

Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, August 11, 2021 Approved September 8, 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 (Conrad Starr)

A duly noticed Meeting of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ("GWNC") Board of Directors was held online. President Starr called the meeting to order at 6:31 p. m.

B. Roll Call (Jennifer DeVore)

The Secretary called the roll. Fourteen of the 21 Board Members or their Alternates were present online at the Roll Call: Jeffry Carpenter, Cindy Chvatal-Keane, Brian Curran, Charles D'Atri (Vice-President), Jennifer DeVore (Secretary), Mike Genewick, Gary Gilbert, John Gresham (Alternate for Michael Duggan), Christopher Hauck, Kelly Rielly (Alternate for Scott Appel), Cathy Roberts, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr (President) and John Winther. Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Brian Donahoe, Juan Portillo Jr. and Stephanie Shim arrived later. Stephanie Lee and Bindhu Varghese were absent and not represented by an Alternate. Bailey Benningfield had resigned; Hayden Conner Ashworth was promoted to that Seat and also was absent. 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. All 21 of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). No Board Seat was vacant. Four Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #VI. B. 2.; to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attended: at least 16 Stakeholders and guests, including Parliamentarian James Stewart.

II. GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. CA State Assemblymember Richard Bloom

State 50th District Assemblyman Richard Bloom (310-450-0041; http://assembly.ca.gov/Bloom), encouraged anyone needing help with EDD (Employment Development Department) to contact his office. He described small business financial assistance available for businesses that employ formerly homeless people. His AB 1126 regarding hate crimes would create a permanent State commission to inform State and local governments. He also sponsored AB 8917 regarding drivers illegally stopping in bus lanes. He is planning to vote "no" on SB 9 and SB 10. He is working with the DMV to convert part of some of their large parking lots to "affordable housing."

Board Members Patti Carroll (6:32), Juan Portillo (6:40) and Brian Donahoe (6:45) arrived by those times, making 17 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).

B. Fourth Council District (Kevin Sanchez-Morales)

Kevin Sanchez-Morales, Field Deputy for L.A. City District Four Council Nithya Raman (323-957-6415; Kevin.Sanchez-Morales@LACity.org; http://CD4.LACity.org), will report back about what discretionary funds the Councilwoman may use for the GWNC area.

C. Fifth Council District (Jill Kline)

Jill Kline, Field Deputy for L.A. City District Five Councilman Paul Koretz [323-866-1828; Jill.Kline@LACity.org; www.LACity.org/council/cd5], was not present; there was no report.

D. Office of the Mayor (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.

E. LA County Second Supervisor District (Daniel Park)

Daniel Park, a Field Deputy for L.A. County District Two Supervisor Holly Mitchell (213-974-2222; DPark@bos.LACounty.gov; https://LACounty.gov/government/supervisors/holly-mitchell), was not present; there was no report.

F. LA County Third Supervisor District (Erin Seinfeld)

Erin Seinfeld, a Field Deputy for L.A. County District Three Supervisor Sheila Kuehl [310-231-1170; ESeinfeld@bos.LACounty.gov; http://www.LACounty.gov/government/supervisors/sheila-kuehl], reported on American Recovery Act funding that will be used to help provide services and affordable housing for homeless people. The State mandated that all State employees must be vaccinated by October 1st against the COVID-19 Coronavirus. Also, "a mask mandate is in place for public spaces regardless of vaccination status." Mr. Hauck reported that nurses are "getting nothing" for support for the increasingly dangerous they do.

- G. LAPD Olympic & Wilshire Divisions (SLOs Cho, Pelayo, Cordova, Rodriguez). Dave Cordova, an LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer [cell/text phone 213-793-0650; 31646@LAPD.LACity.org; www.LAPDWilshire.com], reported that there was an 8.7% reduction in overall Part One crimes. This day around 12:25 p.m. there was a homicide at Melrose and Genesee; video and witnesses are being investigated.
- H. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) (John Darnell)
 John Darnell, a Neighborhood Council Advocate, L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood
 Empowerment (DONE) [213-978-1551; John.Darnell@LACity.org;
 www.EmpowerLA.org], reported that various workshops are available and urged Board
 Members to read the emailed monthly profiles..
- I. Other Government Representatives
 There were no other reports at this time.

