



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, September 13, 2023
Approved October 11, 2023

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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 at the Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 S. Lucerne Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90005. President Conrad Starr called the meeting to order at 6:31 p. m. and explained procedures. If there is a conflict-of-interest concern, contact Vanessa.Alvarado@LACity.org. Senate Bill 411, which would allow hybrid online/in-person meetings with restrictions, still is being considered by the State.

B. Flag Salute

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Starr.

C. Roll Call (Jennifer DeVore)

The Secretary called the roll. Sixteen of the 21 Board Members or their Alternate(s) were present at the Roll Call: MJ Anderson (Alternate for Tommy Atlee), Selene Betancourt, Jeffry Carpenter, Cindy Chvatal-Keane, Romi Cortier, Brian Curran, Charles D'Atri (Vice-President), Jennifer DeVore (Secretary), Gary Gilbert, John Gresham, Jesseca Harvey, Julie Kim, Mark McQueen, Alex Nava, Sixto Sicilia and Conrad Starr (President). Patricia Carroll (Treasurer) arrived later. Scott Appel, Andy Galan, Benny Rosenberg and Owen Smith were absent and not represented by an Alternate. The GWNC Board quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is 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. Ten Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #V. A. 2.; to apply see www.GreaterWilshire.org]. Also attended: 18 Stakeholders and guests.

II. GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Board Member Patti Carroll arrived at this time (6:38), making 17 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum is thirteen).

- A. Thirteenth Council District (Councilmember Hugo Soto-Martínez - councilmember.soto-martinez@lacity.org).

Councilmember Soto-Martinez [213-473-7013; <https://cd13.LACity.org>] described his Field Deputies' organizing experience. Homelessness-related issues are 40% of the calls to his Office; three Deputies are assigned to that issue. He introduced Homelessness Deputy Michael Batistick [Michael.Batistick@LACity.org]. Mr. Starr noted that some GWNC residents believe that "they're not being heard." The Councilmember replied "if that's happening, I want to know about it . . . they should be heard." There've been 6,000 eviction filings in CD13. He indicated that the 300 N. Plymouth party house nuisance is important to him. He explained that he called the City Attorney about it the same day he was notified of problems. He relayed that the City Attorney promised to have a Neighborhood Prosecutor work on it and a "coalition is trying to address shortcomings" in current law . . . We're looking at other Ordinances . . . Anything we can do, we're doing right now . . . I want to be a partner . . . I want this to end . . . We're working with [State] Senator Durazo . . . Our Office is in contact with all levels of government . . . We should know the [City's] plan" for enforcement. The Councilmember described work to address transportation issues. "We're looking at Sunset as a possible bus-only corridor . . . We're looking at [the District] as a whole." The City is considering "public land" to provide housing; "we're looking at re-developing the Hollywood Community Plan . . . We should have a meeting about" the City's plans to greatly increase housing through upzoning. He believed that the Plan's housing numbers are too low.

- B. Fifth Council District (Field Deputy Michelle Flores - michelle.flores@lacity.org). Michelle Flores, a Field Deputy for L.A. City District Five Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky [ofc. 213-473-7005; Michelle.Flores@LACity.org; <https://councildistrict5.LACity.gov>], described legislation. A meeting is scheduled regarding the OPD (Overnight Parking District) in Wilshire Park. A meeting with John Burroughs School will be held regarding traffic issues.

- C. LAPD Olympic & Wilshire Divisions (SLOs Cho, Pelayo, Rodriguez)
No Officer, such as Hebel Rodriguez, an LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-473-0476; cell/text phone 213-793-0715; 35738@LAPD.Online; <https://www.LAPDOnline.org/lapd-contact/west-bureau/wilshire-community-police-station>], or Joseph Pelayo, an LAPD Olympic Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-382-9102; cell/text phone 213-793-0709; 31762@LACity.org; http://www.LAPDOnline.org/olympic_community_police_station], was present; there was no report.

- D. LA Metro (Ned Racine - racinen@metro.net)
Ned Racine, Metro Principal Construction Relations Officer [cell 213-418-5993, RacineN@metro.net; 24-hour information 213-922-6934; Bus Rapid Transit 24-hour hotline 213-922-2500+1; PurpleLineExt@metro.net; www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt; www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt; www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt], was not present; there was no report.

E. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (John Darnell - john.darnell@LACity.org)
This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #II. G. John Darnell, a Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate of the L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) [213-978-1551; John.Darnell@LACity.org; www.EmpowerLA.org], promised to report back about providing updated Board Members' training information.

F. Third Supervisorial District (Field Deputy Savannah Portillo Heap - SHeap@bos.lacounty.gov)
Savannah Portillo Heap, a Field Deputy for L.A. County District Three Supervisor Lindsey Horvath (213-440-0927; <https://lindseyhorvath.lacounty.gov>), was not present; there was no report.

G. Other Government Representatives
L.A. City Fire Dept. Battalion 18 Chief Block reminded to ensure that smoke detectors work; batteries may need to be updated. He encouraged completing the CERT [Community Emergency Response Team; 818-756-9674; www.cert-la.com; lafdcert@LACity.org] program. The Fire Dept. is hiring people 18 and over; see JoinLAFD.org.

Sherwin Shamoeil, a Field Representative for State 51st District Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur [323-436-5184; Sherwin.Shamoeil@asm.ca.gov; <https://a51.asmdc.org>], reported that the Assemblymember voted in favor of SB411; now, the City Council needs to authorize it. Hybrid meetings may be allowed by November and "the Bill only covers two years." Regarding the 300 N. Plymouth party house, the Assemblymember's Office is collaborating with other officials. Only a single one-day alcohol license was issued for that address, but no more such licenses will be issued [to that address at this time].

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

John Welborne reminded about the September 18th Taste of Larchmont.

IV. REPORTS BY ALLIANCE REPRESENTATIVES AND NC LIAISONS.

A. LADWP (Jack Humphreville)

Mr. Humphreville was not present; there was no report.

B. Budget Representatives (Jack Humphreville / Julie Stromberg)

Neither Mr. Humphreville nor Ms. Stromberg were present; there was no Budget Advocates [<http://BudgetAdvocates.org> or <http://ncbala.com>] report.

C. LANCC (Jennifer DeVore) NC Election Town Hall

Ms. DeVore reported about LANCC [the Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition; LANCC@EmpowerLA.org; www.LANCC.org] that "we had a great meeting . . . on the Housing Element . . ." and difficulties communicating with the City.

D. Other Liaisons or Representatives
No other Liaison reports were made.

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

A. Board Member and Board Alternate Administration

1. Board Director Vacancies: None
2. Board Alternate Vacancies: Area 2 - Citrus Square; Area 3 – Country Club Heights; Area 4 - Fremont Place; Area 8 - Melrose; Area 9 - Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews; Area 11 - Sycamore Square; Area 12 - Western-Wilton; Area 13 - Wilshire Park; Business; At Large (fillable at October GWNC board meeting.)

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

B. Board Training Requirements: Courses and instructions can be found at <http://empowerla.org/boardmembers/>. Please check EmpowerLA.org/GWNC for your training expirations and email secretary@greaterwilshire.org if there are any inconsistencies.

1. Code of Conduct is required for all board members and must be renewed every two years. Members with expired or incomplete Code of Conduct are to be suspended after 30 days and removed after 60 days. Board members with incomplete or expired Code of Conduct do not count towards quorum and may not vote.

a) The following board members are shown at EmpowerLA.org/GWNC as having EXPIRED or INCOMPLETE Code of Conduct

- Owen Smith
- Jeffrey Carpenter (member claims was completed on August 25)
- Charles D’Atri
- Patti Carroll (completed August 8)
- Benny Rosenberg
- Julie Stromberg
- Cathy Roberts (completed Sept 8)
- Bob Reeves
- Kelly Rielly

2. Ethics and Funding Training are required before members may vote on funding motions.

a) The following board members are shown at EmpowerLA.org/GWNC as NOT having completed Ethics and/or Funding and are NOT eligible to vote on financial matters.

- Owen Smith (Funding)
- Cathy Roberts (completed Ethics Sept 8 - still need to do Funding)
- Bob Reeves (Funding)
- Kelly Rielly (Funding)

3. The following have not yet completed the REQUIRED anti-bias (ABLE) training:

- Brian Curran
- Andy Galan

- Julie Kim

4. Non-Board Committee Member Ethics Training Link - <https://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/>.

Above Item #'s V. B. 1.-4. were noted.

