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WRAC Meeting of the Board of Directors **September 16, 2024** – 6:30pm

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Items on the Agenda may be taken in any order at the discretion of the Chair – 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 – Chair Greenberg (BABCNC) called the meeting to order at 6:32pm. Tyler Laferriere called the roll with 10 present and quorum met. Robin Greenberg, Chair (BABCNC); Chris Spitz, Co-Chair (PPCC); Carolyn Jordan (BCC); Connor Webb (NWNC); Tanya Leal (PalmsNC); Michael Lynn (SORONC) (partial attendance); Brian Averill (VNC); Jay Handal (WLASNC); Terri Tippit (WNC); Lisa Chapman (WWNC); Steve Sann (WCC); Ravi Sankaran (DRNC), and Drew Ruesch (MVCC) (partial attendance). Members Sann, Ruesch & Sankaran arrived shortly after the roll call with 13 present. Quorum was maintained with a total 11 present after the departures of Members Reusch and Lynn.

Nonvoting Alternates Present: Barbara Broide (WNC) and Quentin Fleming (PPCC)

b. Chair Updates -

- (1) Next Board meeting: October 21, 2024.
- (2) Officer elections: per WRAC bylaws, to take place 9/16/24 (last election 9/19/22): https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/WRAC-Bylaws-5-20-24-.pdf (Art. VII.1). Nomination and election of WRAC Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary/Treasurer for two-year terms, 2024-26. *Process:* Candidates for each office may be nominated by voting Board members; the current officers are willing to serve for a second term and may be nominated; a Board vote will follow nominations for each officer position; the newly elected officers begin their terms at the close of the September 16th meeting.
- Chair Greenberg handed the gavel to Vice-Chair Spitz to preside over <u>Election of Chair</u>.

 Robin Greenberg was <u>unanimously elected</u>, as <u>nominated</u> by Vice-Chair Spitz. The gavel was returned to Chair Greenberg. <u>Election of Vice-Chair</u>: Chris Spitz was <u>unanimously elected</u>, as <u>nominated</u> by Chair Greenberg. <u>Election of Secretary/Treasurer</u>: Tyler <u>Laferrier</u> was <u>unanimously elected</u>, as <u>nominated</u> by Chair Greenberg.

- (3) Zoom & WRAC website updates (Zoom webinar function eliminated and WRAC cost lowered; payments made for new Zoom platform and for annual website hosting cost); see also item 7.a below.
- Secretary Laferriere related that we've made the transition. From 2022-2023 Zoom doubled their prices which became an onerous cost for Chair Greenberg, and we switched from webinar format to video conference format which is more affordable. He thanked the voluntary generosity of the leaders and members. Vice-Chair Spitz noted that we can discuss payment during the item below.

2. Government Reports/Speakers

a. Mayor's Office – West Area Reps, Marian Ensley & Kenneth G. Miller were *not* present.

b. Council Reports

- (1) Cairo Rodriguez, Sr. Field Deputy Council District 5/Yaroslavsky. Cairo thanked everyone for showing up at the successful CD5 event yesterday. Some comments included that CD5 has allocated \$200,000 for LAPD overtime for security around the Jewish high holidays to ensure security in this district, as well as a motion introduced on 09/11 to coordinate with specific police divisions within the district to direct resources.
 - In partnership with the Los Angeles Housing Department, the Councilwoman has allocated \$100,000+ for a pilot program to enforce nighttime disturbances stemming from home-sharing activities on multi-family properties. The office is working with LAHD to create a complaint form for CD5 residents to be able to report issues occurring in the evenings for immediate LAHD dispatch and investigation. More updates will be provided.
 - From LADWP's After Action reports on heat storms, they are preparing a complaint program as to scattered outages in CD5. CD5 will be calling for LADWP to provide reports at the next Energy and Environments committee.
 - Questions were asked and answered.
- (2) Michael Amster, Field Deputy Council District 11/Park: Some comments included the Councilwoman's legislative proposals in regard to oversized vehicle dwelling: 1) to initiate a study to create an ordinance to restrict where RV dwelling could be connected to services, etc., while keeping the RVs out of where they should not be, e.g., residential areas; and 2) a motion for parking enforcement to take quicker action in peak-hour lanes and no parking.
 - City Departments went to Paris to prepare for what's coming with the Olympics in 2028. The Councilwoman has a motion to report back on their observations and get the process going to prepare.
 - He noted a motion on workplace violence and prevention, requesting a report of implementation of a recently enacted State law that calls for a report back on implications of the new State law on employers as a whole around the State & the City's workplace violence and protections plan.
 - The Councilwoman has also been working on a motion to require DWP and LASAN to report on how they maintain infrastructure. Sewer fees are going up for single family dwellings with a bimonthly increase of about \$17. She wants to make sure, as these rate increases are happening for homes, that the communities are at least seeing a return on

the investments.

