



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, April 14, 2021
Approved July 14, 2021

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 shown online and available at www.greaterwilshire.org/BDdocs.

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 2019-2021 Board (Conrad Starr).

HA, Carpenter, Carroll, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Genewick, KG, Gresham, MK, CM, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther = 15

The Secretary called the roll. Fifteen of the 19 Board Members or their Alternates were present at the Roll Call: Hayden Ashworth, Jeffrey Carpenter, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Charles D'Atri, Jennifer DeVore, Brian Donahoe, Michael Genewick, Karen Gilman, John Gresham, Max Kirkham (Vice-President), Caroline Moser (President), Cathy Roberts, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr (Secretary) and John Winther. Scott Appel arrived later. Tucker Carney, Philip Farha and Susan Nickels were absent and not represented by an Alternate. New 2021-2023 Board Members were Seated during below Item #I. C.

C. Roll Call of 2021-2023 Board Members and Alternates (Conrad Starr). The Secretary called the roll. Eighteen of the 19 Board Members or their Alternates were present at the Roll Call: Hayden Ashworth, Bailey Benningfield, Jeffrey Carpenter, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Cindy Chvatal, Brian Curran, Charles D'Atri, Jennifer DeVore, Brian Donahoe, Michael Duggan, Charles D'Atri, Michael Genewick, Gary Gilbert, Karen Gilman, Christopher Houck, Juan Portillo, Cathy Roberts, Stephanie Shin, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr, Bindu Varghese and John Winther. Scott Appel arrived later. The GWNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) was 13 (see the Bylaws link at <https://greaterwilshire.org/bylaws-board-rules>), so the Board could take such votes. Nineteen of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Two Board Seats were vacant: Area 4 and Area 12, which were filled in Item #'s VI. B. 1. a. and b. Eight Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #VI. B.; the Education Alternate Seat was filled during Item #VI. B. 2. a.; to apply for other Seats see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attended: approximately 48

Stakeholders and guests.

Board Member Brian Curran arrived at this time (7:11), making 18 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum was thirteen).

D. Oath of Office and Transfer of Leadership to New Board Members and/or Alternates (Department of Neighborhood Empowerment).

1. Administer Neighborhood Council Oath of Office to Board Members and Alternates “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.”

The Oath was said aloud.

E. Recognition of Former Board Members (Caroline Moser with CMs Raman, Koretz)

Ms. Moser thanked former and new Board Members for their service. She urged new Board Members to read the Bylaws.

II. ELECTION OF OFFICERS (Discussion and possible action).

A. Discussion of Method of Election:

- Nominations shall be made by Board Members.
- Qualifying Nominations (including self-nominations) must be Seconded. ○ Each Nominee shall accept or decline the nomination. A Nominee who is absent from the meeting may indicate their acceptance of a nomination by emailing or calling a Member of the Board prior to the closing of nominations.
- Nominees may speak for up to 5 minutes.
- Voting shall be by roll call.
- Per Article VI, Section 3 of the Bylaws, All Officers shall be elected from among members of the Board by a Board majority vote at the first Board meeting convened after certification of the results of the election of Directors.” If no candidate receives a majority of votes, for example in the case of three candidates, a runoff vote will be held between the two candidates who received the greatest number of votes.

John Darnell, a Neighborhood Council Advocate, L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) [213-978-1551; John.Darnell@LACity.org; www.EmpowerLA.org], introduced himself, explained the NC system and thanked everyone for their service. He encouraged contacting him with questions. He confirmed that new Board Members, including those who have not completed any trainings, can vote on anything in this meeting.

Board Member Scott Appel arrived online by 7:20, making 19 Board Members (or their

Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum was thirteen).

B. Nominations, Discussion, and Election of President of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (GWNC Bylaws Article VI. Section 2.A.).

