



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council  
Charter Reform Ad Hoc Committee

December 4, 2025 Meeting  
MINUTES Approved by the Committee on December 18, 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 December 4, 2025. Committee chairperson, Conrad Starr, called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

B. Welcome

Mr. Starr welcomed the assembled group.

C. Roll Call

Mr. Starr called the roll. All 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.]*

One additional member of the public was present as indicated by the Zoom Attendees view.

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Pini Herman encouraged the GWNC to discuss filing a CIS supporting equitable congressional representation.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. Review and Adoption of November 21, 2025 Minutes

**Mr. Gresham moved that the Committee adopt the November 21, 2025 minutes as presented. 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

There were none.

V. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

A. Government Structure Report (Gresham)

[This item was taken up after IX.]

Mr. Gresham shared a document and a spreadsheet explaining the recommendations being heard by the City Charter Reform Commission's Government Structure Committee. He led the GWNC committee in a discussion.

No motions were made.

[Mr. Alpers had left the meeting by 5:27 p.m.]

B. Better Government Report (Starr, Stuart)

There was no report.

C. Infrastructure and Planning (Alpers)

Mr. Alpers showed a revised spreadsheet which included 4 recommendations to support (Establish High Legislative Threshold to Increase Capacity in Single-Family Zoned Areas; Defend local zoning authority; Ministerial approval to all project that comply with Code LA; and Make City Council Ultimate Authority over all City-Owned Land) and 5 to oppose (Eliminate Charter Section 245 e; Codify time Limit for all City Council LU Actions in Charter, automatic approval if missed; Ministerial Approve Projects Under Certain Size; Mandate Sufficient Base Zoning Capacity; Make the Zoning Administrator (ZA), Director of Planning or Planning Commission highest appeals body.)

There was discussion.

*[The next item to be taken up was IX.]*

D. Personnel & Budget (NONE)

No additional report was made.

VI. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

There was no report.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

VIII. VOLUNTEER ASSIGNMENTS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

See

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1QeIX0Hsogm0Al0d76RXyHcaPN7Yb2rZnqOqcebEaqwg/edit?gid=0#gid=0>

A. Charter Reform Commission Meetings

This was not discussed.

B. GWNC Board Meetings

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

C. GWNC and Community Events

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.

**Mr. Gresham moved that the Charter Reform Committee accept Mr. Alpers' recommendations to support 4 recommendations and oppose 5 recommendations as presented, and to include those recommendations in a CIS statement for board approval.**

**Ms. Stuart seconded.**

There was further discussion.

**The motion carried by a unanimous vote of all four members.**

*[The next item to be taken up was V.A.]*

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

Prior to adjournment, it was agreed to vote on the Budget Advocates' recommendations at the next meeting.

Ms. Stuart recommended that there be "measures" or "descriptions" when bringing items to the board for a vote. She referenced Mr. Alpers' spreadsheet.

**The meeting was adjourned at 5:39 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>.*