



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council  
Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes, Tuesday, November 5, 2019  
Approved January 7, 2020

**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, November 5, 2019, at Marlborough School, Collins Room – D200, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90004. Dan Kegel called the meeting to order at 7:11 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](http://www.GreaterWilshire.org)].

**C. Self-Introduction of Guests**

There were no new Members at this time.

**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 October 1, 2019 Minutes**

**MOTION** (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Ms. Proteau): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Environmental & Sustainability Committee approves the Minutes of its October 1, 2019 Meeting as written.

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

**IV. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)**

**A. Update on possible outreach events.**

Mr. Kegel reported on an event that had induction cooking. Ms. Roberts suggested a slow food cooking group and companies that sell induction cookers; Mr. Kegel noted SlowFoodLA.org has information. No Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Update on Clean Building Code.

Mr. Kegel reported that, in the last month, “four cities have enacted electrification Ordinances for homes . . . we’re now up to about 10 cities . . . in California.” L.A. City and County are moving forward on it. He explained benefits of all-electric homes. “New gas stoves require electricity to run . . . the supply of . . . natural gas is limited and somewhat expensive . . . we shouldn’t be having it to heat our homes.” He suggested that natural gas mainly be used for industrial. “Many of these cities are requiring high amounts of EV charging.” No Motion was made or vote taken.

C. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion for GWNC Biodiversity Project.

Mr. Kegel reported that two artists are interested in the Project. He read from Ms. Stromberg’s email that City Council District Four is an outreach partner and that there still are openings for iNaturalist training. Ms. Proteau reported that an iNaturalist training organizing meeting is being scheduled. No Motion was made or vote taken.

V. **NEW BUSINESS** (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Discussion on rodenticide and resulting death of mountain lion P-47.

Ms. Proteau reported that Poison Free Malibu [<https://poisonfreemalibu.org>; [PoisonFreeMalibu@gmail.com](mailto:PoisonFreeMalibu@gmail.com)] is the lead organization on this. Mr. Kegel reported that work is happening to coordinate “wildlife corridors.” Ms. Proteau described “what will be the world’s largest wildlife corridor.” Mr. Kegel referred to [SaveLACougars.org](http://SaveLACougars.org). No Motion was made or vote taken.

VI. **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

Mr. Kegel attended and reported on the Green Building Council meeting and last Friday’s climate strike.

VII. **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**. Next Committee meeting date: Tuesday, November 5, 2019, 7:00 p.m., Marlborough School, Collins Room D-200, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA.

Mr. Kegel noted the above. Ms. Proteau reported on the annual P-22 Festival sponsored by Friends of Griffith Park, Claw [<https://www.ClawOnline.org>; [Info@ClawOnline.org](mailto:Info@ClawOnline.org)], Poison Free Malibu, and others.

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

There were no requests.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Kegel declared the Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 7:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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