



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Environmental & Sustainability Committee
April 10, 2018
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1. WELCOMING REMARKS:

A. Call to order

A duly noticed meeting of the Environmental & Sustainability Committee of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”) was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018, at Marlborough School, Board Room, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004. Chairwoman Julie Stromberg called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Two of the four Committee Members were present at the Roll Call, which is not a quorum: Cathy Roberts and Julie Stromberg. Dan Kegel arrived later. William Funderburk was absent. The GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee quorum (the minimum number of Committee Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) was 51% of the four filled Committee Seats, or three, so at this time the Committee could only take public comments, could not have any official discussions, and could not make any Motions or take any votes. Four Committee Seats were filled [to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attending: three Stakeholders and Guests, including Marvin and Christopher.

C. Welcome and Approval/Seating of New Committee Members

There were no new Members at this time.

2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments at this time.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Action)

A. Review and adoption of February 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

[This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #4. E.]

MOTION (by Ms. Stromberg, seconded by Mr. Kegel): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Environmental & Sustainability Committee approves the Minutes of its February 13, 2018 Meeting as written.

MOTION PASSED unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained.

B. Appointment of GWNC Sustainability Committee Secretary

There was no appointment at this time.

C. Appointment of new GWNC Sustainability Committee members.
There were no appointments at this time.

D. Update on GWNC Sustainability Committee Community Impact Statements
[***JS CONFIRM: IS THE FOLLOWING ACCURATE?*** ___] Ms. Stromberg will write
CIS's (Community Impact Statements).

4. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability.
Parkway Challenge. (Julie Stromberg). Update on program with new partner and
discussion of launch of Parkway Challenge program and key features in the program's
pilot program.

Ms. Stromberg reported that KYCC [the Koreatown Youth and Community Center]
"wants to do more partnerships." No Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC's Environmental & Sustainability
Committee's Second Annual Drought-Tolerant Garden Tour. (Julie Stromberg and Cathy
Roberts) Update and discussion on second GWNC Drought-Tolerant Garden Tour.
MOTION: GWNC to host its second Drought-Tolerant Garden Tour on Saturday, June 2,
2018, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Ms. Roberts will follow up with the Theodore Payne Foundation
[<http://TheodorePayne.org>]. It was agreed to include the Brookside, Sycamore Square and
Wilshire Park neighborhoods and "a maximum of 12 gardens." Ms. Stromberg will write
a press release. Nextdoor will be utilized. The Tour nominations submission deadline
will be May 14th. There was discussion of possible areas and gardens to be included.

[*This Agenda Item was continued after Item #3. D.*] Ms. Stromberg explained the need to
re-schedule the event to Saturday, June 2nd.

MOTION (by Ms. Stromberg, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire
Neighborhood Council Environmental & Sustainability Committee will host its second
Drought-Tolerant Garden Tour on Saturday, June 2, 2018, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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

C. Recap on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Green Fair. (Julie
Stromberg, Cathy Roberts, & Dan Kegel) GWNC Sustainability Committee hosted its first
GWNC Green Fair on Saturday, March 24, 2018. Event co-sponsored by Koreatown
Youth and Community Center and Council District Four. Discussion and recap on the
GWNC Green Fair.

Ms. Stromberg thanked Ms. Roberts for her help with the March 24th Green Fair and said
"it went pretty well." Next time, they will try to involve educators and students. No
Motion was made or vote taken.

D. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and Electric Vehicles Only Parking Spot(s) in the Greater Wilshire Area. (Julie Stromberg and Dan Kegel) Update, discussion, and report on GWNC Sustainability Committee efforts to encourage electric vehicle charging stations and parking spot(s) for electric vehicles on in the Greater Wilshire area.

Ms. Stromberg will ask again for the Land Use Committee to Agendize discussion and a possible Motion to encourage the City of Los Angeles to prioritize and increase its electric vehicle charging infrastructure. No Motion was made or vote taken.

E. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Community a Tree Planting Program. (Julie Stromberg) Update on status of and further strategize GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee community tree planting program in partnership with Koreatown Youth and Community Center in the Spring.

Ms. Stromberg requested and it was agreed to TABLE this Item; the Committee will try again in the Fall. No Motion was made or vote taken.

5. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Outreach and Action Measures. (Julie Stromberg) Discussion on ways to grow the committee and action items to support and/or organize.

No Motion was made or vote taken.

Committee Member Dan Kegel arrived at this time (7:38), making a quorum of three Members present. Now the Committee could take binding votes on Agendized Items.

B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Submitting Community Impact Statements on Future Council Motions. (Julie Stromberg and Dan Kegel) Discussion and possible motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee policy for submitting community impact statements.

No Motion was made or vote taken.

C. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Drafting a Community Impact Statement on Council File No. 18-0002-S7. (Dan Kegel) On January 26, 2018, Councilmembers Blumenfeld and Huizar passed a Resolution that the City of Los Angeles include in its 2017-18 Federal Legislative Program OPPOSITION to California Public Utilities Commission Resolution G-3536, and any other similar legislative or administrative provisions that would impose an unplanned moratorium on new gas service connections to customers in the City of Los Angeles.

Mr. Kegel said that “this is moot . . . because it’s no longer before the [City] Council.”

6. **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS** (Including Discussion and Possible Action)

There were no reports at this time.

7. **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Next GWNC Sustainability Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2018, at Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA.

Ms. Stromberg noted the above.

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

A. The Sustainable City plan and Tracking the City of Los Angeles' Progress Toward Reaching pLAN Goals.

[JS CONFIRM: IS THE FOLLOWING ACCURATE, OR DOES DAN'S EXPLANATION BELONG IN ANOTHER ITEM? ___] [This Agenda Item was continued after Item #4. B.] Mr. Kegel explained the issue and will research it.

B. Community Clean-Up Days.

[JS CONFIRM: IS THE FOLLOWING ACCURATE? ___] There were no requests or Motions at this time.

C. Green Business Award.

[JS CONFIRM: IS THE FOLLOWING ACCURATE? ___] There were no requests or Motions at this time.

D. Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's Green Power Program.

Mr. Kegel requested and it was agreed to Agendize an Item regarding the LADWP's Green Power Program.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION to ADJOURN (by Ms. Stromberg).

MOTION PASSED unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained.

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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