GREATER WILSHIRE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Environmental & Sustainability Committee
Meeting Agenda
Youth Chapel Room
Wilshire United Methodist Church
4350 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90005
Tuesday, June 14, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

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
   B. Roll Call
   C. Welcome and Approval/Seating of New Committee Members

2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (5 minutes)

3. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Action) (5 minutes)
   A. Review and adoption of December 1, 2015 Meeting Minutes
   B. Review and adoption of March 1, 2016 Meeting Minutes

4. PRESENTATIONS (60 minutes)
   A. Resilient Landscape Design for Residential Parkways. (Mike Meador, CEO of California Greenworks, Inc.) Mr. Meador will discuss sustainable landscape design for residential parkways emphasizing the use of drought-tolerant plants and stormwater capture systems. Mr. Meador will also discuss the importance of enhancing Los Angeles’ urban forest and the planting of parkway trees to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and enhance home energy savings.

5. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action) (20 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 of residential drought-tolerant landscapes of homes in the Greater Wilshire area. The tour will be free and take place on **Sunday, June 26, 2016**, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., and will also include educational seminars. Tour begins at Harold A. Henry Park, 890 S. Lucerne Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90005.

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. The program will include a “pilot” residential parkway remodeled based on a professional design consistent with the principles of sustainable landscape design. 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)**

D. **Discussion, Planning, and Motion GWNC Sustainability Committee Event. (Julie Stromberg)**

Brainstorm ideas for a Committee program on a topic of interest to stakeholders. Consider Committee outreach measures.

E. **Community Clean-Up Day at Harold A. Henry Park. (Julie Stromberg)**

GWNC Sustainability Committee to organize a community clean-up day at Harold A. Henry Park. Part of the Committee’s community beautification efforts.

7. **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS (Including Discussion and Possible Action) (5 minutes)**

A. Avalon Green Alleys (Los Angeles Department of Sanitation Project) (Julie Stromberg)

8. **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS (5 minutes)**

A. Next meeting, Tuesday, September 13, 2016, 7:00 p.m., Wilshire Methodist Church, 4350 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90005.

9. **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)

10. ADJOURNMENT

Time allocations for agenda items are approximate and may be shortened or lengthened at the discretion of the Chairperson.

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