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July 25, 2026

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 July 20, 2026, WRAC Board meeting.

Government Reports:

The following government representatives joined our July 20th meeting, shared reports on the work of their elected officials, described legislative or other district efforts to date and answered Board member questions: Janet Turner, District Representative for U.S. Rep. Ted Lieu; Sophia Liebman, District Representative for Sen. Ben Allen; and Mandy LaFlen, West LA-Metro Deputy for Supervisor Lindsey Horvath. In addition, Leah McKenzie (LADWP) provided information about ongoing projects and outreach (including installation of "pole top" distributing stations in Brentwood); and Santos Sanchez (Planning Dept.) reminded everyone to sign up for Planning newsletters and for the Planning 101 session being planned with DONE. A discussion ensued about the concerning issue of broken, non-functioning street lights (under the purview of the Bureau of Street Lighting); Jay Handal (WLASNC) suggested that members take a look at the Budget Advocates White Paper on this subject.

Chair's Updates:

-- Robin noted the following new WRAC Board member representatives: for WWNC – Steve Resnick (1st Alternate) and Mary Agmon (2nd Alternate); for PPCC – Reza Akef (Alternate).

WRAC Meetings & Events:

-- **Upcoming Board meeting:** August 17, 2026

-- **Upcoming committee meetings:** MTC 8/19/26; HOC (future meeting date TBD).

-- **Ad Hoc Candidate Forum Committee:** Chair Nico Ruderman (VNC) and Vice-Chair Steve Sann (WCC) reported that the Committee has met and reached out to all the Mayoral, City Attorney and Senate District 24 candidates; the Mayor's campaign manager has expressed interest but no firm commitment yet; all other candidates have indicated they would like to participate, subject to availability. Josh Haskell of ABC 7 (who expertly moderated our WRAC forum with the CD 11 candidates this past Spring) is eager to serve as moderator again, although his station will not televise our forum. UCLA is unable to sponsor the forum. The Committee is still working on securing a date for all forums and a venue for the event with the Mayoral and City Attorney candidates; the forum with the Senate candidates may be conducted via Zoom (TBD). If anyone has contacts at either the Skirball Museum or Loyola-Marymount, please let us know. The Committee hopes that details can be pinned down as soon as possible.

Recommended and Pending Motions:

-- No new motions were considered or recommended.

-- No motions are pending.

-- Vice-Chair Spitz reminded members that they may recommend to WRAC motions passed by their Boards that are regional in nature.

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 August 17, 2026.

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.