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February 18, 2025

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 February 17, 2025, WRAC Board meeting.

Government Reports:

We were honored to host our special guest speaker, Councilwoman Traci Park, CD 11. The Councilwoman spoke passionately about the unprecedented, enormous impacts of the massive Palisades Fire and the resulting recovery efforts. She described how she and her staff have been on the ground almost every day, including on the day of the fire, assisting residents in every way possible. She has resigned her position as Chair of the City Council Olympics Committee to instead Chair the new Council Ad Hoc Committee on Wildfire Recovery and to devote her time to this overwhelming issue. She is committed to supporting the community, to the rebuilding of Pacific Palisades and to preserving the community's character to the fullest extent possible. We thanked Councilwoman Park profusely for speaking with us and most importantly, for her dedication and tireless work on behalf of the community.

We were also pleased to have an update from CD 11 Deputy Michael Amster, as well as a visit from DONE General Manager Carmen Chang, who expressed condolences for the tragedy to the entire Westside community and offered the Department's support.

WRAC Meetings & Events:

- -- Upcoming Board meeting: March 17, 2025
- -- Upcoming committee meetings: MTC 2/19/25; LUPC TBD; HOC 3/25/25
- -- **Possible in-person Board meetings:** We have not actively pursued a date or location for an in-person meeting, but may do so in the future.

New & Pending Motions:

- -- New Motions: The Board considered and passed three motions for recommendation to Member Councils:
 - a. https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/allocation-of-revenues-from-bus-lane-violation-enforcement-pilot-program/
 - b. https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/support-council-file-25-0006-s38-re-creation-of-climate-resilience-district/
 - c. https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/support-cf-25-0172/

Please consider taking up one or more of these motions at your board meetings at the earliest opportunity

-- **Pending Motions:** The passage deadlines for all four pending motions were extended to March 2025; See 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 still pending motions at the earliest opportunity. 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.¹

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 March 17, 2025.

Best regards,

Robin and Chris

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¹ Even if a given motion is not passed by a majority of Member Councils and thus does not become an adopted WRAC position, those Member Councils that have passed the motion are free to submit (and should submit) CIS and/or position letters on their own behalf. Collectively, positions expressed by several Member Councils, even if short of a majority in WRAC, are meaningful and may have a positive impact.