GREATER WILSHIRE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Environmental & Sustainability Committee

Agenda

Marlborough School
Board Room
250 South Rossmore Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90004

Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 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 elected 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

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

3. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (Discussion and Action) (10 minutes)
   A. Review and adoption of October 9, 2018 Meeting Minutes.

4. PRESENTATIONS (40 minutes)
   A. William Funderburk, Jr., Environmental Attorney with Castellon & Funderburk, LLP, Presentation on “Measure W.” Mr. Funderburk will present on Measure W, Los Angeles County’s parcel tax for stormwater measures.

   B. Barbara Hensleigh, Sierra Club, Presentation Regarding Establishing Human Health and Safety Buffer Zone Between Oil Drilling Sites and Sensitive Land Use. Sierra Club and Stand LA are calling on the City of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles City Council specifically to establish a human health and safety buffer that prohibits oil drilling within 2,500 feet of sensitive land uses including homes, schools, early childhood centers, senior centers, hospitals and medical clinics, parks, etc.
5. OLD BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action) (10 minutes)

A. **Report on Rain Barrel/Rain Harvesting Education Program with Rain Barrels, Intl. (Julie Stromberg)** GWNC hosted an educational program on rain barrels, including their use and maintenance, with Rain Barrels, Intl., on Saturday, October 27, 2018.

B. **Update on Community Impact Statements (CIS)Filed by the GWNC Upon Recommendation by the GWNC Sustainability Committee Since October 2018 Meeting.** At the October 9, 2018, the GWNC Sustainability Committee recommended to the GWNC Board to file CISs on EV readiness requirements for new construction and Measure W.

C. **Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Sustainability Committee Newsletter. (Julie Stromberg)** Discussion regarding GWNC Sustainability Committee newsletter.

6. NEW BUSINESS (Discussion and Possible Action) (20 minutes)

A. **Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Sustainability Committee Outreach and Action Measures. (Julie Stromberg)** Discussion on ways to grow the committee, action items to support and/or organize, and events to plan.

B. **Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Filing a Community Impact Statement (CIS) on Establishing Human Health and Safety Buffer Zones Between Oil Drilling Sites and Sensitive Land Use. (Julie Stromberg)** Recommend to GWNC Board to file CIS calling on the City of Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles City Council specifically, to establish a human health and safety buffer that prohibits oil drilling within 2,500 feet of sensitive land uses including homes, schools, early childhood centers, senior centers, hospitals and medical clinics, parks, etc.

C. **Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on Dudek’s “First Step: Developing an Urban Forest Management for the City of Los Angeles.” (Julie Stromberg and Mary Proteau)** Dudek, an independent third-party consultant, was hired by the City of Los Angeles to analyze and make recommendations for its urban forest management system. GWNC sustainability recommends that the GWNC Board submit a letter to the City of Los Angeles, including various City agencies as well as Council Districts 4 and 5, urging the City to adopt and implement Dudek’s recommendations, prioritize maintaining, sustaining, and growing our urban forest, and increase funding for the City of Los Angeles’ urban forestry division per Dudek’s recommendations.

D. **Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Sustainability Committee Tour of LEED Sustainable Home. (Julie Stromberg)** Tour will feature a 1920s classic home in a local HPOZ that is sustainable. Tour will also include a tour of the home’s gardens. Tour to date to be in February or March 2019.

E. **Discussion, Planning, and Possible Motion on GWNC Submitting Community Impact Statements on Future Council Motions. (Julie Stromberg and Dan Kegel)** Discussion and possible motion on GWNC Environmental & Sustainability Committee policy for submitting community impact statements.

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

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS (5 minutes)

A. Next GWNC Sustainability Committee meeting will be held on February 12, 2019, at Marlborough School, Board Room, 250 S. Rossmore Ave., Los Angeles, CA.
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. Green Business Award.
D. Los Angeles Department of Water and Power’s Green Power Program.
E. Devising Action Measures to Help of Los Angeles’ Urban Forest.
F. GWNC Sustainability Parkway Design Brochure.
G. Community Tree Planting Program.

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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