



## **WEST LA SAWTELLE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

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### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, 06.26.2024 7PM**

**STONER PARK [SMALL GYM]**

**1835 STONER AVE. CA 90025**

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All agenda items subject to discussion, motion and possible CIS filing.

# **AGENDA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL** To be present are: James Altuner, David Swartz., Vic Pacheco, Walton Chiu, Alexandra Polin, Ron Ben-Yehuda, Adriane Ransom, Danilo Torro, Ron Migdal, Kent Kaisaki, Pierre Tecon, Alex Caryotakis, Monica Mejia-Lambert Jay Handel (online). Minute Taker (Charlene) Introduction via Zoom. Establish quorum. Board participants on ZOOM.
3. **MOTION: TO APPROVE MINUTES** <https://tinyurl.com/yhf55ws9>

## **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT [NON-AGENDIZED ITEM UP TO 90 SECONDS]**

### **GOVERNMENT/ AGENCY PARTNER REPORTS**

4. **UPDATE:** CD11+ LAPD: ENCAMPMENT BARRINGTON UNDERPASS / BUNDY TRIANGLE
5. **UPDATE:** LAPD: Café Entertainment and Shows applicant in your area and would like to know if you can provide information to aid in our investigation. This location was permitted in the past. They are re applying because their permit was not renewed.  
Owner – 12238 Santa Monica INC  
DBA- Mom's bar and Lounge  
12238 Santa Monica BI  
Los Angeles, CA 90025

If you have comments, concerns, or objections, please contact  
**Marney Hansen**  
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## **EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE**

6. **UPDATE:** SILENCE FOR RON MIGDAL.
7. **UPDATE:** NC OFFICE LOCK CHANGE. [DONE]
8. **UPDATE:** TRAINING ROBERT'S RULES AND BROWN ACT SAT JUNE HYBRID. [ADRIANE]
9. **MOTION:** TO APPROVE MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT. APRIL. MAY [JAY]
10. **MOTION:** TO APPROVE LEASING A COPIER THROUGH DONE CONTRACT FOR SIX MONTHS. [JAY H]
11. MER approvals for April and May, 2024 (Jay Handal).
12. Approval of the 2024, 2025 annual budget and admin packet.
13. **MOTION:** TO ROLL OVER \$10,000.00 IN FUNDS FROM THE 22023/2024 BUDGET TO THE 2024/2025 BUDGET. [JAY H] Additionally, ANY funds remaining rollover and carry forward, as the city Council has approved complete rollover (not just \$10,000).
14. **MOTION:** THAT IN ORDER TO ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY, FIDELITY, AND UNIFORMITY IN THE PROCESS OF AGENDA SETTING AND AGENDA CREATION, ANY AND ALL REQUESTS FOR A MOTION, BUSINESS, OR ANY CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO AN WLASNC AGENDA BE SUBMITTED IN EMAIL FORM ONLY WITH TEXT AND/OR LINKS

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15. **MOTION:** INCLUDE THE CITY DEPARTMENT, COMMITTEE, AND SUB-COMMITTEE WITH A MOTION FOR EASE OF COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT FILING. [SUPPORT TEAM]
16. **UPDATE:** JUDGE RULES AGAINST EVICTION OF STAKEHOLDERS AT BARRINGTON PLAZA

#### **OFFICER'S REPORT**

17. **UPDATE:** ANIME SERIES: THANK YOU.

