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## AGENDA

WRAC Meeting of the Board of Directors  
January 22, 2024 – 6:30pm

**Webinar link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87275111207>  
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*Items on the Agenda may be taken in any order at the discretion of the Chair –  
Any attendees who do not identify themselves upon request  
of the Chair will be removed (see Item 5 below)*

### 1. Welcome/Introductions

#### a. Call to Order and Certification of Quorum

#### b. Chair Updates –

- (1) Next board meeting 2/19/24 (Presidents' Day; possible board postponement)
- (2) Board suggestions for future guest speakers/topics

### 2. Government Reports/Speakers

#### a. Veronica de la Cruz, Deputy City Attorney (Community Law Corps)

#### b. Mayor's Office – Marian Ensley, West Area Representative

#### c. Council Reports –

- (1) Cairo Rodriguez, Sr. Field Deputy – Council District 5/Yaroslavsky
- (2) Michael Amster, Field Deputy – Council District 11/Park

#### d. Additional Government Reports – At the discretion of the Chair (possible reports from representatives of Congressmembers Ted Lieu, Brad Sherman & Sydney Kamlager-Dove; State Senators Ben Allen & Lola Smallwood-Cuevas; Assemblymembers Isaac Bryan, Jacqui Irwin, Rick Chavez Zbur & Tina McKinnor; County Supervisors Lindsey Horvath & Holly Mitchell; Council Districts 4 and 10; LAPD; LADWP; Planning Dept.)

### 3. Board Member Updates – Limited to 5 minutes total

#### a. Barbara Broide (WNC) – Metro TCN ordinance status (passed in City Council)

#### b. Chris Spitz (WRAC Vice-Chair) – Planning Dept. "Construction Noise Threshold"

proposal; WRAC letter sent 1/9/24; Planning Dept. response: deadline extended to 2/19/24

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/WRAC-Letter-Planning-CEQA-Noise-Threshold.pdf>

### 4. Committee Reports – Limited to 5 minutes total

#### a. WRAC Homelessness Committee (HOC) – Met on 1/9/24

#### b. WRAC Transportation & Mobility Committee (MTC) – Met on 1/17/24

#### c. WRAC Land Use & Planning Committee (LUPC) – No Jan. mtg.; next mtg. 2/12/24

5. **Public Comment** – Non-member attendees are allowed 1 minute for comment on items NOT on the agenda; comment time may be amended by the Chair. *In the interest of transparency, and consistent with WRAC's bylaws and the WRAC LUPC Guidelines, anonymous attendance, monitoring or participation in WRAC meetings is not permitted. All meeting attendees are asked to give full names and any affiliations, and if any attendee is paid to attend, the name and address of the attendee's client. Attendees who do not respond, when asked by the Chair to so identify themselves, will be removed from the meeting.*
6. **Approval of Minutes**
- a. **Motion (Robin Greenberg)** – Approval of November 2023 meeting minutes
7. **New Business**
- a. **Motion (DRNC/Ravi Sankaran & VNC/Nico Ruderman; recommended by WRAC HOC)** – Support for CF 23-0914 / Park (regulation of oversized vehicle/RV parking):  
“*\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC supports CF 23-0914, which calls for recommendations for a citywide program to designate streets where RVs/oversize vehicles can safely park with access to services, including housing navigation, portable restrooms, automotive repair and septic tank disposal, and would also restrict RV parking in residential areas, commercial corridors and other sensitive areas.*”
- b. **Motion (Chris Spitz; recommended by WRAC HOC)** – Request extending LAMC 41.18 to restrict dwelling in vehicles of all sizes within 500 feet of sensitive uses:  
“*\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC requests that the restriction in LAMC Sec. 41.18 on camping near sensitive uses be extended to expressly restrict dwelling in vehicles of all sizes within 500 feet of sensitive uses, including libraries, parks, schools and day-care centers, and that Councilmembers representing WRAC Member Councils (CMs Park, Yaroslavsky, Raman and/or Hutt) bring a motion in City Council to amend LAMC 41.18 for this purpose.*”
- c. **Motion/Request for Information (Chris Spitz; recommended by WRAC HOC)** – Request WRAC Board approval of letter seeking information from the LA County Board of Supervisors (BOS) about the delayed implementation of SB 43 (Requested action: Board to approve letter to be sent directly to the BOS without the need for further approval by Member Councils, consistent with past WRAC requests for information from City and LAHSA). See link to draft proposed letter attached below.
- d. **Motion (BCC/Carolyn Jordan; recommended by WRAC MTC)** – Oppose further study, EIR and implementation of the Metro Traffic Reduction Study (TRS) (aka congestion pricing) on the Westside:  
“*The \_\_\_\_\_, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), strongly opposes implementation of the Metro Traffic Reduction Study (TRS) project, aka congestion pricing, on the I-10 west of the 405 and in the Santa Monica mountain passes on the Westside. This includes Sepulveda Blvd., Benedict Canyon, Roscomare Road, and Coldwater Canyon. We request that no recommendation be made to the Metro Board to further study or to begin an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) in these areas until after the Sepulveda Transit Corridor (STC) project and Purple (D Line) Extension Transit project on*

*Wilshire Blvd. are completed and their impacts on traffic reduction can be determined.*

