad Hoc Committee recommended granting YMCA an NPG grant NPG grants with a final decision on amounts postponed until the budget for fiscal year

2020-2021 is approved by the board. Due to a conflict of interest, Ms. Carroll left the meeting and recused herself from conversation on this item. Mr. Kirkham noted the above.

 iv. The NPG Ad Hoc Committee will meet on July 1st to recommend allocation of funding, approve minutes, and complete other administrative work as required. When available, committee minutes and information for the next meeting will appear at: https://greaterwilshire.org/npg/.
 Mr. Kirkham noted the above.

## IX. <u>OUTREACH COMMITTEE</u> (Discussion and possible action) (Max Kirkham).

A. Report on the June 6, 2020 Outreach Committee Meeting.

Mr. Kirkham reported that the Committee discussed future plans. Mr. Suh joined the Committee and Mr. Ashworth now is the Committee Secretary. Mr. Kirkham encouraged attending the meetings; "we need the help," especially with Korean and Spanish speakers.

- 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. Mr. Kirkham noted the above.
- C. Protests and Public Safety in Los Angeles. Discussion on GWNC response to the ongoing protests and public safety in Los Angeles County. Mr. Kirkham requested feedback.
- D. Resolution on Recognizing LGBTQ+ Pride Month (Hayden Conner Ashworth). Motion: that the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council recognize June 2020 as "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+ Pride Month." Mr. Kirkham noted the above.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Donahoe): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council recognizes June 2020 as "Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer+ Pride Month."

Board Member John Winther had left by this time, making 15 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr and Suh); zero opposed; zero abstained.

E. Approval of a Letter to the LA City Council Regarding the FY20-21 Budget. Discussion and Possible Motion on approving a letter to the LA City Council Budget and Finance

Committee urging them to revise the budget for FY 20-21 in order to meet Los Angeles' most pressing needs.

Mr. Kirkham explained this and, if a Board Member wants to have their name added to the letter, to contact him.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [*MK CONFIRM:*] \_\_\_\_ re-send the letter sent to the City Council and the Mayor's Office on May 13, 2020 with new comments on the Budget submitted by Jack Humphreville and Julia Moser on June 8, 2020 as presented and to present the same as a Community Impact Statement.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 13 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Rosato, Smith and Suh); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Moser and Starr).

F. Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, July 11, 2020, 9:30 a.m. [rescheduled due to holiday] via Zoom ID #982 7679 1581

Mr. Kirkham noted the above.

## X. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Conrad Starr)

- A. Report on the May 18, 2020 Transportation Committee Meeting.
  - i. Schedule Change for Standing Meetings to 4th Monday of Odd-numbered Months. Mr. Starr noted the above.
  - ii. Crenshaw Northern Extension EIR. Motion: to send a letter of endorsement for the Metro Rail Crenshaw Line Northern Extension EIR, noting the previous communication from GWNC regarding vertical configuration constraints. Mr. Starr will report on this at the next Board Meeting.
- B. Upcoming Transportation Committee Special Meeting. A special meeting of the GWNC Transportation Committee focused on the 4th Street Greenway proposal will be held on June 17, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ID #965 7828 7954.
  Mr. Starr noted the above. Ms. Moser encouraged any Board Member who has a conflict-of-interest concern to contact Deputy City Attorney Steve Houchin at Steve.Houchin@LACity.org.
- C. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Transportation Committee Regular Meeting will be on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 7 p.m. via Zoom ID #921 5993 5555.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

XI. <u>SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE</u> (Discussion and possible action) (Dan Kegel). A. Report on the June 2, 2020 Sustainability Committee Meeting.

Mr. Kegel will post approved Committee Minutes on the website. He reported on the DWP's 100% Renewables Study and that "most apartment buildings are capable of having solar panels on their roofs."

B. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting. Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 7, 2020 via Zoom ID #928 2781 1179. Mr. Kegel noted the above..

## XII. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Philip Farha). Mr. Farha requested and Ms. Moser agreed to move Land Use Committee items earlier on future Board Meeting Agendas. [The following sub-section first paragraphs are copied from the Agenda.]

A. 525 N. Western Ave: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Dana Sayles) New construction of a 64 unit 100% affordable permanent housing apartment building. DIR-2019-7014-TOC, ENV-2019-7015-SE. This is a Wilshire Center Koreatown NC that abuts GWNC border on the West. MOTION: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion].

