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March 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 March 17, 2025, WRAC Board meeting.

Government Reports:

We welcomed several government representatives, who gave updates and reports on the work of their offices. Jonah Glickman, Homelessness Liaison for Supervisor Lindsey Horvath, provided information about a proposed plan to consolidate all homelessness services into one County department, beginning in July 2025. The motion by Supervisor Horvath for approval of the plan will be heard by the full Board of Supervisors on April 1, 2025. For more information about the plan, visit: <https://lindseyhorvath.lacounty.gov/consolidate-homeless-services/>.

We were pleased as well to hear from Janet Turner, Deputy District Director for Congressman Ted Lieu; Sherwin Shamocil, Field Representative for Assemblymember Rick Zbur; and LaQuisha Bryant, Field Representative for Assemblymember Tina McKinnor, who advised us about legislation that their respective officials have introduced. Chris Galindo, Planning Dept. Community Liaison, also provided information in the chat about new operating hours for the One-Stop Rebuilding Center, 1828 Sawtelle Blvd., which provides streamlined, in-person assistance to help Angelenos rebuild homes and businesses lost in the Palisades Fire (open 9am-5pm Monday – Saturday; closed Sundays).

WRAC Meetings & Events:

-- *Upcoming Board meeting:* April 21, 2025

-- *Upcoming committee meetings:* MTC 3/19/25; LUPC TBD; HOC 3/25/25

-- *Possible in-person Board meetings:* Steve Sann (WCC) advised that Belmont Senior Living in Westwood would be happy to host us for a meeting. In an informal poll, a majority of Board members expressed a preference for a breakfast meeting, in either May or June (breakfast buffet to open at 7:30am, meeting to begin at 8am). Steve will check with Belmont as to availability on either May 19 or June 16.

New & Pending Motions:

-- *New Motions:* The Board considered and passed two motions for recommendation to Member Councils:

a. Request to address coastal wildfire debris:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/request-to-address-wildfire-coastal-debris-catastrophe/>

NOTE: there is an immediate need to address the hazardous waste along our coastline, which is a regional issue. We hope that Member Councils can take up this motion as soon as possible!

b. Oppose SB 677 (Wiener):

<https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/oppose-sb-677-wiener/>

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 pending motions were extended to May 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 **April 21, 2025**.

Best regards,

Robin and Chris

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.