- He noted that on the ground, they will continue their top priority to have CARE+ operations and to address the homeless issue with continued prioritization for the Dockweiler Beach site. Today they had the 1st operation along PCH, between Coastline and Porto Marina, where they impounded a few vehicles, while awaiting coordination with State and County authorities to address the persistent problems along PCH.
- He pointed to one of CW Park's priorities, for a dog park in the Palisades, for which they have secured a \$1.5 million grant; the process is starting and they hope to get it done in 2026.
- He related that this weekend CW Park walked in the west of Bundy community, west of Sawtelle, where stakeholders have been very vocal about the Community Plan Update, and spoke with many community neighbors about their views.
- Lastly, there will be a cleanup on Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. at Ballona Creek.
- Questions were asked and answered.

c. Additional Government Reports –

Congressmember Ted Lieu's Representative, Janet Turner, gave a brief update, noting that Congress just went back into session. Congressmember Ted Lieu introduced a bill regarding hazing of college freshmen. During recess, he gave ceremonial checks, a million dollars to the Harbor Boys & Girls, and \$20,000 to El Segundo to start an Emergency Response Center. They have more funding requests to be approved once the budget is approved. Their office is always open for federal issues, e.g., Social Security & Medicare.

Congressmember Brad Sherman's Representative, Sean Regan, introduced himself as our new point of contact for Congressman Sherman and noted that he is covering the entire community in his district. He was also at CW Yaroslavsky's event, "Women Life Freedom Square" in Westwood. He noted that the Congressman was pleased that LA is standing with the Iranian people against the regime in Iran. Further comments included

- Congressman Sherman had a telephone town hall in late August, which they try to do every month and a half or two. The next will be in November. Find details on their website.
- Sean gave an update on the Councilmember's appropriations requests, which have been submitted. See https://sherman.house.gov/ for specifics as to 2025, which include but are not limited to request for \$4 million to fund various project at the WLA VA, to help alleviate the rate of homeless vets on the streets. He noted that one of the chief hurdles to getting our vets housed was a discrepancy in the amount of funds vets were getting from the VA, which pushed them above the limit and disqualified them from housing. The Congressman argued with the VA and they have lowered that cap. He thinks we will see a significant reduction and hopefully getting vets housed and proper care to help them transition from the battlefield to living off the streets.
- He mentioned \$1.5 million for the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area in the 32nd district. He'll fight to make sure it remains beautiful and pristine. He has requested \$1 million to contribute to the LA County's Jewish Communities Safety Plan, seeing an increase in anti-Semitic incidents since 10/07; this will also make sure to protect other vulnerable communities in the Westside and LA County, Sean,ReganCA@mail.house.gov
- Vice Chair Spitz introduced herself to Sean, and welcomed him to report at one of their PPCC meetings. She mentioned in respect to the disabled vets that we have a motion to support the Congressmember's Bill HR 8340. He related that they appreciate our support.

Member Jordan (BCC) asked if he had any position or response to the recent order that's come out of Judge Carter, in the latest lawsuit by the homeless vets against the VA, to which he noted that he'll get an answer when he visits Brentwood. **Public Comment**: A member of the public, who introduced herself as "Ruth Roofless," asked a question that Sean could not answer.

Congresswoman Sydney Kamlager-Dove's Field Representative, Jackson Benarroch, introduced himself, noting that he covers the western half of the district. Some comments included that he would be happy to provide information on eligibility requirements for federal grants as to the arts. They hosted a developer roundtable with members of the original Administrator for the Department of Urban Housing and Urban Development. He mentioned concerns about building affordable housing in the district and that faith leaders are to focus on development of affordable housing on lands owned by faith leaders. Applications are now opening for military service academy nominations, for students who would like to attend prestigious academies such as the US Military Academy West Point, the Naval Academy, etc., with free tuition, a fantastic education, and honorable service. He'll send this info in a condensed format and also info about an immigration clinic. Questions were asked and answered.