C. Adoption of July 13, 2023 General Board Meeting Minutes.

[This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #VI. A.] No corrections or amendments were made.

MOTION (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the Minutes of its July 13, 2023 General Board Meeting as written.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

D. Adoption of August 9, 2023 General Board Meeting Minutes.

No corrections or amendments were made.

MOTION (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Mr. Anderson): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the Minutes of its August 9, 2023 General Board Meeting as written.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

VI. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President’s Report - Please see the supporting documents folder at <https://greaterwilshire.org/bddocs> for links and information contained in the report.

Mr. Starr earlier reported that all Board Members signed the Code of Conduct. At this time, he reported that all Board Members’ email accounts are set up. He encouraged volunteers to consider filling Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer positions. Also, the City Clerk ruled that the last [August 9th’s] Board Meeting’s “grant” Motion [“XIV. A. The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will provide a grant of \$250 to the Congress of Neighborhoods. [Budget Category: Outreach].”] was a “contribution,” not a “grant.” Mr. Starr will Agendize ratification of that allocation.

B. Treasurer’s Report (Discussion and Possible Action). Please refer to MER in the Supporting Documents folder (<https://greaterwilshire.org/bddocs>).

1. Discussion and Possible Action – Motions

a) Motion to Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for August, 2023.

Card Expenses

8/3 Public Storage \$151.00
8/8 Larchmont Chronicle (August) \$204.00
8/26 DreamHost \$ 23.94

Checks Cleared

7/23 AppleOne: Minutes 7/5 & 7/19 \$416.96
7/23 AppleOne: Admin 7/5, 7/12, 7/19 \$813.96
7/26 AppleOne : Minutes 6/17 \$270.66
7/26 AppleOne: Admin 6/14,6/21,6/28 \$813.96
8/14 UMEworks LLC \$601.25
8/24 AppleOne Admin 3/29, 6/1, 6/7 \$813.96

Checks Outstanding

8/28 AppleOne: Minutes \$ 73.15
8/28 AppleOne: Admin 7/26, 8/2, 8/9 \$813.96
8/29 AppleOne: Admin 8/16, 8/23 \$587.86
8/29 AppleOne: Minutes 8/16 \$292.60
8/29 Ebell of LA July, August \$800.00

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 August 2023.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

b. Motion to Approve Individual Expenses Listed in the August 2023 MER.

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the individual expenditures it made in August 2023.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

C. Review of past Board Expenses that may appear on the September, 2023 MER.

Any Outstanding AppleOne expenses TBC.

1. Discussion on Year End & Roll Over Funds: GWNC will receive the full \$10,000 in rollover funds for a total FY 23/24 budget of \$42,000.

Ms. Carroll noted the above.

2. Public Storage raised rates in September from \$151 to \$205.
Mr. Starr contacted Public Storage; they wouldn't rescind the raised rate.

C. Vice-President's Report
Mr. D'Atri ceded his time.

D. Secretary's Report
Ms. DeVore indicated that there was no report.

VII. OUTREACH COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Jesseca Harvey).

A. Committee Report

Ms. Harvey reported that the Committee can have a table at the LAPD Wilshire Division Open House.

B. Committee Membership

Ms. Harvey reported.

C. LAPD Open House Events. Possible Motion: The GWNC approves the committee's participation in the LAPD Wilshire and Olympic Division Open House Events in 2023.

MOTION (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Committee's participation in the LAPD Wilshire and Olympic Division Open House Events in 2023.

DISCUSSION: It was noted that the Open Houses are family events.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by consent with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

D. Social Media Request Form (Alex Nava)

Mr. Nava encouraged submitting event ideas. He posted content about this meeting on different social media and received responses.

E. Next Outreach Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the John C Fremont Library at 6121 Melrose, Los Angeles 90038

Ms. Harvey noted the above. Mr. Curran reported that food gleaning continues on second Sundays at the Farmers Market; contact him [AtLarge@GreaterWilshire.org], Colette Amin [ColetAmin@gmail.com] or the Committee [Outreach@GreaterWilshire.org] for information.

