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Minutes

Board of Directors | November 14, 2018

- I. Call to Order and Introductions.** The WRAC Board met on November 14, 2018 at Lenny's Deli, 2379 Westwood Blvd., LA 90064. Maryam Zar acted as Chair and called the meeting to order at about 8:30 a.m.
- a. The following voting members were present: Larry Watts (BCC); Robin Greenberg (BABCNC); Rob Kadota (MVCC); George Wolfberg (PPCC); Jay Handal (WLANC); Steve Sann (WCC) and Jane Wishon (WNC).
 - b. Also present: Maryam Zar (Chair); Steve Twining (Chair, WRAC Mobility Committee); Nickie Miner (BABCNC); Barbara Broide (WNC); Sara Roos (MVCC); Robert Schleisinger; and public representatives as indicated below.
- II. Approval of Minutes** — Approval of the draft October 2018 minutes was deferred.
- III. Committee Updates**
- a. The Chair read a WRAC-LUPC report from Sharon Commins.
 - b. There were no further committee reports.
- IV. Government Rep. Updates**
- Mayor Garcetti's Office: Angie Aramayo reported on the three year emergency temporary Bridge Housing program whereby temporary housing with supportive services will be established in each city council district. She indicated that the recently opened bridge housing in the El Pueblo area is producing positive improvement for formerly homeless individuals by allowing them to obtain full-time employment. The city is soliciting community acknowledgment supporting the program.
 - Dept of City Planning: Fabiola Inzunza (Community Liaison)
 - Discussed the Community Plan Update timeline and procedures. There was an extensive discussion of the need to extend the timeline to allow for adequate public input.
 - Briefly discussed the proposed Restaurant Beverage Program and distributed a handout.
 - Announced public hearing on various dates that will address switch from LOS to VMT in analyzing traffic impacts under CEQA
 - LADWP: Sylvia Beltran gave updates on project at Sepulveda and Venice Blvds., in Franklin Canyon area and at LAX.
 - LA City Councilmember Koretz's Office (CD 5): Joseph Galloway announced Councilman Koretz's motion requesting UCLA to cancel a convention sponsored by the National Students for Justice in Palestine.
 - LA City Councilmember Bonin's Office (CD 11). Not present.

- LA City Attorney Feuer's Office: Veronica de la Cruz Robles reported on a tobacco education and enforcement program and that the first DUI conviction of a scooter rider had been obtained. She agreed to provide a summary of the ordinance and codes governing the operation of scooters.
- Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment: Mike Fong announced a workshop to be held on November 29 in cooperation with the Dept. of Aging addressing unique needs of the elderly.
- Board of Neighborhood Commissioners: Eli Lipmen was not present.
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's Office: Erin Schneider was not present.
- U.S. Representative Karen Bass's Office: Jacqueline Hamilton was not present.
- U.S. Representative Ted Lieu's Office: Janet Turner distributed a Fire Recovery guide.
- CA Senator Ben Allen's Office: Samuel Liu /Eugene Tseng were not present.
- CA Assembly member Richard Bloom's Office: Josh Kurpies was not present.
- CA Assembly District 54: Brian Ross Adams was not present.
- Re-Code LA Zoning Advisory Committee: Sharon Commins was not present.

V. Presentations

- A. The Chair noted Lauren Urhasen the Western Regional Director of External Affairs for Skip Scooters had requested the opportunity to address WRAC, but did not appear.

VI. New Business

- a. Chair announced the December 14 WRAC meeting will address strategy for the year, priority issues
- b. Chair announced she met with representatives of N. Westwood NC and they intended to join and participate in WRAC.

VII. Old Business

- a. The Chair announced that she, Broide and Watts had met to review need for and content of bylaws for the proposed 501(C)(3), which will require additional work.
- b. Community Plan update process: Following discussion and upon motions duly made and seconded the following resolution were adopted:
 - i. RESOLVED that WRAC urges its member NCs and CCs to appoint sub-committees to prepare for the upcoming community plan updating and to assure that the City receives adequate and effective input from the public.
 - ii. RESOLVED that WRAC be authorized to inform the Mayor, the City Council and the Planning Department that the current timeline for completing the update of the city's 35 community plans does not allow sufficient time for the public to provide adequate and effective input.

VIII. Updates on Pending Motions

- a. Extend (and fund) timeline for Community Plans
November 2018 passage deadline. Passed by BCC and PPCC.
- b. Request for planning data prior to start of Community Plan update
November 2018 passage deadline / Passed by BCC and PPCC.
- c. Regulation of personal electric scooters has been tabled as moot.
- d. Support for the CEQA Appeals Code Amendment of June 6, 2018
September 2018 passage deadline / Passed by WNC, WLASNC
- e. Oil drilling safety conditions at Rancho Park Golf Course
September 2018 passage deadline / Passed by BCC, MVCC, WNC

IX. Adjourn: Next meeting, December 14, 2018; 8:30 a.m. at Lenny's.