State Senator Ben Allen's New Field Representative, Samantha (Sam) Gallegos, introduced herself and gave updates, beginning with bills signed by Governor Newsom: SB 1417, a public transportation safety pilot program for the Big Blue Bus, and SB 1427, a joint petition for dissolution of marriage.

Sam noted that bills they are waiting on include SB 1297, a PCH speed camera bill that would minimize speeding and the tragedies caused by speeding. They authorized five locations on PCH. The bill calls for the installation of feedback signs and automated speed cameras on the 21-mile stretch of curving coastal road. She mentioned SB 571, a study by the Office of Planning and Research in Governor Newsom's office that would create evacuation routes for all natural disasters, not just wildfires; taking into consideration how safety professionals can get in and how residents can get out during emergencies. Events coming up: Santa Monica Beach Clean Up with Heal the Bay, celebrating Coastal Clean-Up Day on September 21, and in mid-October a household hazardous waste webinar.

Assemblymember Tina McKinnor's new Representative, LaQuisha Bryant, introduced herself; and noted that she had nothing to report, but will meet with us moving forward. She looks forward to serving WRAC's communities.

County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath's Representative, Amanda (Mandy) Laflen, asked Sean Regan about funds for fighting anti-Semitism. Sean stressed that the amounts he listed are all available under Community Project Funding FY 2025 on their website; the process is not yet finished. She noted that it was she who put the information all together and submitted it to the Congressman. He thanked her for her work, and stated that he feels blessed for having really good partners such as Mandy at the Supervisor's office.

- Mandy noted that they have two events coming up: On September 21, they are participating in the Heal the Bay Coastal Cleanup Day, co-sponsoring the clean-up at Ginger Rogers Beach in Pacific Palisades, and the Emergency Preparedness event on October 5th at the Skirball Center, 9:00 a.m.

Planning Liaison, Chris Galindo, invited us to join an in-person meeting this Thursday to focus on the Westchester WLA Community Plan Update. Info can be found on the Planning website.

Aldenae Williams, LADWP had nothing to report at this time but noted that next time she will have updates for CD11.

3. Board Member Updates – There were none.

4. Committee Reports –

- WRAC Transportation & Mobility Committee (MTC) Met 8/21/24; next mtg 9/18/24
- WRAC Homelessness Committee (HOC) Met 8/27/24; next mtg 9/24/24 (confirmed)
- WRAC Land Use & Planning Committee (LUPC) Met 9/9/24; next mtg 10/14/24
- **Public Comment** The caller who identified herself as Ruth "Roofless" wanted to alert the WRAC HOC Chair that CF# 19-1020 expires on 11/18; it creates a commission and advisory body within the Civil Rights & Equity Department, a way for people to speak to our Government Officials about this program to identify waste, fraud and abuse, and correct the problem of how money is being spent that is not helpful. She'd like to update that council file.

6. Approval of Minutes

Motion – The July 2024 meeting minutes <u>passed</u>, as <u>moved</u> by Chair Greenberg (BABCNC); <u>second</u> by Member Handal (WLASNC).

7. New Business

a) Potential Zoom Alternatives / meeting platform and website hosting expenses – Discussion of costs/payments, reimbursement of officers, any other options; possible action. Chair Greenberg thanked Secretary/Treasurer Tyler Laferriere for getting us a better rate for our Zoom program. Vice Chair Spitz asked Chair Greenberg to verify the costs and suggested if people want to contribute toward it, email them directly. Member Handal (WLASNC) would recommend finding out our true expenses to run our meetings, and look at the total expense, noting if you're going to ask councils for money to do these things, know what people are paying for so we know what we are dealing with. Vice-Chair Spitz noted we can continue to discuss this further at another meeting.

b) Motion (HOC/Jay Handal) – Support the "Housing Unhoused Disabled Veterans Act" (HR 8340 / Sherman) – from cancelled August 2024 meeting agenda. "_____ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils, strongly supports the "Housing Unhoused Disabled Veterans Act" (HR 8340 / Sherman) and urges our Councilmembers to submit a resolution in City Council forthwith to add support for HR 8340 to the Council's Federal Legislative Priorities for 2024-2025." Member Handal (WLASNC) introduced and moved this, stating that he thinks we should get as

many vets housed as we can, and that it is a disgrace that our veterans are still unhoused

especially when we impose draconian restrictions. He urged all NCs and CCs to agendize the motion and encourage their boards to vote in favor of the motion. The motion was <u>seconded</u> by Vice-Chair Spitz (PPCC) and <u>passed</u> by <u>12-0-0.</u> (Member Ruesch had left before the vote.)

