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Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
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Area 15 – Windsor Village – Julie Stromberg
At-Large – Jane Usher
Business – John Winther
Education – vacant
Other Non-Profit – vacant
Religion – Mike Genewick
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The Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, made up of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us.

1. **WELCOMING REMARKS:** (5 minutes)
   
   A. Call to order (Julie Stromberg)
   
   B. General Introduction to GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee (Julie Stromberg)

2. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS** (15 minutes)

3. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Action)** (10 minutes)
   
   A. Review and Adoption of September 8, 2015 Meeting Minutes
   
   B. Review and Adoption of December 1, 2015 Meeting Minutes
   
   C. Discussion and Possible Motion on Moving Dates of Sustainability Committee Meetings.
4. PRESENTATIONS (60 minutes)

A. Integrating the new building and plumbing laws into home design and how it is going to affect a person’s real estate. (Kathleen Beall, ASID, CID)

5. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action) (10 minutes)

A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Summer 2016 Drought-Tolerant Landscaping Garden Tour. (Julie Stromberg/Barbara Savage/Cathy Roberts)

Tour and competition of residential drought-tolerant landscapes of homes in the Greater Wilshire area. Stakeholders will be encouraged to nominate landscapes for consideration, including their own. Possible partnership with the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council’s Green and Beautification Committee.

6. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action) (60 minutes)

A. Discussion, Planning, and Motion on GWNC Sustainability Committee Parkway Project. (Julie Stromberg)

Discussion regarding the GWNC Sustainability Committee Parkway Project (the “Parkway Project”). In partnership with California Greenworks, Inc., the GWNC Sustainability Committee is devising an outreach program to educate stakeholders on the proper care of trees in parkways with emphasis on the importance of sustainable landscaping. There will be two components to the Parkway Project: (1) Outreach and education with a presentation at the GWNC Sustainability Committee meeting on sustainable landscaping and the importance of preserving Los Angeles’ urban forest; and (2) remodeling of an existing residential parkway in the mid-Wilshire area based on a professional design consistent with the principles of the Parkway Project with emphasis on sustainable landscaping. Stakeholders will be encouraged to nominate a parkway for the project design phase. Parkway must be residential and within the Greater Wilshire as well as Council District 4 boundaries.

B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Spring 2016 Rain Barrel Distribution Program (Julie Stromberg)

C. Request for Nominations of “Green” Businesses in the Greater Wilshire Area (Julie Stromberg)

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS (5 minutes)

A. Next GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Meeting; Tuesday, June 7, 2016; Wilshire Methodist Church, Youth Chapel Room, 4350 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90005

C. Friend Raiser to Benefit City Plants; March 15, 2016, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Downtown LA. Fundraising effort to raise awareness and funds for City Plants, which is a key non-profit partner in our efforts at the City to replenish and care for Los Angeles’ urban forest. City Plants works directly with our Department of Public Works and with other non-profit partners citywide to plan and manage tree plantings in the areas most in need of additional canopy. $50 per person. RSVP to Rachel.oleary@lacity.org

8. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (5 minutes)

A. The Sustainable City pLAn and Tracking the City of Los Angeles’ Progress Toward Reaching pLAn Goals

B. Community Clean-Up Days

C. LADWP Stormwater Capture Master Plan, Enhanced Watershed Master Plan, and Proposed Alternative to LADWP’s Rebate Approach (for example, a Tiered Rebate Approach)

9. ADJOURNMENT

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*Items in italics above are unconfirmed and may be tabled until a later meeting.*

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