

Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, August 12, 2020 Approved September 9, 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.

Document copies were available at https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1NLRJ6Xz8fBbbM7h7spIR05ufgnb70t3o.

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 online. President Moser called the meeting to order at 7:00 p. m.

B. 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, Tucker Carney, Jeffry Carpenter, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Brian Curran (Alternate for Karen Gilman), Charles D'Atri, Cindy Chvatal (Alternate for Jennifer DeVore), Brian Donahoe, Philip Farha, Max Kirkham (Vice-President), Bobbie Kumetz, Caroline Moser (President), Cathy Roberts, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr (Secretary), Joseph Suh and John Winther. Michael Genewick and John Gresham arrived later. No Board Members 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=s u46~), 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; the Seat was filled during Item #V. D. ii.]. Nine Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #V. D. v.; to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attended: at least 31 Stakeholders and guests.

- C. Introduction (Caroline Moser)
 - i. Teleconferencing Instructions Ms. Moser explained the above.
 - ii. Standing Rules on Speaker Time
 - Board members may speak for two minutes; and for another minute after everyone who wishes has spoken
 - Public may speak for 2 minutes
 - Invited speakers and government may speak for 5 minutes; and an additional 3 minutes with Board approval.
 - As per Board Rules, Chair may add time or the Board may add time with a ²/₃ vote.

Ms. Moser explained the above.

D. MOTION: Approval of Agenda

MOTION (by Mr. Donohoe, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Agenda.

MOTION PASSED unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained.

II. GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS (Representatives from government

offices and community-based organizations).

A. CD4 Update (Rob Fisher)

Nikki Ezhari, District Director for L.A. City District Four Councilman David Ryu (213-473-7004; Nikki.Ezhari@LACity.org; http://CD4.LACity.org), reported that COVID-19 help loans of up to \$5,000 are available to qualified recipients. She reported measures taken to address "party houses" having regular loud parties, which may have their water and power shut off for non-compliance.

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), also reported measures taken to address "party houses"; "we've already seen a significant drop . . . please report it to me . . . to get one of these houses shut down, you must call the LAPD . . . then we can begin to build a case . . . not just writing us an email." Officers "have been directed not to issue warning letters anymore . . . just write the Citation." The CD5 newsletter has State housing legislation information; "please educate yourselves."

C. Mayor Update (Angie Aramayo)

Angie Aramayo, Central Area Representative for Mayor Eric Garcetti (213-978-3130; Angie.Aramayo@LACity.org; http://LAMayor.org), was not present; there was no report.

D. County Supervisor Update (Erin Seinfeld)

Ms. Moser said that Erin Seinfeld, a Field Deputy for L.A. County District Three Supervisor Sheila Kuehl (310-231-1170; ESeinfeld@bos.LACounty.gov; <u>http://www.lacounty.gov/government/supervisors/sheila-kuehl</u>), sent a summary available in the meeting documents.

E. LAPD Olympic & Wilshire Divisions Update.

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], and Joseph Pelayo, an LAPD Olympic Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-382-9102; mobile/text phone 213-793-0709; 31762@LACity.org; http://www.LAPDonline.org/olympic_community_police_station], could not attend and there was no report at this time.

F. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) (John Darnell).
 John Darnell, Neighborhood Council Advocate, L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood
 Empowerment (DONE) [213-978-1551; John.Darnell@LACity.org;
 www.EmpowerLA.org], encouraged Board Members to read the monthly report.
 Translation services are available for Board and Committee meetings.

G. Other Government Representatives

Alex Caiozzo, of the L.A. Bureau of Street Services / StreetsLA, announced the "Uplift Melrose" improvement project; input is sought by September 15th to support the project grant application.

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 Orange Dr. closures will start August 28th.

Board Member John Gresham arrived by this time (7:32), making 19 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this time was twelve).

III. <u>**DWP**</u>, <u>**NC**</u> **BUDGET Representatives** & **Advocates**, <u>**LANCC**</u> (discussion and possible action).

A. DWP Report (Jack Humphreville) Mr. Humphreville reported on increased staffing while revenue has been "flat."

- B. Budget Advocate Report (Humphreville and/or Julia Moser). Julia Moser reported for the Budget Advocates [http://ncbala.com] that "smaller [reports] throughout the year" will be issued instead of one annual White Paper of recommendations. The Advocates usually meet first Mondays at 7:00 p.m. and third Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Humphreville added that the City has "a placeholder budget" affected by the COVID-19 virus.
- C. LA Neighborhood Councils Coalition (LANCC) Report (Humphreville). Mr. Humphreville reported that LANCC [the Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition; LANCC@EmpowerLA.org; www.LANCC.org] heard Mayor Garcetti speak regarding the budget. The NCs Congress will be September 26th; the Mayor will speak; there will be three 30-minute sessions and breakout sessions.

IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

Mr. Smith gave a brief history of the GWNC.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Possible Action).

A. Review and Adoption of General Board Meeting Minutes.i. June 10, 2020

MOTION (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Minutes of its June 10, 2020 General Meeting as written.

MOTION to AMEND (by Mr. Suh, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council amends the Motion as follows: "as written" will be corrected to "with the following corrections: page 18, Item #XIV. C., D. and E.: strike the name "(Suh)" from those Agenda Items and note that Mr. Suh did not submit those Items to be Agendized."

MOTION to AMEND FAILED by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with three in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Ashworth, Kirkham and Suh); 12 opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Appel, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Gresham, Kumetz, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); five abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Genewick and Moser).

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Genewick, Gresham, Kumetz, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); two opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Kirkham and Suh); three abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Ashworth, Carney and Moser).

ii. July 8, 2020

MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Minutes of its July 8, 2020 General Meeting as written.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with 18 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Ashworth, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Genewick, Curran, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Suh); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel).

iii. July 29, 2020 Special Meeting

MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Minutes of its July 29, 2020 General Meeting as written.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Genewick, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Suh); four abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel, Ashworth, Carney and Gresham).

- B. Revisions to Previously Adopted Minutes There were no revisions.
- C. Committees
 - i. Existing Committee Administration & Liaison Appointments.
 - a. Establishment of Ad-hoc Election Committee & appointment of chair and membership.

Ms. Moser encouraged joining Committees. Ms. Moser nominated and Mr. Curran accepted the nomination.

MOTION (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council establishes an Ad-hoc Election Committee and appoints Brian Curran as its Chair.

MOTION was declared to have **PASSED** unanimously by a hand vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

b. Motion: that the GWNC Board Appoint Joy McManus as a GWNC Homelessness Liaison.

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Farha): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Joy McManus as a GWNC Homelessness Liaison.

DISCUSSION: Ms. McManus indicated her willingness to be a Liaison.

MOTION was declared to have **PASSED** unanimously by a hand vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

ii. Sign-up for Committees (Board members and stakeholders).

There were no sign-ups at this time.

iii. Ethics Training and Code of Conduct: all Standing and Ad Hoc Committee members must complete the Ethics Training required of Board Directors and Alternates (http://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx) and sign the Code of Conduct adopted by the Board to be a voting member of that Committee.

Ms. Moser noted the above.

- D. Board Member and Board Alternate Administration.
 - i. 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. - Sam Randazzo.

Ms. Moser reported that Mr. Randazzo withdrew his name.

 Nomination and Possible Vote for Board Member for Area 15 - Windsor Village: Discussion on qualifications to verify eligibility to the board before board motion and vote. - Susan Nickels.

Ms. Nickels introduced herself and described her extensive community service.

MOTION (by Mr. Ashworth, seconded by Mr. Farha): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Susan Nickels to the Area 15 - Windsor Village Board Member Seat.

MOTION was declared to have **PASSED** unanimously by a hand vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

Ms. Nickels was Seated at this time, making 21 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this time was thirteen).

iii. Administer Neighborhood Council Oath of Office to new Board Member and/or Alternate: "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."

Ms. Nickels read aloud the Oath.

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

Ms. Moser noted the above.

v. 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 6 - La Brea-Hancock, Area 9 - Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews, Area 12 - Western-Wilton, Area 15 - Windsor Village, Education, and Religion.

Ms. Moser noted the above. Mr. Donahoe will bring a nominee next month for the Area 3 Alternate Seat.

vi. 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 on https://empowerla.org/gwnc/ as NOT having completed the trainings noted below and are NOT eligible to vote on financial matters: Colette Amin - Ethics, Tucker Carney - Ethics, Bob Reeves - Ethics & Funding. The following Members show as needing to renew their Funding trainings in September: Colette Amin, Tucker Carney, Vincent Cox, Charles D'Atri, Mike Genewick, Kim Nortman, Angie Szentgyorgyi, John Winther.