III. GWNC LIAISON REPORTS

A LADWP

Mr. Humphreville reported a presentation by Ratepayers Advocate Fred Pickel regarding the LA100 program.

B. Budget Representatives

Mr. Humphreville reported for the Budget Advocates [http://BudgetAdvocates.org or http://ncbala.com] that a proposed vacancy tax would tax the estimated 90,000-100,000 vacant units in L.A. There may be another HHH-type bond measure to provide more housing.

C. LANCC

Mr. Humphreville reported that at LANCC [the Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition; LANCC@EmpowerLA.org; www.LANCC.org] L.A. County Assessor Jeffrey Prang was critical of Proposition 19 regarding passing property to heirs. LANCC also discussed DONE's proposed Code of Conduct.

D. Public Works Liaison

Mr. Ashworth was not present; no report or Motion was made or vote taken.

E. Homelessness Liaison

Joy McManus was not present; no report or Motion was made or vote taken. A replacement Liaison is needed; Mr. Hauck volunteered.

F. Other Liaisons

No other Liaison reports were made.

G. Alliances

Stakeholder Mac Kirkham reported that the GLBTQ Alliance (GLBTQAlliance.com) met with DONE General Manager Raquel Beltran "to develop the diversity, inclusion and equity program."

IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Stakeholder Joe Suh wanted to amend GWNC Bylaws Article 13 to be "adding a youth representative to our Board." Mr. Starr requested that it be submitted to the Secretary. Michael Burbank (Michael@CityStage.co) reported that the L.A. Triathlon is scheduled for Sunday, October 24, 2021.

V. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President's Report

Mr. Starr reported that website supporting documents "are available on the Committee Agenda pages and the Board pages."

- B. Treasurer's Report (Discussion and Possible Action). Please refer to MER in the Supporting Documents folder (https://greaterwilshire.org/bddocs).
 - 1. Motion to Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for July 2021.

Card Expenses 7/3 Public Storage \$160.00 7/8 Larchmont Chronicle June \$188.00 7/9 Lloyd Staffing DL Minutes \$498.78

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

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

Board Member Stephanie Shim had arrived by this time, making 18 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Mr. Genewick, Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

2. Motion to Approve Individual Expenses Listed in the July 2021 MER.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the individual expenditures it made in July 2021.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Mr. Genewick, Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

3. Review of July 2021 Board Expenses that Will Appear on the August 2021 MER James Stewart Parliamentarian \$600 for June James Stewart Parliamentarian \$600 for July

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

4. Motion to confirm approval of \$600 for James Stewart Parliamentarian for the month of June 2021.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council confirms approval of \$600 for James Stewart Parliamentarian for the month of June 2021.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible

voters present with all 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Mr. Genewick, Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

5. Motion to approve up to \$900 from General and Operational for Parliamentarian Services.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves up to \$900 from General and Operational for Parliamentarian Services.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Carroll explained the need for the Motion.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr). Mr. Genewick, Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

6. Motion to confirm approval of \$600 for James Stewart Parliamentarian for the month of July 2021.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council confirms approval of \$600 for James Stewart Parliamentarian for the month of July 2021.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Carroll reminded that this is "a confirmation" of what the Board already agreed upon.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr). Mr. Genewick, Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

7. Motion to confirm approval of \$600 for James Stewart Parliamentarian for the month of August 2021.

Wilshire Neighborhood Council confirms approval of \$600 for James Stewart Parliamentarian for the month of August 2021.

DISCUSSION: Stakeholder Colette Amin wanted Parliamentarian James Stewart to share video information.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr). Mr. Genewick, Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

8. Rollover from Fiscal Year 20/21 to 21/22: \$9,957.92. Motion: to move the full Rollover amount of \$9,957.92 to General and Operational.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council moves the full Rollover amount of \$9,957.92 to General and Operational.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr). Mr. Genewick, Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

- C. Vice President's Report
 - Mr. D'Atri indicated that there was no report.
- D. Secretary's Report

Ms. DeVore thanked Board Members who completed their trainings.

