



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council  
General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, February 9, 2022  
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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](http://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 Conrad Starr called the meeting to order at 6:30 p. m. and explained procedures.

B. Roll Call (Jennifer DeVore)

The Secretary called the roll. Sixteen of the 20 Board Members or their Alternates were present online at the Roll Call: Jeffrey Carpenter, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Cindy Chvatal-Keane, Brian Curran, Charles D’Atri (Vice-President), Jennifer DeVore (Secretary), Mike Genewick, Gary Gilbert, John Gresham, April Hannon (Alternate for Hayden Conner Ashworth); Stephanie Lee, Juan Portillo Jr., Cathy Roberts, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr (President) and John Winther. Scott Appel, Brian Donahoe and Stephanie Shim arrived later. Bindhu Varghese was 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 13 (see the Bylaws link at <https://greaterwilshire.org/bylaws-board-rules>), 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 8 - Melrose; see Item #VI. B. 1.]. Seven Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #VI. B. 2.; to apply see [www.GreaterWilshire.org](http://www.GreaterWilshire.org)]. Also attended: at least 23 Stakeholders and guests.

**II. GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Thirteenth District (Councilmember Mitch O’Farrell)

L.A. City District 13 Councilman Mitch O’Farrell [DTLA 213-473-7013; [Councilmember.OFarrell@LACity.org](mailto:Councilmember.OFarrell@LACity.org); <http://CD13.LACity.org>], thanked the Board for volunteering and described some of his Office’s services.

*Board Member Brian Donahoe arrived at this time (6:45), making 17 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).*

The Councilmember supported restoring NC funding to a previously higher level.

*The next Agenda Item addressed was Item #II. G.*

B. Fifth Council District (Rob Fisher - [rob.fisher@lacity.org](mailto:rob.fisher@lacity.org))

Rob Fisher, a Field Deputy for L.A. City District Five Councilman Paul Koretz [323-866-1828; [Rob.Fisher@LACity.org](mailto:Rob.Fisher@LACity.org); [www.LACity.org/council/cd5](http://www.LACity.org/council/cd5)], reported that the Mayor signed legislation excluding oil and gas operations from the City; for “carbon-neutral construction”; and prohibiting disassembling or assembling bicycles on sidewalks. A court ruled that “towing vehicles that’ve received five or more tickets” is an illegal “seizure of private property.” He will report back regarding legislation affecting single-family zoning.

*Board Members Scott Appel (7:11) and Stephanie Shim (7:15) arrived, making 19 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).*

C. Thirteenth Council District (George Hakopiants - [george.hakopiants@lacity.org](mailto:george.hakopiants@lacity.org))

George Hakopiants, a Field Deputy for L.A. City District 13 Councilman Mitch O’Farrell [213-207-3023; [George.Hakopiants@LACity.org](mailto:George.Hakopiants@LACity.org); <https://cd13.lacity.org>], see above Item #II. A.

D. Office of the Mayor (Serapia Kim - [serapia.kim@lacity.org](mailto:serapia.kim@lacity.org))

Serapia Kim, Central Area Representative for Mayor Eric Garcetti [213-978-3130; [Serapia.Kim@LACity.org](mailto:Serapia.Kim@LACity.org); <http://LAMayor.org>], was not present; there was no report.

E. LA County Second Supervisor District (Daniel Park - [dpark@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:dpark@bos.lacounty.gov))

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

F. LA County Third Supervisor District (Rachel Sherrell - [rsherrell@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:rsherrell@bos.lacounty.gov))

Rachel Sherrell, a Field Deputy for L.A. County District Three Supervisor Sheila Kuehl [310-231-1170; [RSherrell@bos.LACounty.gov](mailto:RSherrell@bos.LACounty.gov); <http://www.LACounty.gov/government/supervisors/sheila-kuehl>], was not present; there was no report.

G. LAPD Olympic & Wilshire Divisions (SLOs Cho, Pelayo, Cordova, Rodriguez)

Joseph Pelayo, an LAPD Olympic Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-382-9102; cell/text phone 213-793-0709; [31762@LACity.org](mailto:31762@LACity.org); [http://www.LAPDonline.org/olympic\\_community\\_police\\_station](http://www.LAPDonline.org/olympic_community_police_station)], thanked everyone for their support and reported that two of six homes were unlocked that recently were burglarized; he encouraged reporting suspicious activity and installing cameras. Donations to the Police can be made to the Blue Ribbon Foundation; see their website.

