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May 20, 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 May 19, 2025, WRAC Board meeting.

Government Reports:

We were pleased to hear from several government representatives, who gave reports on the work of their of their elected officials, including describing several bills or motions that they have introduced in their respective legislative bodies: Janet Turner, Deputy District Director for Congressman Ted Lieu; Carlos Penilla, Sr. Field Representative for state Senator Lola Smallwood-Cuevas; LaQuisha Bryant, Field Representative for Assemblymember Tina McKinnor; Zac Gaidzik, Westside/Coastal Field Deputy for Supervisor Lindsey Horvath; Cairo Rodriguez, Field Deputy for Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavsky, and Michael Amster, Field Deputy for Councilwoman Traci Park. Representatives of LADWP and the Planning Dept. were also on hand to listen in.

WRAC Meetings & Events:

-- **Upcoming Board meeting:** June 16, 2025

-- **Upcoming committee meetings:** MTC 5/21/25; HOC 5/27/25; LUPC 6/9/25

-- **In-person Board meeting:** As discussed at our April meeting, we will hold our **July 21, 2025, meeting in-person** at Belmont Senior Living in Westwood (breakfast buffet starting at 7:30am; meeting starting at 8am). We thank Steve Sann, as always, for making the arrangements, and Belmont for graciously serving as our meeting host. We are also pleased to announce that **Mayor Bass** will join us at the July 21st meeting as our guest speaker. Please start thinking about a few questions you may want to ask the Mayor; we'll provide her with 5-6 questions in advance of the meeting.

New & Pending Motions:

-- **New Motions:** The Board passed three new motions for recommendation to Member Councils:

a. Amend LAMC 56.16 – No Riding of E-Bicycles on Sidewalks:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/amend-lamc-56-15-no-riding-e-bicycles-on-sidewalks/>

b. Postpone Caltrans Repaving Project on the 405:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/postpone-caltrans-repaving-project-on-the-405/>

c. Oppose RFP for IKE Sidewalk Kiosk program:

<https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/oppose-rfp-for-ike-sidewalk-kiosk-program/>

Please consider taking up these new motions at your earliest opportunity.

-- **Pending Motions:** See details about the pending 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, some of which need only 1 or 2 votes to become WRAC adopted positions. 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 **June 16, 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.