



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council  
General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, July 10, 2024  
Approved September, 2024

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[www.greaterwilshire.org/BDdocs](http://www.greaterwilshire.org/BDdocs).

**I. WELCOMING REMARKS**

A. Call to Order, Welcoming Remarks (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 6:34 p.m. and explained procedures, reminding about checking with the City Attorney if a Board Member has a possible or definite conflict of interest.

B. Flag Salute

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

C. Roll Call (Jennifer DeVore)

Assistant Secretary Jesseca Harvey called the roll. Ten of the 19 Board Members or their Alternate(s) were present at the Roll Call, which is not a quorum: Tommy Atlee, Jeffry Carpenter, Cindy Chvatal-Keane, John Gresham, Jesseca Harvey (Assistant Secretary), Sixto Sicilia, Owen Smith, Conrad Starr (President), David Trainer (Alternate for Jennifer DeVore, Secretary) and John Winther (Alternate for Romi Cortier). Scott Appel, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Charles D'Atri (Vice-President) and Julie Kim arrived later. Six Board Members were absent and not represented by an Alternate: Selene Betancourt, Brian Curran, Andy Galan, Gary Gilbert, Benny Rosenberg and Anne Rudnick. Alex Nava (in July) and Suzana Kim (in June) had resigned. 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 at this time the Board could only take public comments, could not have any official discussions, and could not make any Motions or take any votes. Nineteen of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). One Board Seat was vacant [Area 9 - Oakwood-Maplewood-St Andrews; see Item #V. A. 2.] and ten Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #V. B. 1.; to apply see [www.GreaterWilshire.org](http://www.GreaterWilshire.org)]. Also attended: 12 Stakeholders and guests.

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*Board Member Scott Appel arrived at this time (6:36), followed by Board Member Charles D'Atri at 6:37, making 12 Board Members present, short of the GWNC Board quorum of thirteen.*

## **II. GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Fifth Council District (Michelle Flores - [michelle.flores@lacity.org](mailto: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](mailto:Michelle.Flores@LACity.org); <https://councildistrict5.LACity.gov>], was not present; Mr. Starr said a report was in the Board documents web page [[www.greaterwilshire.org/BDdocs](http://www.greaterwilshire.org/BDdocs)].

B. Thirteenth Council District (Karla Martinez - [karla.g.martinez@lacity.org](mailto:karla.g.martinez@lacity.org)) Karla Martinez, a Field Deputy for L.A. City District 13 Councilmember Hugo Soto Martinez [213-473-7013; <https://cd13.LACity.org>], was not present; there was no report.

C. LAPD Olympic & Wilshire Divisions (SLOs Cho [33817@lapd.online](mailto:33817@lapd.online) & Pelayo [31762@lapd.online](mailto:31762@lapd.online) (Olympic), Rodriguez [35738@lapd.online](mailto:35738@lapd.online) (Wilshire)).

Harry Cho, an LAPD Olympic Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-382-9102; cell/text phone 213-793-0649; [33817@LAPD.Online](mailto:33817@LAPD.Online); [http://www.LAPDonline.org/olympic\\_community\\_police\\_station](http://www.LAPDonline.org/olympic_community_police_station)], introduced Danny Chavez, an Olympic Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-382-9102; cell/text phone 213-793-0649 (the same as retired Officer Joe Pelayo); [36304@LAPD.Online](mailto:36304@LAPD.Online)], who replaced Officer Pelayo. Officer Cho described outreach to homeless people, saying “we’ve made all the efforts we can; now it’s enforcement . . . Eight were housed, but there were some holdouts.”

*Board Member Patti Carroll arrived at this time (6:41), making 13 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum was thirteen). Now the Board could take binding votes on Agendized Items.*

Officer Cho continued reporting. Gang members have attacked homeless people. He will distribute a “Use of Force Report”; it’s around 120 pages. Officer Chavez reported that he’s been a Senior Lead Officer for 14 years, including in the Olympic Division in 2009. He described that he wanted to be in Greater Wilshire.

*Board Members Julie Kim and Andy Galan arrived at this time (6:47), making 15 Board Members present (the GWNC quorum is thirteen).*

Officer Cho announced that National Night Out [<https://natw.org>] will be Tuesday, August

6<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Olympic Station [1130 S. Vermont Ave.].

