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Education – vacant
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*GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL*

Environmental & Sustainability Committee
Inaugural Meeting Agenda
Youth Chapel Room
Wilshire United Methodist Church
4350 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90005
Tuesday, September 8, 2015, 7:00 p.m.

**GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL**

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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. *Election of Committee Members and Officers*
 - B. *Designation of Sub-Committees and Corresponding Members (Julie Stromberg)*

4. **PRESENTATIONS**

(75 minutes)

- A. Water Conservation Measures Indoor and Out: Options, Considerations, and How to Assess Your Progress. (Carolyn Casavan, Environmental and Energy Consultant with Casavan Consulting and Founder and Chair of the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's Green and Beautification Committee)
- B. Actions Neighborhood Councils Can Take to Help with Water Conservation. (Carolyn Casavan, Environmental and Energy Consultant with Casavan Consulting and Founder and Chair of the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's Green and Beautification Committee)
- C. *Los Angeles Water & Power Rate Presentation (Los Angeles Water & Power) (may be tabled until the next meeting)*

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

(60 minutes)

- A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Committee Partnership with the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power and GWNC Water Conservation Challenge (Julie Stromberg/Barbara Savage)
- B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee November 2015 Rain Barrel Distribution Program (Julie Stromberg)
- C. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Drought-Tolerant Landscaping Garden Tour and Joint Partnership with the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's Green and Beautification Committee (Julie Stromberg/Barbara Savage)
- D. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Request for the GWNC to Join the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA) and Designated a GWNC Representative to the NCSA

PROPOSED MOTION: The Environmental and Sustainability Committee recommends that the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council formally join the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance.

The NCSA requires that all neighborhood councils formally joining the NCSA use the following language in their motion: *We, [state name] Neighborhood Council, formally agree to be a member of the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance. The Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance advances sustainability and resilience across Los Angeles through advocacy, sharing of best practices, and community action.*

PROPOSED MOTION: The Environmental and Sustainability Committee recommends that the GWNC appoint Board Member (and Environmental & Sustainability Committee Chair) Julie Stromberg as the GWNC representative to the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance.

- E. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee’s Participation in EarthFest LA 2015 and Discussion of Partnership with Community Greenworks, Inc.

PROPOSED MOTION: The GWNC Environmental and Sustainability Committee to purchase a booth at EarthFest 2015, to be held on Saturday, September 13, 2015, cost not to exceed \$280.

- F. 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, December 1, 2015; Wilshire Methodist Church, Youth Chapel Room, 4350 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90005

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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