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May 21, 2024

To: WRAC member Council Board representatives
From: WRAC Chair Robin Greenberg and Vice-Chair Chris Spitz

In case you missed it, here's an update on the May 20, 2024, WRAC Board meeting.

Guest Speaker:

We were honored to welcome our esteemed **U.S. Representative Ted Lieu**, who represents many of our Member Councils. The Congressman spoke about his work in Congress, including his important service as Co-Chair of the House Bipartisan Task Force on Artificial Intelligence. He also answered numerous questions on a wide range of topics, from federal Community Projects funding, the Sepulveda Corridor Transit project funding and fire insurance challenges, to campaign legislative reforms, regulation of digital signage on federal highways, and more. We thank Congressman Lieu for graciously attending our meeting and speaking with us.

Government Reports:

We were pleased to have reports and updates from **Kenneth Miller**, the Mayor's West Area Representative for CD 5; Supervisor Horvath's representative **Zac Gaidzik**; and the Planning Dept. Westside Community Liaison **Chris Galindo**. Robin also read a report provided to us by CD 5 Representative **Cairo Rodriguez**, who was unable to attend. Thanks as always to our government reps for keeping us updated.

WRAC Meetings & Events:

-- **Upcoming Board meeting: June 17, 2024.**

-- **Upcoming guest speakers: State Sen. Lola Smallwood-Cuevas** will be our guest speaker on July 15, 2024, and **U.S. Representative Sydney Kamlager-Dove** will join us on August 19, 2024.

-- **Upcoming committee meetings:** HOC May 28 & June 10, 2024 (special meeting); LUPC June 10, 2024; MTC June 19, 2024

WRAC Bylaws Amendments:

The Board voted on several proposed amendments to the WRAC Bylaws and Standing Rules, including changes to allow appointment of Second Alternate Representatives to the WRAC Board and committees, as directed by the Board at the April 29th WRAC meeting. The proposed amendments were passed unanimously. See the WRAC Bylaws at: <https://westsidecouncils.com/bylaws/>. Please let Robin and Chris know if you have appointed any Second Alternates to WRAC.

New & Pending Motions

-- **New Motions:** No new policy motions were taken up.

-- **Passed and pending Motions:** One motion has now been passed by a majority (8) of WRAC Member Councils and is now an adopted WRAC position: *Compensation for PROW Easement Transfers*. Please let us know by May 27 if you have considered and voted to oppose this motion.

Two motions remain pending, with passage deadlines now extended to June 2024 (*Cap on Waivers for EDI/Streamlining Ordinance Projects; Metro Congestion Pricing*). See all pending motions at: <https://westsidecouncils.com/pending-motions/>. If you haven't already done so, please consider placing one or more of the currently pending motions on your upcoming board meeting agendas.

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 **June 17, 2024**.

Best regards,

Robin and Chris