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February 27, 2024

To: WRAC Member Councils (Chairs/Presidents and Board Representatives)
From: WRAC Chair Robin Greenberg and Vice-Chair Chris Spitz

In case you missed it, here's an update on the WRAC Board meeting of February 26, 2024.

Government Reports:

We were pleased to have reports and updates from several government representatives: CD 11 Deputy **Michael Amster**; CD 5 Deputy **Cairo Rodriguez**; Asm. Bryan's Representative **Michelle Persoff**; **Janet Turner**, representing U.S. Congressman Ted Lieu; **Mandy Laflen**, Sup. Horvath's West-Metro LA Deputy; **Sherman Shamoie**, Asm. Zbur's Representative; and **Denzel Henderson** of the Planning Dept., who introduced new Planning Dept. Community Liaison, **Chris Galindo** (planning.liaison@lacity.org). Ms. Laflen has also forwarded informational documents, including a flyer about "calamity tax relief" and a recent report from the County Mental Health Dept. on SB 43 implementation, which we will separately send to the Board. Thanks as always to our government reps for attending and keeping us updated.

WRAC Meetings & Events:

-- **Upcoming Board Meetings:** Next meeting: **March 18, 2024**. April meeting: **April 29, 2024** (per Board action, our April meeting will be postponed to the 4th Monday in April, since April 22 (the 3rd Monday) is Passover).

-- **Upcoming Guest Speakers:** **Vahid Khorsand**, LA Board of Public Works Commissioner – March 18; **Hon. Ted Lieu**, U.S. Representative – May 20. Please send topic suggestions and/or questions for our speakers as soon as possible.

WRAC Committees: Upcoming WRAC committee meetings in 2024 are as follows: LUPC – TBD; MTC – March 20; HOC – April 9 (regular); May 6 (special in-person HOC meeting, at Belmont Senior Living in Westwood (venue for last year's Roundtables), to discuss the homelessness crisis and LAHSA operations with key City and County officials; due to space limitations, attendance will be limited to HOC members and invited officials).

New & Pending Motions

-- **New Motions:** The Board passed **four new motions** for recommendation to member Councils:

- *Support for CF 24-0055 (enforcement of gas leaf blower ban)*
- *Request compensation for transfer of PROW easements*
- *Request cap on waivers for ED1 and Affordable Housing Streamlining projects*
- *Oppose Metro congestion pricing on the Westside without robust North/South transit options in place*

These motions are now recommended by the WRAC Board for consideration by member Councils. See the text of the motions at: <https://westsidecouncils.com/pending-motions/> (click on the "See More" buttons for more details and background). As always, **we kindly ask that you consider taking up these new motions at the earliest opportunity.**

-- Pending Motions:

As also announced, one formerly pending motion has now been passed by a majority (8) of member Councils and is now an adopted WRAC position: *Support for CF 23-0914 / Park (regulation of oversized vehicle/RV parking)*. Please let us know by **March 1** if your board has **considered** and **voted to oppose** this motion (for position letter to be submitted).

The passage deadline was not extended for one pending motion (*Request to Revise the LAMC/Zoning*), which after six months had not been passed by a majority (at least 8) of member Councils and will therefore expire as of February 29.

One more recent motion (recommended in January) remains pending, with a passage deadline in April 2024 (*Request amending the LAMC 41.18 restriction on camping near sensitive uses to include dwelling in vehicles of all sizes*). This motion has now been passed by five member Councils, with two more Councils taking it up this week. If you haven't already done so, please consider placing this motion on your upcoming board agenda.

Reminder: Pending motions are *recommended only* – they are not WRAC positions until they are passed by at least a majority (8) of member Councils, who are free to decide whether to take up any pending motions.

See you at our next Board meeting on **March 18, 2024**.

Best regards,

Robin and Chris