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Environmental & Sustainability Committee
Meeting Agenda
Cafe
Los Angeles Tennis Club
5851 Clinton Street
Los Angeles, CA 90004
Tuesday, September 13, 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 June 14, 2016 Meeting Minutes

# 4. PRESENTATIONS

(60 minutes)

A. Climate Change and LA: What it is, and what LA can and should do about it. (Dan Kegel; B.S. '86, Caltech) Mr. Kegel will provide a primer on Climate Change with a specific discussion on what Angelenos can do to make an impact.

# 5. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

(20 minutes)

A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee-California Greenworks, Inc. Parkway Challenge (Julie Stromberg)

Discussion of launch of Parkway Challenge program and key features in the program's pilot

sustainable and resilient parkway. 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. Report on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Summer 2016 Drought-Tolerant Landscaping Garden Tour. (Julie Stromberg/Barbara Savage/Cathy Roberts)

Report on Committee's first tour of residential drought-tolerant landscapes of homes in the Greater Wilshire area, which was held on Sunday, June 26, 2016.

# 6. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action)

(60 minutes)

- A. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Fall 2016/Winter 2017 Rain Barrel Distribution Program. (Julie Stromberg)
- B. Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee Position on LA City Council Vote Regarding Move Toward 100% Clean Energy. (Julie Stromberg). On September 16, 2016, the LA City Council will vote on the following: (1) LADWP to develop a research and implementation plan to transition its portfolio to 100% renewable energy; and (2) that this research partnership should utilize the resources and develop in partnership with the efforts of the U.S. Department of Energy and its support of Mission Innovation and the Breakthrough Energy Coalition. See Council File No. 16-0243.
- 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. Discussion, Planning, and Motion GWNC Sustainability Committee Park Clean-Up Event. (Julie Stromberg). Brainstorm Committee clean-up event at a local park part of 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, December, 13, 2016, 7:00 p.m., Location TBD.
- B. Green Festival Expo, LA Convention Center, September 16-18, 2016.
- C. 2017 Theodore Payne Native Plant Garden Tour seeks native gardens. Online applications available at: nativeplantgardentour.org/apply. The application period ends October 1, 2016.

## 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.

### 10. ADJOURNMENT

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

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

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