



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes, Tuesday, September 3, 2019
Approved October 1, 2019

I. WELCOMING REMARKS:

A. Call to Order (Dan Kegel)

A duly noticed meeting of the Environmental & Sustainability Committee of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”) was held on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at Marlborough School, Collins Room – D200, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004. Mr. Kegel called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Three of the five Committee Members were present at the Roll Call: Dan Kegel, Mary Proteau and Cathy Roberts. William Funderburk and Julie Stromberg were 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 five filled Committee Seats, or three, so the Committee could take such votes. Five Committee Seats were filled [to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attending: two Stakeholders and Guests including Karen Gilman and Corbin Russell.

C. Self-Introduction of Guests

Guests introduced themselves.

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments at this time.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Action)

A. Review and adoption of the Tuesday, September 9, 2019 Minutes

It was agreed to TABLE this Item until the October Meeting.

IV. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. LASAN Presentation on Biodiversity Project. As part of the launch of the GWNC-LASAN Biodiversity Pilot Program with LASAN, LASAN will make a one-hour presentation on their biodiversity project at GWNC’s September 11 meeting. Presentation will be from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

There was discussion of outreach ideas, especially regarding schools and the Internet. Ms. Proteau reminded and encouraged saying that it is a free meeting. No Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Clean Building Code. Status of decarbonization motion for GWNC, report on what other cities, Sierra Club, and fossil fuel industry are doing.

Mr. Kegel noted that “this is a hot topic around the State”; it discourages new residential buildings from having gas hookups. No Motion was made or vote taken.

C. Community Impact Statement (CIS) on Establishing Human Health and Safety Buffer Zones Between Oil Drilling Sites and Sensitive Land Use. Update on city action.
Mr. Kegel updated. A report recommends having a 600-foot buffer between oil wells and sensitive uses; no buffer had been required. Future wells would be required to have a 1,200-foot buffer. There was discussion of issues. No Motion was made or vote taken.

V. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Possible CIS on Eland Solar Project - LADWP voting on this Sept 10, will go to council soon thereafter.

Mr. Kegel updated. There was discussion of issues. No Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Possible Outreach Events

i. National Drive Electric Week LA event Sat Sept 14, <http://chargeupla.org>

Mr. Kegel updated. There was discussion of issues. No Motion was made or vote taken.

ii. Climate strike demonstration, Sept 20

Mr. Kegel updated. There was discussion of outreach. Ms. Roberts noted that Park-ing LA would be that day. No Motion was made or vote taken.

iii. Induction stove cooking demo?

Mr. Kegel updated. There was discussion that induction stoves can be as flexible as gas and safer. No Motion was made or vote taken.

VI. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

There were no reports at this time.

VII. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no comments at this time.

VIII. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

There were no requests at this time.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to ADJOURN (by Mr. Kegel, seconded by Ms. Roberts).

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

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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