



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council  
General Board Meeting Minutes, Wednesday, October 9, 2024  
Approved November 13, 2024

Pursuant to the October 6, 2023 enactment of California Senate Bill 411 (Portantino) and LA City Council approval on November 1, 2023, the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted virtually.

Document copies were shown online and available at [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 online. President Conrad Starr called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and explained procedures, reminding Board Members to check with the City Attorney if the Member has a possible or definite conflict of interest.

### **B. Roll Call (Jennifer DeVore).**

The Secretary called the roll. Fifteen of the 21 Board Members or their Alternate(s) were present at the Roll Call: Mark Alpers (Alternate for Brian Curran), Selene Betancourt, Patricia Carroll (Treasurer), Cindy Chvatal-Keane, Romi Cortier, Vince Cox (Alternate for Charles D'Atri, Vice-President), Jennifer DeVore (Secretary), Andy Galan, Gary Gilbert, John Gresham, Jesseca Harvey (Assistant Secretary), Julie Kim, Sixto Sicilia, Owen Smith and Conrad Starr (President). Six Board Members were absent and not represented by an Alternate: Scott Appel, Tommy Atlee, Jeffry Carpenter, Rochelle Lewis, Benny Rosenberg and Anne Rudnick. New Area 2 - Citrus Square Alternate Seat Board Member Erika Stuart was appointed to the Board during below Item #V. A. 3. 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. Seven Alternate Seats were vacant [see Item #V. A. 2.; to apply see [www.GreaterWilshire.org](http://www.GreaterWilshire.org)]. Also attended: approximately 15 Stakeholders and guests.

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

### **A. Fifth Council District (Michelle Flores - [michelle.flores@lacity.org](mailto:michelle.flores@lacity.org))**

Mr. Starr indicated that 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>], email-reported; see [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 & Chavez 36304@lapd.online (Olympic), Rodriguez 35738@lapd.online (Wilshire)).  
Danny Chavez, an Olympic Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-382-9102; cell/text phone 213-793-0714 (the same as retired Officer Joe Pelayo); [36304@LAPD.Online](mailto:36304@LAPD.Online)], [http://www.LAPDOnline.org/olympic\\_community\\_police\\_station](http://www.LAPDOnline.org/olympic_community_police_station)], reported that a wanted robbery suspect was arrested. He said “we’re getting good video from community members.” People have asked and he will get more information about the Flocking camera system [[www.FlockSafety.com](http://www.FlockSafety.com)]. “A crime supersedes a mental illness . . . He or she would still get the services needed inside our custody.”
- 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)], reported that Super Santa will be at the Station December 4<sup>th</sup>. He said the Police provide shoes and toys for homeless children. New shoe donations are welcomed, mainly sizes two to four. Officer Chavez reported that they’ve “done . . . operations along Western” regarding prostitution. He explained that “the mere presence [of prostitutes] or loitering is not a crime anymore” unless the prostitutes are “standing in the middle of the street” or “littering . . . I know it’s an issue . . . It is something we’re going to address.”
- Hebel Rodriguez, an LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer [office 213-473-0476; cell/text phone 213-793-0715; [35738@LAPD.Online](mailto:35738@LAPD.Online); <https://www.LAPDOnline.org/lapd-contact/west-bureau/wilshire-community-police-station>], reported that he forwarded to Officer Shuck [Tyler Shuck, an LAPD Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officer (no longer Acting); cell/text phone 213-793-0650; [40740@LAPD.Online](mailto:40740@LAPD.Online)] the invitation to speak at this meeting. Officer Rodriguez reported that, overall, Wilshire Division crime has decreased 7% from last year. Officer Shuck described his coverage area and reported that burglaries increased 17% from last year, but decreased from the previous month. Other crimes have decreased. He covers both sides of Larchmont.
- 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 hotline 213-922-2500+1; [PurpleLineExt@metro.net](mailto:PurpleLineExt@metro.net); [www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt](http://www.facebook.com/PurpleLineExt); [www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt](http://www.Twitter.com/PurpleLineExt); [www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt](http://www.metro.net/PurpleLineExt)], reported that LaBrea sidewalk work would be finished October 12<sup>th</sup> and he described other work statuses. Karen Swift, Metro Deputy Executive Officer in Community Relations, said they have a survey regarding “build[ing] housing on Metro-owned property . . . One of the sites . . . is at Wilshire [and] Crenshaw . . . southwest corner.” She encouraged sharing, completing and submitting the survey by November 10th regarding community concerns and services. See [Metro.net/jd](http://Metro.net/jd).