Hebel Rodriguez, an LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-473-0476; cell/text phone 213-793-0715; [35738@LAPD.LACity.org](mailto:35738@LAPD.LACity.org); [www.LAPDWilshire.com](http://www.LAPDWilshire.com)],

reported crime statistics and that Detectives recently apprehended a pedestrian robbery suspect. If you have information about any area robberies, contact 213-922-8217, 877-527-3247, or, to remain anonymous, CrimeStoppers at <https://www.lacrimestoppers.org>. “If you are going to tent your house” notify the Police so that they can provide “extra patrols.” He encouraged to, if you believe you’re being followed, make right turns to determine whether you are being followed; if so, do not stop; drive away, possibly to a Police Station.

*The next Agenda Item addressed was Item #II. B.*

- H. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (John Darnell)  
John Darnell, a Neighborhood Council Advocate, L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) [213-978-1551; [John.Darnell@LACity.org](mailto:John.Darnell@LACity.org); [www.EmpowerLA.org](http://www.EmpowerLA.org)], reported that emails that were sent to [\\_\[anything\]\\_@EmpowerLA.org](mailto:_[anything]_@EmpowerLA.org) between Thursday, January 20th and Friday, January 28th may not have been received; they may need to be re-sent. BONC [the L.A. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners; 213-978-1551; [Commissioners@EmpowerLA.org](mailto:Commissioners@EmpowerLA.org); [www.EmpowerLA.org](http://www.EmpowerLA.org)] is expected to vote March 21<sup>st</sup> on the Digital Communications Policy.
- I. Other Government Representatives  
Ned Racine, Metro Senior Construction Relations Officer [cell 213-479-7884, [RacineN@metro.net](mailto:RacineN@metro.net); 24-hour information 213-922-6934; Bus Rapid Transit 24-hour hotline 213-922-2500+1; [PurpleLineExt@metro.net](mailto:PurpleLineExt@metro.net); [www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt](http://www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt); [www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt](http://www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt); [www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt](http://www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt)], reported that, on February 20<sup>th</sup>, Metro “will reduce the frequency of buses and trains” due to staff shortages. “April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Metro will begin restoring LaBrea-Wilshire”; there’ll be 12 weekend closures; “final restoration will happen about a year later” and include new streetlights and other improvements. He will report again when more information is available.

*The next Agenda Item addressed was Item #II. H.*

### **III. GWNC LIAISON REPORTS**

- A. LADWP (Jack Humphreville)  
Mr. Humphreville was not present; no report was made.
- B. Budget Representatives (Jack Humphreville / Julie Stromberg)  
Mr. Humphreville was not present [[LABudgetAdvocates@gmail.com](mailto:LABudgetAdvocates@gmail.com); [www.BudgetAdvocates.org](http://www.BudgetAdvocates.org)]; no report was made.
- C. LA Neighborhood Councils Coalition (LANCC) (Max Kirkham)  
Mr. Kirkham is trying to obtain LANCC [the Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition; [LANCC@EmpowerLA.org](mailto:LANCC@EmpowerLA.org); [www.LANCC.org](http://www.LANCC.org)] documents for the GWNC.

D. Public Works Liaison

Mr. Ashworth was not present; no report was made.

E. Homelessness Liaison (Vacant)

No report was made.

F. Other Liaisons

No other Liaison reports were made.

G. Alliances

Mr. Kirkham reported on the GLBTQ Alliance (<https://gltqalliance.com>).

**IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Kirkham reported that the annual Homeless Count will be on February 24<sup>th</sup>; 10 more volunteers were needed; see [www.GreaterWilshire.org](http://www.GreaterWilshire.org).

**V. OFFICER REPORTS**

A. President's Report

Mr. Starr is trying to finalize the Webmaster position; a contract was submitted to the City Clerk. Ms. Chvatal asked Mr. Darnell if he could help.

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 January 2022.

Card Expenses

- 1/3 Public Storage \$160.00 +
- 1/11 Larchmont Chronicle December \$188
- 1/11 Larchmont Chronicle January \$188
- 1/14 Facebook \$30
- 1/26 Lloyd Staffing DL Minutes \$751.69
- 1/26 Lloyd Staffing JC Admin \$365.99

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for January 2022.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham,, Lee, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Two were ineligible (Genewick and Hannon) 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 January 2022 MER.

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the individual expenditures it made in January 2022.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham,, Lee, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Two were ineligible (Genewick and Hannon) 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 past Board Expenses that Will Appear on the February 2022 MER

Lloyd Staffing - TBD  
Village Mail Call \$400

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

C. Vice-President’s Report

Mr. D’Atri indicated that there was no report.

D. Secretary’s Report

Ms. DeVore indicated that there was no report.

**VI. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS** (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Adoption of January 12, 2022 General Board Meeting Minutes

**MOTION** (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Minutes of its January 12, 2022 General Meeting as written.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by consent with 18 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained; one ineligible due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct (Hannon).