Copies were available at www.GreaterWilshire.org/BdDocs.

MOTION (by Mr. Farha, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the following resolution: Whereas the GWNC supports efforts to increase the amount of affordable housing in the city and applauds the attempt to do so, the Board supports the permanent supportive housing project at 525 N. Western Ave. (aka 537–541 N. Western Ave.). The Board expresses concern for the insufficient number of parking spaces, the height, impacts on the neighborhood and neighbors in the Oakwood-Maplewood-St. Andrews area of the GWNC, the uninspired design and confusing perspective drawings of the ground floor.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr and Suh); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel).

B. 3323 W. Olympic Blvd. and 970-996 S. Manhattan Pl.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Josh Krieger). Construction of a 7-story mixed-use building consisting of 6 levels of residential apartments 118 units with 12 ELI units over 1 level of parking, retail space and lobby + 2 levels of basement parking. Amenities include a fitness center, pool area, and a roof deck. DIR-2020-1687-TOC-SPR-VHCA. MOTION: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion].

Mr. Farha explained that "this project will be coming back to us." Mr. Kirkham reported that the developer said that they were unaware this Item was Agendized for this Meeting.

MOTION (by Mr. Farha, seconded by Ms. Moser): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the project located at 3323 W. Olympic Blvd. and 970-996 S. Manhattan P1.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr and Suh); zero opposed; zero abstained.

C. 975 – 987 S. Manhattan Pl.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Josh Krieger) Construction of a 7-story multi-family residential residences with 120 –Units DIR-2020-1286-TOC-SPR-HCA. MOTION: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion].

Mr. Farha explained the project.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Farha, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the project located at 975 – 987 S. Manhattan Pl. **MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr and Suh); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- D. 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.
  - i. 606 N. Manhattan Place: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Brandon Finch) Demolition of a single-family house and construction of a 14-unit apartment/condo complex utilizing 70% density bonus from TOC Tier 3 Guidelines, requesting 3 additional incentives: height to 59'-9" in lieu of 45' and 2 side yard setbacks of 5'-9" in lieu of the required 8'. VTTM82880, PAR-2019-5365-TOC.
  - ii. 706 N. Citrus Ave: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Christine Rivera) Conditional Use Permit to allow the on site sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on site consumption in conjunction with the operation of a creative office club with a roof top club area in the C4-1XL zone. Hours of operation 9:00am to 1:00am. ZA-2020-202-CU-CUB-ZV, ENV-2020-203-CE.
  - iii. 151 S. Citrus Ave.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 20019-20000-01426-B20VN04675, Yoni B.
  - iv. 105 S. St Andrews Pl.: Mark Tavakoli
  - v. 410 N. Rossmore Ave.
  - vi. 816 N. Mansfield Ave.: David Acosta
  - vii. 450 S. Manhattan Pl.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 20019-20000-01017 Kevin Baik
  - viii. 307 N. Wilton Pl.: Miriam Sanchez Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 18019-20000-06318/B18VN21939
  - ix. 364 S. Mansfield Ave.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 20019-10000-01836 Tom Leishman
  - x. 834 N. June St.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 20019-1000001475 Robert Tavasci
  - xi. 743-749 S. Gramercy Pl.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 19019-10000-03867; 19019-10000-03861; and 19019-10000-03864 Michelle Chen

- xii. 611 N. Manhattan Pl. : (Matthew Hayden) Applicant will provide more information when it becomes available.
- xiii. 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.
- xiv. 682 S. Sycamore Ave: Metro
- xv. Discussion on the proposed Amendment to the Home-Sharing Ordinance, Case No. CPC-2020-2762-CA, that has been released for a 60-day public review period

Mr. Farha noted the above.

E. Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, June 23, 2020, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ID #915 2786 9326.

Mr. Farha noted the above.

## XIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/LIAISON REPORTS

- (Discussion and Possible Action).
- A. Public Works Liaison Report (Hayden Conner Ashworth). Mr. Kirkham reported that Mr. Ashworth "is . . . reaching out to AT&T and Spectrum" regarding service outages.
- B. Other Liaison Reports (https://empowerla.org/liaison/).

Ms. Rosato reported regarding LAHSA's [the LA Homeless Services Authority; 213-683-3333; http://lahsa.org; www.facebook.com/lahsa.org] June 10<sup>th</sup> homelessness report that she believed that "LAHSA is using a flawed methodology"; they interview 3%, trying to have them complete a 40-page questionnaire. She believed that foster care, veterans, and domestic abuse victims have been undercounted. Project Roomkey has been good. Ms. Moser requested and Ms. Rosato agreed to write a Community Impact Statement for Board consideration.