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

- 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)], reported that last Saturday's Congress of Neighborhood Councils was held. He reminded that the GWNC election will be Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Election Administrator is Naima Pulliam ([Naima.Pulliam@LACity.org](mailto:Naima.Pulliam@LACity.org)). He'll email more information. Voting will only be by email, not in-person. The GWNC's Planning Dept. Liaison is, temporarily, Denzel Henderson ([Denzel.Henderson@LACity.org](mailto:Denzel.Henderson@LACity.org) or [Planning.Liaison@LACity.org](mailto:Planning.Liaison@LACity.org)). Neighborhood Council Land Use Committee Members will be asked to re-take Planning 101 due to planning information updates.
- 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 [213-473-2386; [David.C.Nguyen@LACity.org](mailto:David.C.Nguyen@LACity.org); <http://LAMayor.org>], reported that the new Chief of Police is Jim McDonnell. Also, "the Mayor has slashed . . . red tape to house more veterans."

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

- 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 on homelessness services; she'll have more information in November. She offered help with County issues.
- H. Other Government Representatives  
Joshua Marin-Mora, a representative for State 51st District Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur [323-436-5184; <https://a51.asmdc.org>], reported on homelessness, domestic violence and other legislation. Also, the Assemblymember had revealed his prostate cancer diagnosis and encouraged being tested.

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

There were no public comments at this time.

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

- A. Budget Representative (Jack Humphreville/Jennifer DeVore - see report in Board Docs).
- B. LADWP (Jack Humphreville).
- C. LANCC (Jennifer DeVore – see agenda and notes in Board Docs).
- D. Homelessness Liaison (Dan Sterling).

E. Public Works Liaison (Edward Ruiz).

F. Other Liaisons or Representatives.

Above Item #IV was skipped.

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

A. Filling Board and Board Alternate Vacant Seats.

1. Board Vacancies: NONE.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

2. Board Alternate Vacancies: Area 2 - Citrus Square; Area 3 - Country Club Heights; Area 4 - Fremont Place; Area 6 - La Brea/Hancock; Area 9 - Oakwood/Maplewood/St. Andrews; Education; Religion.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

3. Possible Motion(s) to appoint eligible stakeholders to vacant alternate seats.

- Erika Stuart, candidate for Area 2 - Citrus Square Alternate
- Other candidates

Ms. Stuart introduced herself and described her community service background. Ms. DeVore nominated Erika Stuart, who accepted the nomination.

**MOTION** (by Ms. DeVore, seconded by Mr. Cortier): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Erika Stuart to the Alternate Seat for Area 2 - Citrus Square.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 14 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Alpers, Betancourt, Carroll, Chvatal, Cortier, Cox, DeVore, Galan, Gilbert, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia and Smith); zero opposed; one abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Starr). One (Stuart) was ineligible to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

4. Oath of Office (for newly-appointed board members:) “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. Stuart read aloud the Oath of Office.

*New Alternate Board Member Erika Stuart was Seated (online) at this time, making 16 Board Members (or their Alternate(s)) present online (the GWNC Board quorum is thirteen).*

B. Board Training (Required by DONE in order to vote).

1. EmpowerLA Training Guidelines: “Board members must have completed all FIVE trainings (Ethics, Funding, NEW Code of Conduct, Anti-Bias and Gender Expression and Gender Identity Training) in order to be current and vote on the board.” Failure results in ineligibility to vote on funding and non-funding items in committee and general board meetings.
  - a) Currently unable to vote (as of 10/6/2024):
    - Board Members: Lewis, Appel
    - Board Alternates: Newby, Cox, Winther, Aboltin
  - b) 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.
2. Code of Conduct: Required of all Board Members and Alternates. More info here:  
<https://empowerla.org/code-of-conduct/>.  
- Aboltin
3. Ethics and Funding Training: 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). The following board members are shown at EmpowerLA.org/GWNC as NOT having completed Ethics and/or Funding within the last 2 years and are ineligible to vote:
  - Aboltin (Funding, Ethics)
  - Appel (Funding)
  - Cox (Ethics)
  - Lewis (Funding, Ethics)
  - Newby (Ethics)
  - Winther (Ethics)
4. Gender Expression and Gender Identity Training: Gender training is required to vote on both funding and non-funding items. You must only complete this training once. The following are ineligible to vote until this training is complete:
  - Aboltin
  - Lewis
  - Newby
5. Anti-Bias (ABLE) Training: ABLE training is required to vote on both funding and non-funding items. You must only complete this training once. The following are ineligible to vote until this training is complete:
  - Aboltin
  - Lewis

Mr. Starr noted above Item #V. B. and reminded that Board Members who don't complete trainings are subject to removal.

- C. Adoption of GWNC General Board Meeting Minutes.  
1. September 11, 2024

It was agreed to TABLE the above Item.

## **VI. OFFICER REPORTS**

### A. President's Report

Mr. Starr reported that, while at the 9/28 Congress of Neighborhoods, he met with Presidents and Vice-Presidents of Neighborhood Councils with boundaries that overlap Council District 13, and this ad hoc group planned to meet from time to time to discuss issues with the Council Office.

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

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

#### Card Expenses

- 9/3 Public Storage September \$234.00
- 9/24 Larchmont Chronicle September \$ 98.00

Checks Cleared (None)

Checks Outstanding [none]

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Carroll, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for September 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") (Alpers, Betancourt, Carroll, Chvatal, Cortier, Cox, DeVore, Galan, Gilbert, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith and Starr); zero opposed; zero abstained. One (Stuart) was ineligible to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

2. Review of past Board Expenses that may appear on the September 2024 MER

- Apple One Admin Inv 6871204 & 6871205 \$498.73
- Apple One Minutes Inv 6871202 & 6871203 \$460.85
- Apple One Minutes & Admin TBC
- UmeWorks April '24 \$ 48.75
- Ume Works July ' 24 \$130.00
- Ume Works Sept' 24 \$ 75.00

Ms. Carroll reviewed the above.

3. GWNC Post Office Box. Possible Motion: the GWNC approves the entering into a contract to rent a post office box at [FACILITY AND ADDRESS] and will budget up to \$400 for this PO box, and will request to enter into an annual contract with the vendor to secure preferred pricing.

No Motion was made or vote taken..

4. Rollover Funds (discussion only) \$7,295.75

Ms. Carroll noted the above.

C. Vice President's Report

Mr. D'Atri was not present; there was no report.

D. Secretary's Report

Ms. DeVore indicated that there was no report.

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

A. Election Committee Report - Chair: Jesseca Harvey

Ms. Harvey reported that the Committee hasn't yet met. She attended DONE's webinar which included important election timeline dates and their outreach goals.

**VIII. LAND USE COMMITTEE** (Discussion and possible action) (Chair: Brian Curran)

A. Committee Report - Chair: Brian Curran

There was no report.

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

- B. 800 S. Lorraine Blvd: Approved ED 1 project located within Windsor Village HPOZ. Possible Motion: In light of the pending litigation brought by the neighbors in opposition to the project at 800 S. Lorraine Blvd., the GWNC renews its opposition to the project for the reasons stated in its letter dated March 13, 2024, and urges the City of L.A., at every level, to honor and enforce HPOZ standards, guidelines, and objectives.

