



Westside Regional Alliance of Councils

WRAC

April 2019

MOTIONS

- 1) The _____ Neighborhood/Community Council supports the findings of the Blue Ribbon Panel on school Safety, convened by the City Attorney, and urges LAUSD to adopt the priorities of the report recommending steps towards increased school safety.
- 2) The _____ Neighborhood/Community Council supports the formation of a [Wildland-Urban Interface Hazard Mitigation Task Force](#) (motion by CM Bonin), and urges the task force to conduct neighborhood outreach to community stakeholders and understand/consider their thoughts and concerns.
- 3) The _____ Neighborhood/Community Council requests that the City develop planning, zoning and leasing regulations for co-living developments, which are residential in nature but have aspects of hotels/transient occupancy. Issues include: 1. Length of leases; 2. Parking for “units,” which have larger bedroom counts; 3. Compliance with density bonus ordinances – regulatory framework
- 4) The _____ Neighborhood/Community Council requests that the Housing and Community Investment Dept. fully comply with the regulations of the State and City affordable housing density bonuses ordinances (SB1818 and Prop. JJJ/TOC), per the concerns stated in the City Controller’s audit report of Jan 2017. ([see agenda for more specifics](#))
- 5) The _____ Neighborhood/Community Council support [CF-19-0046 \(David Ryu\)](#) and its prohibition on developer and contractor contributions to City elected officials. ([see agenda for more](#))

At our WRAC meeting on April 17, we heard from Ami Fields-Meyer, Mayor Garcetti’s field officer about upcoming tours of supportive housing developments across the city, including of the PATH facility in Del Rey; and that there will be an RFP issued by LA-HSA for safe parking locations. We also heard from Erin Schneider, Deputy for County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl that the LACBOS approved a \$32.5B budget, which includes \$17.4 million in funding for mental health resources at LAUSD & LACO Education campuses; \$117.5 million to certify the environmental impact report for a total redesign of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art; \$78.6 million in water quality initiatives, including funding for multi-benefit park and stormwater projects; \$74.7 million in voter-approved funding to maintain, build and refurbish parks and cultural facilities and \$52.8 million to maintain and repair roads and fund safety projects. The Board also voted to extend rent stabilization and expand just cause eviction protections in unincorporated LA County, explore the creation of a youth advisory group to provide policy input, analyze fines/fees imposed by all departments with a demographic lens that looks at income and geographic disparity/impact, and to look at programs to link homeless individuals to jobs. At the upcoming Westwood connect day on April 24th, they still need donations of men’s comfort clothes and shoes, as well as women’s hygiene products. To sign up for the West LA Armory project, click [here](#).

We received an update from the office of Assemblymember Bloom’s on Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and the definition of Public Transit. WRAC members expressed concern about ADUs requiring additional parking, and that the definition of public transit not include “car share drop off or pick up”. Look for favorable updates on both.

We also heard from Board member (WNC Chair) Terri Tippit regarding the recreation & Parks choice of a new concessioner at Rancho Park Golf Course, forcing the old (reliable) vendor out and replacing him with a new an larger vendor with a much larger operation. The new operator seems to be an affiliate of Tavern on the Green, and the change in vendor was not brought to the community. The City Dept of Rec & Parks has interpreted the code as giving them the autonomy to make this decision without consulting the community, leaving WNC out of the loop. The Chair was asked to write to stakeholders, including Dept of Rec & Parks GM, CM Bonin and the City Attorney reminding them of the role and importance of NC and CCs.

We passed five motions (see box to the left), and tabled four.

Our next meeting will be held on May 15th. Issues to be addressed include a “platform” for WRAC, reaffirming our commitment to local laws and processes, as well as a discussion of 501(C)(3), a manner by which adjustments can be made to WRAC positions.