D. LA Metro (Ned Racine - [racinen@metro.net](mailto:racinen@metro.net))

Ned Racine, Metro Principal Construction Relations Officer [cell 213-418-5993, [RacineN@metro.net](mailto:RacineN@metro.net); 24-hour information 213-922-6934; Bus Rapid Transit 24-hour

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hotline 213-922-2500+1; [PurpleLineExt@metro.net](mailto:PurpleLineExt@metro.net); [www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt](https://www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt);  
[www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt](https://www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt); [www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt](https://www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt)], described current and  
upcoming work.

E. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment/DONE (Octaviano Rios -  
[octaviano.rios@lacity.org](mailto:octaviano.rios@lacity.org)).

Octaviano Rios, a Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate of the L.A. Dept. of  
Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) [213-978-1551; [Octaviano.Rios@LACity.org](mailto:Octaviano.Rios@LACity.org);  
[www.EmpowerLA.org](http://www.EmpowerLA.org)], was not present; there was no report.

F. Mayor's Office (David C. Nguyen - [david.c.nguyen@lacity.org](mailto:david.c.nguyen@lacity.org))

David Nguyen, Central Area Representative for Mayor Karen Bass [213-978-3130;  
[David.C.Nguyen@LACity.org](mailto:David.C.Nguyen@LACity.org); <http://LAMayor.org>], was not present; there was no  
report.

G. Third Supervisorial District (Field Deputy Savannah Portillo Heap -  
[SHeap@bos.LACounty.gov](mailto: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>), reported that the  
County's annual budget was approved and is online. Proposals were made for the biggest  
County government reform "in a century": the Chief Executive would be elected, and the  
Board of Supervisors would expand from five to nine Seats. Also, an independent Ethics  
Commission would be appointed. Those proposals will be considered at July 23<sup>rd</sup> and  
August 6<sup>th</sup> public Board meetings for approval. Proposals passed wouldn't be effective  
until 2032.

H. Other Government Representatives

L.A. City Fire Dept. Battalion 18 Chief Lance McCloskey

([Lance.McCloskey@LACity.org](mailto:Lance.McCloskey@LACity.org); [LAFDBattalion18@LAFD.org](mailto:LAFDBattalion18@LAFD.org)) reported that Greater  
Wilshire is covered by three Battalions. He cautioned about heat exhaustion and heat  
stroke, describing dehydration symptoms. If someone is hot but not sweating and/or is  
dizzy, they could be having a stroke; call 9-1-1. He encouraged drinking plenty of water,  
staying in shade, wearing light-colored clothing, and more. Cooling centers are available.

Joshua Marin-Mora, a representative for State 51st District Assemblymember Rick  
Chavez Zbur [323-436-5184; <https://a51.asmdc.org>], updated about legislation and  
funding secured for housing, the environment and more.

### **III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Windsor Village Resident Steven Sapinor commented on a City proposal to expand MacArthur Park over Wilshire Blvd., saying “6<sup>th</sup> Street would be overwhelmed.” He also requested the GWNC to review HPOZ guidelines.

### **IV. REPORTS BY ALLIANCE REPRESENTATIVES AND NC LIAISONS** Greater

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A. Budget Representative (Jack Humphreville/Jennifer DeVore - see report in Board Docs).

B. LADWP (Jack Humphreville).

C. LANCC (Jennifer DeVore – see agenda in Board Docs).

D. Homelessness Liaison (Dan Sterling)

E. Public Works Liaison (Edward Ruiz)

F. Other Liaisons or Representatives

There were no Alliance or Liaison reports.

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

A. Board Vacancies:

1. Possible Motion(s) to accept the resignations of Alex Nava and Suzana Kim.

**MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council accepts the resignations of Alex Nava and Suzana Kim.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

2. Board Vacant Seats: Area 9 - Oakwood-Maplewood-St Andrews

Mr. Starr noted the above. Mr. Gresham noted that Area 9 residents had “begged” the GWNC for representation.

3. Possible Motion(s) to appoint eligible stakeholders to Vacant Seats

There were no candidates at this time.

B. Board Alternate Vacancies:

1. Board Alternate Vacant Seats: Area 2 - Citrus Square; Area 3 - Country Club

Heights; Area 4 - Fremont Place; Area 9 - Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews;  
Area 12 - Western-Wilton; Education; Religion.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

2. Possible Motion(s) to Appoint Eligible Stakeholders to Vacant Seats

a) Kimberly Aboltin (Area 12 Western-Wilton Alt).

Ms. Aboltin introduced herself. She's helped buildings get historical designations. Ms. Chvatal nominated Ms. Aboltin, who accepted the nomination.

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*Board Member Julie Kim had stepped away by this time, making 14 Board Members present (the GWNC Board quorum is thirteen).*

**MOTION** (by Mr. Trainer, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Kimberly Aboltin as the Area 12 (Western Wilton) Representative [Alternate] Board Member.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

b) Other candidates/appointments

There were no other appointments.

C. Oath of Office (for newly-appointed candidates:) "I pledge to represent the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council with dignity, integrity, and pride. I will encourage other points of view, even when they differ from my own. I will respect, value and consider everyone's opinion. I will find the good in my neighborhood and praise it and promote it. To my neighbors, and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best of my ability."

Ms. Aboltin read aloud the Oath of Office.

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

1. New DONE Training Requirements:

a) Per DONE: "Board members must have completed all FIVE trainings (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct, Anti-Bias and Gender Expression and Gender Identity Training) in order to be current and vote on the board."

- b) Failure to complete these trainings or acknowledge the amended Code of Conduct prior to July 1 will result in ineligibility to vote on funding and non-funding items in committee and general board meetings. Following the July 1 deadline, new Board and Committee members will have 30 days to acknowledge the Code of Conduct.
- c) Currently unable to vote (as of 7/7/2024):
  - Board: Rudnick, Galan, Rosenberg
  - Board Alternates: Roberts, Meister, Winther, Newby, Cox

## 2. Code of Conduct:

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- a) Completion of the new 2024 Code of Conduct is required for all Board Members, Alternates and Stakeholders and must only be completed once. Board members with expired Codes may not vote and will be suspended after 30 days and removed after 60 days. Stakeholder Code of Conduct for Committee members can be found on the DONE website at <https://empowerla.org/code-of-conduct/>. Committee chairs should submit signed copies of stakeholder codes to [secretary@greaterwilshire.org](mailto:secretary@greaterwilshire.org)
- b) The following board members are shown at EmpowerLA.org/GWNC as having an out-of-date Code of Conduct:
  - Rosenberg
  - Roberts
  - Meister
  - Winther

## 3. Ethics and Funding Training:

- a) Ethics and Funding training is required every two years for Board members/ Alternates and failure to take/update training renders members ineligible to vote on funding motions. Stakeholder Committee Member Ethics Training can be found at <https://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/login.aspx> (certificate of completion required)
- b) 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 funding motions:.
  - Bill Newby (Funding)
  - Cathy Roberts (Funding)
  - John Winther (Ethics)
  - Vince Cox (Ethics)

4. Gender Expression and Gender Identity Training:
- a) Gender training is required in order to vote on both funding and non-funding items. You must only complete this training once.
  - b) The following have not yet completed Gender training:
    - Rudnick
    - Galan
    - Rosenberg
    - Roberts
    - Meister
    - Winther
    - Newby

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5. Anti-Bias (ABLE) Training:
- a) ABLE training is required to vote on both funding and non-funding items. You must only complete this training once.
  - b) The following have not completed ABLE training:
    - o All complete.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

*The next Agenda Item addressed was Item #V. F.*

E. Adoption of May 8, 2024 General Board Meeting Minutes

**MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. D'Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the Minutes of its May 8, 2024 General Board Meeting as written.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

F. Adoption of June 12, 2024 General Board Meeting Minutes

The following corrections were requested: page 11, Item #VIII. C.: as appears in the draft: "AMENDMENT to the MOTION (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Mr. Smith): replace the phrase 'other 98 NCs' with 'to be circulated to DONE with the request that it be'" should say "AMENDMENT to the MOTION (by Mr. D'Atri, seconded by Mr. Smith): insert the phrase 'sent to DONE with the request that it be' between 'That this motion be...' and '...circulated to the other 98 NCs...'"

In the Item's last paragraph, "yeo abstained" should say "zero abstained." Also, on page 16, Item #XIV. D., replace "Mr. Starr explained the above and that there was no need for a Motion" with "Mr. Starr requested and it was agreed to postpone this item."

