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August 16, 2022

To: WRAC Member Councils (Chairs/Presidents and Representatives)
From: WRAC Chair Matt Wersinger and Vice-Chair Chris Spitz

In case you missed it, here's an update on our August 15, 2022 Board meeting:

Government Reports:

The Board was pleased to welcome Deborah Hong (LADWP Community Affairs Liaison) and Ben Wong (LADWP Supervisor of Water Resources Strategic Planning). Mr. Wong gave a slide show presentation and imparted extensive information about the City's water supply and drought response, including details about the new outdoor watering program. He answered many questions from Board members on a range of topics involving supply issues and watering restrictions. Contact Ms. Hong if you wish to arrange for an LADWP presentation at an upcoming meeting of your Council: deborah.hong@ladwp.com.

Future Meetings/WRAC Committees

The next WRAC online Board meeting will take place on September 19, 2022. WRAC officer nominations and election will occur at that time, with nominations open from the floor (new officers' term to begin on October 1, 2022). Contact Matt if you are interested in serving as an officer (Matt will not be returning as Chair). The Board thanked Matt for his service, and also thanked him, Jay Handal and other members who have personally paid for WRAC website maintenance and the work of our invaluable assistant/"minutes-taker" Cathy Palmer over the past few years.

Election Forum Committee: Matt reported that the Committee will be meeting and discussing details of possible candidate debates in the near future; an update is expected at the September WRAC meeting.

Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness Committee (PSEPC): Committee Chair Judie Hulett reported that the PSEPC held its successful inaugural meeting on August 8, with several representatives already appointed by member Councils. If you haven't yet appointed your Council's representative/s to this committee, we encourage you to do so at the earliest opportunity. Visit <https://westsidecouncils.com/meetings/> for WRAC committee meeting schedules and agendas.

New, Pending and Adopted Motions:

The Board passed the following motion for recommendation to member Councils: *Support for Letter re Mistreatment of Animals at City Shelters*. See the text of this motion along with additional background information at: <https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/support-for-letter-re-mistreatment-of-animals-at-city-shelters/>. See all pending motions at: <https://westsidecouncils.com/pending-motions/>. We encourage member Councils to consider agendizing pending motions at the earliest opportunity. Please let Matt or Chris know if you have passed any of the motions (or modified versions).

One recent pending motion reached majority passage in August and is now an adopted WRAC position: *Support for CF 20-2376-S3 (code amendments to ban camping near libraries)*. See the motion in Adopted Positions: <https://westsidecouncils.com/adopted-positions/>. Please let Matt know by August 26 if you have *considered* and *voted to oppose* this motion. Assuming timely submission, Matt must disclose the names of any dissenting organizations and may include a summary of their views in a WRAC position letter.

Another previously pending motion also reached majority passage in July and a WRAC position letter has already been submitted (*Request for Dwelling Unit Capacity Calculations*). See the Adopted Positions webpage for links to this and all other position letters to date.

Thank you as always for your continuing interest in and engagement with WRAC.