:)	Motion (WNC/Terri Tippit; MVCC/Drew Ruesch) – Support for CF-24-0602 (report on
	impact of artificial turf installations) – from cancelled August 2024 meeting agenda.
	" NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils, strongly supports CF
	24-0602, which requests a report back from the CLA on the costs, environmental hazards, and
	human health consequences of artificial turf installations in Los Angeles, and recommendations
	to effectuate transitioning away from the future use of synthetic turf or artificial grass and to
	incentivize drought-friendly landscaping."
	Vice-Chair Spitz noted that Member Ruesch, who was here briefly, brought this to WRAC.
	Member Tippit (WNC) introduced and moved the motion which was seconded by Member
	Webb (NWNC). Vice-Chair Spitz believes that the Council File motion that will be voted on
	tomorrow will likely be approved. Member Handal recommended still going through with the
	motion. It was noted that the DRNC board had just sent their statement in, so we now have five
	councils who voted in support of the council file. The motion passed with one abstention from
	Vice-Chair Spitz (11-0-1.)
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l)	Motion (HOC/Jay Handal) – Support for CW Park Letter re Governor's Executive Order
	# N-1-24/Addressing Encampments on State Land in CD 11.
	"NC/CC strongly supports the letter dated August 5, 2024, from Councilwoman Traci
	Park to Governor Newsom and Caltrans, requesting that state authorities coordinate with CD 11
	in addressing encampments on state property within the district, pursuant to the Governor's
	Executive Order # N-1-24. " NC/CC further requests a prompt response, effective action
	and accountability by state authorities." The motion was <u>moved</u> and explained by Member
	Handal (WLASNC), noting if we pass this agenda item "d," we should pass "e" as well, because
	it is asking CW Yaroslavsky to write a similar letter. The motion was <u>seconded</u> by Vice-Chair
	Spitz (PPCC). The action supporting the letter and requesting a prompt response passed
	unanimously (12-0-0.) Vice-Chair Spitz noted that four councils have already passed the motion.
)	Motion (HOC/Jay Handal) – Request CW Yaroslavsky to Send Similar Letter re
,	Governor's Executive Order # N-1-24/Addressing Encampments on State Land in CD 5.
	"NC/CC requests that Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavsky promptly send a letter to
	Governor Newsom and Caltrans, similar to the letter of August 5, 2024, from Councilwoman
	Park to the Governor and Caltrans, requesting that state authorities coordinate with CD 5 in
	addressing encampments on state property within the district, pursuant to the Governor's
	Executive Order # N-1-24. " NC/CC further requests a prompt response, effective action
	and accountability by state authorities." The motion moved by Member Handal (WLASNC) and
	seconded by Vice-Chair Spitz (PPCC) passed by 9 yeses from Chair Greenberg, Vice-Chair
	Spitz, and Members Jordan, Leal, Averill, Sann, Handal, Tippit, and Chapman, (Member Lynn
	had left), 1 no from Member Webb, and 1 abstention from Member Sankaran.