Ms. Moser noted the above. Mr. Starr said Mr. Carney had completed his Funding requirement.

vii. Code of Conduct Policy: Board Members and Alternates are required to read and sign the Neighborhood Council Code of Conduct Policy within 30 days of their election or appointment. (http://empowerla.org/code-of-conduct/ for online version) The following Board Members or Alternates have not completed their Code of Conduct Policy Statement: (NONE).

GWNC Administrator Shirlee Fuqua will this week email Board Members who need to sign the Code of Conduct.

E. Revised GWNC Bylaws as Approved June 30, 2020 by DONE. Motion: That the GWNC ratify the revised Bylaws provided by DONE and dated June 30, 2020.

Ms. Moser noted the above.

MOTION to POSTPONE (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Ms. Moser): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council POSTPONES this Item.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Moser explained concerns, including whether the GWNC's requested revisions were properly transcribed by DONE.

MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 20 eligible voters present with 19 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Genewick, Gresham, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Suh). Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

Board Member Karen Gilman arrived at this time (8:27), replacing her Alternate Brian Curran, keeping 21 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this time was thirteen).

VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

- A. President's Report There was no report at this time.
- B. Vice President's Report There was no report at this time.
- C. Secretary's Report There was no report at this time.

VII. <u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u> (Discussion and Possible Action).

[*This Agenda Item #VII was addressed after the Greenway Motion in Item #X. D.*] A. Motion to Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for July, 2020.

Credit Card Expenses. 7/29 Lloyd Staffing DL WE 7/6-7/12 \$259.93 7/29 Lloyd Staffing DL WE 6/15-6/21, 6/22-6/28 \$288.03 7/29 Lloyd Staffing DL WE 6/8-6/14 \$421.50 7/30 Larchmont Chronicle July \$358.00 7/30 Public Storage July \$160.00

Checks 7/11 Lloyd Staffing SF WE 4/27-5/3, 5/4-5/10, 5/11-5/17,5/18-5/24 \$1,398.40

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 July 2020.

Board Members Mike Genewick and John Gresham left by this time (9:59), making 19 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this time was twelve).

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Gilman, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Suh); zero abstained. Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

B. Motion to Approve Individual Expenses Listed in the July, 2020 MER.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the individual expenses listed in the July 2020 MER.

Board Member Bobbie Kumetz was unavailable for this vote, making 18 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this time was thirteen).

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 16 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Gilman, Kirkham, Moser, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Suh); zero abstained. Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

- C. Review of July 2020 Board Expenses that Will Appear on the August, 2020 MER. Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.
- D. Treasurer's Remarks. Roll over funds applied to 20/21 Budget \$9,630.59.Total Budget for FY 20/21: \$41,630.59. Funds paid for last fiscal year from fiscal year 20/21 Budget: \$1,398 admin, \$709.53 minutes. Ms. Carroll noted the above.
- E. Ad Hoc Budget Committee (Discussion and Possible Action). This item was not taken up on August 12.

VIII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT: LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and

possible action) (Philip Farha).

A. Report on July 28 Land Use Committee Meeting. Mr. Farha reported on the above.

B. Consent Calendar: a single motion approves the following items (VIII.B.i.-v.) without board discussion. Any Board Member may ask that any item be removed from the consent calendar and voted on separately.It was agreed to remove Item #VIII. B. i. from the Consent Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR MOTION (by Mr. Farha, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves Agenda Items VIII. B. ii. - v. without Board discussion.

Board Member Tucker Carney was unavailable while Bobbie Kumetz was again available for this vote, keeping 18 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this time was thirteen).

CONSENT CALENDAR MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 16 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Gilman, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Suh); zero abstained. Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

[The following sub-section first paragraphs are copied from the Agenda.]

i. 3323 W. Olympic Blvd.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Josh Kreger) 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 support the project located at 988 S. Manhattan Pl., formerly 3323 W. Olympic Blvd., as presented on July 28, 2020, to include keeping the existing mature magnolia tree and to add additional trees and with the provision of 12 moderate-income units.

Mr. Farha noted that support was conditional on the applicant offering additional housing units for lower income than required by law, which was not offered by the August 12th Committee meeting. The Committee opposed this project. No Motion was made or vote taken.

 ii. 330 N. Lucerne Blvd.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Jaehee Ghanati) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. B20LA10524/20019-10000-02352 (R1R3-RG overlay zone). MOTION: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the project located at 330 N. Lucerne Blvd. as presented on July 28, 2020.