*Board Member Julie Kim had returned by this time, making 15 Board Members present (the GWNC Board quorum is thirteen).*

**MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Galan): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the Minutes of its June 12, 2024 General Board Meeting as written.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

*The next Agenda Item addressed was Item #V. E.*

## **VI. OFFICER REPORTS**

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### A. President's Report

Mr. Starr referred to the Board documents web page. He requested that Board Members review the Board Rules [<https://greaterwilshire.org/bylaws-board-rules>], including about the need for Committee Meeting Agendas to be posted at the Ebell Theatre, and about whether a Board Member qualifies for Committee membership. He reviewed the GWNC election materials timeline; see the Board documents. The City Council decided that NC elections will only be vote-by-mail. He encouraged Board Members to complete the DONE survey.

### B. Treasurer's Report (Discussion and Possible Action) Please refer to MER REPORT in supporting documents folder (<https://greaterwilshire.org/bddocs/>).

#### 1. Motion to Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for June 2024 and to Approve Each Individual Expense Listed Therein.

##### Card Expenses

- 6/3 Dropbox renewal 6/2/24-6/2/25 \$199.00
- 6/3 Public Storage June \$234.00
- 6/4 Larchmont Chronicle June \$204.00
- 6/15 Adobe Acrobat Pro 1 yr renewal \$239.88

##### Checks Cleared

- 5/17 Ebell April Board Meeting Rent \$400.00
- 5/14 FoodCycle NPG \$875.00
- 6/3 Ume Works \$243.75
- 6/3 AppleOne Admin WE 5/18 \$271.32



- 6/3 AppleOne Admin WE 5/25 \$271.32
- 6/4 AppleOne MW WE 5/11 \$292.60
- 6/3 Conrad Starr Board member reimbursement \$ 43.19

Checks Outstanding

- 5/14 Launch Productions NPG \$250.00

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Harvey): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for June 2024 and each individual expense listed therein.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Atlee, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D’Atri, Galan, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith, Starr, Trainer and Winther); zero opposed; zero abstained.

2. Review of past Board Expenses that may appear on the July 2024 MER Greater Wilshire

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- Apple One Minutes and Admin TBC
- UmeWorks 195.00

Ms. Carroll noted the above.

C. Vice-President’s Report

Mr. D’Atri ceded his time.

D. Secretary’s Report

1. Reminder to Committee Chairs: please have stakeholders on your committee sign the new Code and submit copies to [secretary@greaterwilshire.org](mailto:secretary@greaterwilshire.org)

Ms. Harvey noted the above for Ms. DeVore.

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

**VII. AD HOC COMMITTEES** (Discussion and possible action)

A. Possible Formation and Seating of Neighborhood Purposes Grants Ad Hoc Committee.

Ms. Carroll, Mr. Galan and Ms. Harvey volunteered to be on the Committee.

**MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Winther): The Greater Wilshire

Neighborhood Council forms and Seats a Neighborhood Purposes Grants Ad Hoc Committee with Jesseca Harvey as Chair, and Patti Carroll and Andy Galan as Members.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

B. Possible Formation and Seating of Election Ad Hoc Committee

Mr. Starr encouraged reading the Election Handbook.

**VIII. LAND USE COMMITTEE** (Discussion and possible action)

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

A. Committee Report - Chair: Brian Curran

Mr. Gresham reported for Mr. Curran that the Committee “had a short, very productive meeting.”

B. City Implementation of Senate Bill 4: The City of LA may revise its implementation of SB 4 in a way that allows for 100% affordable housing projects in R-1 zoned sites and HPOZs on land owned by faith-based organizations. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council [see the below Motion]

Mr. Gresham explained the Motion.

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**MOTION** (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the “time of ownership” requirement in SB 4 that allows for 100% affordable housing projects by faith-based organizations on property owned by these organizations prior to January 1, 2024 and opposes the City Planning Department’s proposed elimination of this time of ownership requirement as part of the Planning Department’s Citywide Housing Incentive Program (CHIP) because the "time of ownership" restriction was a fundamental limitation that allowed SB 4 to be enacted and its elimination will allow faith-based organizations, new and old, and their partners to become housing speculators rather than centers for worship.

**MOTION PASSED** by a hand vote with 11 in favor (Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D’Atri, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith, Trainer and Winther); two opposed (Atlee and Galan); two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Appel and Starr).

C. 460 S. La Brea Ave (former La Brea Bakery location): Filing date: 3/26/24. A CUB to continue the sale and dispensing of a full-line of alcohol for on-site consumption in conjunction with a 4,465 sf restaurant (Leopardo) with 130 seats, and 459 sf patio with 26 seats, that includes the request for a deviation from the operating hours for a commercial corner development from 7am-12am, daily. Case no: ZA-2024-1937-CUB. Zoning: C2-1; Council District 5. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council

[see the below Motion].

