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MAYOR**

WESTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 9, 2018 - 7:00 PM

**Westwood Presbyterian Church
Hoffman Hall
10822 Wilshire Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90404
(Enter behind the church from Ashton Ave.)**

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Agenda

1. **Call to Order** – Council Member roll call (Quorum = 11 members) (1 minute)
2. **Approval of Minutes** – April 11, 2018 meeting (1 minute)
3. **General Announcements**– Lisa Chapman (5 minutes)
4. **Comments by Public Officials** (2 minutes per speaker)
5. **Department of Neighborhood Empowerment** – Gibson Nyambura (5 minutes)
6. **Westwood Village Business Improvement District** – Megan Furey/Niki Savara (5 minutes)
7. **Westwood Village Improvement District / Presentation and Motion for “WW Village Broxton Ave Pedestrian Plaza Project”** – Andrew Thomas (10 minutes)

Motion: “The WWNC approves the Broxton Ave. Pedestrian Plaza Project as presented”

8. **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items** – *(2 minutes per speaker, (or less, based on President’s recommendation of number of speaker requests)*
9. **Discussion with Grace Liu and Mike Fong of DONE (Department of Neighborhood Empowerment)-** Lisa Chapman (15 minutes)
10. **Discussion and Motion:** - Sandy Brown and Lisa Chapman (10 minutes)

“As the Westwood Neighborhood Council is being challenged by a new group (Westwood Forward) wishing to form a second Westwood neighborhood council to be known as North Westwood Neighborhood Council. The result will divide the Westwood Community and transfer to the North Westwood Village NC all official advisory decisions regarding the Westwood Village Specific Plan, the boundaries of Westwood Hills including Westwood Hills Property Owners Association, the commercial section of Wilshire Blvd. in Westwood, the commercial section of Westwood Blvd. south of Wilshire to Ohio, the Persian business community on Westwood Blvd. to the North Westwood NC.

The WWNC and all of its stakeholders share each and every asset encompassed within the area of the Westwood Village Specific Plan, Westwood Hills, Wilshire and Westwood Blvd. and the Persian commercial boundary and rely on these retail entities for their daily needs. We strongly oppose relinquishing any area within our existing boundaries.

Whereas the WWNC has represented the Westwood Community for over eight years and

Whereas the WWNC has addressed student issues brought to its attention in an equitable and honest manner and

Whereas the WWNC has addressed student needs through its Student Engagement Committee and

Whereas the WWNC voted to fund the University Food Closet and

Whereas the WWNC supported transportation improvements adjacent to the UCLA campus and

Whereas the WWNC supported all 6,900 new student beds in dorms to be built on and adjacent to the UCLA campus and

Whereas the WWNC has supported applications for restaurants and retail uses within Westwood Village

Now therefore,

The Westwood Neighborhood Council opposes the subdivision of the existing Westwood Neighborhood Council and the formation of a new neighborhood council to be known as the North Westwood Neighborhood Council. “

11. Motion of No Confidence – Lisa Chapman / Steve Resnick (5 minutes)

“The Westwood Neighborhood Council declares “NO CONFIDENCE” in DONE (the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment) in Los Angeles, CA., due to lack of department transparency, proper and open communication, courtesy, and respect towards the Westwood Neighborhood Council, a certified Neighborhood Council (NC) in Los Angeles. Furthermore, we call into question the legitimacy of Grayce Liu and Mike Fong’s management of this department specifically. We declare that DONE’s unprofessional, and biased behavior and lack of honest communication has irretrievably damaged the working relationship between our council and DONE along with the NC subdivision process. We no longer feel that DONE has our best interests at heart, and has willfully chosen to marginalize our voice and our influence in our own community. DONE has broken its own pledge as it is written, to our neighborhood council, as well as other NC’s. They have instead chosen to support and favor a formation committee attempting to gerrymander and subdivide a successful, and high functioning certified Neighborhood Council. ”

12. Presentation / Motion: “Westwoodstock” – John Colarusso, Sriram Ramakrishnan, Timothy Connors (10 minutes)

Motion: “The WWNC agrees to pay up to the following amounts for supplies and / or services for the Westwoodstock event”

\$150.00 for Printing 5,000 Flyers done by Printing Technic

\$150.00 for Printing 50 Posters done by Printing Technic

\$200.00 for Facebook & Instagram ads

13. WWNC Boundary adjustment Motion- (Sandy Brown) 10 minutes

“Whereas the Westwood Neighborhood Council was subject to a subdivision election in which Westwood Forward petitioned to become a second neighborhood council to be known as North Westwood Neighborhood Council and

Whereas areas within the Westwood Neighborhood Council were greatly reduced and placed in the boundaries of the proposed North Westwood Neighborhood and

Whereas those boundary areas are significantly important to the stakeholders in the Westwood Neighborhood Council and

Whereas the election to be held on May 22, 2018, could result in the formation of that second Westwood neighborhood council and

Whereas the Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment specifically allows a neighborhood council to petition for a boundary adjustment of a certified neighborhood council per **Article V. 2** of the adopted “Plan for a citywide system of Neighborhood Councils” and Section 4 of Los Angeles City Ordinance No. 174,006

Now therefore the Westwood Neighborhood Council supports the preparation of the required petition and all supporting documents in anticipation of the possible certification of that new North Westwood Neighborhood Council and presentation of that petition to the appropriate agencies, including DONE and the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners. This motion supports that such petition be prepared and presented in the event that North Westwood Village Neighborhood Council is certified.”

14. Standing Committee Status/Reports

- A. Executive – Lisa Chapman- update on DONE actions and upcoming subdivision election
- B. Treasurer Report and item vote: Laura Winikow
- C. Land Use & Planning – Marcello Robinson

OLD BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION/ACTION:

A. 1151 WESTWOOD/T MOBILE

Case number: DIR-2017-4952-DRB-SPP; ENV-2017-4953-CE ST

Project Address: 1151 Westwood Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90024

Contact Info: Scott Dunaway, 805-403-2640

Project Description: 1151 Westwood Blvd (Parking Structure) - Proposed WTF (Wireless Telecommunications Facility) - T-Mobile

Supporting Document: <http://www.wwnc.org/1151 Westwood T -Mobile>

NEW BUSINESS:

A. 10867 WEST SANTA MONICA BLVD - CHEVRON STATION #9-1965
Case number: ZA-2018-1309

Project Address: 10867 West Santa Monica Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90024

Contact Info: Gary Semling, (707) 658-4717

Project Description: A conditional use permit to allow the off-site sale of beer and wine in conjunction with a 2,929 SQ.FT convenience store and service station with 24 hours, daily operation.

B. 10923 WEYBURN AVE - THE WAFFLE 24 HOUR

Case number: DIR-2018-2286-DRB-SPP-COA

Project Address: 10923 Weyburn Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90024

Contact Info: Jason Smith, (714) 235-8235

Project Description: Restaurant with a type 41 beer and wine license for on-site consumption. The Waffle is a 24 hour operation. Existing two story restaurant proposing a complete interior remodel with exterior facade improvements and signage.

D. Outreach and Communications – David Lorango

E. Homeless Taskforce- Lisa Chapman and Chantelle Eastman

F. Budget Advocates – Marcello Robinson

G. Public Safety –nominations accepted

H. Transportation and Parking – nominations accepted for committee chair

I. Bylaws – Sandy Brown

J. WRAC – Mitchell Keiter, Naomi Kisel

K. Zoning and Violations – Roozbeh Farahanipour

15. Nominations for WWNC Secretary – Lisa Chapman (2 minutes)

16. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 9, 2018
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