Resident Pat Prowizor thanked the Board for its support. This Item was approved as part of the Consent Calendar Motion in above Item VIII. B.

 iii. 851 S. Manhattan Pl.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Daniel Kim and Jay Park). Construction of a 6-story multi-family residential bldg with 33 units, basement and ground level parking, roof deck. Tier 3 TOC. DIR-2020- 3549-TOC / ENV-2020-3550-EAF. MOTION: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the project located at 851 S. Manhattan Pl. as presented.

This Item was approved as part of the Consent Calendar Motion in above Item VIII. B.

iv. 310 N Lucerne Blvd.: (Discussion and Possible Action) AIN #5523-020-017. MOTION: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support sending a letter to the appropriate authorities outlining the complaints regarding the residence located at 310 N Lucerne Blvd and request to enforce the existing laws.

This Item was approved as part of the Consent Calendar Motion in above Item VIII. B.

v. 975-987 S. Manhattan Pl.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Kevin Read). MOTION: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the project located at 975-987 S. Manhattan Pl.

This Item was approved as part of the Consent Calendar Motion in above Item VIII. B.

- C. Possible future LUC Agenda items Not all projects may be included in the upcoming agenda.
 - i. 611 N. Manhattan Pl.: (Matthew Hayden) Applicant will provide more information when it becomes available.
 - ii. 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.
 - iii. 975-987 S. Manhattan Pl .: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Kevin Read).
 - iv. 105 S. St Andrews Pl.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Mark Tavakoli, Veronica Bacerra) 5-Story, 18 dwelling units, 2-ELA for 55 years, Tier 2 project, 3 additional on menu incentives. DIR-2020-1059-TOC, ENV-2020-1060-EAF
 - v. 450 S. Manhattan Pl.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 20019-20000-01017 (Kevin Baik).
 - vi. 816 N. Mansfield Ave.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (David Acosta, Joe de La Cruz) Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 20019-10000-00372.
 - vii. 307 N. Wilton Pl.: Miriam Sanchez Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 18019-20000-06318/B18VN21939
 - viii. 851 S. Manhattan Pl.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (Daniel Kim and Jay Park) Construction of a 6-story multi-family residential bldg with 33 units, basement and ground level parking, roof deck. Tier 3 TOC. DIR-2020- 3549-TOC / ENV-2020-3550-EAF.
 - ix. 834 N. June St.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 20019-1000001475 Robert Tavasci
 - x. 743-749 S. Gramercy Pl.: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 19019-10000-03867; 19019-10000-03861; and 19019-10000-03864 Michelle Chen
 - xi. 410 N. Rossmore Ave.: (Discussion and Possible Action) (DOMOS Daniel Alexander, Richard Loring)

Mr. Farha noted the above.

D. Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, August 25, 2020, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ID #915 2786 9326.

The above was noted.

IX. <u>STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT: OUTREACH COMMITTEE</u> (Discussion and possible action) (Max Kirkham/Hayden Conner Ashworth).

- A. 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/citizenrecognition-program/. The Committee accepts nominations year-round. This was not addressed.
- B. Committee Leadership. Motion: that the GWNC Board ratify the Outreach Committee's election of Hayden Conner Ashworth as its Chair.

MOTION (by Mr. Kirkham, seconded by Mr. Starr): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ratifies the Outreach Committee's election of Hayden Conner Ashworth as its Chair.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Starr encouraged volunteering.

MOTION was declared to have **PASSED** unanimously by a hand vote without opposition.

C. Town Hall Series (Julia Moser). Update on a series of town halls focused on educating the Greater Wilshire community on budget and legislative processes in the city of Los Angeles as approved by the GWNC board.

MOTION (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will have a Budget 101 Town Hall on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. and Civics 101 on Wednesday, September 23, 2020.

MOTION was declared to have **PASSED** unanimously by a hand vote without opposition.

- D. Improving Outreach to our Korean and Spanish Speaking Neighbors.
 - a. Motion: that the GWNC board include Korean and Spanish boilerplate language and major section titles, in part or in whole, for all GWNC agendas by October 2020.

MOTION (by Mr. Ashworth, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will include Korean and Spanish boilerplate language and major section titles, in part or in whole, for all GWNC agendas by October 2020.

MOTION to AMEND (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Ms. Moser): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council strikes out the phrase "by October 2020" from the Main Motion.

CALL for the QUESTION (by Ms. Moser).

Board Member Tucker Carney was again available to vote, making 19 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this time was twelve).

CALL for the QUESTION was declared to have PASSED by a hand vote.