Ms. DeVore explained procedures. Mr. Smith nominated Charles D'Atri; Ms. Roberts nominated Conrad Starr. Mr. D'Atri thanked Ms. Moser and described his Larchmont Village and other background and community service and vision. Mr. Starr introduced himself and described his Sycamore Square neighborhood and other community service

Mr. Kirkham noted Mr. Starr's contributions to guiding the GWNC through transitioning to virtual meetings due to the pandemic, and leadership skills. Mitchell Jacoves noted Mr. Starr's work on CPAB. Sarah Cohen noted Mr. Starr's community service for renters and homeowners. Chin Thammasa noted Mr. Starr's CERT service. Tucker Carney said Mr. Starr "worked tirelessly." Vero Matos noted Mr. Starr's community service. Terrance Calzone noted Mr. Starr's communication skills. Mr. Farha believed Mr. D'Atri is needed in Larchmont Village, so supported Mr. Starr for President. April Hannon and supported Mr. Starr. Mr. Gresham noted Mr. D'Atri's meeting leadership skills.

For Conrad Starr as President: Appel, Benningfield, Carpenter, Donahoe, Duggan, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Starr and Varghese = 11.

For Charles D'Atri as President: Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Gilbert, Smith and Winther = eight.

Ms. DeVore announced Conrad Starr as President.

C. Nominations, Discussion, and Election of Vice President of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (GWNC Bylaws Article VI. Section 2. B.).

Mr. Starr took nominations. Ms. Carroll nominated Charles D'Atri. Mr. Kirkham supported Mr. D'Atri. There were no other nominees.

For Charles D'Atri as Vice-President: Appel, Benningfield, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Duggan, Gilbert, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Starr, Varghese and Winther = 19.

Mr. Starr announced Charles D'Atri as Vice-President.

D. Nominations, Discussion, and Election of Secretary of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (GWNC Bylaws Article VI. Section 2.C.).

Mr. Gilbert nominated Jennifer DeVore. Mr. D'Atri noted Ms. DeVore's community service. There were no other nominees.

For Jen DeVore as Secretary: Appel, Benningfield, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Duggan, Gilbert, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Starr, Varghese and Winther = 19.

E. Nominations, Discussion, and Election of Treasurer of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (GWNC Bylaws Article VI. Section 2.D.).

1. From City Clerk: "The NC Treasurer is responsible for the following:
 - a) Use of the online Funding System portal which includes:
 - (1) Submitting check payment requests after the NC Board approval vote has been taken. As a best practice, the NC should submit payment requests within 45 days of the NC board approval of the expenditures.
 - (2) Generating the Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER) and presenting them to the Board for review and action on a monthly basis.
 - b) Submit requests for bank card limit increases, as needed
 - c) Keep track of the NC's annual budget for revisions by the Board, as needed
 - d) Maintain custody of financial documents - unless appointed differently by the Board"

Ms. Chvatal nominated Patti Carroll. There were no other nominees.

For Patti Carroll as Treasurer: Appel, Benningfield, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Duggan, Gilbert, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Starr, Varghese and Winther = 19.

2. Requirements (see <https://clerk.lacity.org/sites/g/files/wph606/f/NCFP%20Policies%2007.19.18%20Final.pdf#page=8>).

III. GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Starr noted that reports and announcements are in the online Board documents. He asked representatives to give short reports at this time. Dave Cordova, an LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer [mobile/text phone 213-793-0650; 31646@LAPD.LACity.org; www.LAPDWilshire.com], reported that Officer deployment is being focused upon, the pandemic is being dealt with and homeless issues are being addressed. Mr. Starr noted that CPAB [<http://www.lapdwilshire.com/community-police-advisory-board.html>] would meet the next night.

IV. DWP, NC BUDGET REPRESENTATIVES & ADVOCATES, LANCC, LADWP, (Discussion and Possible Action)

Mr. Starr noted that reports are in the Board documents. No Motion was made or vote taken.

V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Connie Shin wanted to “create public art space” of “wishing trees”; contact her for information. Mr. Kirkham wanted to ensure that non-profit organizations are represented.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Possible Action).

A. Review and Adoption of Minutes

1. March 10, 2021 General Board Meeting

Mr. Starr reported that the Minutes were written but not ready for distribution.

MOTION to POSTPONE to the NEXT MEETING (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council POSTPONES to the NEXT MEETING review and adoption of the Minutes of the March 10 and March 29, 2021 General and Special Board Meetings.

MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED unanimously with no objections; zero opposed; zero abstained.

2. March 29, 2021 Special Board Meeting

See above Item #VI. A. 1.