C. Motion: to appoint Hayden Conner Ashworth and Max Kirkham to the LGBTQ+ Alliance of Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils (The first general membership meeting of the LGBTQ+ Alliance of Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils will be on July 15, 2020 7:00 PM.).

**MOTION** (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Hayden Conner Ashworth and Max Kirkham to the LGBTQ+ Alliance of Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Moser, Rosato, Smith, Starr and Suh); zero opposed; zero abstained.

#### XIV. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Motion: That the Board [see the below Motion] (Joseph Lee Suh).

**MOTION** (by Mr. Suh, seconded by Mr. Starr): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the Resolution Condemning All Forms of Anti-Asian Sentiment as Related to COVID-19. *[See full motion text as "Addendum A" beginning after Page 19.]* **DISCUSSION**: There was concern about the Resolution's length and about addressing it this late in this already very long meeting. There was very extensive discussion about the Motion, including whether, while the Motion's intension was good, it was too long.

Board Member Patti Carroll had stepped out and Tammy Rosato left by this time, making 13 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with 10 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carney, Curran, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Moser, Smith, Starr and Suh); zero opposed; three abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel, Carpenter and D'Atri).

B. Motion: That the Board adopt the Resolution Condemning All Acts of Police Brutality, Racial Profiling, and Excessive Force and Promoting Trust and Accountability Between Law Enforcement and Communities They Are Sworn to Serve. *[See full motion text as "Addendum B."]* 

**MOTION to REFER to COMMITTEE** (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Mr. Starr): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council REFERS Item #XIV. B., F. and G. to Committee. **DISCUSSION**: There was extensive discussion about the Motion to REFER to Committee and very extensive discussion about the Item, including whether, while the Item's intension was good, it was too long.

Board Member Patti Carroll had returned and Cathy Roberts (Alternate for Tammy Rosato) arrived online by this time, making 15 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

**MOTION to REFER to COMMITTEE FAILED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with seven in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, D'Atri, DeVore, Moser and Starr); seven opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Carney, Curran, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Roberts and Suh); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Smith).

**MOTION** (by Mr. Suh, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the Resolution Condemning All Acts of Police Brutality, Racial Profiling, and Excessive Force and Promoting Trust and Accountability Between Law Enforcement and Communities They Are Sworn to Serve.

**DISCUSSION**: There was extensive discussion about considering the Motion without the Resolution.

**MOTION to AMEND** (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Farha): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council condemns All Acts of Police Brutality, Racial Profiling, and

Excessive Force and Promoting Trust and Accountability Between Law Enforcement and Communities They Are Sworn to Serve.

**MOTION to AMEND FAILED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with seven in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, D'Atri, DeVore, Farha, Moser, Smith); seven opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Carney, Curran, Donahoe, Kirkham, Roberts, Starr, and Suh); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel).

**DISCUSSION**: Very extensive discussion continued about the Motion.

**CALL for the QUESTION** (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Carney) **PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 12 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, DeVore, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Roberts, Smith, and Suh); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Moser); two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (D'Atri and Starr).

Board Member Charles D'Atri stepped out at 11:29, making 14 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

**MAIN MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 14 eligible voters present with nine in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carney, Curran, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Roberts, Smith, Starr, and Suh; one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Carroll); four abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel, Carpenter, DeVore and Moser).

- C. Commemoration of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (Suh). Mr. Suh said he did not ask to have this Agendized. No Motion was made or vote taken.
- D. Children's Day in the United States (Suh).Mr. Suh said he did not ask to have this Agendized. No Motion was made or vote taken.
- E. Americans with Disabilities Act (Suh). Mr. Suh said he did not ask to have this Agendized. No Motion was made or vote taken.
- F. Motion: That the Board [see the below Motion] (Joseph Lee Suh).

**MOTION** (by Mr. Suh, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council commemorates the 155th Anniversary of Juneteenth on June 19, 2020. **DISCUSSION**: Concern was expressed about whether this was within the GWNC's scope. There was discussion about the Motion.

Board Member Charles D'Atri returned by this time, making 15 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was twelve).

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with six in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carney, Curran, Donahoe, Kirkham, Smith, and Suh); three opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Farha, Moser, and Starr); six abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, D'Atri, DeVore and Roberts).

