

Westside Regional Alliance of Councils

**Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council
Brentwood Community Council
Del Rey Neighborhood Council
Mar Vista Community Council
Neighborhood Council of Westchester-Playa
Pacific Palisades Community Council**

**Palms Neighborhood Council
South Robertson Neighborhoods Council
Venice Neighborhood Council
West LA Neighborhood Council
Westside Neighborhood Council
Westwood Community Council
Westwood Neighborhood Council**

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Agenda

Board of Directors Breakfast

August 19, 2015, 8:30-10.00 a.m.

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's \$2 for the next hour.

1. Welcome/Introductions (2 mins)
2. Approval of Minutes: June 2015 (1 min.)
3. Government Rep. Updates (10 mins)
 - Mayor Garcetti's Office: Daniel Tamm
 - DONE Rep: Thomas Soong
 - Congressman Ted Lieu's Office: Janet Turner
 - CD 5 Rep: John Darnell
 - CD 11: Debbie Dynner-Harris
 - Sen. Ben Allen's Office: Samuel Liu/Eugene Tseng
 - Asm. Autumn Burke's Office: Odysseus Bostick
 - Asm. Sebastian Ridley-Thomas's Office: Scott Malsin
 - LADOT Pedestrian Adv. Comm.: Eli Lipmen
 - Re-Code LA "Zoning Adv. Comm.": Sharon Commins
 - BONC: Rep. Eli Lipmen
4. Committee Updates: (4 mins.)
 - A. Land Use (Sharon Commins) (2 mins)
 - B. Mobility (Steve Twining) (2 mins)
5. Motion: Proposed resolution from BABCNC on timely LADBS notification to all our NCs and CCs--the State Attorney General's opinion is attached. (Sharon Commins) (5 mins) **(November 2015 Passage Deadline)**

Access to public records is a fundamental right of every California resident. An increasing number of grading operations in commercial, residential and hillside areas have the potential of undercutting and damaging adjacent properties. The owners of these adjacent properties, and the general public, have the right to have access to grading plans, geology reports and soils engineering reports that are submitted to the City for the purpose of development. Access to these public records must occur before grading plans are approved to give the public the ability to review the plans and/or allow an independent expert to examine the plans to assure themselves that the proposed grading and development will not have an adverse affect on his or her own property or the environment. Currently, adjacent property owners are not given timely notification that would allow them to inspect the plans submitted to the City. Therefore, the Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council supports all efforts to increase public access to submitted plans and requests that the Department of Building and Safety devise a protocol that would give timely access for public inspection, and provides notice to adjacent property owners, Neighborhood Councils, [and Community Councils] as soon as such plans are submitted to the City.

Passed unanimously by WRAC LUPC on 8-2-2015

6. Q&A with Congressman Ted Lieu (60 mins)

NOTE that Items 7-16 Updates will be handled next month and are listed below only as placeholders.

7. Update: Mobility Plan 2035 Statement of Overriding Considerations (Sharon Commins) (5 mins) **(September 2015 Passage Deadline)**

WRAC recommends a vote of 'no confidence' in the City of Los Angeles Mobility Plan 2035 [Case Number: ENV 2013-0911-EIR and CPC-2013-0910-GPA-SP-CA-MS; State Clearinghouse No. 2013041012] because of its failure to resolve and mitigate critical issues per the Statement of Overriding Considerations, including but not limited to emergency response time, insufficient infrastructure, and broader significant negative impacts on public health, safety and welfare.

8. Update: Oppose AB 744 Limiting Local Govt. Auth. Over Parking for SB 1818 Density Bonus Projs. (Sharon Commins) (5 mins) **(September 2015 Passage Deadline)**

WRAC recommends the City of Los Angeles oppose AB 744 and requests Councilmembers Mike Bonin and Paul Koretz introduce a resolution opposing AB 744.

9. Update: Oppose AB 1373 Exempting 40 Square Blocks of DTLA From the CA Outdoor Ad. Act (Sharon Commins) (5 mins) **(September 2015 Passage Deadline)**

WRAC recommends the City of Los Angeles oppose AB 1373 and requests Councilmembers Mike Bonin and Paul Koretz introduce a resolution opposing AB 1373.

10. Update: Re Revised City Sign Ordinance Motion (Sandy Brown) (10 mins) (Postponed from February) **(September 2015 Passage Deadline)**

1. Only digital signs in sign districts
2. Mandatory take down of signs that were illegally erected
3. Signs need to be upgraded to current law

11. Update: Community Council Inclusion in Wesson Proposal to Give NCs Special Treatment at City Hearings (Chris Spitz) (5 mins) **(September 2015 Passage Deadline)**

Which Councils have passed?: _____

12. Update: Neighborhood Council Monitoring of City Services (Marc Saltzberg) (5 mins) **(September 2015 Passage Deadline)**

WRAC recommends that land use and planning-related recommendations shall be disclosed in all City determinations in a "standing" section of City Staff Reports and City Determinations called "Neighborhood Council Recommendations." Along with those recommendations, an explanation to be provided by the City decision maker if the NC recommendations are NOT followed.

13. Update: Change to Coastal Exemption Review/Approval Process and Procedure (5 mins) **(September 2015 Passage Deadline)**

Which Councils have passed?: _____

14. Update: Appeals Process for Building Permits (Sharon Commins) (1 min) **(September 2015 Passage Deadline)**

Which Councils have passed?: _____

15. Update: WRAC Goals for 2015

- A. Time Traveled added to LOS and VMT
- B. Code Compliance across the board
- C. Keep percentage of parking revenues in districts.

16. Update: Support for Council File 15-0135 – Collecting Fees Related to Condition Compliance (Marc Saltzberg) (10 mins.) **(June 2015 Passage Deadline)**

Which Councils have passed?: WLANC, _____

17. www.westsidecouncils.org (Doug Fitzsimmons).

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18. Adjourn. Next meeting, September 16, 2015: **WRAC Officer Elections**. Send Nominations to Mike Newhouse