**MOTION** (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Ms. Harvey): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the requested Conditional Use Permit for the project at 460 S. La Brea Ave., so long as the Permit is subject to the same conditions as set forth in the Conditional Use Permit of the previous operator.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Gresham reported that adjacent neighbors supported the application. He said “there’s not going to be any entertainment . . . They’ve had no problems with parking . . . They’re not going to be noisy.” The owner only was requesting an hours of operation change.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with eight in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Atlee, Carpenter, Carroll, Galan, Gresham, Kim, Sicilia and Smith); seven opposed (“No” or “Nay”) (Appel, Chvatal, D’Atri, Harvey, Starr, Trainer and Winther); zero abstained.

- D. Interim Control Ordinance for 100% Affordable Housing: Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky’s proposed ordinance will require that 100% affordable housing projects in HPOZs go through a discretionary review process. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports Councilmember Yaroslavsky’s proposed Interim Control Ordinance that requires a discretionary review process for proposed affordable

Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Gen’l Bd Mtg Minutes Jul. 10, 2024 Pg. 10 of 15 housing projects in Historic Preservation Overlay Zones (HPOZs). It is further recommended that affordable housing projects in HPOZs be consistent with the goals, policies, objectives and other applicable requirements of the Historic Preservation Plan in which an affordable housing project is located.

Mr. Gresham said the above Item was moot and not needed.

**MOTION to POSTPONE** to the next Meeting (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. D’Atri).

**MOTION to POSTPONE PASSED** unanimously by consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

- E. Statewide Preservation: The LA Conservancy signed onto a letter in opposition to Proposed Assembly Bill 2580, alongside the California Preservation Foundation and other preservation groups statewide. They argue that the proposed legislation incorrectly frames historic preservation as a constraint and impediment to housing development. Motion: The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will express its opposition to AB 2580, which, without facts, unduly targets historic preservation as an impediment to the creation of affordable housing, to the Mayor and the Members of the Los Angeles City Council, and will encourage stakeholders within Greater Wilshire to voice their

opposition to the Bill to their State Representatives, particularly to those who represent Greater Wilshire.

Mr. Gresham explained the above. Mr. Starr added that the State says that Neighborhood Councils can't tell Stakeholders to voice their opinions on State matters. It was agreed to replace the Motion word "encourage" with the word "inform" and the wording "to voice their opposition to the Bill to their State Representatives, particularly to those who represent Greater Wilshire" with "how to voice their opinion on the Bill to their State Representatives."

**MOTION** (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will express its opposition to AB 2580, which, without facts, unduly targets historic preservation as an impediment to the creation of affordable housing, to the Mayor and the Members of the Los Angeles City Council, and will inform stakeholders within Greater Wilshire how to voice their opinion on the Bill to their State Representatives.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 12 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Appel, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D'Atri, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith, Trainer and Winther); two opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Atlee and Galan); one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Starr).

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F. Next Meeting: The next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 23 at 6:30 pm at the Marlborough School (Room C115), 250 S. Rossmore Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

Mr. Gresham noted the above.

#### **IX. OUTREACH COMMITTEE** (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Committee Report - Chair: Jesseca Harvey

Ms. Harvey reported that National Night Out will be August 6<sup>th</sup>; for the LAPD Wilshire Division, it will be at Poinsettia Park from 6:00-8:00 p.m.; setup begins at 5:30. Mr. Galan and Mr. Starr volunteered to be there. The Olympic Division observance will be at their Station [see above Item #II. c.]

B. Possible Motion: The GWNC approves \$390 for boosted posts on Instagram to promote GWNC meetings and events.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Atlee): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves \$390 for boosted posts on Instagram to promote GWNC meetings and events.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** by a hand vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Atlee, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D’Atri, Galan, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith, Trainer and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr).

C. Next Meeting: The Next GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at John C. Fremont Branch Library, 6121 Melrose Ave.

Ms. Harvey noted the above and that the Larchmont Buzz ad was seen 3,591 times in two days. GWNC Administrator Julia Christiansen showed a slide of the ad. Mr. Starr urged volunteering for the Committee to support Ms. Harvey’s hard work.

#### **X. RESILIENCE COMMITTEE**

A. Committee Report - Chair: Gary Gilbert. No report.

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

B. Next Meeting: The next GWNC Resilience Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, August 5, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88960982957>

Mr. Starr noted the above.