B. Board Member and Board Alternate Administration

1. Board Director Vacancies: Area 8 - Melrose (effective 01/18/2022, may appoint from 02/22/2022)

Mr. Starr noted the above. There were no nominations at this time.

2. Board Alternate Vacancies: Area 4 - Fremont Place, Area 6 - La Brea-Hancock, Area 7 - Larchmont Village, Area 8 - Melrose (may appoint from 02/19/2022), Area 9 -

Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews, Area 11 - Sycamore Square, Area 12 - Western-Wilton. Qualified Stakeholders interested in serving as a replacement Director or Alternate are invited to contact [secretary@greaterwilshire.org](mailto:secretary@greaterwilshire.org) for more information.

Mr. Starr noted the above. There were no nominations at this time.

3. Board Training Requirements: All board directors 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 people have not yet completed the REQUIRED anti-bias (ABLE) training: Varghese, Portillo, Genewick, Curran, Davar, Tamayo, Cantor

Ms. DeVore encouraged completing the Training.

- b) 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:
      - Mike Genewick (Funding)
      - Zubin Davar (Ethics, Funding)
      - John Gresham (Ethics)
      - Julie Stromberg (Funding)
      - April Hannon (Funding, Ethics)
      - Vincent Cox (Ethics)

Ms. DeVore noted the above.

- c) Check EmpowerLA.org/GWNC for your training expirations.

Ms. DeVore noted the above.

4. Liaison and Alliance Appointments - see <https://empowerla.org/liaison>.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

## **VII. AD HOC COMMITTEES** (Discussion and Possible Action)

### **A. NPG Committee (Julie Stromberg)**

#### **1. Report of the Chair**

Ms. Stromberg reported that the Committee met January 23<sup>rd</sup> and reviewed the below four applications.

2. Review of applicants, invitation for applicants to present
  - a) Wilshire Crest
  - b) Wilshire Library
  - c) Anderson Munger YMCA
  - d) LAUNCH

Rae Jin, of the YMCA, presented.

3. Committee Report/ Recommendation: If NPG award is increased to \$3500, the NPG committee recommends making the following allocations of the GWNC NPG funds:  
Wilshire Crest – \$1350  
FOWL – \$1100  
YMCA – \$525  
LAUNCH LA – \$525  
If NPG award is limited to \$3000, the NPG committee recommends making the following allocations:  
Wilshire Crest – \$1350  
FOWL – \$1100  
YMCA – \$550

Ms. Stromberg explained the above.

4. Possible Motion: The GWNC will [see the below Motion].

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will reallocate \$500 from Office/Operational to NPG awards, bringing the total available NPG budget to \$3,500.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham,, Lee, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. Two were ineligible (Genewick and Hannon) to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

*Ms. Carroll and Mr. Winther recused from voting (self-declared as/was declared ineligible to participate in or vote on a Motion(s) in this Item due to a possible or known conflict of interest [they are Anderson Munger YMCA Board Members]) and were muted and put on hold at this time, making as many as 17 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online and eligible to vote (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen). Recusing is not the same as abstaining from voting, which is declining to vote “yes” or “no.”*

5. Possible Motions to award Neighborhood Purposes Grants.

Mr. Starr requested to label this Motion “VII. A. 5. a.”

Liz Fuller, President of the Wilshire Crest Elementary School PTA, noted that the funding would be for the PTA, not the School.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates \$1,350 to the Wilshire Crest PTA.

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

Mr. Starr requested to label this Motion “VII. A. 5. b.”

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates \$525 to Anderson Munger YMCA

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

*Ms. Carroll’s and Mr. Winther’s recusals ended and they were unmuted and allowed back in to the meeting at this time, making 19 Board Members present online and eligible to vote (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).*

Mr. Starr requested to label this Motion “VII. A. 5. c.”

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates an NPG award in the amount of \$1,100 for Friends of Wilshire Library (FOWL).

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 16 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham, Lee, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr). Two were ineligible (Genewick and Hannon) to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

Mr. Starr requested to label this Motion “VII. A. 5. d.”

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Roberts, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council allocates \$525 to LAUNCH LA.



**DISCUSSION:** James Panozzo, Founder and Executive Director of LAUNCH LA (LaunchLA.org), described the organization and their work.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 16 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham,, Lee, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr). Two were ineligible (Genewick and Hannon) to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

Ms. Stromberg thanked NPG Committee Members for their hard work. Mr. Starr declared the ad hoc NPG Committee dissolved.

