

Westside Neighborhood Council
June 9, 2022 Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:

Call to Order 6:04 p.m.

Present: Seat 1 Jae Wu, Seat 2 Lisa Morocco, Seat 3 Jeff Hronek, Seat 4 Kim Christensen, Seat 7 Barbara Broide, Seat 10 Galina Atencio, Seat 12 Margaret Gillespie, Seat 13 Jane Wishon, Seat 15 Lindsay Shea, Seat 16 Karriann Farrell Hinds, Seat 18 Joseph Roth (11)

Absent: Seat 5 Louis Schillace, Seat 6 Vicki Curry, Seat 8 Terri Tippit, Seat 9 Sean McMillian, Seat 11 Mary Kusnic, Seat 14 Shannon Burns, Seat 17 Joanne Dorfman, Seat 19 Vacant

2. MINUTES & MER

Motion: WNC approves May 12, 2022 minutes as corrected

Moved: Seat 2 – Lisa Morocco

Second: Seat 13 – Jane Wishon

Pass: 10-0-1

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,10,12,13,16,18

Abstain: 15

Motion: Approve May MER

Moved: Seat 2 – Lisa Morocco

Second: Seat 1 – Jae Wu

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,4,7,10,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

3. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a. LAPD, County and Other Government Depts./Agencies

- Michelle Persoff, Office of Asm. Bryan – discussed recent Primary Election, status of legislation and budget in state legislature, update on community activities including Pride celebration, urban garden opportunity, office hiring
- Jeff Hronek Seat 3, Police and Safety chair delivered reports from LAPD-SLO Chris Baker (39796@lapd.online) and LAPD-SLO Rick Balasteros (33652@lapd.online) discussed crime reports, residents encouraged to contact either SLO Baker or SLO Balasteros by email for vacation check if leaving for an extended period, online reporting of crimes available; Seat 7 Barbara Broide shared information regarding availability of Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) classes on basics of disaster preparedness, contact Jeff Hronek if interested in attending or possibly arranging course for the WNC community, wnc.saftey@icloud.com; Broide shared information with advice about how to prevent catalytic converter theft, will deliver to board and requested that crime reports be posted on WNC website

4. PRESENTATION

- a. Metro Micro Program presenter Isai Rosa, Communications Officer, LA Metro; shared presentation on Metro Micro program, micro transit system that Metro launched December 2020 in Watts-Willowbrook zone, expanded to 8 zones, on demand ride share offering short trips (1-5 miles) within 8 zones in LA County, uses smaller vehicles for up to 8 customers, serves as first/last mile option for bus and rail systems; UCLA/Westwood/VA Medical Center Zone closest to WNC (map shared); overview of program, location of stops, safety, costs, potential expansion;

5. BOARD REPORTS (including discussion and possible action items):

- a. Chair, Terri Tippit

- Lisa Morocco delivered Chair Terri Tippit's report on CF11-1020-S3 Budget Advocates, discussion regarding budget advocates motion and fundraising; explanation from John Darnell, Empower LA representative, explaining the budget advocates role

Motion: oppose CF11-1020-S3 Budget Advocates Ordinance proposed amendment; in deliberation, John Darnell stated that they were still working with DONE to craft the final language. Lisa Morocco stated they only had the information on this Council File and could only vote on what was agendized.

Moved: Seat 2 Lisa Morocco

Second: Seat 3 Jeff Hronek

Pass: 10-0-1

Yes: 2,3,4,7,10,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain: 1

- Motion to amend language of opposition to CF11-1020-S3 Budget Advocates

Moved: Seat 2 Lisa Morocco

Second: Seat 13 Jane Wishon

Passed: 10-0-1

Yes: 2,3,4,7,10,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain: 1

- b. Outreach, Lisa Morocco

- Motion: \$200 for Zoom license, each NC has to pay for own account, expires March 31, 2023

Moved: Seat 2 Lisa Morocco

Second: Seat 4 Kim Christensen

Pass: 11-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,10,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