#### **CURRENT BUSINESS**

18. **MOTION:** TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING WITH THE LA CITY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON COMMUNITY UPDATES.
19. **MOTION:** TO SCHEDULE 4 LISTENING SESSIONS (ONE PER QUADRANT) AND GATHER COMMUNITY INPUT ON THE COMMUNITY UPDATES.
20. **MOTION:** TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON THE HISTORY AND FUTURE OF SAWTELLE JAPANTOWN.
21. **MOTION:** TO SUBMIT A COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT ON THE CANNABIS ACTIVITY AND ITS IMPACT OF THE 12071 W WILSHIRE BLVD LOS ANGELES [CANNABIS REGULATION COMMITTEE].
22. **MOTION:** TO NOMINATE LYNN HILL TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS [ORG SEAT]
23. **MOTION:** TO NOMINATE TRACI IMAMURA TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS [ORG SEAT]
24. **MOTION:** TO NOMINATE KIMBERLY JOHNSON TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS [ORG SEAT].
25. **MOTION:** TO NOMINATE TASCHA FOLSOI TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS [ORG SEAT].
26. **MOTION:** TO APPROVE 2024/2025 ANNUAL BUDGET AND ADMINISTRATIVE PACKAGE.
27. **MOTION:** TO APPOINT SECOND CREDIT CARD HOLDER AND SECOND SIGNATURES.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **BYLAWS COMMITTEE**

DUE TO AN INABILITY TO REACH A QUORUM, THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE WAS UNABLE TO MEET AND THEREFORE SENDS THESE MOTIONS TO THE BOARD WITH NO RECOMMENDATIONS.

28. **MOTION:**
  - a. BYLAWS 501: IN THE EVENT A SEAT IS VACANT MORE THAN 60 DAYS FROM VACANCY, THE SEAT SHALL REVERT TO AN AT LARGE SEAT FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND SHALL BE ADVERTISED AS SUCH FOR A MINIMUM OF 30 DAYS BEFORE VOTING ON A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE VACANT SEAT.
  - b. BYLAWS 510.10: ALL BOARD MEMBERS SHALL SERVE ON AT LEAST 1 COMMITTEE.
  - c. BYLAWS 701.1: NO ONE PERSON SHALL SIT ON MORE THAN TWO COMMITTEES.
  - d. STANDING RULE: THE HOMELESSNESS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEES SHALL BE COMBINED INTO ONE COMMITTEE.
  - e. STANDING RULE: TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE IS A STANDING COMMITTEE.
  - f. STANDING RULE: THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEES SHALL BE COMBINED INTO ONE COMMITTEE.
  - g. STANDING RULE: THE OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEES SHALL BE COMBINED INTO ONE COMMITTEE.
  - h. STANDING RULE: THE DEI AND COMMUNICATIONS+OUTREACH COMMITTEES SHALL BE COMBINED INTO ONE COMMITTEE.
  - i. STANDING RULE: THE BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL BE CHAIRED BY THE TREASURER.

- j. **STANDING RULE: THE TREASURER SHALL SIT AS ONE OF THE TWO BUDGET REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BUDGET ADVOCATE COMMITTEE.**
- k. **STANDING RULE: AMEND STANDING RULE “b” TO CHANGE TIMING FROM 5 DAYS TO 7 DAYS AND ADD THAT THE CHAIR OR SECRETARY SHALL POSTER AGENDAS PER BYLAW SECTION 803.**
- l. **STANDING RULE: AMEND STANDING RULE 3 ELIMINATE 8-9, 4-5 AND 2-3 .**
- m. **STANDING RULE: AMEND 4D TO READ "UP TO 10 MINUTES."**
- n. **AMEND 4F TO READ STAKEHOLDERS WILL BE ALLOWED UP TO 90 SECONDS TO TESTIFY.**
- o. **STANDING RULE: ADD TO SECTION 5: (F): ALL DOCUMENTS RECEIVED BY A COMMITTEE OR THE BOARD SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE BOARD PACKETS AND POSTED WITH THE AGENDA PER THE BROWN ACT.**
- p. **STANDING RULE: COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO MISS 3 MEETINGS WITHIN 12 MONTHS SHALL BE AUTOMATICALLY REMOVED FROM THE COMMITTEE.**
- q. **STANDING RULE: STANDING COMMITTEES SHALL ESTABLISH MONTHLY MEETINGS ON A SET DATE, TIME AND LOCATION.**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS+OUTREACH**