#### **XI. QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE**

A. Committee Report - Chair: Charles D’Atri. No report.

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B. Next Meeting: The next Quality of Life Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 28, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84977930618>

Mr. D’Atri noted the above.

#### **XII. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

A. Committee Report - Chair: Cindy Chvatal. No report.

B. Next Meeting: The next GWNC Transportation Committee Meeting will be Thursday, July 18th, 2024 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/92159935555>

Ms. Chvatal noted the above.

#### **XIII. ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE**

A. Committee Report - Chair: Polly Estabrook. No report.

B. Next Meeting: The next ESC meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 1, 2024 via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/92827811179>.

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

A. Possible Motion: The GWNC will limit the hours of Zoom meetings to 6:30 PM to 9 PM.

It was agreed to replace “Zoom meetings” with “Zoom Board meetings.”

**MOTION** (by Ms. Chvatal, seconded by Mr. D’Atri): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will limit the hours of Zoom Board meetings to 6:30 PM to 9 PM.

**DISCUSSION:** Multiple Board Members cautioned to not let comments be too long. Mr. Starr agreed that governmental reports can be shorter. He reviewed Roberts Rules of Order available parliamentary tools, including time limits and to “call for the question” to prompt voting. Meetings also can be voted to be extended past 9:00 p.m. if needed. He reminded that the Board had voted to give public commenters up to two minutes to speak.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Atlee, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D’Atri, Galan, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith, Trainer and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr).

B. Possible Designation of NPG Application Window

Mr. Starr noted that, first, a committee would need to be formed.

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**MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Galan): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council opens the NPG application window from July 11th to July 31st.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

C. UmeWorks (Webmaster) Contract. Possible Motion: The GWNC approves the new rate of \$75/hour and the Scope of Services for UmeWorks (Webmaster) dated \_\_\_\_\_ and requests that the City Clerk enter the GWNC into a contract with UmeWorks for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year.

It was agreed to insert the date July 8, 2024 in the Motion.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Mr. D’Atri, seconded by Mr. Carpenter): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the new rate of \$75/hour and the Scope of Services for UmeWorks (Webmaster) dated July 8, 2024 and requests that the City Clerk enter the GWNC into a contract with UmeWorks for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Atlee, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D’Atri, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith, Trainer and Winther); zero opposed; two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Galan and Starr).

- D. GWNC Agendas/Translation of Headers, Footers, Section Titles. Background: The GWNC voted 8/2020 to “include Korean and Spanish boilerplate language and major section titles...for all GWNC agendas.” Possible Motion: The GWNC will require Korean and Spanish translation in its agendas only as follows: in the name/title of the meeting, in the description of the Neighborhood Council System (p.1 of Board agendas); and in the footer sections regarding teleconferencing instructions, public input at Neighborhood Council meetings, and translation services; and the GWNC will update its Board Rules accordingly at a future date.

**MOTION** (by Mr. D’Atri, seconded by Ms. Harvey): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will require Korean and Spanish translation in its agendas only as follows: in the name/title of the meeting, in the description of the Neighborhood Council System (p.1 of Board agendas); and in the footer sections regarding teleconferencing instructions, public input at Neighborhood Council meetings, and translation services; and the GWNC will update its Board Rules accordingly at a future date.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Starr explained the reason for the Motion.

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**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Appel, Atlee, Carpenter, Carroll, Chvatal, D’Atri, Galan, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith, Trainer and Winther); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr).

- E. Possible Motion to contribute \$100 to the Congress of Neighborhoods.

Mr. Starr reported that the allocation was “already in our budget.”

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Chvatal): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will contribute \$100 to the Congress of Neighborhoods.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by consent; zero opposed; zero abstained.

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

**XV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Carpenter reported that a Citrus Square Historic District application was filed with the State Historical Resources Commission. Mr. Starr reported that the pedestrian tunnel across from Wilshire Crest School has hazards; CD10 is working on it. Replacement would cost \$500,000; he encouraged sending hazard photos to him to forward to CD10.

**XVI. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** (Discussion only)

A. Approval of Individual Expenses from the FY 2024-25 Budget.

There were no other requests.

**XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting: The next GWNC General Board Meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, August 14th via Zoom.

Mr. Starr noted the above, and declared and the Board agreed to **ADJOURN** the Meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Levin, Minutes Writer

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