

WESTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES

JUNE 13, 2018

WESTWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 10822 WILSHIRE BLVD. LOS ANGELES, CA 90024

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Lisa Chapman called the meeting to order at 7:43 p.m. (though a quorum was present at 7:27 p.m., someone was speaking then). Board members in attendance were Cyrus Baraghoush, Connie Boukidis, Sandy Brown, Lisa Chapman, Roozbeh Farahanipour, Philip Gabriel, Ann Hayman, Mitchell Keiter, David Lorango, Stephen Resnick, Marcello Robinson, Mark Rogo, and Laura Winikow. Board members excused were Chantelle Eastman, Trent Jolly, Naomi Kisel, and Scott Whittle. A quorum was present. There were 23 stakeholders and guests present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lisa Chapman moved to approve the May 9, 2018 minutes, seconded by Ann Hayman, and carried unanimously.

3. COMMENTS BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS

- A. County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's representative Shannon Lewis gave an update on homeless issues, including that the VA parking lot is now being used for overnight parking for homeless veterans living in their vehicles.
- B. UCLA representative Marco Perez reported that this is finals week, with graduation on the weekend so there may be some traffic. Philip Gabriel asked about having buses to the Rose Bowl for fans, which Marco will check into.
- C. CD5 Field Deputy Jasmine Shamolian reported that Westwood Blvd. south of Wilshire will be resurfaced next week. The City issued a cease and desist order to Bird to remove its scooters from the public right of way. Faisal Alserri has left CD5 and a replacement has been found.

4. DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT

DONE representative Gibson Nyambura reported that DONE's recommendation is that Westwood Hills should remain in WWNC after the subdivision. Gibson stated that the fire station can't be shared. Gibson was asked if there was a list of NCs who share boundaries, because there are a number of them, but he replied that there is no such list. This is because the server crashed five years ago and data was lost.

5. WESTWOOD VILLAGE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

There was no report.

6. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Stakeholder Steve Sann announced the next free concert at the Westwood library on July 1st at 2:30 p.m. featuring the LAPD Swing Band and reported that Westwoodstock, held on June 2nd, was a success and will return next year. Westwood Forward representative Michael Skiles said that now that the subdivision is happening, he would like to heal divisions.

7. 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR ADMINISTRATIVE PACKET

A. Introduction of Motion to Approve the Packet.

Treasurer Laura Winikow made a budget for next year, but still needed input from David

Lorango for Outreach. David suggested a budget of \$200 to \$300 and \$200 for election outreach, so \$500 was moved from last year's budget amount for Community Improvement Projects to Outreach. Lisa Chapman moved to approve the packet, seconded by Philip Gabriel, and approved unanimously.

8. ELECTION INFORMATION WORKSHEET FOR 2019 ELECTIONS

A. Discussion and Introduction of Motion to Approve

No action was taken on this item.

9. REVISED BYLAWS, BOUNDARIES AND SHARED RESOURCES

A. Introduction of Motion "The WWNC adopts the newly drafted bylaws, boundary changes, and shared resources, attached"

Sandy Brown explained that the revised bylaws reflect changes that need to be made due to the subdivision. Lisa Chapman requested that Gibson Nyambura send her the submission date in writing. A discussion of various changes in the bylaws resulted in the following motions.

Sandy Brown moved to remove the wording "single-family" from Article V, Section 1: A, B, C, and D. Ann Hayman seconded and the motion carried by a vote of Yes: 12, No: 0, and Abstain: 1 (Connie Boukidis).

Mitchell Keiter moved to change the word "seventeen" to "eighteen" in Article V, Section 1: Composition, seconded by Sandy Brown. The motion carried by a vote of Yes: 8 (Sandy Brown, Lisa Chapman, Roozbeh Farahanipour, Ann Hayman, Mitchell Keiter, Stephen Resnick, Marcello Robinson, Mark Rogo), No: 4 (Connie Boukidis, Philip Gabriel, David Lorango, Laura Winikow), and Abstain: 1 (Cyrus Baraghoush).

Ann Hayman moved to add the wording "city-licensed" in front of the word "business" in Article V, Section 1, F. Philip Gabriel seconded and the motion carried by a vote of Yes: 12, No: 1 (Marcello Robinson), and Abstain: 0.