VI. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS</u> (Discussion and Possible Action).

A. Consent Calendar: a single motion approves the following items (VII.A.1.-2.) without Board discussion. Any Board Member may ask that any item be removed from the consent calendar and voted on separately.

MOTION to POSTPONE (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Postpones Item #VI. A. to the next Board Meeting.

MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED by unanimous consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- 1. Adoption of July 14, 2021 General Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Adoption of July 29, 2021 Special Board Meeting Minutes

- B. Board Member and Board Alternate Administration
 - 1. Board Member Vacancies: (none)

Mr. Starr reported that this day he received an email from Bailey Benningfield that she resigned; Hayden Conner Ashworth "is now promoted to the Board Director Seat," which opens the Alternate Seat.

- 2. Alternate Board Member Vacancies: Positions eligible for nominations of qualified candidates: Area 1 Brookside, Area 4 Fremont Place, Area 9 Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews, Area 12 Western-Wilton.
 - a) Applicants (others may express interest at the meeting)
 - (1) Steve Kang Area 12 Western-Wilton
 - (2) Julie Stromberg Area 1 Brookside

Ms. DeVore noted the above. She is processing Mr. Kang's application.

b) Nominations

Ms. Stromberg, former long-time Board Member, introduced herself and described her extensive community service. Mr. Smith nominated and Mr. Donahoe seconded Ms. Stromberg as the Area 1 - Brookside Alternate Board Member. She confirmed that she moved from Windsor Village to Brookside.

c) Elections and/or Motions. Qualified Stakeholders interested in serving as a replacement Director or Alternate are invited to contact secretary@greaterwilshire.org to verify eligibility or for more information.

A vote was taken on the nomination of Julie Stromberg as the Area 1 - Brookside Alternate Board Member.

Julie Stromberg was **ELECTED** as the Area 1 - Brookside Alternate Board Member.by a roll call vote of the 18 eligible voters present with 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr).

3. 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." Mr. Starr administered the Oath to Ms. Rielly (who had not previously taken the Oath) and Ms. Stromberg.

- 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.
 - a) The following Board Members and Alternates are shown on https://empowerla.org/gwnc as NOT having completed Ethics and/or Funding and are NOT eligible to vote on financial matters: Donahoe, McCloskey, Schneider, Rosenberg, Genewick, Reilly Carroll, Burke, Reeves, Carpenter, Shim.

Ms. DeVore noted the above. It was reported that Mr. Carpenter, Ms. Carroll, Mr. Donahoe and Mr. Starr completed their Ethics and Funding Trainings.

b) Check EmpowerLA.org/GWNC for your training expirations.

The above was noted.

c) Per new DONE policy, Code of Conduct MUST now be done on Cornerstone.

The above was noted.

- 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.
 - a) Needed: Carpenter, Davar, Donahoe, McCloskey, Rielly, Rosenberg, Schneider.

The above was noted.

6. Board Members Under Suspension by DONE: Benny Rosenberg, Brian Donahoe, Josh McCloskey, Kelly Rielly, William Schneider. "If Code of Conduct is not submitted within 30 days of notice (8/2/21), they will be removed from the board. If they would like to provide evidence of their Code of Conduct compliance, they should notify the Department and include any substantiating evidence by emailing rosters@empowerla.org." (August Monthly Profile p. 4).

The above was noted. Mr. McCloskey and Mr. Schneider were still suspended; the others signed the Code of Conduct.

7. Liaison and Alliance Appointments - see https://empowerla.org/liaison/.

Mr. Hauck confirmed that he is interested in being the Homelessness Liaison. Ms. DeVore explained that the GWNC can have as many Liaisons as it likes and they can be Stakeholders or Board Members. Mr. Hauck was so appointed.

