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September 18, 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 September 16, 2024, WRAC Board meeting.

### Government Reports:

We were pleased to have robust updates from several government representatives, who reported on a wide range of topics. We heard from: **Cairo Rodriguez**, Field Deputy for CD 5 (Yaroslavsky); **Michael Amster**, Field Deputy for CD 11 (Park); **Janet Turner**, District Representative for Congressman Lieu; **Jackson Benarroch**, Field Representative for Congressman Kamlager-Dove; **Sean Regan**, *new* District Representative for Congressman Sherman; **Samantha Gallegos**, *new* Field Representative for Sen. Allen; **LaQuisha Bryant**, *new* Field Representative for Assemblymember McKinnor; Supervisor Horvath's Westside Deputy **Mandy Laflen**; the Planning Dept. Westside Community Liaison **Chris Galindo**; and LADWP Community Liaison **Aldenae Williams**. Thanks as always to our government reps for keeping us updated.

**Officers Election:** The current officers were nominated for their same positions and indicated their willingness to serve again: Robin Greenberg, Chair; Chris Spitz, Vice-Chair; Tyler Laferriere, Secretary/Treasurer. There were no other nominations. The Board thanked and unanimously elected the current officers, who will serve two-year terms, through September 2026.

**WRAC Zoom & Website Updates:** We have reduced our expenses substantially by changing from a Zoom webinar platform to a videoconference platform for our meetings. No action was taken at this time as to making any further changes. The annual expenses for the Zoom account and website maintenance were due in August and were paid respectively by Robin and Tyler (@\$450 Zoom/Robin; @\$150 website/Tyler). *Member-Council reps who wish to contribute voluntarily towards reimbursing them for these expenses should contact Robin and/or Tyler at: [robin@robingreenberg.com](mailto:robin@robingreenberg.com); [tyler.laferriere.mvcc@gmail.com](mailto:tyler.laferriere.mvcc@gmail.com).*

### WRAC Meetings & Events:

- **Upcoming Board meeting:** October 21, 2024
- **Upcoming committee meetings:** MTC Sept. 18, 2024; HOC Sept. 24, 2024; LUPC Oct. 14, 2024

### New & Pending Motions:

-- **New Motions:** The Board passed **eight motions** for recommendation to Member Councils: **Items 7b through 7i** on the 9/16/24 agenda (motions primarily relating to homelessness and land use).<sup>1</sup> See text and details about the motions at: <https://westsidecouncils.com/pending-motions/> (click on the "Read More" button for each motion). WRAC Member Councils are encouraged to take up these now-pending motions at the earliest opportunity.

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<sup>1</sup> One motion, support for CF 24-0642 (report back on impacts of artificial turf), passed in City Council yesterday (9/17/24). Five WRAC member Councils have already submitted CIS in support (only three more are needed for the motion to become an adopted WRAC position). The Board was aware at the 9/16 meeting that this CF would be voted on in Council the next day, but strongly felt that the motion to support should still be recommended to other member Councils for possible adoption of a WRAC position while the report back is pending, and the matter is still under consideration in Council.

-- ***Pending Motions:*** The passage deadline for one motion that has been pending for some time was extended to October 2024 (*Cap on Waivers for ED1/Streamlining Ordinance Projects; see the pending motions webpage linked above*). This motion had been passed by seven Member Councils; only one more vote is needed for this to become an adopted WRAC position!

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.

We also emphasize that WRAC is of course a *cooperative coalition* which seeks, whenever possible, to advocate for our member Councils' common / regional interests and concerns, as reflected in motions that a majority or more of WRAC Board representatives have voted to recommend for possible consideration by our member Councils – and may eventually become adopted WRAC positions.

See you at our next Board meeting on **October 21, 2024**. *Enjoy the Fall and cooler weather!*

Best regards,

*Robin and Chris*