- c. Homeless Committee, Sean McMillan – no report
- d. WRAC, Jane Wishon – did not meet and not meeting in June
- e. Land Use Planning Committee, Barbara Broide and Kim Christensen
 - Kim Christensen planning issues – reported on Zoom webinar of the Metro Sepulveda Transit Corridor Meeting regarding the EIR Scoping comments; West LA Community plan advisory group forming, 45 members comprised of reps from Neighborhood Councils; discussion regarding disposition of housing elements targeted amendments proposed by staff, approved, proceeding to Council for vote;
 - Motion:
The WNC requests that the Los Angeles Department of City Planning provide the Westside Neighborhood Council an excerpt of the Housing Element Appendix 4.1 Inventory of Adequate Site Data (Table A) that includes:
 - a) only the data in the same table format for the sites within the Westside Neighborhood Council area and for all other Neighborhood Council areas within the West Los Angeles Community Plan boundaries with the data being sorted and listed by Neighborhood Council area and then secondarily sorted and listed alphabetically by address (to be able to access and review data without having to review hundreds of pages of data); and
 - b) a subtotal of the maximum units allowed in base zoning and a subtotal of the maximum units allowed in bonus zoning for each Neighborhood Council area.Moved: Seat 4 Kim Christensen
Second: Seat 7 Barbara Broide
Pass: 11-0-0
Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,10,12,13,15,16,18
No:
Abstain:
 - Barbara reported on planning department updates; Council approved restaurant alcoholic beverage permitting process revisions; reported on concerns regarding Metro scoping process on digital advertising, Barbara and Kim will write a letter regarding WNC raising questions for Metro to be explored in their draft EIR consistent with position previously voted by WNC regarding digital billboards
- f. Sustainability & Transportation CIS Proposals, Joseph Roth
 - CF22-0528
Motion:
WNC supports CF# 22-0528 in instructing DWP and related agencies assess and report on opportunities to maximize the city's water resources.
Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 13 Jane Wishon

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

- CF22-0530

Motion:

WNC supports CF# 22-0530 in instructing DWP and city agencies to analyze and prepare a plan for electrifying and decarbonizing city buildings and facilities.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 4 Kim Christensen

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

- CF22-0532

Motion: WNC supports CF# 22-0532 in encouraging decarbonization and electrification of appliances, buildings and vehicles owned by, or operated with, the City.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 13 Jane Wishon

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

- CF22-0650:

Motion: WNC supports CF# 22-0650 in encouraging an assessment of tree maintenance policies, costs, options and potential strategies in drought conditions.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 2 Lisa Morocco

Pass: 9-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,18

No:

Abstain:

- CF22-0649:

Motion: WNC supports CF# 22-0649 in encouraging the City to understand the current petroleum supply situation and the city's monitoring and oversight options regarding gasoline prices and anti-price gouging laws.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 2 Lisa Morocco

Pass: 9-0-1

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,18

No:

Abstain: Seat 16

- CF22-0002-S89

Motion: WNC supports CF# 22-0002-S89 in advocating for Presidential authority that would allow for issuing an Energy Emergency Declaration to make it unlawful to increase gasoline and home energy fuel prices in an excessive or exploitative manner.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 4 Kim Christensen

Pass: 9-0-1

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain: Seat 12

- CF22-0002-S90

Motion: WNC supports CF# 22-0002-S90 in advocating for transportation fuel market transparency to prevent artificial inflation of gas prices.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 4 Kim Christensen

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

- CF22-0002-S91

Motion: WNC supports CF# 22-0002-S91 in advocating against price gouging.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 4 Kim Christensen

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

- CF22-0002-S72

Motion: WNC supports CF# 22-0002-S72 in advocating for steeper penalties and punishments for deaths resulting from street exhibitions, racing, sideshows, etc.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 7 Barbara Broide

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

- CF22-0002-S86

Motion: WNC supports CF# 22-0002-S86 in restricting assault weapon and reducing deaths.

Moved: Seat 18 Joseph Roth

Second: Seat 2 Lisa Morocco

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain:

6. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Constituent shared information regarding West LA Commons. Constituent shared information and concerns regarding neighborhood construction.
WNC Councilmembers shared comments.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion:

Move to adjourned meeting

Moved: Seat 1 Jae Wu

Second: Seat 13 Jane Wishon

Pass: 10-0-0

Yes: 1,2,3,4,7,10,12,13,15,16,18

No:

Abstain: