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## DRAFT MINUTES

WRAC Meeting of the Board of Directors  
June 16, 2025 – 6:30pm

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### 1. Welcome/Introductions

- a. **Call to Order and Certification of Quorum** - Chair Greenberg (BABCNC) called the meeting to order at 6:39pm after the roll was called by Host & WRAC Secretary/Treasurer Tyler Laferriere. Quorum was met.

#### **12 Board Members Present:**

**BABCNC** Robin Greenberg, Chair

**PPCC** Chris Spitz, Vice-Chair

**BCC** Carolyn LoBuglio

**DRNC** Ravi Sankaran

**NCWP** Paula Gerez

**NWNC** Connor Webb

**PalmsNC** Reza Akef

**SORONC** Michael Lynn

**WCC** Steve Sann

**WNC** Terri Tippet

**WWNC** Lisa Chapman

**WLASNC** Jay Handal [left at 7:27 PM., with **11 members** remaining.]

#### **Nonvoting Alternates Present:**

Nickie Miner (BABCNC), Barbara Broide (WNC), Larry Watts (BCC) and Walton Chiu (WLASNC)

#### **Also Present:**

Janet Turner, Deputy District Director - 36<sup>th</sup> District of CA / Congressmember Ted Lieu;

Carlos Penilla, Sr. Field Rep - CA's 28<sup>th</sup> Senate District / Senator Lola Smallwood-Cuevas;

Samantha Gallegos, District Rep - CA's 24<sup>th</sup> Senate District / Senator Ben Allen;

Sherwin Shamoeil, Sr. Rep - 51<sup>st</sup> Assembly District / Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur;

Zachary Gaidzik, Field Rep - LA County's 3<sup>rd</sup> Supervisorial District / Supervisor Lindsey Horvath;

Michael Amster, Field Deputy - LA City Councilmember, District 11 / Traci Park;  
Cairo Rodriguez, Sr. Field Deputy - LA City Councilmember, District 5 / Katy Yaroslavsky;  
WRAC Secretary/Treasurer Tyler Laferriere-Holloway

**b. Chair Updates –**

- (1) Next Board meeting: July 21, 2025 -- in-person at Belmont Senior Living, Westwood; breakfast buffet **7:15am**; guest speaker Mayor Karen Bass 7:50-9am; business meeting after Mayor departs. **Submit questions by 7/10 & name up to two reps** who will attend for each member council (seating limited). Thanks to Steve & the Belmont Staff.

**2. Government Reports/Speakers**

**a. Mayor's Office –** Marian Ensley, West Area Representative was not present

**b. Council Reports –**

**(1) Cairo Rodriguez, Sr. Field Deputy - Council District 5 / Yaroslavsky - Contact Cairo by email at [cairo.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:cairo.rodriguez@lacity.org) or by phone at 323-866-1828.**

Cairo gave an update, beginning that LA Metro has released the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project, initiating a 90-day public comment period (June 2<sup>nd</sup> and goes through August 30<sup>th</sup>.) Review the document online or in-person at a library near you.

<https://www.metro.net/projects/sepulvedacorridor/> or Call: 213-922-7375.

**Upcoming Hearings:**

June 23 (webinar, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.),

June 24 (Westwood United Methodist Church, 5:30-7:30 p.m.),

July 12 (Westfield Topanga Community Center, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.),

July 16 (Veterans Memorial Building, 5:30-7:30 p.m.),

July 21 (Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center, 5:30-7:30 p.m.).

**Public Hearings for Verbal and Written Comments Will Occur On:**

August 6 (webinar, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.),

August 7 (Westwood United Methodist Church, 5:30-7:30 p.m.),

August 9 (Westfield Topanga Community Center, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.),

August 12 (Veterans Memorial Building, 5:30-7:30 p.m.), and

August 18 (Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center, 5:30-7:30 p.m.).

Live Spanish interpretation and ADA accommodations are available by calling 213.922.7375 at least 72 hours in advance.