G. Motion: That the Board [see the below Motion](Joseph Lee Suh).

**MOTION** (by Mr. Suh, seconded by Mr. Carney): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the Resolution Amending the Bylaws of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council to Expand Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion by Adding a Disability Representative and Disability Committee and a Youth Representative and Youth Committee and to Promote Youth and Lifelong Civic Engagement by Lowering the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Voting Age.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Suh explained the Motion. Mr. Farha and Mr. Kirkham believed the Motion to be too long and not appropriate as there is a Department of Neighborhood Empowerment black out period for bylaws changes. There was extensive discussion about the Motion, including the belief that this was really multiple Motions. Mr. Smith noted that the GWNC has in the past opposed the idea. Mr. Donahoe believed the Motion was "a huge overreach." Ms. Fuller believed that this was too important to consider "at the end of a five-hour meeting." Ms. Stromberg said this "should go to the Governance Committee," and noted these Motion ideas have previously been considered and that the Bylaws were written by "seasoned City Attorneys" Jane Usher and John Welborne. Ms. Moser reminded that "we can't change the Bylaws" now, as noted by Mr. Darnell, and that no one under 18 has expressed an interest. Mr. Kirkham explained that the Governance Committee is not the Committee to consider Bylaws.

**MOTION to POSTPONE** (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Donahoe): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council POSTPONES this Item to its July 18 Board Meeting.

Board Members Jeffry Carpenter and Jennifer DeVore had left by this time, making 13 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was twelve).

**MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with nine in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carney, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, Donahoe, Kirkham, Roberts and Smith); four opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Farha, Moser, Starr, and Suh); zero abstained.

## **XV. <u>REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS</u> NONE.**

## XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting. The next GWNC Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 via Zoom ID #966 7700 1434.
 Ms. Moser noted the above.

MOTION to ADJOURN (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. D'Atri).

MOTION PASSED unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained.

The Meeting was ADJOURNED at 12:23 a.m., 23 minutes after midnight.

Respectfully submitted, David Levin, Minutes Writer *The first paragraph of some Items, Motions/Resolutions and other wording may have been copied from the Agenda.* Edited by GWNC. The GWNC Minutes page is http://greaterwilshire.org/board-agendas-minutes.

## Addendum A

XIV.A. (under "New Business.") Below is the full motion as moved by Member Joseph Lee Suh:

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE GREATER WILSHIRE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

CONDEMNING ALL FORMS OF ANTI-ASIAN SENTIMENT AS RELATED TO COVID-19

- WHEREAS, Greater Wilshire and the City of Los Angeles are home to diverse communities across many generations; and
- WHEREAS, We have long benefited from the rich diversity of our immigrant population including rich cultural, political, and economic contributions; and
- WHEREAS, Over one-third of the population of Greater Wilshire identifies as Asian American and Pacific Islander, according to the City's latest "Demographics of Neighborhood Councils" webpage based on the latest U.S. Census Bureau data; and
- WHEREAS, Over 2 million Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders are working on the frontlines of this COVID-19 pandemic in health care, law enforcement, first responders, transportation, supermarkets, and other service industries; and
- WHEREAS, Since January 2020, there has been a dramatic increase in reports of hate crimes and incidents against Asians and those in the Asian American and Pacific Islander Communities; and
- WHEREAS, The increased use of anti-Asian rhetoric has resulted in Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders being harassed, assaulted, and scapegoated for the COVID-19 pandemic;
- WHEREAS, The increased use of anti-Asian rhetoric has also resulted in Asian American and Pacific Islander businesses being targeted for vandalism; and
- WHEREAS, There are approximately 2 million Asian American and Pacific Islander-owned businesses that generate over \$700 billion in annual revenue and employ nearly 4.5 million workers; and
- WHEREAS, More than 1,900,000 Asian American and Pacific Islander older adults, particularly those older adults who are recent immigrants or have limited English proficiency, may face even greater challenges in dealing with the COVID–19 pandemic, including discrimination, economic insecurity, and language isolation; and
- WHEREAS, The World Health Organization (WHO) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recognize that naming COVID-19 by its geographic location or linking COVID-19 to a specific ethnicity perpetuates stigma; and
- WHEREAS, In 2015, the WHO issued guidance calling on media outlets, scientists, and national authorities to avoid naming infectious diseases for locations to avoid stigmatizing groups of people; and