- C. Authorization of Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filers:
 - 1. Motion: 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: Conrad StarrFiler #2: Jennifer DeVore
- Filer #3: Philip FarhaFiler #4: Charles D'Atri
- 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.

MOTION (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council authorizes the following board members to SUBMIT Community Impact Statements which have been passed by a vote of the full board:

- Filer #1: Conrad Starr
- Filer #2: Jennifer DeVore
- Filer #3: Philip Farha
- Filer #4: Charles D'Atri

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.

AMENDMENT to the MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): add Julie Stromberg as the fifth Filer, pending her acceptance.

Mr. Starr declared the Motion to Amend out of order because Committee Chairs had not yet been invited to be Filer(s).

MOTION to POSTPONE (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Postpones Item #VI. C. to the next Board Meeting.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Roberts withdrew her main Motion.

MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED by unanimous consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

D. Appointment of GWNC Storage Key Holders

Mr. Starr and Caroline Moser have keys. Mr. D'Atri believed that the President and Secretary should have the keys.

MOTION (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints the President and Secretary as GWNC Storage Key Holders.

PASSED by unanimous consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

VII. AD HOC COMMITTEES (Discussion and possible action)

- A. Staffing Committee Report (Chair: Cindy Chvatal-Keane)
 - 1 Committee Recommendations

Ms. Chvatal reported that four candidates are interested. The Committee will meet and hope to present to the Board.

- 2. Possible Revisions to Job Descriptions
 - a) Webmaster/IT Manager

No revisions were made at this time.

b) Administrator

No revisions were made at this time.

- 3. Board =Intent to Engage/Hire Preferred Candidate(s) and/or Staffing Agency for:
 - a) Webmaster/IT Manager

Ms. Chvatal reported.

b) Administrator

Ms. Chvatal reported.

B. Formation of Governance Committee

Mr. Stewart explained that a President can make such a Motion if they represent "a specific constituency" such as Mr. Starr does. Also, a President can be a governance Committee Member, but is not advised to be such a Committee Chair.

Mr. Kirkham, Mr. Starr and Stakeholder Jane Usher had expressed interest.

MOTION (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will form a Governance Committee with Charlie D'Atri as Chair, and John Gresham, Max Kirkham, Juan Portillo, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr and Jane Usher as Members. The job of the Committee will be to review GWNC Bylaws, Board Rules, Committee protocols, and bring recommendations to the Board of any changes and recommend whether to seek the assistance of a parliamentarian for the task of any revisions; the work will be completed by the December 2021 Board Meeting. **DISCUSSION**: Ms. Chvatal and Mr. Hauck indicated that they also were interested in serving on the Committee.

AMENDMENT to the MOTION (by Ms. Chvatal, seconded by Ms. Carroll): add Cindy Chvatal, Christopher Hauck and Julie Stromberg to the Governance Committee.

AMENDMENT to the MOTION PASSED; zero opposed; zero abstained.

Board Member Mike Genewick had left by this time (8:56), making 17 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 16 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr).

VIII. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Colette Amin).

A. Report on the August 7, 2021 Outreach Committee Meeting

See below Item #VIII. B.

B. Advertising: The Outreach Committee recommends that the GWNC continue with its previous advertising schedule for the Larchmont Chronicle and the Larchmont Buzz, within the approved budget, and recommends any fund left over to be used for Outreach projects or further advertising.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will continue with its previous advertising schedule for the Larchmont Chronicle and the Larchmont Buzz, within the approved budget, and any fund left over to be used for Outreach projects or further advertising.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr). Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

C. Draft Digital Media Policy / Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC): The Outreach Committee requests the GWNC Board to constitute a new ad hoc committee open to the public to evaluate the revised Digital Media Policy of the BONC.

Mr. Starr requested and it was agreed to indefinitely postpone this.

D. GWNC Social Media Coordinator: The Outreach Committee recommends the GWNC appoint Raphie Cantor as Social Media Coordinator for the GWNC.Ms. Amin said the Committee is "very honored" that Mr. Cantor accepted the nomination.