**Comments can be submitted online via a comment form, emailed to [sepulvedatransit@metro.net](mailto:sepulvedatransit@metro.net), or mailed to Peter Carter, Metro, One Gateway Plaza, MS 99-22-6, Los Angeles, CA 90012. The project hotline is 213.922.7375.**

Cairo noted that CD5 is funding new trees in Westwood Holmby, last weekend they planted half, and they will add more in the future. He spoke on the Councilwoman's effort to increase quality of life and described events in June.

**(2) Michael Amster, Field Deputy – Council District 11/Park [Michael.amster@lacity.org](mailto:Michael.amster@lacity.org) -**

Michael gave an update beginning that Councilwoman Park did not support the recently completed city budget because of the underfunding of core city services, e.g., smaller amounts for LAPD, 911 responses, and hundreds of millions of dollars into homeless services that have not delivered. He noted that she will continue to work as hard as possible for residents in CD11. He noted that in Brentwood,

the Westridge Canyonback trail will be reopened to the public, having been inaccessible to the public after the fires. MRCA, which owns the trail, worked to get the city to provide permission for the public to get on the trail. St. Matthews in the Palisades will use Crestwood Hills Park in Brentwood for summer camp.

Michael reported on WLA's Bundy Triangle beautification project at Santa Monica Boulevard and Bundy Drive, which their office is looking to turn positive and make famous. They began with beautifying the Bundy Triangle, e.g., repainting the fence and capitalizing on signage put up a month ago a couple of months after Inside Safe addressed that encampment for good. They've been working with California Certified Farmer's Market to bring a farmer's market to the Bundy Triangle Friday evenings and he has been working with the Ad Hoc Bundy Triangle committee, neighborhood council and stakeholder group, and hope this market opens by late July.

Michael noted that the Councilwoman was recently at the Westside Food Bank's major pantry at the WLA Municipal Building, there on the last Friday of the month. As they need to give out a lot of stuff, they asked for the use the front of the WLA Municipal building to distribute the stuff. The council office has recently partnered with the pantry to meet the hunger and nutrition needs of the community. Michael noted that they had to cancel "Go Skateboarding Day" on June 21, 2025, which featured legendary skater Paul Rodriguez due to what was going on in the city and will reschedule.

He noted that one of the biggest issues in Venice has been the RVs along Washington Boulevard, and a couple of weeks ago started a complete shutdown of parking along a portion of Washington Boulevard and Venice. A total of six vehicles were impounded and two of the individuals have accepted housing services. The Homeless Team is tracking to the best of its ability where the vehicle dwellers were relocated so they can continue to provide them the services needed.

Michael noted that he and his colleagues have been distributing Know Your Rights flyers in the midst of ICE operations, which he described as extremely concerning and impacting the Westside. ICE operations are happening in CD11, and they're getting flyers out so people can know their rights and are able to prepare at the best of their ability amid these operations.

Member Handal asked Michael and Cairo how much they are aware of the arsonist running around at the encampments. He noted that we have had six to seven fires on Wellesley behind the Hardwood company building where they are lighting substantial fires, and one of many fires, the other night, off of Livonia and Exposition where they were up in the hills like they used to live in the Palisades and are torching it on a regular basis.

Member Handal noted that he is not sure of fires other Neighborhood Council areas are having but said it would behoove our councilmembers, both of whom he spoke to on the phone, to do something about this. They had another fire yesterday on Wellesley; he feels something has to be done, as not enough is being done. He'd like to have a conversation with CD5 and CD11, Caltrans, LAPD and CHP and get a coordinated effort to stop this, to prevent someone's building from burning down as it is happening. Michael responded that he was familiar with the fire today, was not aware of potential arsonist activity happening. He has been working with Caltrans, and was contacted by the owner of the building. Michael will be in touch with Member Handal, who reiterated issues that they need to address and things that can be done, stressing need to make this more of a priority as it will affect life and property. Cairo responded that he was aware of fires on Caltrans property and has been meeting with Caltrans biweekly for a month. He'll let them know Jay's concerns, which are also concerns of the councilwoman. Cairo assured Member Handal that they can meet and ask that Caltrans be onsite.

As to the fire at Livonia, Cairo noted that his understanding is that it started at an auto building facility, per the LAFD, and it is under investigation. He wasn't sure if it was an arsonist. He'll follow-up with LAFD about the cause with them. Member Handal stated that the fire started *not* in the building; rather it spread to the building, *not* to the auto shop but the building next to it that does PVC molds, where chemicals in the drums exploded, making firemen on the street think they were going to find dead firemen. The arsonist, according to the film they have, was sitting on the hill watching the fire. The next day when there was a fire, he was there again. Jay stated that he has video of it, which the LAPD Area Commander, a detective assigned to it and the Fire Marshalls have but more has to be done.

Member Gerez (NCWP) asked for updates for her area in CD11. Michael didn't have any updates for Westchester and Playa; however, noted that in addition to Washington, their RV enforcement operations included Westchester. Member Gerez asked when 41.18 will be enforced for the beach, because there is trash all over the beach, and tents and people, of which he had no information. She asked if LAPD is still under tactical alert, which results in a drop in resources from Pacific Division, and what is being done for her community. Michael noted that CD11 is working on implementing their real-time crime centers for supporting police with technology when these things happen in the future; otherwise, he referred her to Trey Grogan to answer her questions.

Member Webb (NWNC) asked, as to the Bundy Triangle, about Caltrans' "Ohio to Ohio" project coming in the next few years, which is being considered with the Bundy Triangle activations and improvements, in the slip lane area by the triangle. Michael said for the city's purposes, there is no need for coordination on that level. City services have already resurfaced the segment at Ohio along the Bundy Triangle... Caltrans is doing what they are doing for infrastructure.

**c. Additional Government Reports –**

**Janet Turner, Deputy District Director - Congressman Ted Lieu, 36<sup>th</sup> District of CA - [janet.turner@mail.house.gov](mailto:janet.turner@mail.house.gov)** - Janet reported on a piece of legislation that passed to reauthorize the Department of Health and Human Services programs, that got reinstated in spite of cuts, that address substance abuse and mental health issues. The Congressman cosponsored HR 2410, revitalizing the "Downtowns and Main Street Act," converting nonresidential buildings into affordable housing in downtown areas. Also, the "Beaches Environmental Assessment and Coastal Health Act of 2025" or the "BEACH Act of 2025" - to identify contamination for coastal waters. Janet concluded that their offices are always available to help with any federal agency issues.

**Carlos Penilla District Senior Field Rep - Senator Lola Smallwood Cuevas, CA's 28<sup>th</sup> Senate District - [carlos.penilla@sen.ca.gov](mailto:carlos.penilla@sen.ca.gov) Office # 213-745-6656** - Carlos spoke on SB 79, regarding housing density, noting that the Senator abstained but the measure made it out of the Senate and is in the Assembly. They've been meeting at Culver City CHP headquarters, with local county and state reps to coordinate their actions when they go to a Caltrans property. They are looking at the 90 freeway to clean it up. With regards to the coordination of agencies, he mentioned SB 569 the "California Homeless Encampment Collaboration Act, by Senator Catherine Blakespear of San Diego. SB 569 requires Caltrans to work with local governments to expedite the removal of homeless encampments on state highways and roads, to include Caltrans hiring a governmental liaison to coordinate activities with local government. Carlos invited us to reach out with any concerns/issues with state agencies like EDD or DMV.

**Samantha Gallegos, District Rep - California's 24<sup>th</sup> Senate District / Senator Ben Allen**

[Samantha.Gallegos@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Samantha.Gallegos@sen.ca.gov) - Sam gave updates, noting that the State of California has our SUN Bucks program back, which provides \$120 for eligible children during the summer for food; similar to an EBT card. For students who receive Medi-Cal they are already enrolled. For further information, Google <https://www.cdss.ca.gov/sun-bucks> Sam related that that 15 out of 21 bills that they have introduced have “crossed” another word for “passed” the Senate floor, and mentioned a few, including SB 394, their fire hydrant water theft bill, that would authorize localize water agencies to increase penalties for theft of water from fire hydrants and allows for damage recovery law suits in order to reduce commercial theft of hydrant water, and SB 715 bill, which shifts pressure of increased development away from VHFHSZs and areas affected by recent wildfires by making adjustments to the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) Process.

Sam noted that Senator Allen, Assemblymember Irwin and Supervisor Horvath co-hosted a webinar about “Zone Zero” on June 12<sup>th</sup>. To see Senator Allen’s YouTube recording go to bottom of page: <https://sd24.senate.ca.gov/> For Assemblymember Irwin’s recording on her YouTube channel see: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b3xwLKWES6Q&list=PLUWDXPiiAM-K6PCq\\_JURw\\_MDjxB\\_Epl-c&index=2](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b3xwLKWES6Q&list=PLUWDXPiiAM-K6PCq_JURw_MDjxB_Epl-c&index=2)

Vice-Chair Spitz asked about Zone Zero, to which Sam responded that Senator Allen was a co-author for SB 3074, the bill to create these regulations but not the bill that says what the regulations need to be. She noted that Senator Allen has heard a lot of concern from the community about Zone Zero and they need to look at community needs, keeping in mind the science behind it. She is meeting with IBHS tomorrow and hopes to meet with some UCLA professors on their positions. Vice-Chair Spitz noted that some of us such as BABCNC and PPCC, are very concerned that science doesn’t back up some of the more draconian rules. Member Akef (PalmsNC) noted, as to Samantha’s response, that IBHS is a think-tank funded by the insurance companies, and he brought his concern to the county and city and now to us, that that they only talk to think tanks and professors about this and never talk to those with boots on the ground. Speaking as a builder, he commented that everything that they are proposing has nothing to do with the fire or to do with that five-foot *zone* and would encourage our electeds to talk to more than academics and lobbyists. Sam noted that they did and have been paying attention to forestry meetings, and taking public comments but would be happy to schedule time to chat with him. Member Akef added that he was at that Board meeting and they refused to answer his question. Sam and he will plan time to talk.

**Sherwin Shamoeil, Sr. Rep - 51<sup>st</sup> Assembly District / Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur**

[Sherwin.Shamoeil@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Sherwin.Shamoeil@asm.ca.gov) - Sherwin gave an update, noting that seven bills made it to the Senate, five passed on a bipartisan basis, two without any opposition. He mentioned that AB 478 passed, which establishes protocols and procedures for pet rescues during disasters. AB 815 passed, and the Assembly worked very hard to get the support of the various diversity caucuses, Black, Latino and Asian as well as Native American, to support this bill which combats anti-Semitism in schools. AB 1138 passed, and expands and reforms the film tax credits to incentivize the film industry to stay in California and keep Hollywood in Hollywood. He thanked Senator Allen and his office for being a huge partner on this effort.

**Zachary Gaidzik, Field Deputy - LA County Supervisor, 3<sup>rd</sup> District / Lindsey Horvath**

**[Zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:Zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov)** **<https://lindseyhorvath.lacounty.gov/>** Zachary related that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors unanimously passed a motion by Supervisor Horvath, co-authored by Supervisor Mitchell, to create a specialized countywide program to support young children in foster care and their families. The program is known as the “Young Children in Care Birth to 5 Program” which aims to deliver trauma-informed, developmentally-appropriate services to the county's youngest and most vulnerable children. The motion directs the Department of Children and Family Services to develop a fully operational YCIC Birth to 5 program to include detailed staffing and budget plan outcome metrics program structure, blueprint and strategies for effective collaboration with local community partners and individuals with lived experience.

He noted that nearly 4,000 fire-impacted properties have been cleared through the private property debris removal program; the fastest recovery effort of its kind in the nation. Over \$54 million in recovery funding has already been distributed to support temporary housing, uninsured losses and infrastructure repairs. They are thrilled to see the Tahitian Terrace Mobile home community has been officially accepted into FEMA's private debris removal program and is progressing quickly. They continue to advocate for the inclusion of the remaining Mobile Home Park, Palisades Bowl. As to homelessness, Zachary noted that the Board passed Supervisor Horvath's motion to ensure a strong collaborative partnership with the City of LA on Joint Homelessness Response. As Los Angeles County creates a department dedicated to addressing homelessness, the motion directs the county's Chief Executive Officer to initiate a series of meetings with the city's Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Legislative Analyst, the Housing Department, and to engage with the Mayor's office and City Council to align on the formation of the new County Homeless Services Department. He noted that these meetings will focus on clearly defined roles, responsibilities, opportunities for shared outreach and housing coordination, the critical piece that's been missing for too long, as well as improved data sharing and a process for ongoing communication and input. A written report for this will be submitted to the Board by September 30th of this year. He concluded that earlier this month, Supervisor Horvath joined the Marine Mammal Care Center (MMCC) Los Angeles for the release of four young sea lions near the Venice pier. During the event, Supervisor Horvath and MMCC leadership announced the end of the current domoic acid bloom as well as launch of a preparedness campaign for future blooms.

### **3. Board Member Updates**

#### **a. Chris Spitz (Vice-Chair) -- update on CPRA request (recommended by the WRAC HOC;**

Approved by 9 member councils):

**<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/WRAC-CPRA-Request5-30-25.pdf>**

Vice-Chair Spitz (PPCC) noted that today she sent us a copy of the retainer agreement which the City Attorney provided in response to the CPRA request; they didn't provide invoices as they don't have them yet. She was pleased that we sent it out and got info on the retainer agreement on Gibson & Young. She'll have a question for the Mayor at the in-person meeting.

**Member Broide (WNC)** reported that on Wednesday at the City Council meeting there were two items of note, 1) on the STAP program, there is a

settlement agreement pending, which would be a win-win for the community, coming up for Council consideration. She urges councils that have taken a position to enter your CIS or comments into the old **Council File #20-1536** and voice support for the STAP program and the settlement agreement that has been reached. 2) The digital kiosk program, earlier referred to as IKE (would place 8-9' tall two-sided advertising structures similar to jumbo cell phones on our city sidewalks.) When considered by the Council, a motion was made to forward it to the Public Works Committee. Efforts were being made to halt the issuance of an RFP instead if the program cannot be killed because of its competition for advertising dollars with the City's adopted STAP program, then it should be forwarded to the Public Works Committee for further consideration. It is important to note that the Westside is always targeted for these types of programs with the initial proposal placing 50 in CD5 and 40 in CD11.

**Member Handal (WLASNC)** reminded everyone about Budget Day this Saturday 7:30 AM for breakfast until 4:30 PM at City Hall and listed elected officials among others who would be speaking. Jay noted that he expected a very spirited day, and encouraged letting our board members and stakeholders know. Register online [budgetadvocates.org](https://budgetadvocates.org)  
*[Member Handal left at 7:27 PM.]*

**Member Sann (WCC)** asked where are Marqueece Harris-Dawson and the other councilmembers on this, noting our district will be decimated with these billboards. Member Broide responded that we don't have commitments from our councilmembers and CM McKosker was a lobbyist for IKE. They're offering a signing bonus to the city to do the program. Vice-Chair Spitz feels this will become moot rather soon and noted that we have a motion on the agenda to oppose the RFP for IKE but after Wednesday that may become moot. Member Sann feels that it is disturbing that neither CD5 nor CD11 are championing this.

#### **4. Committee Reports –**

- a. WRAC Transportation & Mobility Committee (MTC)** – met 5/21/25; next mtg. 6/18/25
- b. WRAC Homelessness Committee (HOC)** – met 5/27/25; next mtg. 7/29/25
- c. WRAC Land Use & Planning Committee (LUPC)** – no meetings since Oct. 2024. Chair Maryam Zar is unable to continue due to other commitments and the LUPC is now inactive until a new chair is found. We are looking for a replacement. President Greenberg asked if there were any volunteers, and as there were none, she noted that we will continue to look for a chair.

#### **5. Public Comment –**

WRAC Host and Secretary/Treasurer Tyler Laferrier-Holloway mentioned prior to the start of the meeting, for those who knew Marty Ruben, a longtime member of the Mar Vista Community

Council, with whom Tyler served when he lived there and was on the council, that Marty has passed away. Tyler related that Marty was one of the founders of the Mar Vista Community Council and a longtime head of North West LA Neighborhood Association in Mar Vista; he founded Concerned Citizens Against Airport Pollution and became an advocate to educate people in the community about health hazards from the Santa Monica Airport while advocating for its closure. Tyler noted that Marty was in the Neighborhood Council system for a long time and some of us may have known or encountered him. Tyler wanted to pass it along that Marty unfortunately passed away in late May after battling cancer and to tip his hat to Marty, a longtime advocate in the community.

**6. Approval of Minutes –**

The May 2025 meeting minutes were approved 9-0-2 with Member Gerez and Member Tippit abstaining, as moved by Greenberg, and seconded by Vice-Chair Spitz.

**7. New Business**

**a. Motion (WRAC HOC/Jay Handal) -- Request Mayor to Consent to City Controller's Audit of Inside Safe:**

“\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), urges Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass to immediately consent to a full audit of the City's Inside Safe program by Los Angeles City Controller Kenneth Mejia.”

Vice-Chair Spitz introduced this, asking the Mayor to consent to an audit from the Controller which she has refused on advice of counsel.

The motion passed 11-0-0, as moved by Vice-Chair Spitz and seconded by Member Akef.

**b. Motion (WRAC HOC/Jay Handal) – Request Mayor and CAO to Disclose the sources of funding for the Inside Safe Program:**

“\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), urges Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass and/or the City Administrative Officer Matthew Szabo to disclose the full extent of all sources of funding for the City's Inside Safe program.”

Vice-Chair Spitz introduced this item, noting that the information has not been forthcoming, and needs to be disclosed.

The motion passed 11-0-0, as moved by Vice-Chair Spitz and seconded by Member Lynn.

**c. Motion (WRAC HOC/Chris Spitz) – Support CF 20-1376-S5 (Park):**

“\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of

Councils (WRAC), strongly supports CF 20-1376-S5 (Park), which calls for certain amendments of LAMC Sec. 41.18 and a report back by the City Attorney on the feasibility of amending 41.18 to prohibit encampments as per the Governor's model ordinance."

Vice-Chair Spitz moved and Member Gerez seconded. (See background document). The motion **passed** 10-0-1 with the abstention from Member Webb.

**d. Motion (PPCC/Chris Spitz) – Oppose Legislation Mandating Housing Density without Funding Mechanisms**

"The State of California has enacted a series of housing-related bills aimed at increasing residential density in cities and municipalities statewide, including SB 9, SB 10, and others. While the stated intent of these bills is to address the statewide housing crisis, implementation of these measures often places significant burdens on local government without providing the necessary infrastructure, services, or fiscal support. These mandates frequently override local planning authority, diminish the ability of cities to tailor land use to their unique needs and capacities, and strain existing infrastructure and funding resources.

"\_\_\_\_\_ NC/CC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), therefore:

"1) requests that our elected state officials take steps to initiate a pause on all enacted legislation that provides for statewide housing density and/or streamlining mandates, unless and until clear funding mechanisms are identified and enacted to accompany the legislation, in order to support the resulting impact on infrastructure, public safety, and municipal services; and

"2) opposes any pending and future legislation that proposes statewide housing density and/or streamlining mandates, unless clear funding mechanisms are identified to accompany any such bills, in order to support the resulting impact on infrastructure, public safety, and municipal services.

"The imposition of increased density — without accompanying state funding or resource allocation — exacerbates existing challenges, particularly in areas vulnerable to wildfire, evacuation constraints, and other environmental or geographic hazards, such as the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, Flood Zones or other environmentally sensitive locations as determined by local governments throughout the state."

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

Vice-Chair Spitz introduced this item, noting that PPCC passed it the other night, and continue in its opposition to the housing density bills which do not have a funding mechanism to address infrastructure and other needs. They've written a letter (on the webpage in draft form.)

The motion was moved by Vice-Chair Spitz and seconded by Member Gerez. Following discussion, the motion passed by 8 yeases from Chair Greenberg, Vice-Chair Spitz and Members LoBuglio, Gerez, Lynn, Sann, Tippet and Chapman, 2 noes from Members Sankaran and Connor, and 1 abstention from Member Akef.

**8. Old Business** *Pending motions expiring at end of June unless extended again (a – c):*

- a. **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 June 2025*). **7** councils adopted: BABNC, BCC, NCWP, PPCC, WLASNC, WNC, and WWNC. *Note/C. Spitz comments:* Motion pending with numerous extensions for 9 months; only 3 councils *in CD 5* have taken up or passed the motion since February 2025 (4 mos. ago); circumstances relating to homelessness in LA city and county have changed since the Governor's E.O. was signed in May 2024, more than a year ago; the motion is arguably now moot.

Member Akef said 8.a. and 8.b. should be on the next agenda for PalmsNC; Vice-Chair Spitz thinks that 8.a. and 8.b. are moot by now, noting that Katy Yaroslavsky has been doing a lot more than before this letter was proposed and expects. She thinks at the end of June this will expire/drop off.

- b. **24.13. Support for Brentwood Community Council Resolution and Requests to LA County Board of Supervisors** – September 2024 (*passage deadline June 2025*). **6** councils adopted: BABNC, BCC, NCWP,\* PPCC, WLASNC, and WWNC (*\*modified version*). *Note/C. Spitz comments:* Motion pending with numerous extensions for 9 months; no additional councils have taken up or passed the motion since January 2025 (5 mos. ago); circumstances relating to homelessness in LA city and county have changed since the BCC resolution (basis for the motion) was adopted in August 2024, more than 10 mos. ago; the motion is arguably now moot.

Vice-Chair Spitz noted that this was a good motion at the time but it has been months since anyone has taken this up. She wouldn't be in favor of extending it though someone else could make that motion. **No action was taken.** Vice-Chair Spitz reiterated that 8.a. and 8.b. will both expire at the end of June and drop off though PalmsNC could take this up on their own, if they wished to do so.

- c. **25.05. Allocation of Revenues from Bus Lane Violation Enforcement Pilot Program** – February 2025 (*passage deadline June 2025*). **7** councils adopted: BABNC, BCC, NCWP, VNC, WLASNC, WNC, and WWNC. *Note/C. Spitz comments:* The motion has been extended once.

Vice-Chair Spitz moved to extend this one more month, and the motion was seconded by Member Akef. The motion carried 10-0-1 with the abstention from Member Webb.

*Pending motions not expiring until July-August (d – g):*

- d. **25.06. Oppose SB 79 (Wiener) / Support CF 25-0002-S19** – April 2025 (*passage deadline July 2025*). **7** councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC, NCWP, PPCC,\* WNC,\* WCC, and WWNC (*\*modified versions*).

Member Lynn noted that SORONC is taking it up Thursday. Vice-Chair Spitz noted that this is now in the Assembly and while individual councils cannot write a letter to the State but WRAC can. We will continue with this.

- e. **25.07. Amend LAMC 56.15 – No Riding E-Bicycles on Sidewalks** – May 2025 (*passage deadline August 2025*). **6** councils adopted: BABCNC, NCWP,\* VNC,\* WLASNC, WNC, and WWNC\* (*\*modified versions*).

Vice-Chair Spitz noted that Palisades will take it up.

- f. **25.08. Postpone Caltrans Repaving Project on the 405** – May 2025 (*passage deadline August 2025*). **6** councils adopted: BABCNC, BCC, NCWP, PPCC, WLASNC, and WWNC.

There were no members present whose councils were taking this up.

- g. **25.09. Oppose RFP for IKE Sidewalk Kiosk Project** – May 2025 (*passage deadline August 2025*). **5** councils adopted: BCC, PPCC,\* WLASNC, WNC, and WWNC (*\*modified versions*).

Vice-Chair Spitz noted that this one we have to see the results of the upcoming council meeting.

## **9. Adjournment –**

WRAC Board members were asked and none would be leaving their NC or CC boards but would see who will be the reps for the next term. Member Broide shared a council file targeted toward removing parking on developments... going further than the State's law. See **CF# 25-0642** entitled Off-Street Parking / Requirement Elimination / New Developments / Change of Use / Cost-Benefit Analysis. <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=25-0642> Member Broide noted that it has no relationship to transit proximity. It is for a cost-benefit analysis, citing Donald Shoup's work.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm to meet again on July 21, 2025 – in-person at Belmont Senior Living, Westwood - Breakfast buffet 7:15 am.**

Chair Greenberg wished us all peace and happiness, and thanked all the fathers. She looked forward to seeing all of us on July 21<sup>st</sup> early at 7:15 am and sent good wishes for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.