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AGENDA

WRAC Meeting of the Board of Directors
February 17, 2025 – 6:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

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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

b. Chair Updates –

- (1) Next Board meeting: March 17, 2025
- (2) New Board representatives. BCC: Carolyn LoBuglio (BCC Chair & WRAC primary rep); Carolyn Jordan (1st alternate); Larry Watts (2nd alternate). NWNC: Connor Webb (primary rep); Elizabeth Brady (alternate)
- (3) Update: status of possible future in-person board meetings

2. Government Reports/Speakers

a. Guest speaker: Hon. Traci Park, Councilwoman, CD 11

b. Mayor's Office – Marian Ensley and Kenneth G. Miller, West Area Representatives

c. Council Reports –

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

c. 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

4. Committee Reports – Limited to 5 minutes total.

a. WRAC Transportation & Mobility Committee (MTC) – next mtg. 2/19/25

b. WRAC Homelessness Committee (HOC) – no mtg Dec.-Jan; next mtg. TBD

c. WRAC Land Use & Planning Committee (LUPC) – no mtg. Dec.-Jan.; next mtg. TBD

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 (Art. V.5 and Standing Rule 9), 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 2024 meeting minutes

7. New Business.

a. Motion (WRAC MTC) – CF 24-1151 / Allocation of Revenues from Bus Lane Violation Enforcement Pilot Program:

“The _____ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), opposes the allocation of revenues from the Bus Lane Violation Enforcement Pilot Program to items that are not specifically related to public transit. We therefore oppose using these funds for “Transportation improvements and temporary staffing related to the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic games.” A \$200 million federal grant is already in the works to help with the proposed use of public buses at the 2028 Games. Council Files: 24-1151 and 21-1224.”

b. Motion (Palms NC – T. Leal, R. Akef, K. Hartman) – Support CF 25-0006-S38:

“The _____ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), supports Council File 25-0006-S38 (Park/Nazarian) and efforts to address shortcomings in water infrastructure procedures exposed during the recent catastrophic fires in our city.”

Background information for both motions on Google Drive and website Meetings page, linked above

8. Old Business

Adopted positions (since last meeting):

a. 24.05. Request cap on waivers for ED1 and Affordable Housing Streamlining projects -- Feb. 26, 2024 (*passed* November 2024). 8 councils adopted: BABCNC, NCWP, Palms NC,* VNC, WCC, WLASNC, WWNC, WNC* (*modified version*). Position Letter:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/WRAC-Letter-Homeless-Dashboard.pdf>. Further Letter: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/WRAC-Further-Letter-ED-1-Waivers.pdf>

b. 24.11. Support for CW Park Letter re Governor’s Executive Order # N-1-24 / Addressing Encampments on State Land in CD 11 – September 2024 (*passed* November 2024). 8 councils adopted: BCC, DRNC, MVCC, NCWP, PPCC,* WLASNC, WNC, WWNC (**modified version*). Position letter:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/WRAC-Letter-Encampments-State-Land1.pdf>

Caltrans letter in response to CW Park:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/Caltrans-Response-Park-Letter.pdf>

c. 24.17. Request Investigation into Use of Federal, State, County and City Funds to Address Homelessness – October 2024 (*passed* December 2024). 8 councils adopted:

BABCNC, BCC, MVCC, PalmsNC, PPCC,* WLASNC, WNC, WWNC (**modified version*).
Position letter: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/WRAC-Letter-Investigate-HomelessFundingF.pdf>

d. 24.18. Support CF 24-1128 (report on incomplete/abandoned construction) – October 2024 (*passed November 2024*). 8 councils adopted: BABCNC,* BCC, DRNC, NCWP, PalmsNC,** PPCC, WLASNC, WWNC, WNC* (**modified versions; **passed motion after PPCC position letter sent*): Position letter: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/WRAC-Letter-Abandoned-Construction.pdf>
LADBS Report: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2024/24-1128_misc_12-20-24.pdf

e. 24.19. Oppose Metro TCN Structures Along the 405 – October 2024 (*passed December 2025*). 8 councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC, PPCC,* VNC, WCC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC (**modified version*). Position letter: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/WRAC-Letter-Opposing-TCN-Billboards.pdf>

Pending motions (*request retroactive board approval of extension of Jan. deadlines to Feb.; possible action to extend deadlines one month*):

f. 24.16. Request Revision of Landscape Ordinance to Clarify that Front Yard Paving for Extra Parking is Prohibited – September 2024 (*passage deadline Feb. 2025*). 6 councils adopted: BABCNC,* BCC, NCWP, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC (**modified version*).
WRAC letter (re position of 6 member councils): <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/WRAC-Letter-Landscape-Ordinance.pdf>
Current status: City Council on 1/7/25 directed City Attorney to prepare final ordinance with provisions similar to the WRAC motion (draft approved by the City Planning Commission): https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2024/24-1399_misc_11-05-24.pdf (*see Sec. 7 on unnumbered p. 13*)

g. 24.12. Request CW Yaroslavsky to Send Similar Letter re Governor’s Executive Order # N-1-24 / Addressing Encampments on State Land in CD 5 – September 2024 (*passage deadline Feb. 2025*). 7 councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC, NCWP, PPCC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC

h. 24.13. Support for Brentwood Community Council Resolution and Requests to LA County Board of Supervisors – September 2024 (*passage deadline Feb. 2025*). 6 councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC, NCWP,* PPCC, WLASNC, WWNC (**modified version*)

i. 24.15. Request Suspension of Work on Westside Community Plans until Housing Element Policies and Mapping are Adopted – September 2024 (*passage deadline Feb. 2025*). 5 councils adopted: BCC, NCWP, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC

9. Adjourn – Next meeting to be held on **March 17, 2025**, at 6:30 pm.