- WHEREAS, On February 27, 2020, the Secretary of Health and Human Services stated, "ethnicity is not what causes the novel coronavirus"; and
- WHEREAS, On February 28, 2020, Dr. Mitch Wolfe, the Chief Medical Officer of the CDC, said, "stigma is the enemy of public health"; and
- WHEREAS, The Secretary-General of the United Nations called for international solidarity and an end to any ill-founded discrimination against the outbreak's victims; and
- WHEREAS, We are disturbed and alarmed by the severity and frequency of hate crimes and race-based harassment against Asians and the Asian American and Pacific Islander Communities associated with COVID-19 in the City of Los Angeles and throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS, Language that evokes xenophobia endangers our communities who are experiencing heightened discrimination; and
- WHEREAS, We are pledged to not repeating the egregious acts of discrimination committed in recent history including the incarceration of Japanese during World War II and the exclusion of Chinese in the 1880s; and
- WHEREAS, No race, nationality, or ethnicity is responsible for COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS, Having Chinese ancestry—or any other ancestry—does not make a person more vulnerable to COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS, Ignorance is the lifeblood of conspiracies that hamper our ability to fight the pandemic and endanger the most vulnerable; and
- WHEREAS, The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council recognizes the insidious impact of institutional and structural racism, past and present: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council—

- 1. Calls on the public and all public officials to condemn, denounce, and report anti-Asian sentiment in any form;
- 2. Recognizes that the health, safety, and well-being of all Americans, no matter their background, must be the utmost priority;
- 3. Condemns all manifestations or expressions of racism, xenophobia, discrimination, anti-Asian sentiment, scapegoating, and ethnic or religious intolerance;
- 4. Calls on the local, State, and Federal law enforcement officials-
  - A. to expeditiously investigate and document all credible reports of hate crimes
  - **B.** incidents, and threats against the Asian American and Pacific Islander community in the City of Los Angeles, the State of California, and the United States;
  - **C.** to collect data to document the rise of incidences of hate crimes due to COVID-19; and

- **D.** to hold the perpetrators of those crimes, incidents, or threats accountable and bring such perpetrators to justice, including through investigation and prosecution; and
- 5. Recommits the City of Los Angeles to serving as a national and world leader in building more inclusive, diverse, and tolerant societies—
  - A. by prioritizing language access and inclusivity in communication practices; and
  - **B.** by combating misinformation and discrimination that put Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders at risk.

ADOPTED by the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council this 27th Day of May 2020.

## Addendum B

XIV.B. (under "New Business.") Below is the full motion as moved by Member Joseph Lee Suh:

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE GREATER WILSHIRE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

CONDEMNING ALL ACTS OF POLICE BRUTALITY, RACIAL PROFILING, AND EXCESSIVE FORCE AND PROMOTING TRUST AND ACCOUNTABILITY BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITIES THEY ARE SWORN TO SERVE

- WHEREAS, George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, Eric Garner, Laquan McDonald, Michael Brown, Philando Castile, Sandra Bland, Tamir Rice, and far too many Black lives to list and their families and communities deserve justice and change; and
- WHEREAS, For far too long, our Black and Brown communities, and other historically marginalized communities have been shamelessly profiled, surveilled, policed, lynched, choked, brutalized, and murdered at the hands of law enforcement officers who betray their badge, disgrace their profession, and dishonor their oath to protect and to serve the communities entrusted to their care; and
- WHEREAS, The system of policing in America, and its systemic targeting of and use of deadly and brutal force against people of color, particularly Black people, stems from the long legacy of slavery, lynching, Jim Crow laws, and the War on Drugs, and has been perpetuated by violent and harmful law enforcement practices; and
- WHEREAS, The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council stands in solidarity and in pain and in outrage alongside our brothers and sisters and cannot stay silent or on the sidelines in the face of these fatal, flagrant, and festering injustices; and
- WHEREAS, Police brutality and the use of excessive and militarized force are among the most serious ongoing human rights and civil liberties abuses in the United States and have led to the destabilization of communities, degradation of public safety, and exacerbation of structural inequities; and
- WHEREAS, Contemporary police practices that employ policing for low-level offenses have led to mass criminalization, heightened violence, and mass incarceration that disproportionately impacts Black and Brown people; and
- WHEREAS, Black people, including Black women and girls, Native Americans, Latinos, People with disabilities, and other historically marginalized communities, including LGBTQ+ individuals, immigrants, and those experiencing homelessness are significantly more likely to be criminalized and killed by police than those who identify otherwise and commit identical or more heinous crimes; and
- WHEREAS, Police brutality and the use of excessive force have plundered and pillaged countless communities of exceedingly precious, irreplaceable lives, have recklessly inflicted intergenerational harm and trauma to families, and have been historically and unjustifiably shielded from accountability; and
- WHEREAS, The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council finds that the shameful conduct of police officers who engage in racial profiling and excessive force, including fatal shootings, tazings, brutal beatings, chokings, and any other excessive treatment is a scandalously clear violation of Constitutional and civil rights; and

