

Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Charter Reform Ad Hoc Committee

November 21, 2025 Meeting MINUTES Approved by the Committee on December 4, 2025

I. WELCOMING REMARKS

A. Call to Order

A duly noticed meeting of the Charter Reform Ad Hoc Committee of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ("GWNC") was held virtually over Zoom (Webinar ID No. 852 7699 4679) on November 21, 2025. Committee chairperson, Conrad Starr, called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.

B. Welcome

Mr. Starr welcomed the assembled group.

C. Roll Call

Mr. Starr called the roll. Four committee members were present (Mr. Starr, Mark Alpers, John Gresham, and Erika Stuart). [The GWNC Charter Reform Ad Hoc Committee quorum (the minimum number of Committee Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) was 51% of 4 Committee Seats, or three, so the Committee was able to take such votes.] Natalie Irby had resigned.

Kay Hartman was an invited guests. One additional member of the public was present as indicated by the Zoom Attendees view.

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was none.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. Review and Adoption of November 6, 2025 Minutes

Mr. Gresham moved that the Committee adopt the November 6, 2025 minutes as corrected. Mr. Alpers seconded. The motion carried by unanimous consent.

B. Committee Membership - Seeking to Join, Departing

There were no nominations, motions, or votes.

1. Ethics Training Link: https://localethics.fppc.ca.gov/ for non-Board members

IV. PRESENTATIONS

A. Kay Hartman, Palms NC and LANCC

Ms. Hartman explained that she was speaking from her role as chair of the LANCC (Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition) Charter Reform Working Group. She described two meetings the group had held. She was in communication with the City Charter Commission.

Mr. Gresham stated it was important for Neighborhood Councils to act "in unison" because the City was unlikely to listen to individual Neighborhood Councils. He would be inclined to vote on a resolution from LANCC. It was agreed to continue the discussion.

Ms. Hartman said the hope was that any proposal from LANCC would be endorsed by each Neighborhood Council, with or without additions.

V. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

A. Government Structure Report (Gresham)

Mr. Gresham said he would report at the next meeting. He said that he had attended Charter Reform Commission (and/or Committee) meetings, and that there were still audio issues making it hard to hear everything that was said.

Mr. Gresham stepped away briefly from around 2:34 p.m. to 2:36 p.m., when he rejoined the meeting.

B. Better Government Report (Irby, Starr, Stuart)

There was no report.

C. Infrastructure and Planning (Alpers)

Mr. Alpers presented a series of line-by-line recommendations—to support, oppose, or take a neutral position. Members expressed alignment with Mr. Alpers' recommendations. Some recommendations were revised following discussion.

No motion was made or formal vote taken. It was agreed to return to the document for final vote at the subsequent meeting on December 4.

D. Personnel & Budget (NONE)

No additional report was made.

VI. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

There was no report.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Possible Motion on Committee Scope

It was agreed to postpone this item indefinitely.

VIII. VOLUNTEER ASSIGNMENTS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

See

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A. Charter Reform Commission Meetings

This was not discussed.

B. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition Committee/Working Group Mr. Gresham said he would try to attend.

C. GWNC Board Meetings

Mr. Starr said Mr. Alpers could present to the Board on Infrastructure and Planning.

D. GWNC and Community Events

This was not taken up.

IX. COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

A. **Proposed Motion:** Recommendation that the GWNC file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to the Charter Commission and to City Council and Committees (Council File No's. _______) [POSITION TO BE TAKEN/LETTER TO BE REFERENCED] and that the GWNC appoint [NAME(S)] to present GWNC CIS and/or its Position to the Los Angeles City Charter Reform Commission at a meeting of said Commission, as directed by GWNC President and/or GWNC Charter Reform Ad Hoc Committee Chair.

There were no motions or votes.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Survey of GWNC Stakeholders

This item was not taken up.

B. Infosheet on CR for sharing/distribution

This item was not taken up.

C. Town Hall for GWNC Stakeholders

This item was not taken up.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 p.m. without objection.

Respectfully submitted by Conrad Starr. The GWNC Outreach Committee Minutes page is located at https://greaterwilshire.org/outreach-committee-agendas-minutes.