B. Governance Committee (Charles D’Atri)

1. Report of the Chair

a) Committee Recommendations per its mandate: “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.” [Note: by Board action, the completion date was extended to the February 2022 General Board Meeting.]

Mr. D’Atri reported on the Committee’s work and thanked Mr. Starr for his extensive administrative support. He also thanked Mr. Starr and Committee Member Jane Usher for helping to create the final recommendations document. He encouraged Board Members to read the document before questioning Committee Members, as the Committee did a “tremendous” amount of work on it.

2. Possible Motions to make changes to GWNC Bylaws, Board Rules, Committee Protocols as above.

**MOTION to POSTPONE** (by Mr. D’Atri, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Postpones Item #VII. B. 2..

**MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED** with no objection.

3. Possible Motion to hire a Parliamentarian to review any board-approved proposed changes to Bylaws, Board Rules, Committee Protocols.

**MOTION to POSTPONE INDEFINITELY** (by Mr. D’Atri, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Postpones Item #VII. B. 2..

**MOTION to POSTPONE INDEFINITELY PASSED** with no objection.

4. Possible Motion to extend the term of the Ad Hoc Governance Committee (if required).

**MOTION** (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council extends the Ad Hoc Governance Committee to March 15, 2022.

**MOTION PASSED** with no objection.

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

A. Report on the Outreach Committee Meeting from January 18, 2022

*[This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #XII.]* Ms. Amin reported that the Committee discussed organizing a Community food gleaning for needy community members. She will request funding for branded shopping bags for participants.

B. Upcoming Outreach Committee Meeting

The next regular GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 7:30 PM via Zoom ID #982 7679 1581.

Ms. Amin requested the Resilience Committee to forward information for outreach. She noted the above, correcting the time to 6:30, not 7:30. The Committee will discuss participating in CD4 and CD13 Town Halls. She encouraged contacting her with questions and ideas at [Outreach@GreaterWilshire.org](mailto:Outreach@GreaterWilshire.org).

**IX. LAND USE COMMITTEE** (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair-Elect: Brian Curran)

A. Report on the January 25, 2022 Land Use Committee Meeting

Mr. Curran reported on the Committee's considerations of the below projects.

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

B. 544-550 S Wilton Place:

1. Possible Motion: [Approve/Oppose] Replace vacant lot with 44,212 sf, 7-story, 84' apartment building with 29 residential units, including 3 extremely low-income affordable units, 47 parking spaces (no guest parking), and 2,944 sf of open space. Case no. VTT-83698-CN-HCA. Zoning R3-2. Area 12: Western-Wilton. (Tier 3 TOC)

Mr. Curran noted that the Committee appreciated the project's design.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Curran, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the replacement of a vacant lot with a seven-story apartment building with 29 residential units, including three extremely low-income affordable units, for the project located at 544-550 S. Wilton Pl. as presented on January 25, 2022.

**AMENDMENT to the MOTION** (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Ms. Roberts): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council inserts "this is a Tier 3 TOC project" between "seven-story" and "apartment building."

**AMENDMENT to the MOTION PASSED** with no objection.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Roberts noted that the developer wasn't obligated but volunteered to present to the Committee. Mr. Gresham noted that it is a "by right" project with City requirements and entitlements over which the GWNC has no control.

*Board Member Mike Genewick had left by this time (9:11), making 18 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).*

**AMENDED MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with 15 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D'Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham,, Lee, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); one opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Portillo); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr). One was ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct (Hannon).

C. 532 N Wilton Pl:

1. Possible Motion: [Approve/Oppose] Replace single-family dwelling and detached garage with new 3-story duplex at the rear, and 3-story single-family dwelling + accessory dwelling unit at the front. Demolition Pre-Inspection Application No. 21019-10000-05159/Job No. B21LA23219. Case no: none. Zoning R3-1. Area 9: Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews. [App no. 21010-30000-06111/Job no. B21WL05159 for new 3-story duplex (rear). App no. 21010-30000-06110/Job no. B21WL05159 for new 3-story single-family dwelling + accessory dwelling unit (front).]

No Motion was made or vote taken.

D. 5750-5756 W. Melrose Ave. and 657 Lucerne Blvd.:

1. Possible Motion: [Approve/Oppose] Conditional Use Permit for alcohol to allow the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages in an existing restaurant during the hours of 7 a.m. – 11 p.m. Case # ZA-2021-9307-CUB (Previous or pending case #'s ZA-2009-2024-CUB, ZA-1988-1051-E, ENV-2009-2025-CE, ZA-2019-2253-ZAA-WDI, ENV-2019-2254-CE, Ord. 74207). Zoning C1-1VL. Larchmont – Area 7.