B. Board Member and Board Alternate Administration

1. Board Member Vacancies. DESCRIPTION (GWNC Bylaws Article V. Section 6): Any qualified Stakeholder interested in serving as such a replacement Director or Alternate shall submit a written application to the Secretary within forty-five (45) days after the date a replacement seat becomes open. After the lapse of forty-five (45) days, the Secretary shall forward the names of all applicants to the Board. The Board shall have discretion to appoint the replacement from the applicants or among any other qualified Stakeholders.

Mr. Starr explained issues and ruled that Item #'s B. 1. and B. 2. were out of order, “for cleanliness” and “as sort of a reset.” He noted that a 2/3 Board vote can overturn a President’s ruling.

MOTION to APPEAL (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Ms. Carroll): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appeals the ruling of the President disallowing Item #'s VI. B. 1. and 2. from consideration at this meeting.

DISCUSSION: Resident Patty Lombard believed that her Fremont Place neighbor Ms. Leonard should be voted upon and noted that Ms. Leonard applied months ago. Resident Jane Usher reminded that the Bylaws can be suspended by a certain percentage of a Board vote. Ms. Moser confirmed that an appeal can pass by a 2/3 vote; she also noted that Mr. Genewick applied in November and that Kelly Rielly applied months ago. Mr. Portillo supported the 45-day moratorium. Ms. Chvatal noted

that Mr. Genewick “did not get a ballot” and that that wasn’t his fault.

MOTION to APPEAL PASSED by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Benningfield, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Duggan, Gilbert, Hauck, Shim, Smith and Winther); five opposed (“No” or “Nay”) (Appel, Donahoe, Portillo, Roberts and Varghese); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr).

a) MOTION: To nominate or appoint Stephanie Lee Leonard to vacant Fremont Place Board Seat.

Ms. Chvatal nominated Stephanie Lee Leonard. Ms. Lombard supported Ms. Leonard.

MOTION (by Ms. Chvatal, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Stephanie Lee Leonard to the vacant Fremont Place Board Seat.

Board Member Scott Appel had stepped out and Michael Duggan was replaced by Alternate John Gresham by this time, making 18 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC quorum at this Meeting was thirteen).

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); one opposed (“No” or “Nay”) (Benningfield); two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr and Varghese).

b) MOTION: To nominate or appoint Michael Genewick to vacant Religion Board Seat.

Mr. D’Atri nominated Mike Genewick. Suzana Kim removed her name from consideration for the Board Seat, but still is willing to serve as an Alternate. Mr. D’Atri noted Mr. Genewick’s “commitment” to the Seat and perseverance through election difficulties. Mr. Kirkham noted that the Religion Seat did not become vacant until today, less than the 45-day moratorium in the Bylaws. Mr. Smith noted that Mr. Genewick didn’t receive a ballot, which “shouldn’t be held against him.”

MOTION to POSTPONE Item VI. B. 1. b. (by Mr. Portillo, seconded by Ms. Roberts).

MOTION to POSTPONE FAILED by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with six in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Benningfield, Donahoe, Portillo, Roberts, Shim and Varghese); 10 opposed (“No” or “Nay”) (Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Smith and Winther); two abstained (the GWNC

counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Carpenter and Starr).

MOTION (by _____, seconded by _____. The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Michael Genewick to the vacant Religion Board Seat.

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with 11 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Smith and Winther); two opposed (“No” or “Nay”) (Benningfield and Roberts); five abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Donahoe, Portillo, Shim, Starr and Varghese).

2. Alternate Board Member Vacancies: Positions eligible for nominations of qualified candidates - to be submitted to the Board for approval: Area 2 - Citrus Square, Area 4 - Fremont Place, Area 6 - La Brea-Hancock, Area 9 - Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews, Area 10 - Ridgewood-Wilton/St. Andrews Square, Area 12 - Western-Wilton, Education, Religion.

a) **MOTION**: To nominate or appoint Kelly Rielly to vacant Education Alternate Seat.

MOTION (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Michael Genewick to the vacant Religion Board Seat.

DISCUSSION: Ms. DeVore described Mr. Genewick’s background and community service.

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Genewick, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Roberts, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; five abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Benningfield, Portillo, Shim, Starr and Varghese).