VIII. QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Acting Chair: Charles D'Atri).

- A. Committee Membership. Possible Motion: The GWNC selects Charles D’Atri (Area 7), John Gresham (Area 13), Jennifer DeVore (Area 5), and _____ as members of its Quality of Life Committee. [Note: GWNC committees must have a minimum of three members, and up to nine, from which up to five may be board members.]

Mr. Cortier and resident Max Kirkham also volunteered to join the Committee.

MOTION (by Mr. D’Atri, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council selects Charles D’Atri (Area 7), John Gresham (Area 13), Jennifer DeVore (Area 5), Romi Cortier (Business) and Max Kirkham (Area 9) as members of its Quality of Life Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by consent with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- B. Committee Leadership. Possible Motion: The GWNC selects Charles D’Atri as Quality of Life Committee Chair.

MOTION (by Mr. D’Atri, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Charles D’Atri as Quality of Life Committee Chair.

DISCUSSION: Mr. D’Atri noted that the Committee meets quarterly on fourth Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by consent with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- C. Next Quality of Life Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom ID #849 7793 0618 or at John C Fremont Library on Melrose.

Mr. D’Atri noted the above.

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

- A. Committee Report: Report on the Special Meeting on Tuesday, September 12 (Gary Gilbert).

Mr. Gilbert reported that the Committee, which meets bi-monthly, had two Board Member openings. He described the Committee’s work.

- B. Committee Membership. Possible Motion: The GWNC selects Gary Gilbert (Area 14), Max Kirkham (Area 9), Conrad Starr (Area 11), Jennifer DeVore (Area 5), and _____ as members of its Resilience Committee.

MOTION (by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Ms. Harvey): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council selects Gary Gilbert (Area 14), Max Kirkham (Area 9), Conrad Starr (Area 11) and Jennifer DeVore (Area 5) as members of its Resilience Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by consent with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- C. Committee Leadership. Possible Motion: The GWNC selects Gary Gilbert as chair of its Resilience Committee.

MOTION (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Mr. Gilbert): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council selects Gary Gilbert as Chair of its Resilience Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by consent with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- D. Promotion of Resilience and Emergency Preparedness Programs. Possible Motion regarding the promotion of the Great Shake Out, Earthquake Brace & Bolt, and the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

Mr. Gilbert explained that the Committee will do a questionnaire. He described work to increase RYLAN [ReadyYourLANeighborhood; <http://www.emergency.lacity.org/rylan>] online accessibility. No Motion was made or vote taken.

- E. Next GWNC Resilience Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, October 2, 2023 at a location to be determined.

Mr. Gilbert noted the above.

X. ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Cathy Roberts).

- A. Committee member Alex Nava resigned

Ms. Roberts noted the above.

- B. Three (3) openings for committee membership

Ms. Roberts noted the above; one of the openings is for a Board Member. She encouraged volunteering to be the Committee Chair.

- C. Next Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 3, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Memorial Branch Library located at 4625 W Olympic Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90019.

Ms. Roberts noted the above and that the Committee meets every even month on the first Tuesday.

XI. LAND USE COMMITTEE (Discussion and Possible Action) (Chair: Brian Curran)

A. Report on the August 22, 2023 Land Use Committee Meeting.

Mr. Starr encouraged and Mr. Curran agreed to Agendize selection of a new Committee Chair. Also, the Metro Crenshaw Extension Line train may run up La Brea Ave.

Mr. Curran reported on the 531 N. Larchmont TOC project that “numerous” neighbors spoke with the Architect, who was “receptive” and will re-present to the Committee. He reported that Committee Member Jane Usher spoke about the need for developers to build according to agreed-upon plans. Mr. Gresham reported that the City is being requested to remove phrases such as “substantially like” from approved plans. Mr. Starr requested and Mr. Curran agreed that, when a letter to a developer is submitted for Board approval, the attachment(s) will be included. Ms. Roberts noted the importance of including document dates in such letters. Ms. Chvatal reported that the City said that communities must do “side agreements” with developers, not the City, but “they don’t have any meaning . . . Planning doesn’t care.” The side agreement(s) must be in the Letter of Determination. There was discussion of how to get the CD5 Office involved, including CD5 Senior Planning Deputy Dylan Sittig [Dylan.Sittig@LACity.org].