Mr. Alpers explained the above and read aloud the letter. Mr. Starr noted that the City is being sued and that the GWNC is part of the City.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Alpers, seconded by Ms. Harvey): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council moves that, in light of the pending litigation brought by the neighbors in opposition to the project at 800 S. Lorraine Blvd., the GWNC renews its opposition to the project for the reasons stated in its letter dated March 13, 2024, and urges the City of L.A., at every level, to honor and enforce HPOZ standards, guidelines, and objectives.

**DISCUSSION:** Resident Jennifer Wolfe, living across the street from the project, said it “would significantly alter our neighborhood character.” She wanted the project “halted until it fully complies.” Resident Richard Hoffman, living next door to the project, said it “violates HPOZ” guidelines. Resident Daniel Pelletier, living across the street from the project, said “the building will have a negative effect on our neighborhood.” Mr. Starr noted that approximately 15-20 letters have been received supporting the Motion.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 12 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Alpers, Carroll, Chvatal, Cortier, Cox, DeVore, Gilbert, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia and Smith); one opposed (“No” or “Nay”) (Betancourt); two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Galan and Starr). One (Stuart) was ineligible to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

- C. 806 S. Manhattan Pl. (and 8th): Filing date: 6/6/24. Demo of a 2-story, 6-unit apt. building and detached garage, and construction of a 7-story, 33-unit (27-market rate and 6-covenanted affordable units) apt. complex with ground floor parking garage. Zoning: R4-1; TOC Tier 3. Case no: DIR-2024-3627-TOC-HCA. Area 3: Country Club Heights; CD 5. Possible Motion: The GWNC supports the TOC project at 806 S. Manhattan Pl., consisting of the demolition of a 2-story, 6-unit apartment building and detached garage, and construction of a 7-story, 33-unit (27 market rate and six covenanted affordable units) apartment complex with ground floor parking garage, as presented to the Committee on September 24, 2024; and requests that the representative conduct outreach to the preschool located across the street at 811 S. Manhattan Pl. to ensure that the school’s operation will not be disrupted either during construction or due to the project’s design.

Mr. Alpers described the project.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Alpers, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council supports the TOC project at 806 S. Manhattan Pl., consisting of the demolition of a 2-story, 6-unit apartment building and detached garage, and construction of a 7-story, 33-unit (27 market rate and six covenanted affordable units) apartment complex with ground floor parking garage, as presented to the Committee on September 24, 2024; and requests that the representative conduct outreach to the preschool located across the street at 811 S. Manhattan Pl. to ensure that the school’s operation will not be disrupted either during construction or due to the project’s design.

**DISCUSSION:** Mr. Gresham concerned six families would be displaced and how much parking available. Ms. Betancourt noted > housing needed.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with 12 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Alpers, Betancourt, Carroll, Chvatal, Cortier, Cox, DeVore, Galan, Gilbert, Gresham, Kim and Smith); one opposed (“No” or “Nay”) (Harvey); two abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither “yes” votes or “no” votes) (Sicilia and Starr). One (Stuart) was ineligible to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

D. Citywide Housing Element: The City Planning Department has released the third draft of the Citywide Housing Element. This document includes revised guidelines and regulations for the approval of affordable housing for 100% affordable housing projects, and through the density bonus program, the transit oriented communities (TOC) program and for faith-based organizations. Affordable housing projects are excluded from R-1 zones but allowed in HPOZs (except R-1 HPOZs). A hearing was held on Thursday, September 26. Possible Motion: The GWNC will file a CIS supporting the adoption of Draft #3 of the Citywide Housing Element, which includes several programs that meet the City's state-mandated regional housing needs through increased residential density along underutilized commercial corridors, as well as measures that provide safeguards for RSO multiple family housing, historic resources, and residential neighborhoods. The CIS will also include the GWNC's opposition to the options described in Exhibit D, that upzone residential areas, because these options are unnecessary and have been insufficiently considered, as confirmed in the Planning Staff Recommendation Report dated September 26, 2024.

