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## MINUTES

WRAC Meeting of the Board of Directors  
January 17<sup>th</sup> 2022 – 6:00pm

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*Items on the Agenda may be taken in any order at the discretion of the Chair*

1. **Welcome/Introductions** Vice Chair Spitz called the meeting to order at 6:02pm (in the absence of Chair Wersinger). Roll was called at 7:28pm; quorum was established at that time, prior to consideration and votes on items 6-8.  
Representatives Present: Christina Spitz (WRAC Vice-Chair) (PPCC), Robin Greenberg (WRAC Secretary) (BABCNC), Michael Lynn (SORONC), James Murez (VNC), Lisa Chapman (WWNC), Steve Sann (WCC), Carolyn Jordan (BCC), Barbara Broide (WNC)  
Nonvoting Alternates or Members present: Andrew Lewis (NWWNC) was present but not voting due to status of his neighborhood council;  
Also Present: WRAC Land Use Committee Co-Chair, Kay Hartman, Stacy Shure, Michelle Persoff, Field Rep for Assemblymember Isaac Bryan of District 54, Senator Ben Allen, representing Senate District #26, and members of his staff including Rad Nowroozi, Samuel Liu & Zak C-K.
  - a. **Chair Updates & Recognition of MLK Day** – Vice Chair Spitz spoke in honor of Martin Luther King on this MLK Day.
  - b. **Upcoming Guests** –
    - February - LA County District Attorney George Gascon
    - March - LAUSD Board Member Nick Melvoin
    - TBD – US Congresswoman Karen Bass; US Congressmen Ted Lieu
2. **Government Reports** –
  - a. **CA Senator Ben Allen** – Vice Chair Spitz welcomed Senator Ben Allen, representing Senate District #26, who began by acknowledging that this is MLK Day, and that the dream Dr. King put before us has not yet been realized, acknowledging the act of bigotry and terror in Texas yesterday. He gave a detailed presentation, to include but not limited to notes that we have the tools to prevent the hospitalizations and deaths that we saw before with regard to Covid-19, and that they just started session. He gave an update on the Governor’s budget and noted that, on the legislative side, the budget has been more flush than anticipated, and as a result of the extra money, the state budget is susceptible to the fluctuations of the stock market, and they were able to provide historic funding for various things, and reserves. They were able to provide billions to families, support for small businesses, rainy day fund. He discussed the connection between the budget and the Westside, homelessness being one of the greatest issues. He discussed the 12 billion dollars invested to address the issue over the next few years and that the Governor is proposing a couple of more billion. They are turning hotels into more housing, from Project Room Key to Home Key, and will have funds for encampment resolution efforts and the

CalWorks housing programs. Reach out to his office as needed. Questions were asked and answered.

- b. LA28 (LA Olympics)** – Corine Taylor, Communications Manager introduced herself and noted that they are working with the city to bring the games to LA. Questions were asked and answered. See La28.org website for games info <https://la28.org/en/about-la28.html> or email her.
- c. Mayor’s Office** – Vishesh Anand was not present
- d. Michelle Persoff**, Field Rep for Assemblymember Isaac Bryan in District 54, noted that the legislative session began January 3<sup>rd</sup>; ASM Bryan has become Chair of Elections Committee. He will host a town hall in early February. She related updates including but not limited to information from the Governor as to budget proposal. Questions were asked and answered.
- e. Eli Lipmen, BONC:** GM has been communicating with NCs and they received feedback on Digital, Media & Communications (DMC) Policy & the Code of Conduct Policy. They are doing public amendments to these policies at their 02/01 meeting. Plans up or down vote on DMC policy on March 1<sup>st</sup> @ 6:00pm. They’re considering a Virtual Governance Program panel workgroup to pilot a hybrid approach in the new fiscal year. They continue to meet virtually but will look to how they may have hybrid meetings. NC leaders can help voice issues there. He is working on communications on the Sepulveda Corridor Transit Project and recommends encouraging members to phone, email, and go online to provide public comment in the EIR process. Questions were asked and answered. Member Murez volunteered to participate in their workgroup. BONC Commissioner Lipmen can be reached at: [commissionerlipmen@gmail.com](mailto:commissionerlipmen@gmail.com)

**3. Board Member Updates** – None

**4. Committee Reports** – Co-Chair Kay Hartman gave a brief report from the Land Use Committee, which met, and had a presentation from Paul Grisanti, Mayor of Malibu and from Scott Morrison, Director of Carbon Sequestration for America Malibu regarding zero carbon homes, especially around concrete. They had one motion on the agenda.