MOTION (by Mr. Carpenter, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Raphie Cantor as Social Media Coordinator for the GWNC.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Amin noted that Julia Moser had to resign in June as the Coordinator. Mr. Starr explained that the Coordinator would work at the direction of the President, the

Secretary and the Outreach Committee Chair.

PASSED by unanimous consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

E. August 16 Special Committee Meeting. A special meeting of the GWNC Outreach Committee will be held on August 16, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ID # 823 4571 3854 to discuss such social media and other tools available to the board for its Outreach, such as Canva, Data Liaison tools (ArcGIS, etc.), NextDoor, Website, MailChimp, Tabling, Events, Town Halls, Partnerships.

Ms. Amin noted the above.

F. Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting. The next regular GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, September 4 2021, 9:30 a.m. via Zoom ID #982 7679 1581.

Ms. Amin noted the above. Mr. Starr noted that the Congress of Neighborhood Councils will be September 25th.

IX. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Philip Farha).

A. Report on the July 27, 2021 Land Use Committee Meeting.

Ms. Roberts reported that three projects were discussed: the project at 6101-6117 W. Melrose Ave and 713-735 N. Seward St.; the DWP Melrose Infrastructure project; and the project at 7000 W. Melrose Ave.

B. Report on the TOC Town Hall

Ms. Roberts reported that the July 23rd Town Hall was "very successful"; there is a link on the GWNC home page

C. Consent Calendar: no motions were made at the July 27, 2021 meeting

Ms. Roberts noted the above.

D. Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, August 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ID #915 2786 9326

Ms. Roberts noted the above.

- X. RESILIENCE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Gary Gilbert).
 - A. Report on the August 4, 2021 Resilience Committee Meeting.

Mr. Gilbert reported that the Committee "had another productive meeting . . . [and] will present a resilience plan to the Board." They established an operations subcommittee.

B. Upcoming Resilience Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Resilience Committee Regular Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on September 1, 2021, via Zoom ID #889 6098 2957.

Mr. Gilbert noted the above.

- XI. <u>ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE</u> (Discussion and possible action) (Chair: Cathy Roberts).
 - A. Report on the August 3, 2021 Sustainability Committee Meeting.

Ms. Roberts reported that the Committee discussed Town Hall ideas [see below].

- B. New Business: Development of a Town Hall ideas include but are not limited to: Native Plantings-Sustainable Gardens; The Future of LA on Less Water; A More Sustainable Home; Recycling & Zero Waste; EV Vehicles and You.
 - 1. Motion: That the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approve holding a Town Hall on Wednesday, November 17 entitled "EV vs Gas Vehicles Which is Best For Me?" and allocate up to \$200 for event promotion.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Portillo): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves holding a Town Hall on Wednesday, November 17 entitled "EV vs Gas Vehicles - Which is Best For Me?" and allocate up to \$200 for event promotion.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr). Ms. Rielly and Ms. Shim were ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

C. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting. Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 5, 2021 via Zoom ID #928 2781 1179.

Ms. Roberts noted the above.

XII. <u>QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE</u> (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Charles D'Atri).

A. Appointment of John Gresham as a member of the Quality of Life Committee. Greater **MOTION** (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the appointment of John Gresham as a member of the Quality of Life Committee.

PASSED by unanimous consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

B. Upcoming Quality of Life Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Quality of Life Regular

Meeting will be 7 p.m., Weds, August 25, 2021, via Zoom ID #849 7793 0618.

Mr. D'Atri noted the above and encouraged emailing him with ideas.

XIII. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (Discussion and possible Action) (Chair: Cindy Chvatal).

A. Report on the July 26 Transportation Committee Meeting.

Ms. Chvatal reported that "a lively meeting" was held.

B. Committee Membership

1. Motion: That the GWNC appoint the following committee to serve for the 2021 - 2023 term, reappointing Cindy Chvatal, Conrad Starr, Jeffry Carpenter, Jon Vein and Jonah Bliss and adding new members Owen Smith, Julie Stromberg, Max Kirkham, and Frank Moser.

