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Minutes

Board of Directors Breakfast | July 20, 2016, 8:30-10:00am

Lenny's Deli (Westwood), 2379 Westwood Blvd., Westwood, CA 90064

One hour free parking (with a restaurant validation) in the surface parking lot immediately north of Lenny's, on Westwood Boulevard.
After the first hour free (with validation), it is \$2 for the next hour.

I. Welcome/Introductions (2 mins)

- *Attendees:* Doug Fitzsimmons, Steve Twining, Carol Spencer, Jan Reichmann, Doug McCormick, Ira Koslow, Barbara Broide, Rob Kadota, Nickie Miner, Nick Greif, Steve Sann, Jay Handal
- *Guests:* Daniel Tamm, Mike Fong, Eli Lipmen, Leah Chu, John Darnell, Jacqueline Hamilton, Rep. Karen Bass

II. Approval of Minutes (1 min) — April and May 2016 minutes moved and accepted

III. Government Rep. Updates (10 mins)

- *Mayor Garcetti's Office:* Daniel Tamm — Great momentum on the homeless housing effort. The Mayor supports the homeless funding ballot measure. Clean Streets Challenge will award innovative strategy within the neighborhoods; workshop on Tues, Aug. 30 at 7pm at the Imam Center, Palms. More info at lamayor.org
- *DONE:* Mike Fong — July 30 is Budget Day; Sept 24 is the Congress of Neighborhood Councils. Election recap town hall on July 27; NCs should look at proposed election motions 044935-S1 and 15-0122-S2. Lydia Grant and Olivia Rubio have resigned from BONC. There is a pilot to create agendas online; contact Dept. if interested. Temp staff master contract going to City Attorney.
- *Representative Karen Bass:* Jacqueline Hamilton — no report
- *Representative Ted Lieu:* Janet Turner — no report
- *CM Koretz's Office (CD 5):* John Darnell — no report
- *CM Bonin's Office (CD 11):* Debbie Dyner-Harris — no report
- *City Attorney Feuer:* Veronica de la Cruz Robles — no report
- *Sen. Ben Allen's Office:* Eugene Tseng — no report
- *Asm. Autumn Burke's Office:* — no report
- *Asm. Sebastian Ridley-Thomas's Office:* Scott Malsin — no report
- *Re-Code LA Zoning Advisory Committee:* Sharon Commins — no report
- *BONC:* Eli Lipmen — no report
- *Citywide Elections Manager:* Jay Handal — no report

IV. Committee Updates (4 mins)

- *Land Use:* Sharon Commins (2 mins) — no report
- *Mobility:* Steve Twining (2 mins) — no report

V. Presentations

U.S. Representative Karen Bass / Presentation and Q&A

Rep. Bass discussed current efforts on homelessness, trade, the elections, and more.

Leah Chu: LA City Clerk / Discussion on NC elections and funding

Grayce Liu was unable to attend. There is a survey from DONE on the election; please fill it out (no particular deadline). Jay led a discussion on election post mortem. Jay: very successful overall, with identifiable, fixable hiccups; NCs need to examine bylaws to avoid future problems.

City Clerk in process of taking over funding program. Hope to have 9 people by end of year. Probably moving to a new bank; transition will probably be rocky. Jay: a) there's been poor communication about rules; b) rule changes not documented. Nick: more onerous than City Council's funding process. Jay: WRAC should develop reform suggestions. Doug: need to build in flexibility.

VI. **New Business**

Discussion about WRAC holding quarterly town halls on neighborhood issues. Concern that the schedule might be ambitious, and that it's difficult to stay ahead of issues.

VII. **Updates on Pending Motions** (2 min each) — Full motion text available at westsidecouncils.com/pending.

Asterisk = Council passed a modified version of the motion.

- a. **Support the draft master plan for the Dept. of Veterans Affairs WLA campus** (Sharon Commins)
May 2016 Passage Deadline / Passed by SORO NC, VNC, WNC, WCC, WWNC, WLANC, BABCNC, PNC
Expiration date extended to September
- b. **Amendment to the Small Lot Subdivision Ordinance** (Sharon Commins)
May 2016 Passage Deadline / Passed by WNC, WCC, WWNC, VNC, WLANC, MVCC, BABCNC*, PNC
Expiration date extended to September
- c. **Recommendation to Modify NC Community Stakeholder Definition** (Doug Fitzsimmons)
May 2016 Passage Deadline / Passed by SORO NC, WCC, WSNC, BABCNC, WNC
Expiration date extended to September

VIII. **Positions Adopted by WRAC Majority** — Full motion text available at westsidecouncils.com/positions.

Will check with Mike Newhouse to make sure letters have been sent.

IX. **Update WRAC Goals for 2016**

Item tabled.

X. **Adjourn**