- WHEREAS, The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council finds that the rule of law and the integrity of law enforcement are undermined when rogue and ruthless police officers engage in such barbaric behavior and their colleagues choose complicity and avoidance over courage and accountability; and
- WHEREAS, The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council has a moral obligation to promote the civil rights and liberties of all people from any abuse, especially any arising from those who are in positions of public trust: Now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council-
  - (1) condemns all acts of brutality, racial profiling, and the use of excessive and militarized force by law enforcement officers;
  - (2) supports efforts to strengthen stringent oversight and independent investigations into instances of police brutality, racial profiling, and excessive use of force in order to reform and hold accountable individual law enforcement officers and police departments;
  - (3) calls for the adoption of sound and unbiased law enforcement policies at all levels of government that reduce the disparate impact of police brutality and use of force on Black and Brown people and other historically marginalized communities;
  - (4) underscores the necessity of positive, non-enforcement activities and investments in Black, Brown, and other historically marginalized communities to build public trust and legitimacy;
  - (5) recognizes the continuing importance of an inclusive law enforcement and justice system workforce that covers a broad range of diversity including race, gender, language, life experience, disability, and cultural background to improve understanding and efficacy; and
  - (6) reinforces the imperative for law enforcement agencies to have clear, comprehensive, and continuously reviewed and enforced policies and trainings on the use of force, the appropriate use of equipment, and the availability of open, disaggregated data to ensure accountability and transparency

ADOPTED by the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council this 10th Day of June 2020.

## Addendum C

XIV.G. (under "New Business.") Below is the full motion as moved by Member Joseph Lee Suh:

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE GREATER WILSHIRE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

Amending the Bylaws of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council to Commemorate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act and U.S. Children's Day and to Expand Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion by Adding a Disability Representative and Disability Committee and a Youth Representative and Youth Committee and to Promote Youth and Lifelong Civic Engagement by Lowering the Greater Wilshire Voting Age

- WHEREAS, Youth and youth civic engagement are critical to the strength and vibrancy of our democracy; and
- WHEREAS, Young people working to make a positive difference in the civic life of one's community promotes civic action and commitment, civic skills, and social cohesion; and
- WHEREAS, One essential way of ensuring our City is meeting the needs of its young people is to actively and authentically engage our local youth in our civic process; and
- WHEREAS, Authentic youth civic engagement provides young people meaningful opportunities to contribute their experiences, knowledge, and solutions to City issues; and
- WHEREAS, Civic engagement enrich the lives of youth and are socially beneficial to the community; and
- WHEREAS, The youth of our City are valuable partners in the work of local government; and
- WHEREAS, The majority of Neighborhood Councils historically or presently have an elected or appointed Youth Representative position, or allow those under the age of 18 to run for Board positions or vote for certain elected positions; and
- WHEREAS, Studies have found that the likelihood of young people voting in their first election decreases by one percentage point for every month they age; and
- WHEREAS, Youth manage other adult responsibilities successfully by working jobs, paying taxes, attending school, driving, joining the armed forces (at 17 with parental consent), being primary caregivers for family members, and participating in politics through political campaigns and activism, yet are not able to run for positions or vote on issues, decisions, and elected representatives that directly affect their lives; and
- WHEREAS, Research shows that youth do not automatically or consistently vote with their parents or celebrities; and
- WHEREAS, Many governments across the United States, including Berkeley and San Francisco, CA; Greenbelt, Hyattsville, and Takoma Park, MD; Washington, D.C.; among others; and all or parts of Argentina, Austria, Brazil, Ecuador, Estonia, Germany, Greece, Indonesia, Israel, Malta, Nicaragua, Scotland, Switzerland, and Wales are leading in this direction for municipal, state, or national elections; and
- WHEREAS, Children's Day 2020 in the United States is observed on June 14. 2020; and