f)	Motion (HOC/Jay Handal) - Support for Brentwood Community Council Resolution and
	Requests to LA County Board of Supervisors. " NC/CC strongly supports the
	Resolution approved by Brentwood Community Council on August 14, 2024, regarding the
	responses, actions and policies of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) with
	respect to addressing homelessness in Los Angeles. " NC/CC further specifically supports
	the four requests to the BOS set forth in the Resolution." The motion was <u>moved</u> by Member
	Handal (WLASNC) and seconded by Member Jordan (BCC), and passed by 10-0-1, with the
	one abstention from Member Webb.
a)	Motion (HOC/Jay Handal) – Request for City Homeless Reporting Dashboard that
g)	Mirrors the Culver City Homeless Reporting Dashboard. " NC/CC urges the City of
	Los Angeles to promptly establish a new central Homeless Reporting Dashboard on the City's
	website, mirroring the Culver City Homeless Reporting Dashboard that is clear, open, honest,
	transparent and easily accessible by the public. " NC/CC further requests that Council-
	woman Park take appropriate action to effectuate establishment of such a new central
	Homelessness Reporting Dashboard in Los Angeles."
	The motion was moved by Member Handal (WLASNC) and seconded by Member Jordan
	(BCC). Member Handal related that the Dashboard that Culver City put together is very good,
	and it is the first city that identifies how and who they are helping, how many times they are
	helping and where the dollars are spent correctly, which we can't get right in Los Angeles. He
	strongly suggests that we ask that the City, in conjunction with the County and LAHSA, to give
	us the numbers so we can watch in real time what's happening to our \$2.5 billion a year.
	Questions were asked and answered. There was <u>no opposition</u> and <u>no abstentions</u> , and the
	motion <u>passed</u> unanimously (<u>11-0-0</u>).
h)	Motion (LUPC/Steve Sann) – Request Suspension of Work on Westside Community Plans
	until Housing Element Policies and Mapping are Adopted. "The NC/CC, a member of
	the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), requests the City Planning Department
	suspend further work on the Westside Community Plans until the policies and mapping to
	implement the Housing Element have been adopted by the City and approved by the State and
	their impacts on local land use and each community plan are known." Member Sann (WCC)
	introduced and moved, Member Handal (WLASNC) seconded. Alternate Member Broide
	(WNC) added that the Housing Element Mapping is to be completed and submitted to the State
	by February. The mapping needs to be completed before we go ahead and finish working on our
	Community Plans. The motion <u>passed</u> by <u>10-1-0</u> with the <u>no vote</u> from Member Connor.
i)	Motion (LUPC/Steve Sann) – Request Revision of Landscape Ordinance to Clarify that
	Front Yard Paving for Extra Parking is Prohibited.
	"The NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), requests
	that the City revise the Landscape Ordinance to clarify that pavement for extra parking is
	prohibited in the front yards of all parcels, except for garage driveways and circular driveways
	(maximum of 50% of the front yard). The Planning Dept. shall add that prohibited excess
	pavement shall be removed at the owner's cost, or a citation and/or a lien shall be recorded
	pavement shall be removed at the owner's cost, or a citation and/or a field shall be recorded

against the property.

See Background Information for all motions on Google Drive and website Meetings page, linked above.

Member Sann (WCC) introduced and <u>moved</u> this motion on behalf of the LUPC, and Member Chapman (WWNC) <u>seconded</u>.

Member Sann explained the motion, which basically says that where you have areas that are intended for landscaping (exempting driveways), excess paving over what is supposed to be a landscaped area is *not* acceptable. People are paving over their front yards and landscaped areas to create more parking in locations where, due to the state removal of required parking, there is no parking on the street; people are resorting to creating parking areas on the grass in their front yards or in areas that previously had trees. Alternate Member Broide (WNC) added information to this problem, as to the limits and lack of enforcement, noting this is not just an issue for new buildings but affects all neighborhoods. Vice-Chair Spitz isn't sure how her council would view the motion since the phenomenon generally isn't occurring in her community; thus, she may abstain. She is a little concerned about the requirement for excess pavement to be removed at the owners' cost, which seems onerous, noting that someone might want to adjust that language. Further discussion was held.

Member Connor (NWNC) spoke to the last point, stating that just because enforcement is lax, people who build out of code are responsible for correction with use of their own funds, and this is a similar situation. Member Handal (WLASNC) noted that he supports this up to a citation, and thinks putting a lien on the house is more draconian than it needs to be. He noted that the City does not do enforcement of its own codes. He'd put a period after "citation" but has a hard time with a lien and recording it against the property. Member Jordan (BCC) also has concerns regarding remedies; she further noted her challenge that when we talk about approving modified versions of WRAC-recommended motions, it is not clear, if several councils approve modified versions, whether the position that goes forward includes the full panoply of modified versions.

Amendment to change the last sentence to read that The Planning Dept. shall add that prohibited excess pavement shall be removed at the owner's cost, or a citation issued. [Striking the rest of the sentence which stated: and/or a lien shall be recorded against the property.]