MOTION to AMEND PASSED by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with 16 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll,

Chvatal, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Gilman, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); two opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Kirkham and Suh); zero abstained. Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

MOTION to AMEND (by Mr. Suh): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council replaces the Main Motion phrase "by October 2020" with "by December 2020."

MOTION to AMEND FAILED for lack of a second.

MOTION to AMEND (by Mr. Suh): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council replaces the Main Motion phrase "by October 2020" with "by the next election date."

MOTION to AMEND FAILED for lack of a second.

AMENDED MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with 16 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D'Atri, Donahoe, Farha, Gilman, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith and Suh); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Winther); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr). Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

Board Member Tucker Carney left at this time (10:21), making 17 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC quorum at this time was ten).

MOTION to EXTEND the MEETING (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Ms. Roberts): by 10 minutes.

MOTION to EXTEND PASSED by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 10 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carroll, Chvatal, Donahoe, Farha, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith and Starr); four opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Appel, D'Atri, Gilman and Winther); three abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Ashworth, Carpenter and Suh). Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

- b. Motion: that the GWNC Board allocate up to \$200 for translation services. This Item was not addressed.
- E. Resolution on Automated Litter Bins in High-Density Residential Areas (Joseph Lee Suh). Motion: that the GWNC board approve a resolution calling on LA Sanitation and The City Council to provision and maintain automated litter bins in high-density residential areas for health and hygiene promotion and disease prevention as presented. This Item was not addressed.
- F. Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting
 - a. The GWNC Outreach Committee will hold a special meeting to discuss its current Advertising budget and Alternative Paid Outreach Strategies on August 15, 2020 at 9:30am via Zoom ID #957 3785 7839.
 Mr. Kirkham noted the above.

 b. The next regular GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, September 5, 2020, 9:30 a.m. via Zoom ID #982 7679 1581. This Item was not addressed.

X. <u>STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT: TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE</u> (Conrad Starr).

- A. Report on the July 27, 2020 meeting of the Transportation Committee. This Item was not addressed.
- B. Transportation Committee Protocols. Motion: That the GWNC Board approve the Transportation Committee Protocols as presented and corrected. Note: the Board will be asked to determine the prerequisite membership term for a chair to be elected by a simple majority of the Committee: six months or one year. (See Page 3. "Leadership Structure.") This Item was not addressed.

[This Agenda Item was addressed before the Treasurer's Report in Item #VII.]

C. Rescind Motion Previously Adopted. Motion: That the GWNC Rescind the Motion Adopted at its General Board Meeting on September 14, 2011: "The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes signal lights at the intersections of 4th and Highland and 4th and Rossmore; supports City Councilman LaBonge regarding not removing the existing stop signs at those intersections; and would like to be involved in the traffic planning for those intersections."

Ms. Moser explained the above.

MOTION (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Ashworth): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Rescinds the Motion Adopted at its General Board Meeting on September 14, 2011: "The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes signal lights at the intersections of 4th and Highland and 4th and Rossmore; supports City Councilman LaBonge regarding not removing the existing stop signs at those intersections; and would like to be involved in the traffic planning for those intersections."

DISCUSSION: Ms. Chvatal believed not enough research or community outreach had been done. She said that in 2011 "hundreds of residents expressed opposition . . . the [GWNC] supported those residents . . . over 300 residents [are] now opposed." Mr. D'Atri believed that "two adjoining neighborhoods need to . . . resolve it." Mr. Farha characterized the issue as "bike lanes versus no bike lanes." Mr. Carney did not believe that the proposal would 'bring more traffic to our neighborhood."

MOTION to EXTEND the MEETING (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Ms. Roberts): by 45 minutes.

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

MOTION FAILED by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with six in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Ashworth, Carney, Donahoe, Kirkham, Starr and Suh); 12 opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D'Atri, Farha, Gilman, Gresham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith and Winther); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Appel). Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

D. 4th Street Greenway. Motion: That the GWNC support the 4th Street Greenway as presented at its October 21, 2019 meeting and that the GWNC communicate its support to the appropriate agencies and request the City support and fund the 4th Street Greenway project, with the condition that the signals will never be opened up to east-west car traffic.

