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## AGENDA

WRAC Meeting of the Board of Directors  
April 21, 2025 – 6:30pm

### Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84095705158?pwd=JGw2s8bM4JsNzlaaLacZJuAMaxt0Md.1#success>

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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: May 19, 2025
- (2) Update: status of future in-person board meeting (July 21, 2025, in-person at Belmont Senior Living: breakfast 7:30am, mtg. start 8am; guest speaker TBD – possibly Mayor or Supervisor or Councilmembers; board consensus sought).

#### 2. Government Reports/Speakers

##### a. LADWP presentation on the Scattergood modernization project:

Katherine Rubin (Director of Environmental Affairs) and Nermina Rucic (Director of Power System Planning)

##### b. Mayor's Office – Marian Ensley, West Area Representative

##### c. Council Reports –

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

##### d. 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

##### a. Chris Spitz (Vice-Chair) – update on DOJ Homelessness and Corruption Task Force.

See letter sent 4/10/25 by the Chair, Vice-Chair and Homelessness Committee Chair:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/WRAC-letter-to-DOJ-re-Task-Force.pdf>

Additional position letter re vehicle dwelling (based on WRAC's long-time positions):

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/WRAC-Letter-LAMC-85.02.pdf>

**4. Committee Reports** – Limited to 5 minutes total.

- a. WRAC Transportation & Mobility Committee (MTC)** – met 3/19/25; next mtg. 4/30/25
- b. WRAC Homelessness Committee (HOC)** – met 3/25/25; no April mtg; next mtg 5/27/25
- c. WRAC Land Use & Planning Committee (LUPC)** – no mtgs since Oct. 2024; current committee status unclear

**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 March 2025 meeting minutes

**7. New Business.**

**a. Motion (MTC/Steve Sann) – Amend LAMC 56.16 – No riding e-bicycles on sidewalks:**

“\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), supports changing the Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 56.15. BICYCLE RIDING – SIDEWALKS to read: No person shall ride, operate or use an e-bicycle on a sidewalk or boardwalk in the City of Los Angeles.”

**b. Motion (PPCC/C. Spitz & WNC/T. Tippit) – Oppose SB 79 / Support CF 25-0002-19:**

“\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), opposes SB 79 (Wiener), which further erodes local control over land use and zoning decisions, requires streamlined approval of very high multifamily buildings near certain bus stops and rail lines in single-family neighborhoods even when municipalities such as Los Angeles already have a state-approved and compliant Housing Element, and compromises public safety by failing to include an unconditional exemption for the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.

“\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC further supports the resolution in City Council by Councilmember John S. Lee, second by Councilwoman Traci Park (CF 25-0002-S19), for the City Council to add to its State Legislative Program for 2025-26 opposition to SB 79 unless amended to exempt municipalities with a state-approved and compliant Housing Element.”

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

**8. Old Business**

**Oldest pending motions** – a.-d., all introduced in Sept. 2024 (numerous deadline extensions)

- a. 24.16. Request Revision of Landscape Ordinance to Clarify that Front Yard Paving for Extra Parking is Prohibited** – September 2024 (passage deadline May 2025). **7** councils adopted: BABCNC,\* BCC, NCWP, NWNC, 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>

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/online/docs/2024/24-1399\\_misc\\_11-05-24.pdf](https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2024/24-1399_misc_11-05-24.pdf) (see Sec. 7 on unnumbered p. 13)

**b. 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 May 2025). **7** councils adopted: BAB CNC, BCC, NCWP, PPCC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC

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

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

**Note:** No change in passage number (5) since November 2024 (5 months ago); the Housing Element Rezoning Program was adopted in February 2025, per the Planning Dept., *i.e.*, **motion may be moot**. See: <https://planning.lacity.gov/plans-policies/housing-element-rezoning-program>

**Most recent pending motion** – *e.*, introduced in Feb.2025

**e. 25.05. Allocation of Revenues from Bus Lane Violation Enforcement Pilot Program – February 2025** (passage deadline May 2025). **6** councils adopted: BAB CNC, BCC, NCWP, VNC, WNC, WWNC

**Passed motions** – *f.-i.*, introduced in Feb.-March; passed in April 2025

**f. 25.01. Support Council File 25-0006-S38 re Creation of Climate Resilience District – February 2025** (passed April 2025). **10** councils adopted: BAB CNC,\* BCC, DRNC, NCWP, NWNC, PalmsNC, PPCC,\* WLASNC, WNC, WWNC (\*modified versions). Position letter: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/WRAC-Letter-Climate-Resilience-Dist.pdf>

**g. 25.02. Support CF 25-0172 re repair of fire hydrants – February 2025** (passed April 2025). **8** councils adopted: BCC, DRNC, PPCC, NCWP, NWNC, WLASNC, WNC, WWNC. Position letter: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/WRAC-Letter-Fire-Hydrants-Repair.pdf>

**h. 25.03. Request to Address Wildfire Coastal Debris Catastrophe – March 2025** (passed April 2025). **9** councils adopted: BAB CNC, BCC, NCWP, NWNC, PPCC,\* VNC,\* WLASNC, WNC, WWNC (\*modified versions). Position letter: <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/WRAC-letter-Hazardous-Coastal-Debris.pdf>

**i. 25.04. Oppose SB 677 (Wiener) – March 2025** (passed April 2025). **8** councils adopted: BAB CNC, BCC, NCWP, PPCC,\* WLASNC, WCC, WNC, WWNC. Position letters:

*(to state officials)*

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/WRAC-letter-state-re-SB-677.pdf>

*(to Councilmembers)*

<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/WRAC-letter-Councilmembers-SB-677.pdf>

**9. Adjourn** – Next meeting to be held on **May 19, 2025** (via Zoom at 6:30pm)