



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
Charter Reform Ad Hoc Committee

December 18, 2025 Meeting
MINUTES Approved by the Committee on January 15, 2026

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 18, 2025. Committee chairperson, Conrad Starr, called the meeting to order at 4:02 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.]*

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was no general public comment.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. Review and Adoption of December 4, 2025 Minutes

Mr. Gresham moved that the Committee adopt the December 4, 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)

Mr. Gresham noted a proposal for City Council to only meet once a week.

B. Better Government Report (Starr, Stuart)

There was no report.

C. Infrastructure and Planning (Alpers)

There was no report

D. Personnel & Budget (NONE)

There was no report

E. LANCC Working Group report (Gresham, Starr)

Mr. Gresham and Mr. Starr made comments.

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/1QeIX0Hsogm0A10d76RXyHcaPN7Yb2rZnqOqcebEaqwg/edit?gid=0#gid=0>

A. Charter Reform Commission Meetings

This was not discussed.

B. GWNC Board Meetings

This was not discussed.

C. GWNC and Community Events

This was not discussed.

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. Starr announced that he had mistakenly included budget and personnel recommendations (which were from the Budget Advocates' recommendations) in the CIS passed by the board at its December 10, 2025 General Board Meeting. He said the CIS had not yet been filed, and he would request that the vote be reconsidered in January if the Committee did not agree with those additional recommendations.

After discussion, Mr. Alpers moved and Mr. Gresham seconded the following:

For the Personnel & Budget category, the GWNC SUPPORTS the following recommendations from the Budget Advocates as the most urgent and salient:

1. Designate the Controller as the City's Chief Financial Officer.
2. Create a Chief Operating Officer/City Manager Role separate from the Mayor.
3. Develop a two-year budget as recommended by the City Controller.
4. Develop a long-term infrastructure plan to address deferred maintenance and future capital expenditures.
5. Create a robust Reserve Fund that can only be used in declared emergencies, not to balance the budget as is the current procedure.

The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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 5:16 p.m. without objection.

Respectfully submitted by Conrad Starr. The GWNC Charter Reform Committee Minutes are located at <https://greaterwilshire.org/ad-hoc-committee-agendas-minutes/>.