- WHEREAS, Historically, persons with disabilities have been isolated both from each other and from the general society, which has limited opportunities to meaningfully engage in civic and social life; and
- WHEREAS, Persons with disabilities still face significant barriers in accessing many aspects of the decision-making process; and
- WHEREAS, Disability and other policies have typically been developed for persons with disabilities, rather than with their participation, partnership, and leadership; and
- WHEREAS, Persons with disabilities deserve to be the direct drivers of the political process rather than the objects of misguided or even well-intentioned policies; and
- WHEREAS, Persons with disabilities continue to be marginalized in too many aspects of the policymaking process, including voting, serving, and lobbying, and before, during, and after elections; and
- WHEREAS, Inequities stubbornly persist for persons with disabilities in even access to basic supports and services to attend school, to get a job, to live in the community, to ride public transportation, which denies their full civic and social participation; and
- WHEREAS, Elected and appointed leaders rarely seek and obtain the invaluable input of persons with disabilities; and
- WHEREAS, The direct civic involvement of persons with disabilities is vital to creating and influencing meaningful change that benefits and enriches both persons with disabilities and society at large; and
- WHEREAS, Increasing the engagement and elevating the leadership of persons with disabilities will help better ensure that existing and future policies do not deepen and perpetuate historical and ongoing marginalization and misperceptions; and
- WHEREAS, The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council endeavors to eliminate barriers to the participation of persons with disabilities and ensure their full inclusion in every aspect of life, political, social, and otherwise, on an equal and equitable basis with others; and
- WHEREAS, The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council recognizes that disability issues are not merely disability issues, but social issues that pertain us all; and
- WHEREAS, The 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is observed on July 26, 2020: Now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council-
  - 1. Calls on all Neighborhood Councils of the City of Los Angeles to promote youth and lifelong civic engagement by lowering the voting age and to expand diversity, equity, and inclusion by adding a Youth Representative and Disability Representative; and

- 2. Commemorates Children's Day 2020 in the United States on June 14, 2020; and
- 3. Commemorates the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 2020; and
- Amends Article V, Section 1 by— Striking "twenty-one (21)" and Inserting "twenty-three (23)";
- Amends Article V, Section 1, Paragraph B by— Striking "Six (6) Directors shall be Stakeholders representing, one (1) each, the Council's six (6)" and Inserting "Eight (8) Directors shall be Stakeholders representing, one (1) each, the Council's eight (8)" and

Inserting at the end of

"7. One (1) – "Youth," from among representatives of Stakeholders between the ages of 14 and 17 at the time of the election."

"8. One (1) – "Disability," from among representatives of the disability community located within Council boundaries.

- Amends Article V, Section 2 by— Striking "twenty-one (21) member Board (13 members)" and Inserting "twenty-three (23) member Board (14 members)"
- 7. Amends Article VII, Section 1 by— Striking "See Board Rules." and

Inserting "The Youth Committee shall be chaired by the Youth Representative and comprise of Stakeholders who are at least 14 years of age and no more than 17 years of age at the time of appointment to the Youth Committee to advise the Board on youth issues. Each Geographic Area Director may appoint one (1) Youth Committee Member from within their respective geographic areas." and

Inserting "The Disability Committee shall be chaired by the Disability Representative and comprise of Stakeholders who are persons with disabilities to advise the Board on disability issues. Each non-Geographic Area Director may appoint one (1) Disability Committee Member."

- Amend Article X, Section 3 by— Striking "eighteen (18)" and Inserting "sixteen (16)"
- 9. Amend Attachment B by—

Striking "21 Board Seats" and Inserting "23 Board Seats"; and

Striking all instances of "18 years or older" in the "Eligibility to Vote for the Seat" column and Inserting "16 years or older"; and

Inserting the shaded sections below:

BOARD POSITION	# OF	ELECTED or	ELIGIBILITY TO	ELIGIBILITY TO
	SEATS	APPOINTED?	RUN FOR THE	VOTE FOR THE
			SEAT	SEAT
Disability Representative Term: 2 Years	1	Elected	Stakeholder who is a person with a disability and who is 18 years or older.	Stakeholders who are persons with disabilities and who are 16 years or older.
Youth Representative Term: 2 Years	1	Elected	Stakeholder who is at least 14 years of age and no more than 17 years of age on the day of election.	Stakeholders who are at least 14 years of age and no more than 17 years of age on the day of election.