Mr. Alpers explained the above.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Alpers, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will file a CIS supporting the adoption of Draft #3 of the Citywide Housing Element, which includes several programs that meet the City's state-mandated regional housing needs through increased residential density along underutilized commercial corridors, as well as measures that provide safeguards for RSO multiple family housing, historic resources, and residential neighborhoods. The CIS will also include the GWNC's opposition to the options described in Exhibit D, that upzone residential areas, because these options are unnecessary and have been insufficiently considered, as confirmed in the Planning Staff Recommendation Report dated September 26, 2024.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Betancourt said "we need to build more housing." Mr. Galan said "there's a limitation to affordable housing." Resident Sam Uretsky believed that Draft #3 "represents a reasonable compromise." Ms. Chvatal reported that a citywide coalition "found locations all over commercial corridors" to locate more than 255,000 housing units "without destroying" any Zones, etc.

**MOTION PASSED** by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with nine in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Alpers, Carroll, Chvatal, Cortier, Cox, DeVore, Gresham, Sicilia and Smith); three opposed ("No" or "Nay") (Betancourt, Galan and Gilbert); three abstained (the GWNC counts abstentions as neither "yes" votes or "no" votes) (Harvey, Kim and Starr). One (Stuart) was ineligible to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

E. Next Meeting: The next GWNC Land Use Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 22 at 6:30 pm at the Marlborough School (Room C115), 250 S. Rossmore Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90004.

Mr. Alpers noted the above.

**IX. ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE** (Discussion and possible action).

A. Committee Report - Chair: Polly Estabrook.

Ms. Estabrook reported on two volunteer opportunities; contact her for information.

B. Possible Motion to appoint board members and/or stakeholders to the Committee.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Ms. Harvey): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council appoints Andy Galan to the Environmental & Sustainability Committee.

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

C. Possible Motion: The GWNC Sustainability Committee will partner with our neighborhood groups, such as HangOutDoGood and Friends of the JC Fremont Library, in order to replant the grounds around the John C. Fremont Public Library using predominantly native plants. If approved by the LA Public Library, the work has an estimated cost of \$100 aiming to be completed before the end of March, 2025. Refer to Board documents for specific location details.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves spending up to \$100 for the planting of areas at the John C. Fremont Library.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Alpers, Betancourt, Carroll, Chvatal, Cortier, Cox, DeVore, Galan, Gilbert, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith and Starr); zero opposed; zero abstained. One (Stuart) was ineligible to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

D. Next Meeting: The next GWNC ESC meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 5, 2024, at the Memorial Branch Library, Community Room, 4625 W Olympic Blvd, Los Angeles, 90019 or via Zoom, check agenda.

Ms. Estabrook noted the above.

**X. OUTREACH COMMITTEE** (Discussion and Possible Action).

A. Committee Report - Chair: Jesseca Harvey

See below.

B. Volunteer Opportunities:

1. LAPD Wilshire Open House 10/20, 11:00 am - 4:30 pm

Ms. Harvey noted the above.

2. Larchmont Family Fair 10/27, 10:30 am - 5:30 pm

Ms. Harvey noted the above.

3. Block Beautification Event: Country Club Heights 11/16 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
([kycccla.volunteermatters.org/project-catalog/239](http://kycccla.volunteermatters.org/project-catalog/239))

Ms. Harvey noted the above.

- C. Possible Motion to appoint board members and/or stakeholders to the Committee.

There were no appointments.