*“Implementing congestion pricing in these areas before the completion of the STC and Purple (D Line) would simply displace cars from the freeways onto our already gridlocked streets. Without alternate modes of travel in place prior to implementation, we do not see how congestion pricing can achieve the desired goal of reduced vehicle trips. Merely displacing cars to side streets does not achieve the goal of the TRS.”*

## **8. Old Business**

**a. 23.06. Parking Space Replacement Policy Request** – July 21, 2023 (passage deadline January 2024); 6 councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC, NCWP, VNC, WNC, WWNC (*possible motion to extend deadline to February 2024*)

**b. 23.07. Request to Revise the LAMC/Zoning** – August 21, 2023 (passage deadline January 2024); 4 councils adopted: BCC, NCWP, WNC, WWNC (*possible motion to extend deadline to February 2024*)

**c. 23.08. Request to Refer Metro TCN to Transportation Committee & LADOT** –

August 21, 2023 (*passed* December 2023); 8 councils adopted: BABCNC,\* BCC, NCWP, PPCC,\* SORONC, WNC, WWNC (*\*modified version*); WRAC letter:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/WRAC-Letter-CPC-re-Metro-CTN-2-2.pdf>

**d. 23.10. Support Public Park/Skateboard Facility at West LA Commons** – September 14, 2023 (*passed* December 2023); 8 councils adopted: BCC, DRNC, MVCC,\* PalmsNC, PPCC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC (*\*modified version*); WRAC Letter:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/WRAC-Letter-re-WLA-Commons.pdf>

**e. 23.11. Oppose Rezoning of R-1 and Sensitive Multi-Family Neighborhoods** – October 30, 2023 (passage deadline February 2024); 7 councils adopted: BABCNC,\* BCC, MVCC,\* \ NCWP, PPCC, WNC,\* WWNC\* (*\*modified versions*)

**f. 23.12. Support CF 21-1469-S2 / alternative corrective sidewalk repairs** – November 22, 2023 (*passed* January 2024); 9 councils adopted: BCC, DRNC, MVCC,\* NCWP, PPCC, VNC,\* WLASNC, WNC,\* WWNC (*\*modified versions*); WRAC letter:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/WRAC-Letter-Sidewalk-Repairs.pdf>

**9. Adjourn** – Next meeting will be held on **February 19, 2024**, at 6:30 pm (*possible board postponement – TBD*)

## **ATTACHMENT:**

### **Item 7(c): Proposed draft letter requesting information re delayed implementation of SB 43**

To: LA County Board of Supervisors (BOS) – BOS Chair/Supervisor Lindsey Horvath & Supervisors Kathryn Barger, Janice Hahn, Holly Mitchell and Hilda Solis

Re: BOS Decision to Delay Implementation of SB 43 – Request for Information

Dear Supervisors:

The Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) is a cooperative coalition, founded in 2009, of all fourteen neighborhood and community councils on the Westside of Los Angeles located in CDs 5 and 11 and portions of CDs 4 and 10. WRAC Member Councils collectively represent approximately 500,000 Angelenos – including unhoused individuals with severe mental illness and / or who are suffering from substance abuse disorder.

WRAC is aware that on December 19, 2023, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) passed a motion by BOS Chair Lindsey Horvath to delay implementation of Senate Bill 43 in Los Angeles County until January 2026.

Severely mentally ill and/or drug or alcohol-addicted unhoused individuals are present throughout communities on the Westside of Los Angeles and have long been a matter of concern for our neighborhood and community councils. Many of WRAC's Member Council board members and constituents have worked for years with government and private-sector partners to obtain services (including mental and physical health and addiction assistance as well as shelter/housing) for such individuals. WRAC's Member Councils are familiar with the serious needs and challenges, including those of mental health and substance abuse, facing unhoused individuals on the Westside.

WRAC therefore requests that the BOS provide the following information:

1) Reasons for Delayed Implementation:

- What are the *reasons for the delay*, and more specifically, why was the delay extended to two years, until January 2026, rather than a shorter delay or 6 months or one year (*i.e.*, either to July 2024 or to January 2025)? *Please provide specific details* to help us understand why such a delay is necessary.
- What *specific measures and/or protocols* must be put in place in order for the County to implement SB 43 effectively, and what time frame does the BOS estimate is required for implementation of each such measure and/or protocol? What County entity is or will be charged with developing such measures or protocols?

2) Plan to Save Lives in the Interim:

- During the two-year interim before implementation of SB 43, what *specific plans to save the lives of unhoused individuals* with severe mental illness, and / or who are suffering from substance abuse disorder, does the BOS intend to put in place?
- Please *describe any such plans in detail*. If BOS does not currently have such plans in place, what specific steps, if any, does BOS propose in order to develop and implement such plans before SB 43's implementation?

This request for information was proposed by the WRAC Homelessness Committee at its public meeting on January 9, 2024, and approved by the WRAC Board at its public meeting on January 22, 2024.

We look forward to your responses. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation with this important matter.

[Signed]

Robin Greenberg, WRAC Chair and Christina Spitz, WRAC Vice-Chair

cc: LA City Councilmembers Traci Park, Katy Yaroslavsky, Nithya Raman and Heather Hutt

*End Attachment*