3. Self-introduction of Stakeholders Interested in Vacant Seats.

Mr. Carpenter requested and Mr. Starr agreed to Agendize appointing Zubin Duvar as Mr. Carpenter’s Alternate. Ms. Carroll requested the same for Robert Reeves.

4. 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/>.

Mr. Starr requested and it was agreed to skip this Item.

5. 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.

Mr. Starr requested and it was agreed to skip this Item.

C. Selection of Bank Card Holder

- **DESCRIPTION:** Maintains secure custody of the NC’s bank card. Ensures card is used for payment transactions as approved by the Board only. Obtains itemized receipts or itemized paid invoices for every card transaction. Submits (Uploads) itemized receipts or itemized paid invoices for card no later than 10 days after the date the transaction posts.
- **REQUIREMENTS** (see <https://clerk.lacity.org/sites/g/files/wph606/f/NCFP%20Policies%2007.19.18%20Final.pdf#page=8>).

Mr. Starr reviewed the above.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council selects Patti Carroll as the Bank Card Holder.

DISCUSSION: Ms. DeVore reminded that new Board Members, including those who have not completed any trainings, can vote on anything in this meeting.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with all 19 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Benningfield, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Genewick, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Starr, Varghese and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

D. Authorization of Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filers: Recommendation is to take this item up after the selection of Committee Chairs.

1. **MOTION:** Whereas, a Community Impact Statement is an official statement adopted by a Neighborhood Council on issues pending before the City Council, its committees, or City commissions; Whereas, up to five board members can be authorized through a board resolution to write and submit Community Impact Statements through the City Clerk’s online web system at <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/cis>; Therefore, be it resolved, that the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council authorizes the following board member(s) to SUBMIT Community Impact Statements which have been passed by a vote of the full board:

- Filer #1: _____
- Filer #2: _____
- Filer #3: _____
- Filer #4: _____
- Filer #5: _____

Be it further resolved, in cases where an issue is moving quickly through the legislative process and a promptly issued statement is beneficial, the aforementioned board

members are authorized to also WRITE and SUBMIT Community Impact Statements which express positions previously voted upon by the full board.

Mr. Starr explained the above.

MOTION to TABLE (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council TABLES this Item.

MOTION to TABLE PASSED unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained.

MOTION to CONTINUE this MEETING to a DATE to BE DETERMINED (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Ms. Chvatal).

DISCUSSION: Mr. D'Atri believed that new Board Members needed more time to learn about GWNC Committees. Ms. Carroll reminded of the need to approve Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERs).

AMENDMENT to the MOTION to CONTINUE this MEETING to a DATE to BE DETERMINED (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Ms. Carroll): to add the phrase "except for voting on the MERs."

DISCUSSION: Ms. Roberts noted the need to address land use issues. Mr. Kirkham noted the need to reconstitute the NPG (Neighborhood Purposes Grants) Committee.

AMENDMENT to the MOTION to CONTINUE this MEETING to a DATE to BE DETERMINED PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") Appel, Benningfield, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Duggan, Genewick, Gilbert, Hauck, Portillo, Shim, Smith, Varghese and Winther); two opposed ("No" or "Nay") _____, __ and Roberts) two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) _____, __ and Starr).

AMENDMENT to the MOTION to CONTINUE this MEETING, except for voting on the MERs. to a DATE to BE DETERMINED (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Portillo): to replace the phrase "a DATE to BE DETERMINED" with "Wednesday, April 21st at 7:00 p.m."

DISCUSSION: Mr. Farha noted the need for the GWNC to write land use-related letters and CISs.

AMENDMENT to the MOTION to CONTINUE this MEETING, except for voting on the MERs. to Wednesday, April 21st at 7:00 p.m. PASSED unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained.

Board Member Michael Duggan was replaced at this time by his Alternate John Gresham.

MAIN MOTION to CONTINUE this MEETING, except for voting on the MERs. to Wednesday, April 21st at 7:00 p.m. PASSED by a roll call vote of the 19 eligible voters present with 11 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Benningfield, Carpenter, Carroll, Donahoe, Genewick, Gilbert, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Starr and Varghese); six opposed (“No” or “Nay”) (Chvatal, Curran, DeVore, Gresham, Hauck and Winther) two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (D’Atri and Smith).