MOTION (by Ms. Chvatal, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints the following committee to serve for the 2021 - 2023 term, reappointing Cindy Chvatal, Conrad Starr, Jeffry Carpenter, Jon Vein and Jonah Bliss and adding new members Owen Smith, Julie Stromberg, Max Kirkham, and Frank Moser.

Mr. Stewart noted that Motions made by a Committee do not need to be seconded.

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 16 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Rielly, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr).

C. Safety at Intersection of Cherokee and Clinton

1. Motion: The GWNC will write a letter supporting a 4-way stop sign at Cherokee and Clinton.

MOTION (by the Transportation Committee): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will write a letter supporting a four-way stop sign at Cherokee and Clinton.

PASSED by unanimous consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

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D. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Transportation Committee Regular Meeting will be on Monday, September 27, 2021 at 7 p.m. via Zoom ID #921 5993 5555.

Ms. Chvatal noted the above.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Letter of Reprimand for Improper Use of City Resources during the 2021 Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Election (06-24-21) Issued to Conrad Starr (Discussion only).

Mr. Starr turned over the Presiding Officership to Mr. D'Atri at this time.

Mr. D'Atri noted that the City already ruled on this. Mr. Starr explained that he made a very embarrassing mistake; it was accidental, and that the City Clerk apparently had not notified him, but put information without names about the complaint on their website. Stakeholder Cliff Lord said he filed the complaint; he wanted the Board to consider censure. Mr. Kirkham backed up that Mr. Starr had quickly "expressed his concern" and "made those changes as soon as possible and notified the City Attorney . . . his explanation has been the same." He believed that the City "did not allow Conrad to defend himself" and deprived Mr. Starr and the Board of a quick resolution. Mr. Smith urged everyone to "move on."

B. Appointment of up to three additional board members* to attend the 2021 Civic University for Neighborhood Councils scheduled on September 9, 23 and 30, 2021. (Discussion and Possible Action) (*Board member and their alternate count as one.) Beau Lloyd, Bindhu Varghese, and Juan Portillo were appointed in July.

Mr. D'Atri returned the Presiding Officership to Mr. Starr at this time.

No Motion was made or vote taken on Civic University appointments.

XV. <u>COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENTS (CIS)</u>, <u>PROCLAMATIONS</u> (Discussion and Possible Action).

A. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners / Draft Amendments to the 2016 Code of Conduct for Review and Comments.

It was reported that other Neighborhood Council Board Members composed a draft response letter, which Mr. Starr showed online. Mr. D'Atri explained his opposition to the proposed BONC Amendments.

MOTION (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Mr. Curran): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will sign on to the letter, File #WG4CC 20210802-V6 __ the 2016 Code of Conduct.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Kirkham also opposed the proposed Amendments.

Board Member Brian Curran was unavailable to vote at and Alternate Kelly Rielly had left by this time, making 15 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr).

B. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners / Draft Digital Media Policy.

Mr. Starr indicated that this will be revisited.

C. Processes & Procedures Ordinance: (Zoning Code/Reorganization of Administration Provisions - CF: 12- 0460-S4). Motion: the GWNC will file a CIS and/or submit the draft letter as presented in response to the Processes & Procedures Ordinance (Council File: 12-0460-S4).

Ms. Roberts explained the above. Mr. Starr showed a draft letter online.

MOTION (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will file a CIS and submit the draft letter as presented in response to the Processes & Procedures Ordinance (Council File: 12-0460-S4).

Board Member Brian Curran had returned and Cindy Chvatal was unavailable to vote at this time, keeping 15 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") Carpenter, Carroll, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Hauck, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr).

XVI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no other comments or announcements at this time.

XVII. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Portillo requested Agendizing appointing Ms. Amin to the Alternate Renter Seat; Mr. Starr noted the need to first advertise the opening for 45 days.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting. The next GWNC Board Meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 via Zoom ID #966 7700 1434.

Mr. Starr declared the Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 10:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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