Mr. Curran noted that this is across from Osteria Mamma Restaurant.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Curran, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opposes the Conditional Use Permit for alcohol to allow the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages in an existing restaurant during the hours of 7 a.m. – 11 pm for the property located at 5750-5756 W. Melrose Ave. and 657 Lucerne Blvd. because the developer was requested, but declined, to appear before the Committee.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 17 eligible voters present with all 17 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham,, Lee, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith, Starr and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained. One was ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct (Hannon).

E. 5784 W Melrose Ave (5788, 5788 ½, 5786 Melrose Ave):

1. Possible Motion: [Approve/Oppose] Conditional Use Permit for alcohol to allow the sale and dispensing of beer and wine for on-site consumption with ancillary off-site privileges with to-go food orders, in conjunction with a 1,450-sf restaurant, Ramen Melrose (opened 2019). The restaurant has 28 seats with proposed hours of alcohol sales from 11 a.m. – 2 a.m. daily. Case no. ZA-2021-9831-CUB. Zoning C2-1. Area 5: Hancock Park.

Mr. Curran noted that this is next to Mario’s Peruvian Restaurant. Mr. D’Atri noted that the project is in both Larchmont Village and Hancock Park. No Motion was made or vote taken. A project representative told GWNC Administrator Julia Christiansen that he would reach out to the Committee in either February or March to present.

*Board Member Stephanie Lee had left by this time (9:18), making 17 Board Members present online (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).*

- C. Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 22, 2022, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ID #915 2786 9326  
[This was the second Item #IX. C. on the Agenda.]

Mr. Curran noted the above.

**X. RESILIENCE COMMITTEE** (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Gary Gilbert)

- A. Report on the February 2022 Resilience Committee Meeting

Mr. Gilbert reported that the Committee did not meet last month.

- B. Upcoming Resilience Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Resilience Committee Regular Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on March 2, 2022, via Zoom ID #889 6098 2957.

Mr. Gilbert noted that March 2<sup>nd</sup> is, as the Committee always meets, on a Wednesday.

**XI. ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE** (Discussion and possible action) (Chair: Cathy Roberts)

- A. Report on the February 2022 Sustainability Committee Meeting.

Ms. Roberts reported that the Committee discussed ways for people to live more sustainability.

B. Upcoming Sustainability Committee Meeting. Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022 via Zoom ID #928 2781 1179.

Ms. Roberts noted the above.

**XII. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** (Discussion and possible action) (Chair: Cindy Chvatal)

A. Committee Report

Ms. Chvatal reported that they “had a robust meeting.” Members reported on their Areas’ concerns. She reported that, on 6<sup>th</sup> St. between LaBrea and/Highland, speed tables will be installed by DOT by the end of the year. DOT is considering installing “rest on red” signaling at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Rimpau. Several Highland “restrictions” will be implemented.

B. Upcoming Transportation Committee Meeting. The next GWNC Transportation Committee Regular Meeting will be on Monday, March 28, 2022 at 7 p.m. via Zoom ID #921 5993 5555.

Ms. Chvatal noted the above. Mr. Starr requested and Ms. Chvatal agreed to ask METRO to ensure that traffic induction loops are activated by bicycles.

*The next Agenda Item addressed was Item #VIII.*

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

A. Possible Motion to approve and submit the GWNC Inventory.

Mr. Starr requested help with the inventory

B. 2022 Annual Homeless Count (Max Kirkham, Deployment Site Coordinator)

1. Proposed Motion: The GWNC [see the below Motion].

**MOTION** (by Mr. D’Atri, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council confirms its continued participation as a deployment site coordinator and Co-Sponsor of the 2022 Annual Homeless Count, rescheduled for February 24, 2022 at Hope Lutheran Church, with Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) being the Main Sponsor and also approves the COVID Safety Protocols as presented.

*Board Member Stephanie Lee had left by this time, 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 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, Curran, D’Atri, DeVore, Donahoe, Gilbert, Gresham,, Portillo, Roberts, Shim, Smith and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr). One was ineligible to vote due to not having current Ethics Training and/or Funding Training and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct (Hannon).

Ms. Roberts and Mr. Gilbert volunteered to help.

**XIV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no Board Member comments or new business at this time.

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

Mr. Starr indicated a need for the GWNC to re-form its ad hoc Budget Committee. Ms. Carroll requested to re-form the ad hoc NPG Committee since the Fiscal Year ends June 30<sup>th</sup> and there are funds to allocate.

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting. The next GWNC Board Meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 via Zoom ID #966 7700 1434.

Mr. Starr **ADJOURNED** the Meeting with no opposition at 9:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Levin, Minutes Writer

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