VII. OFFICER 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.

VIII. TREASURER’S REPORT (Patricia Carroll) (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Motion to Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for March 2021.

Card Expenses

03/03 Public Storage \$160.00

3/18 Larchmont Buzz \$480

03/23 Larchmont Chronicle - March \$188.00

3/30 Lloyd Staffing SF Admin 2/22-3/23 \$961.40

Ms. Carroll noted the above list and added \$169.47 for interpreters.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for March 2021.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 12 eligible voters present with all 12 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gresham, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Seven were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training.

B. Motion to Approve Individual Expenses Listed in the March 2021 MER.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Individual Expenses Listed in the March 2021 MER.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 12 eligible voters present with all 12 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri,

DeVore, Donahoe, Gresham, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Seven were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training.

C. Website and Email Hosting Renewal - greaterwilshire.org on Media Temple Grid Service.

1. Funding Motion: That the GWNC approve up to \$315 for one-year renewal of Media Temple Grid Service (\$240; automatically renews on 4/19/2021) and SSL Certificate and Installation (\$75; renews on 6/3/2021).

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves up to \$315 for one-year renewal of Media Temple Grid Service (\$240; automatically renews on 4/19/2021) and SSL Certificate and Installation (\$75; renews on 6/3/2021).

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 12 eligible voters present with all 12 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gresham, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Seven were ineligible (Benningfield, Genewick, Gilbert, Hauck, __, Shim and Varghese) to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training.

D. Review of February, 2021 Board Expenses that Will Appear on the March 2021 MER.

Lloyd Staffing TBD

Village Mail call Dec - June 20/21 \$245.00

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

IX. AD HOC COMMITTEES (Discussion and possible action).

A. Formation of Ad Hoc Budget Committee.

1. MOTION: The GWNC forms an Ad Hoc Budget Committee with GWNC Treasurer as Chair and Board Members: GWNC President, _____, and _____ as members to make recommendations to the Board regarding possible reallocations from the remaining FY20/21 Budget and the possible encumbrance or carryover of remaining funds; and a proposed FY21/22 Administrative Packet and Budget, to be presented to the Board at its May 12, 2021 Regular Meeting, and/or its June 9, 2021 Regular Meeting, and/or (a) Special Meeting(s) as requested by the Board.

B. Neighborhood Purposes Grants Committee (Jennifer DeVore).

1. Report (Jennifer DeVore)

2. Dissolution of the previous Neighborhood Purposes Grants Ad Hoc Committee.

3. MOTION: The GWNC forms an Ad Hoc Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPG)

Committee with _____ as Chair and _____, _____,

_____ and _____ as members (etc.) to make recommendations to the Board at its May 2021 Regular Meeting or at a Special Meeting as requested by the Board, regarding NPG applications which have been received during the Spring 2021 NPG Application window which will close on April 17, 2021.

C. Elections Committee

1. Report on Status of Final Report (Brian Curran)

[The above Item was skipped.]

X. RESILIENCE COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action).

A. Report on the March 29, 2021 Resilience Committee Special Meeting. B. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Chair or Acting Chair of the Resilience Committee.

1. At its March 29, 2021 Special Meeting, Conrad Starr was elected Chair.

C. Notice of Meeting Date/Time

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1. At its March 29, 2021 Special Meeting, the Committee selected the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

D. Committee Membership

1. Anyone wishing to join the Committee should contact the Chair with a letter of interest and qualifications. Membership to be voted on at a subsequent meeting.

E. Upcoming Resilience Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Resilience Committee Regular Meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on April 19, 2021, via Zoom ID #889 6098 2957.

[The above Item was skipped.]

XI. QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Charles D'Atri).

A. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Chair or Acting Chair of the Quality of Life Committee.

B. Committee Membership

1. Anyone wishing to join the Committee should contact the Chair with a letter of interest and qualifications. Membership to be voted on at a subsequent meeting.

C. Upcoming Quality of Life Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Quality of Life Regular Meeting will be 7 p.m., Weds, May 26, 2021, via Zoom ID #849 7793 0618..

[The above Item was skipped.]

XII. ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Dan Kegel).

A. Report on the April 6, 2021 Sustainability Committee Meeting.

B. Notice of posting of Minutes

C. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Chair or Acting Chair of the Environmental & Sustainability Committee.

D. Committee Membership

1. Anyone wishing to join the Committee should contact the Chair with a letter of interest and qualifications. Membership to be voted on at a subsequent meeting.

E. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting. Next GWNC Environmental &

Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on June 1, 2021 via Zoom ID #928 2781 1179.

[The above Item was skipped.]

XIII. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Conrad Starr).

- A. Report on the March 22, 2021 Transportation Committee Meeting.
 - 1. Council File 21-0002-S30 - Fare-Free Transit et al. (H.R. 7389/S. 4278). Motion: that the GWNC file a CIS in support of CF 21-0002-S30.
 - 2. Highland Avenue Traffic Safety. Motion: that the GWNC request LADOT to study the intersections of Beverly Blvd. and Highland Ave., 3rd St. and Highland Ave., and 6th St. and Highland Ave.; and provide GWNC with an analysis of crash data at those intersections; and provide options to make those intersections safer.
- B. Report on the March 25, 2021 Transportation Committee E-Bike Town Hall. C. Report on status of LADOT “Stress Free Connections” (4th St. and St. Andrews Pl. Greenways) Meeting.
- D. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Chair or Acting Chair of the Transportation Committee.
- E. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Secretary of the Transportation Committee.
- F. Committee Membership
 - 1. Anyone wishing to join the Committee should contact the Chair with a letter of interest and qualifications. Membership to be voted on at a subsequent meeting.
- G. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Transportation Committee Regular Meeting will be on Monday, May 22, 2021 at 7 p.m. via Zoom ID #921 5993 5555.

[The above Item was skipped.]

XIV. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible action) (Philip Farha).

- A. Report on March 2021 Land Use Committee Meeting.
- B. Report on March 29, 2021 Special meeting re Council File 09-0969-S3, opposition to non-applicant initiated planning appeals.
- C. Consent Calendar: a single motion approves the following items (VIII.B.1-5.) without Board discussion. Any Board Member may ask that any item be removed from the consent calendar and voted on separately.
 - 1. Mid City Neighborhood Greenway: The Mid City Neighborhood Greenways will connect Central L.A. neighborhoods with calmer local streets. These streets are on the Mobility Plan 2035 Neighborhood Enhanced Network, which serves as a system of low-volume streets that are slower moving and can be more comfortable alternatives to arterials for people walking and biking. Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support the Mid City Neighborhood Greenway project as presented March 23, 2021, subject to approval of the final design.

2. 838 N. Mansfield Ave: Action to retract GWNC support for the variance. Zoning R2-1XL. On Jun 14, 2017, the GWNC Board Voted 17/0/1 in favor of the following motion: “The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the application to convert an existing 5-unit apartment building to condominiums at 838 N. Mansfield Ave., the support to be revoked if the building ever alters its footprint or increases its square footage. Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council retract its support of a variance for the project located at 838 N. Mansfield Ave.

 3. 6415 Melrose Ave: Demolition Pre-inspection Application No. 2019-20000-00370/B21VN01176. Zoning R2-1XL. (Note: received notice in mail 3-12-2021). Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council oppose the Demolition Pre inspection Application for the project located at 6415 Melrose Ave. pending their appearance at the LUC meeting and neighborhood outreach.

 4. Citywide Sign Ordinance: Restrict new digital billboards to Regional Commercial Corridors; digital ad screens on proposed new bus shelters. Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council support writing a CIS to reaffirm our previous position opposing digital signs, support for the City Planning Commission's Version B PLUS proposal to Council File 11-1705, and objection to any digital signs on public property and/or Tier 3 commercial zones. In addition, we oppose the PLUM Committee proposal and any digital signs in the GWNC.

 5. GWNC Town Hall on TOC projects: Discuss the feasibility of holding a Town Hall on the TOC program. <https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/transit-oriented-communities-incentive-program> Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council hold a Town Hall on the Transit-Oriented Community (TOC) and Transit Oriented Development (TOD) programs.
- D. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Chair or Acting Chair of the Land Use Committee.
- E. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Secretary or Acting Secretary of the Land Use Committee.
- F. Committee Membership
1. Anyone wishing to join the Committee should contact the Chair with a letter of interest and qualifications. Membership to be voted on at a subsequent meeting. G. Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, April 27, 2021, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ID #915 2786 9326.