Mitchell Keiter moved to remove the boundary requirements for homeowner seats and replace that language with, "within council boundaries" in Article V, Section 1, A, B, C, and D. Lisa Chapman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Marcello Robinson moved to add two renter's seats to the board, changing the number of directors to 17 in Article V, Section 1. David Lorango seconded and the motion carried by a vote of Yes: 6 (Cyrus Baraghoush, Lisa Chapman, David Lorango, Marcello Robinson, Mark Rogo, Laura Winikow), No: 5 (Sandy Brown, Roozbeh Farahanipour, Philip Gabriel, Ann Hayman, Stephen Resnick,), and Abstain: 2 (Connie Boukidis, Mitchell Keiter).

Marcello Robinson moved to add the wording, "or be employed by" after the word "manage" in Article V, Section 1, F. Ann Hayman seconded and the motion carried by a vote of Yes: 11 (Cyrus Baraghoush, Connie Boukidis, Sandy Brown, Lisa Chapman, Philip Gabriel, Ann Hayman, Mitchell Keiter, David Lorango, Stephen Resnick, Marcello Robinson, Mark Rogo, Laura Winikow), No: 1 (Philip Gabriel), and Abstain: 0.

Sandy Brown moved to add the wording, "However, community interest stakeholders may only vote for seats 16 and 17, the at-large seats." to Article X, Section 3. Stephen Resnick seconded and the motion carried by a vote of Yes: 8 (Connie Boukidis, Sandy Brown, Philip Gabriel, Ann Hayman, Mitchell Keiter, David Lorango, Stephen Resnick, Mark Rogo), No: 3 (Cyrus Baraghoush, Lisa Chapman, Marcello Robinson), and Abstain: 1 (Laura Winikow).

Lisa Chapman moved to approve the amended bylaws, seconded by Ann Hayman, and approved unanimously.

10. WRAC COMMITTEE CHANGES

A. Removal of Naomi Kisel as WRAC Representative

President Lisa Chapman stated that Naomi Kisel had not attended any WRAC meetings and important items came up that should have been brought to WWNC's attention. Naomi declined to give her resignation so a vote had to be taken. Lisa moved to remove Naomi Kisel from the position of WRAC representative, seconded by Ann Hayman. The motion carried by a vote of Yes: 11, No: 0, and Abstain: 2 (David Lorango, Marcello Robinson).

B. Nomination of new WRAC Board Member

Ann Hayman volunteered to be the new WRAC representative. Lisa Chapman nominated Ann Hayman as the WRAC representative, seconded by Philip Gabriel, and carried unanimously.

11. NEW PHYSICAL POSTING LOCATION

A. Discussion and Motion to approve a new posting location

Ralphs turned out not to be welcoming as a posting location so a new location is needed. Philip Gabriel moved to use his store window as the posting location, seconded by Lisa Chapman and approved unanimously.

12. STANDING COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS

A. Executive

The committee met to go over the bylaws and discuss shared resources and boundaries.

B. Budget

Treasurer Laura Winikow listed the expenses to be approved: staffing services for May \$60.84, June expenses of facility rental \$75, set up \$100, reimbursement of \$100 to Lisa Chapman, printed material \$105.73, and ink for Laura's printer \$85.00. All NPGs were granted so the May MER included an ending balance of \$521.19, and with expenses deducted will leave a balance of \$94.60 for the fiscal year. All expenses and the May MER were approved unanimously.

C. Land Use & Planning

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

1. 1071-1073 S. GLENDON AVE - FELLOW RESTAURANT

Case number: ZA-2018-2813-CUB

Project Address: 1071-1073 S. Glendon Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90024

Contact Info: Eddie Navarrette, (213) 687-6963

Project Description: An existing 4,687 sq ft restaurant with 139 interior seats requesting the continued sales and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption. Proposed hours of operation from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily in the C4-2D-) zone.

Applicants Philip Camino and Dafne Gokcen were in attendance to answer questions. Marcello Robinson moved, "The WWNC BOD supports the application as presented and additionally supports the following amendments if applied for: a permit for dancing not to exceed more than 12 times a year, live music limited to a quartet, and an increase to 145 seats to accommodate a maximum of patio seating for six." Ann Hayman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Outreach and Communications – no report

E. Homeless Task Force – no report

F. Budget Advocates – Nominations for Committee Chairperson

No action was taken on this item.

G. Public Safety – no report

H. Transportation and Parking – Nominations for Committee Chairperson

Philip Gabriel volunteered for the position. Roozbeh Farahanipour moved to nominate Philip Gabriel as the new committee chair, seconded by Stephen Resnick, and carried unanimously.

I. Bylaws – see agenda item 9

J. WRAC – no report, see agenda item 10

K. Zoning and Violations – no report

13. ADJOURNMENT

President Lisa Chapman adjourned the meeting at 10:12 p.m.