B. Next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at the Marlborough School, 250 S. Rossmore Ave, Los Angeles, Board Room (C115).

The above was noted.

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

A. Committee Report

Ms. Chvatal reported.

B. Next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be Thursday, September 21st, 6:30 p.m. at JC Fremont Branch Library, 6121 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles 90038.

Ms. Chvatal noted the above.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action).

Ms. Carroll and Mr. Cortier recused from voting (self-declared as ineligible to participate in or vote on the Motion in Item XIII. A. due to a possible or known conflict of interest [they both are on the Larchmont Blvd. Association Board, the Family Fair sponsor]) and left the room at this

time, making 15 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen). Recusing is not the same as abstaining from voting, which is declining to vote “yes” or “no.”

- A. Larchmont Family Fair — October 29, 2023. Possible Motion: The GWNC Board approves participation in the Larchmont Family Fair and approves funding the purchase of a GWNC table at the Fair. (for up to \$500)

FUNDING MOTION (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Ms. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves participation in the Larchmont Family Fair and approves funding the purchase of a GWNC table at the Fair for up to \$500.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 15 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained; two recused (Carroll and Cortier).

Ms. Carroll’s and Mr. Cortier’s recusals ended and they returned to the room at this time, making 17 Board Members present (the GWNC Board quorum was thirteen).

- B. 300 N. Plymouth Blvd: Nuisance Party House (Updates)

Resident Sam Uretsky reported that he may meet with a City Attorney about the above. Lately, there were three more parties, attended by 400 young people, with “people collecting cash at the door . . . [There were] drugs . . . It still remains a very serious problem.” He said that Senior Lead Officer Pelayo told him that Officers are being trained to enforce a new Ordinance. Mr. Uretsky added that “nobody issued a Permit for this house” except for one. There were 19 calls to the Police regarding Labor Day party problems.

- C. November 2023 Board Meeting Date/Location. Explanation: The Ebell of Los Angeles is unavailable on November 8, 2023. Possible Motion: The GWNC will reschedule its November General Board Meeting to Tuesday, November 7th at 6:30 p.m.

MOTION (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Ms. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will reschedule its November General Board Meeting to Tuesday, November 7th at 6:30 p.m.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by consent with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- D. Liaison/GWNC Representative Appointments. Explanation: see <https://www.neighborhoodcongress.la/con21/alliances-and-liaisons>. Possible Motion: The GWNC makes the following appointments: Jack Humphreville and Mark McQueen as its Budget Representatives, Polly Estabrook at its Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance Representative, Jennifer DeVore as its Los Angeles Neighborhood Council

Coalition Representative, and Jack Humphreville as its LADWP Representative [and FILL IN THE NAME OF ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIVES IF ANY].

MOTION (by Mr. Starr, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council makes the following appointments: Jack Humphreville and Mark McQueen as its Budget Representatives, Polly Estabrook at its Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance Representative, Jennifer DeVore as its Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition Representative, and Jack Humphreville as its LADWP Representative.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by consent with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

E. Selection of Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filers (up to 5)

1. Possible Motion: 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: Conrad Starr [and FILL IN UP TO 4 OTHERS]. 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 member(s) (is/are) authorized to also WRITE and SUBMIT Community Impact Statements which express positions previously voted upon by the full board.

It was agreed not to address the above Item at this time.

F. Digital Media Policy Appointments (See: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AeXn3tS2kzoRJWit-OMKAUVwTtRhyh45/view>)

1. Possible Motion: The GWNC appoints/elects _____ (and _____ etc.) as its Digital Media Account Administrator(s) to ensure compliance with the Digital Communications Policy. (Required role; absent designation, filled by board president.)

It was agreed not to address the above Item at this time.

2. Possible Motion: The GWNC appoints/elects _____ (and _____ etc.) as its content creator(s) and/or comment moderator(s) to work with the Account Administrator(s). (Optional role.)

It was agreed not to address the above Item at this time.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action).

A. SB 411 - Resumption of Virtual Meetings

1. Possible Motion [only if signed by the Governor; requires a vote of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the entire board (14)]: The GWNC will hold the first regular monthly board meeting each quarter in person; and will hold its second and third regular board meetings each quarter virtually.

2. Possible Motion (contingent on above motion): The GWNC may, at the discretion of the President or by a simple majority vote of the Board, occasionally substitute a virtual meeting for an in-person meeting or vice-versa.
3. Possible Motion: The GWNC President, or in President's absence, the GWNC Vice President may call Special Meetings of the Board as needed and may call for such meetings to be held virtually or in-person, at their discretion.

It was agreed not to address Item #XIV. A. at this time.

B. Formation of Ad Hoc Neighborhood Purposes Grants Committee

There were no volunteers. Mr. Gresham urged that applicants should be told to get a Board Member "sponsor."

- C. UmeWorks (Webmaster) Contract. Possible Motion: The GWNC approves the Scope of Services for UmeWorks (Webmaster) dated August 11, 2023 and requests that the City Clerk enter the GWNC into a contract with UmeWorks for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Scope of Services for UmeWorks (Webmaster) dated August 11, 2023 and requests that the City Clerk enter the GWNC into a contract with UmeWorks for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- D. Wilshire Ebell STARS Program. Possible Motion: The GWNC will ask to be included as a community partner for the Wilshire Ebell STARS program.

Mr. Starr explained this and that "there is no cost to us."

MOTION (by Mr. McQueen, seconded by Ms. Harvey): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will ask to be included as a community partner for the Wilshire Ebell STARS program.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by consent with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- E. GWNC Business Cards. Possible Motion: The GWNC will allocate up to \$400 for the purchase of business cards for its Directors and committee chairs; and will reallocate up to \$400 from Rollover Funds to Office/Operational

No Motion was made or vote taken on the above Item.

F. GWNC Badges. Possible Motion: The GWNC will allocate up to \$250 for the purchase of lanyard badges for its Directors from Anderson Trophy; and will reallocate \$250 from Rollover Funds to Office/Operational.

Mr. Starr requested for Board Members to let him know if they want a badge, which are supposed to allow City Hall access. No Motion was made or vote taken on the above Item.

G. Supplies and Tools

1. Step Ladder: The GWNC will purchase a ladder, stepstool, or step ladder for up to \$150, which will be allocated to Office/Operational from Rollover Funds.
2. Crates / Tool Boxes: The GWNC will purchase one or more portable boxes or crates to be used at meetings and events for up to \$150, which will be allocated to Outreach from Rollover Funds.

Mr. Starr explained the possible usage of the above items to help fulfill ADA requirements No Motion was made or vote taken on Item #'s XIV. G. 1.-2.

3. ADA Signs: The GWNC [see the below Motion].

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will purchase temporary ADA signs (restroom signage, parking signage, routing signage) to address deficiencies identified in the site review of its regular meeting location; and it will purchase any temporary mounting equipment needed such as hook and loop fasteners, adhesives, suction cups, magnets, or the like; and such purchases will not exceed \$400, which will be allocated to Office/Operational from Rollover Funds.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

H. Speaking Time for Candidates for Federal Offices. Possible Motion: The GWNC will allow up to _____ minutes for candidates for Federal Offices [specifically, _____] to address the Board at a regular meeting.

Mr. Starr and Mr. D'Atri explained the above, which could affect Congressional candidate Mike Feuer.

MOTION (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Mr. Cortier): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will allow up to five minutes for candidates for Federal Offices to address the Board at a regular meeting.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote with all 17 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

XV. COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENTS (CIS), RESOLUTIONS, REQUESTS FOR ACTION.

A. Neighborhood Council Bill of Rights - Possible GWNC Endorsement

It was agreed not to address the above Item at this time.

XVI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Mr. Cortier reported that, according to a Police Chiefs Association press release, bail amounts would be reduced, which the City is not supporting. Mr. Gilbert wanted to Agendize removing Twitter ["X"] from the GWNC's social media feed, and to request that a City Planning representative attend this meeting.

XVII. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

- A. Revision of GWNC 2023-24 Budget
- B. NPG Grants
- C. 2024 Homeless Count

It was agreed not to address the above Item at this time.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting. The next GWNC General Board Meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, October 11th, 2023 at the Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 S Lucerne Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90005.

Mr. Starr **ADJOURNED** the Meeting with no opposition at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
David Levin, Minutes Writer

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