

# **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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## Minutes

Board of Directors Breakfast

# **NOTE NEW LOCATION**

**Jerry's Deli (Westwood), 10925 Weyburn Ave., Westwood  
January 16, 2013, 8:30-10.00 a.m.**

**Attendees:** Mike Newhouse, Terrence Gomes, Sharon Commins, Steve Twining, Marc Saltzberg, Nancy Freeman, Robin Greenberg, Cyndi Hench, Bob Guerin

**Guests:** Mark Herd

1. Welcome/Introductions (3 mins) 8:43AM Newhouse
2. Approve December Minutes (1 min) Approved
3. Ratify WRAC Officers through September 2013 Meeting, or Hold Special Election at February Meeting?  
Discussion to have officers to extent term to September 2013 meeting. Moved Freeman second Hench 8-0
4. Government Rep. Updates (5 mins)
  - Paola Valdivia, Mayor Villaraigosa's Office (5 mins) No report. Absent
5. Committee Updates:
  - A. Emergency Preparedness (Cindy Hench/Mike Stajura) (2 mins) Discussion to disband committee postponed to next meeting,
  - B. Land Use (Sharon Commins) (5 mins) See attached minutes
  - C. Mobility (Steve Twining) (2 mins) No report
6. If your Council is interested in Prop. A contact Josh Geller, Criminal Director, LACAA, [Joshgeller@hotmail.com](mailto:Joshgeller@hotmail.com) 310.430.1119
7. Continued Discussion re: proposing motion demanding more effective notification of projects to NC/CCs, WRAC and other Regional Councils (Mike Newhouse, Mike Stajura) (5 mins)
  - Mike Stajura, has this gone to WRAC LUPC yet? Postpone to next meeting.
8. Budget Advocates Motion (Jay Handal) (10 mins) Postpone to next meeting.

The Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates, representing the 95 neighborhood councils regarding budget and fiscal issues, met with Council member Englander on Tuesday 1/8/2013.

The advocates, after hearing the council member explain the 3 Billion Dollar initiative, voted the motion below.

We ask each and every NC and NC member to contact your council member and request they respect the request of the budget advocates.

In addition, please ask your NC to adopt this motion, and if possible, file a community impact statement.

For questions or comments, please feel free to contact me directly at 310-466-0645 or by e mail to sgrest@aol.com.

## Resolution on Postponement of Proposed \$3 Billion Street Repair Bond Measure

MOTION : RE: City Council File 13-1300-S1

Whereas the City Council believes that the Neighborhood Councils do not inform their stakeholders about Council initiatives; and

Whereas the City Council requests better participation in city issues by Neighborhood Councils; and

Whereas Councilmember Parks held hearings at his Education and Neighborhoods Committee regarding Neighborhood Council participation in city issues; and

Whereas the City Council recently approved a citywide valet parking ordinance without enough time for Neighborhood Councils to weigh in; and

Whereas yet again, the City Council, without any warning or advance notice, introduced a motion on January 4, 2013 to place a three billion dollar bond measure on the May ballot with a vote scheduled to be taken on January 10, 2013, thereby again silencing their Neighborhood Council's voice in an important matter; and

Whereas the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition has already unanimously adopted and transmitted a position to the City Council on January 5, 2013 asking for 60 days time so that Neighborhood Councils are able to weigh in on issues affecting all of their stakeholders;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates instructs the Chair to immediately transmit the NCBA's opposition to the City Council's predeliction for precluding the Neighborhood Councils and their stakeholders from weighing in on citywide measures.

Furthermore, the NCBA's demands that a City Council decision on City Council File 13-1300-S1 be postponed for 60 days until the City can issue a financial impact report of the new debt, and the 95 certified Neighborhood Councils have an opportunity to hold a Brown Act compliant meeting and report back to the Councilmembers with their stakeholders' views.

9. Motion to urge City Council to adopt 3 BONC policies (Jay Handal) (10 mins) Postpone to next meeting.
  - Ethics Training
  - Grievance Policies
  - Factual Basis Stakeholder Policy
10. Continued LAX DEIR (Mike Newhouse) (5 mins)
  - Schneider to email notice of LAWA meeting on noise when announced. Postpone to next meeting.
11. Proposed Infrastructure Motion (Sharon Commins) (10 minutes).
  - Which Councils have passed? BCC, WWNC, MVCC, WLANC, VNC, BABC \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Postpone to next meeting.
12. Casden Motion Update and Proposed Motion (Terri Tippit) (2 mins)
  - Letter sent. Updates? No updates
13. Community Care Facilities Motion Update (WRAC Ltr. Sent): (Sharon Commins) (2 min) New language. See attached.
14. [www.westsidecouncils.org](http://www.westsidecouncils.org) . Visit the site.
15. Remove any of the above items for future meetings? None this month.

16. WRAC Mayoral Candidate Town Hall in February? CD 11/5 Town Hall? Planning Committee members? Will work with other groups to co-sponsor
17. Update delegate and alternate lists, as well as new NC/CC Chairs.
18. Adjourn, next meeting, February 20, 2013. 9:54AM

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