[The above Item was skipped.]

XV. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Colette Amin).

- A. Report on the April 3, 2021 Outreach Committee Meeting.
- B. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Chair or Acting Chair of the Outreach Committee.

- C. Ratification of Committee Election or Appointment of Secretary or Acting Secretary of the Outreach Committee.
 - 1. At its April 3, 2021 meeting, Brian Curran was elected Secretary.
- D. Citizen Recognition Program. The GWNC awards community members for their service, dedication and/or commitment to enhancing and/or improving the Greater Wilshire neighborhood. The Committee accepts nominations year-round. Let us know whom we can honor at <http://greaterwilshire.org/citizen-recognition-program>.
- E. Committee Membership
 - 1. Motion: to ratify the appointment of At Large Board Alternate Board Member/ Stakeholder Joe Suh to the Outreach Committee.
 - 2. Motion: to ratify the appointment of Business Rep Alt/Stakeholder Raphie Cantor to the Outreach Committee.
 - 3. Anyone wishing to join the Committee should contact the Chair with a letter of interest and qualifications. Membership to be voted on at a subsequent meeting.
- F. Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting. The next regular GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, May 1, 2021, 9:30 a.m. via Zoom ID #982 7679 1581.
 - 1. Agenda Item Submission Deadline: April 23, 2021. Please send items to both outreach@greaterwilshire.org and outreachsecretary@greaterwilshire.org.

[The above Item was skipped.]

XVI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/REPORTS

- A. Liaison Reports (<https://empowerla.org/liaison/>)
- B. Alliance Reports
- C. Board Member Announcements

[The above Item was skipped.]

XVII. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

- A. Ratification of Committee Membership
- B. Assistant and Administrative Appointments
 - 1. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Assistant Secretary. DESCRIPTION (GWNC Bylaws Article VI. Section 2.C): “An Assistant Secretary may be appointed by the President, with concurrence from the Secretary.”
 - 2. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Assistant Treasurer. DESCRIPTION (GWNC Bylaws Article VI. Section 2.D): “An Assistant Treasurer may be appointed by the President, with concurrence from the Treasurer.”
 - 3. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Webmaster. DESCRIPTION: Manages all aspects of domain registrations; website hosting; updates to web content at board’s instruction; website security, backups, and updates; email account and alias creation, maintenance, oversight, and support; G-Drive oversight, maintenance, and support; password maintenance and security; digital file storage; works with Officers to ensure all subscription renewals are placed on board agendas prior to service or domain expirations, etc.

- C. Discussion and Possible Action to Select 2nd Signer. DESCRIPTION: Verifies Funding Program documents have been correctly and completely filled out before submitted for processing. Acts as the second signer as required on Funding Program documents. REQUIREMENTS: (see <https://clerk.lacity.org/sites/g/files/wph606/f/NCFP%20Policies%2007.19.18%20Final.pdf#page=8>).
- D. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Zoom Administrator/Host. DESCRIPTION: see <https://empowerla.org/evg/>.
- E. Selection of Zoom Moderator(s): *ibid*
- F. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Liaisons, Alliance Members, and other Official Representative Appointments.
1. Homelessness Liaisons
 2. Public Works Liaisons
 3. Film Liaisons
 4. Data Liaisons
 5. Purposeful Aging Liaisons
 6. Animal Services Liaisons
 7. Emergency Preparedness Liaisons
 8. Resilience Liaisons
 9. Legal Liaisons
 10. LGBTQ+ Alliance
 11. NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance
 12. NC Sustainability Alliance
 13. Grievance Panel Member
 14. Budget Representatives
 15. LADWP Ratepayer Advocate

[The above Item was skipped.]

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting. The next GWNC Board Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 via Zoom ID #966 7700 1434.

Mr. Starr thanked everyone for their participation.

MOTION to ADJOURN (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. D’Atri).

MOTION to ADJOURN PASSED unanimously; zero opposed; zero abstained.

Mr. Starr noted that the meeting **ADJOURNED** at 10:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
David Levin, Minutes Writer

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