- a.** Call for candidates to Chair Land Use Committee: Ms. Hartman related that she has resigned as Co-Chair, and that Ms. Savage has resigned from the committee altogether. Vice Chair Spitz thanked her for her efforts and recommended contacting Chair Wersinger with any suggestions.

**5. Public Comment** – None

**6. Approval of Minutes** —

- a. Motion (Matt Wersinger)** – Approval of November 2021 meeting minutes **moved** by Vice Chair Spitz; **seconded** by Member Murez; **approved** by all but Chapman & Jordan, who **abstained**.

**7. New Business**

**a. Motion (PPCC/Chris Spitz)** – WRAC supports CF 14-1057-S9 (Buscaino/Koretz) – Regulation of Vehicle Dwelling.

Vice Chair Spitz gave background on this motion on an ordinance.

**Moved** by Vice Chair Spitz; **seconded** by Member Lynn; questions were asked and answered, and discussion was held. Member Sann mentioned the large piece of land, an underutilized parking lot near LAX that the city owns that may be used for tiny homes safely with needed services. Member Broide noted that other cities rotate locations every six months, and suggested maybe working with LASAN.

**Passed** by **7 yes**; **1 no** by Member Chapman; **0 abstentions**.

**b. Motion (LUPC)** – WRAC supports Council File 21-1431 and adoption of a Los Angeles City Ordinance that would provide the consistency of tenant protections and obligations provided for in both SB 330 and SB 8.

**Moved** by Member Broide; **seconded** by Vice Chair Spitz. Background was provided by Stacy Shure that Councilmembers Bonin & Raman picked up that due to a wording error in SB8, some developers could say we are ministerial and don’t require preliminary application. This Council File motion makes it clear that SB8 was to prolong the period of SB330... for ministerial and non-ministerial

developments. **Public Comment** was given by Andrew Lewis, who spoke on his own behalf, supporting these two bills and giving kudos to the WRAC for taking this up. **Passed** by all 8 present and voting.

**8. Old Business**

a. **Motion (Chris Spitz)** – Motion to retroactively extend item 8b from December 2021 to January 2022. There was no objection to Spitz having done this. **Approved**.

b. **21-16 Oppose Misuse of Specific Plan Process** – June 21, 2021 (*passage deadline January 2022*); 7 councils adopted: BABCNC, MVCC, NCWP, SORONC, WLASNC,\* WNC, WWNC (*\*modified version*)

**Motion** to extend this for another month moved by Members Lynn & Broide; no objections; **will be extended**.

c. **21.21 Request for revisions to SB 330** – Nov. 15, 2021 (*passage deadline February 2022*); 2 councils adopted: WLASNC, WNC

d. **21.22 Support for CF 21-0002-S186 (Koretz)** – Nov. 15, 2021 (*passage deadline February 2022*); 4 councils adopted: BCC, PalmsNC, WNC, WWNC

e. **21.23 Support for CF 21-1115 (Buscaino)** – Nov. 15, 2021 (*passage deadline February 2022*); 7 councils adopted: BCC, DRNC, MVCC, NCWP, SORONC, VNC, WWNC, PPCC, WNC **PASSED**:

f. **21-11 City Attorney Opinion re Financial Interest of Developer** – May 17, 2021; 8 councils adopted: BABCNC, MVCC, PalmsNC, SORONC, VNC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC **PASSED**

g. **21-17 Support for ACA 7** – June 21, 2021; 9 councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC, MVCC, NCWP, PPCC, SORONC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC **PASSED**

h. **21.19 Support for CF 21-0929 (Buscaino/Koretz)** – Sept. 20, 2021; 9 councils adopted: BCC, MVCC, NCWP, PPCC, SORONC, VNC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC **PASSED**

i. **21.20 Request for CMs to cooperate with Member Councils re designation of sites under 41.18** – Sept. 20, 2021; 9 councils adopted: BCC,\* MVCC, NCWP,\* PPCC, SORONC, VNC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC (*\*modified version*) **PASSED**

Vice Chair Spitz noted that position letters have gone out on those motions that have passed, and that a joint letter on all the ones which relate to homelessness will go out tomorrow.

**9. Adjourn:** Member Lynn **moved** to adjourn; **seconded** by Member Sann, and the meeting adjourned at 7:56pm.

Next meeting will be held on February 21<sup>st</sup> 2022 at 6pm.