- D. Possible Motion: The GWNC approves spending up to \$450 to purchase a new banner and stand that reflects the new map of the GWNC area; and it will reallocate \$450 from FY23-34 rollover funds to the Outreach budget.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Ms. DeVore): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council approves spending up to \$450 to purchase a new banner and stand that reflects the new map of the GWNC area; and it will reallocate \$450 from FY23-34 rollover funds to the Outreach budget.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Alpers, Betancourt, Carroll, Chvatal, Cortier, Cox, DeVore, Galan, Gilbert, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith and Starr); zero opposed; zero abstained. One (Stuart) was ineligible to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

- E. Possible Motion: The GWNC will co-host a block beautification event with KYCC and CD5 on Saturday, November 16, 2024 in Area 3: Country Club Heights.

It was agreed to include the phrase “participate as a co-sponsor” in place of “co-host.”

**MOTION** (by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Ms. Betancourt): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council will participate as a co-sponsor of a block beautification event with KYCC and CD5 on Saturday, November 16, 2024 in Area 3: Country Club Heights.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 15 eligible voters present with all 15 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Alpers, Betancourt, Carroll, Chvatal, Cortier, Cox, DeVore, Galan, Gilbert, Gresham, Harvey, Kim, Sicilia, Smith and Starr); zero opposed; zero abstained. One (Stuart) was ineligible to vote due to not having completed one or more of the required trainings and/or not having signed the Code of Conduct.

- F. Next Meeting: The next GWNC Outreach Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the John C Fremont Library, 6121 Melrose Ave.

Ms. Harvey noted the above.

**XI. QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE** (Discussion and possible action)

A. Committee Report - Chair: Charles D'Atri.

Chair Mr. D'Atri was not present; no report or Motion was made or vote taken.

B. Next Meeting: The next Quality of Life Committee Meeting will be held at a special date due to the Thanksgiving holiday on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84977930618>.

Mr. Starr noted the above.

**XII. RESILIENCE COMMITTEE** (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Committee Report - Chair: Gary Gilbert.

See below.

B. "So You Think You're Prepared?" - Possible Motion to approve the content and distribution plan for an online earthquake preparedness survey/quiz to be shared with the Greater Wilshire community.

The Motion was revised to the below.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council adopts the question set and general flow of the "So You Think You're Prepared?" survey/questionnaire on the subject of personal emergency preparedness; and it agrees to use Tally as the survey platform; and it will distribute the survey link through email and social media to its constituent homeowners and neighborhood associations, to local press/news organizations, and to other stakeholders, with a message of encouraging GWNC stakeholders to complete the survey; and the Resilience Committee shall provide a report on the survey results at the February or March 2025 General Board Meeting of the GWNC.

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

C. Possible Motion to appoint board members and/or stakeholders to the Committee.

No Motion was made or vote taken.

D. Next Meeting: The next GWNC Resilience Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, December 2, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88960982957>.

Mr. Gilbert noted the above.

**XIII. TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** (Discussion and possible action)

A. Committee Report - Chair: Cindy Chvatal.

B. Next Meeting: November 21, 6:30pm via Zoom.  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/92159935555>.

The above Item was not addressed.

**XIV. COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENTS (CIS), RESOLUTIONS, REQUESTS FOR ACTION** (Discussion and Possible Action)

- A. Council File 24-0867 (Neighborhood Council Bylaws / Youth Participation / Diversity Increase / Leadership Growth). Possible Motion: The GWNC [supports/opposes/etc] the motion referred to by CF 24-0867 on the basis of [such-and-such].

The above Item was not addressed.

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

The above Item was not addressed.

**XVI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/COMMENTS**

The above Item was not addressed.

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

- A. Formation of a 2028 Los Angeles Olympics Ad Hoc Committee  
The above Item was not addressed.

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

- A. Upcoming GWNC Board Meeting: The next GWNC General Board Meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, November 13th at the Ebell of Los Angeles. See agenda for details.

Mr. Starr **ADJOURNED** the Meeting with no opposition at 9:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Levin, Minutes Writer

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