[CS/CM CLARIFY: SHOULD THIS DISCUSSION BE MOVED TO ABOVE ITEM #C?] Mr. Starr explained the above. Ms. Roberts: believed it would "cut down on cutthrough traffic" and wanted more conversation about it. Mr. Gresham believed that not enough community outreach was done. Mr. Donahoe believed that "this is a very small concession." Resident John Welborne said 4th St. "has been a City bike route for ... 50 years," but "the process ended in 2011" and opposed the Agendized Motion. Michael Schneider, Mid City West Community Council Board Member, believed the Greenway "would make for better connectivity" for bicycles and "reduced cut-through traffic." Resident Mike Sanchez believed that "another light would make no sense . . . it was resoundingly rejected" in 2011. Resident Cliff said "crossing Highland Avenue is not a problem"; diverting the traffic would be "deleterious." Resident Jon Vein believed not enough research was done. Resident Mr. Diaz opposed the proposed Motion. Resident Arsine Phillips said "you don't need another light that close to Third" and Gary believed "the research hasn't been done." Resident George Phillips said "no one ever reached out to us" and that there has not been a bicycle or pedestrian accident there "in 26 years there's not even a traffic study." Resident Dina Phillips noted that "the traffic on Rossmore is horrendous." Resident Cathy Jones indicated that she did not know about the proposal. Mr. Carney said "we're asking for a study." Ms. Moser believed the proposed Motion could be clearer and that discussion should be continued. Ms. Chvatal believed that "nothing has changed . . . we should go back to the . . . Committee and the neighborhood."

MOTION to EXTEND the MEETING (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): by five minutes.

MOTION to AMEND EXTENDING the MEETING (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Kirkham): by 30 minutes.

MOTION to AMEND EXTENDING PASSED by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Ashworth, Carney, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Donahoe, Farha, Gilman, Kirkham, Kumetz, Moser, Roberts, Smith, Starr, Suh and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (D'Atri and Gresham). Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

AMENDED MOTION to EXTEND was declared to have **PASSED** unanimously by a hand vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

No Motion was made or vote taken at this time on this 4th Street Greenway Item.

MOTION (by Ms. Moser, seconded by Mr. Starr): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will hold a Special Board Meeting next Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION was declared to have **PASSED** by a hand vote of the 18 eligible voters present; one opposed (Suh); zero abstained. Newly-appointed Board Member Ms. Nickels was ineligible to vote due to not yet having signed the Code of Conduct.

The next Agenda Item addressed was the Item #VII Treasurer's Report.

E. Support for Crosswalk on Melrose at Orange. Motion: That the GWNC Board support having a crosswalk on Melrose around Orange Dr.

This Item was not addressed.

 F. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Transportation Committee Regular Meeting will be on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 7 p.m. via Zoom ID #921 5993 5555. Motion: To reschedule the 9-28-2020 Transportation Committee Regular Meeting to October 5, 2020 so as to not conflict with the Yom Kippur holiday.

This Item was not addressed.

XI. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT: SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion

and possible action) (Dan Kegel).

A. Report on the August 4 Sustainability Committee Meeting.

This Item was not addressed.

B. CF 20-0492 - City Insurance Policies / ... Underwriting / Fossil Fuel. Motion: That the GWNC file a Community Impact Statement SUPPORTING Council File 20-0492, with text "The City should not be supporting investments in fossil fuel companies, and residents shouldn't have to worry about the City's insurance vendors failing due to investments in or issuing risky insurance to a declining industry."

This Item was not addressed.

C. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting. Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 via Zoom ID #928 2781 1179.

This Item was not addressed.

XII. AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Neighborhood Purposes Grants (Max Kirkham).
 - i. Motion: that the GWNC award a Neighborhood Purpose Grant in the amount of \$500 to KYCC for their application for field staff personal protective equipment as presented.
 - ii. Motion: that the GWNC award a Neighborhood Purpose Grant in the amount of \$500 to the YMCA for their application toward their food distribution efforts as presented.
 - iii. Motion: that the GWNC approve the minutes from the July 1, 2020 Neighborhood Purposes Grants ad-hoc committee meeting as presented.

This Item was not addressed.

XIII. LIAISONS & BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS

(Discussion and Possible Action).

A. Public Works Liaison Report (Hayden Conner Ashworth)

B. Homelessness Liaison

C.

Other Liaison Reports (https://empowerla.org/liaison/) D. Board Member Announcements

This Item was not addressed.

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

This Item was not addressed.

XV. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

This Item was not addressed.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting. The next GWNC Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2020 via Zoom ID #966 7700 1434.

Ms. Moser declared the Meeting ADJOURNED at 10:33 p.m.

[Note: Agenda Items not addressed at this Meeting were addressed at the subsequent August 19, 2020 Board Meeting one week later. Please see the August 19 Minutes for those Items.]

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