The amendment was moved by Member Spitz (PPCC), seconded by Member Jordan (BCC) and passed by 7 yeses from Chair Greenberg, Vice-Chair Spitz, and Members Jordan, Sankaran, Averill, Handal and Tippit, 2 noes from Members Connor and Chapman and 2 abstentions from Members Leal and Sann.

<u>Motion as amended</u> (to strike the lien element) <u>passed</u> by <u>10 yeses</u> from Chair Greenberg, Vice-Chair Spitz, and Members Jordan, Sankaran, Connor, Averill, Sann, Handal, Tippit, and Chapman, <u>0 noes</u>, and <u>1 abstention</u> from Member Leal.

8. Old Business

a) **24.05.** Request cap on waivers for ED1 and Affordable Housing Streamlining projects -- Feb. 26, 2024 (passage deadline Sept. 2024). 7 councils adopted: NCWP, Palms NC,* VNC, WCC, WLASNC, WWNC, WNC* (modified versions). Request Board ratification of Chair's extension of deadline to September; possible action to further extend deadline.

Vice-Chair Spitz <u>moved</u> that the Board ratify the prior extension to the end of September which was <u>seconded</u> by Member Handal (WLASNC), and the motion <u>passed</u> by <u>10-1-0</u> (with the no vote from Member Connor). Member Jordan noted that Brentwood might take this up, and per Member Sann, we are one council away and it does no harm to extend the deadline until the end of October.

Member Sann (WCC) <u>moved</u> that the Board extend this further to October, which was <u>seconded</u> by Jordan (BCC), and <u>passed</u> by <u>9 yeses</u>, <u>1 no</u> by Member Connor and <u>1 abstention</u> by Member Leal.

b) **24.07. Oppose CF 21-0329-S5 (Yaroslavsky); support LAMC Sec. 41.18** – June 2024 (adopted August 2024). 8 councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC,* DRNC,* MVCC,* NCWP, PPCC, VNC, WLASNC (*modified versions).

Position letter: https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/WRAC-Letter-CF21-0329-S5-1.pdf. Vice-Chair Spitz (PPCC) noted that WWNC also passed this after the letter went out. Member Jordan (BCC) thanked the Chair and Vice Chair for taking the step for extending this.

c) **24.08.** Support CF **24-0140-S1** (report on impact of *Grants Pass*) – July 2024 (adopted August 2024). 8 councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC,* MVCC, NCWP,* PPCC, VNC, WLASNC, WNC* (*modified versions).

Two letters sent:

Informational letter:

https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/WRAC-Letter-Grants-Pass.pdf. Position letter:

https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/WRAC-Letter-Grants-Pass-Motion.pdf.

9. Adjournment – Prior to adjournment, Chair Greenberg related that Councilwoman Traci Park's recent newsletter included an item on a new store in CD11 named <u>Re Grocery</u>, which she appreciates and hopes that this store makes it. Chair Greenberg gave Re Grocery gift certificates to the officers and committee chairs, who thanked her.

Member Sann thanked the WRAC leadership for their devotion to the organization and for the thankless jobs. He also thanked all the members on the call, relating that while we may not agree on everything, he appreciates the absolute respect that everyone shows. He also appreciated the efficiency of this meeting, noting that in less than two hours we covered a lot. He thanked Member Handal for his continued leadership on homelessness.

Member Handal announced that on Thanksgiving day, WLASNC will be feeding the homeless at the WLA Civic Center, sponsored by CD11, with his council and other councils serving 4,000 to 5,000 people on the day, giving them clothing and food. Everyone is invited to come, and they'd love volunteers (they usually have 700 to 800 volunteers.) They now have a new component called

<u>The Mercado</u> where they give bags of groceries as well as the hot meal. All are invited. https://www.westsidethanksgiving.org/

Cairo Rodriguez, Sr. Field Deputy – Council District 5/Yaroslavsky related that in regard to Katy Yaroslavsky writing a letter to the Governor, the Councilwoman is open to the idea and she believes it will be beneficial.

Member of the public Ruth "Roofless" again spoke, reminding everyone to consider Council File # 19-1020 and asked that we agendize this before it expires on November 18th. She noted that she has found waste, fraud and abuse, with no one to tell.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m., as moved by Member Handal (WLASNC)

Next meeting is to be held on October 21, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.