- 29. **UPDATE: OUTREACH TO THE JAPANESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY CONTINUES. [KENT]**
- 30. **UPDATE: BOOK CLUB WITH LAPL**
- 31. **UPDATE: ZINE SERIES WORKSHOP FALL WITH LAPL**
- 32. **UPDATE: STONER PARK WIFI INFRASTRUCTURE [ADAM]**

#### **DEI COMMITTEE**

- 33. **MOTION: The DEI Committee unanimously voted to recommend the adoption of the Gabrieleno/Tongva Land Acknowledgment and Partnership-Based Action Plan as submitted in the PLUM Committee agenda item herein.**

#### **MOBILITY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

- 34. **UPDATE: BEAUTIFICATION CONFERENCE (pamphlets & resources) on how neighbors can obtain free containers for food waste from the city. Will also post to website for community access. [MONICA]**
- 35. **MOTION: Send a joint letter from the West-LA Sawtelle and North Westwood Neighborhood Councils to Rachel Burke, CicLAvia Chief Program Officer, requesting a Westwood-Sawtelle CicLAvia event. See letter in Appendix A.**
- 36. **MOTION: TO NOMINATE LIZ DAHM TO ENVIRONMENTAL AND PLUM COMMITTEES.**

#### **HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE**

#### **Ad Hoc NW CHARTER SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

- 37. **MOTION: NOMINATE BOARD MEMBER TO COMMITTEE CHAIR.**
- 38. **MOTION: TO APPROVE FILING A COMPLAINT WITH THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND OTHER RELEVANT CITY DEPARTMENTS REGARDING VIOLATIONS OF THE MODIFY CONDITIONS APPROVED BY THE PLANNING AND LAND-USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE USE COMMITTEE ON APRIL 28, 2015 (CF 15-0038) INCLUDING THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP) AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION PROGRAM (TMMP).**

#### **PLUM COMMITTEE**

- 39. **MOTION: TO CLARIFY FOR THE COMMUNITY THAT THE WLASNC HAS NOT ENDORSED, SUPPORTED OR PARTNERED WITH THE GROUP “SAVE SAWTELLE”, NOR HAS THE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL HELD TOWN HALLS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SAVE SAWTELLE GROUP. [JAY]**
- 40. **MOTION: TO RECONSIDER THE ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL APPROVAL. [JAY H]**

41. **MOTION:** TO FORM AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW AND INVESTIGATE PLUM TESTIMONY RELATED TO ALTERNATIVE PROPOSAL. [JAY H]
42. **MOTION:** TO NOMINATE LIZ DAHM TO THE PLUM COMMITTEES.
43. **MOTION:** TO NOMINATE ANDREW RAHN TO THE PLUM COMMITTEE.
44. **MOTION:** TO NOMINATE KIMBERLY JOHNSON TO PLUM COMMITTEE.
45. Gabrieleno/Tongva Partnership-Based Action Plan to Back the Land Acknowledgement (see Letter to Sawtelle NC in Meeting Folder:  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1PwINUh6TIRIc22zDE3Ti1BnnY8bplzsr?usp=sharing>  
)
46. **MOTION:** The West Los Angeles Sawtelle Board of Directors resolves by a vote of X-X-X to adopt the following land acknowledgement to begin each meeting as backed by the Partnership-based Action Plan:  

**Land Acknowledgement** "As we gather on Gabrieleno/Tongva land in Sawtelle, we honor their ancient wisdom and deep connection to this place. With gratitude, we pledge to be mindful stewards of this land and its heritage. May we walk in harmony, respecting the Gabrieleno/Tongva people and all beings who call this land home."  
**Partnership-Based Action Plan** Where as the West Los Angeles Sawtelle Neighborhood Council acknowledges the displacement and historical harms to the Gabrieleno/Tongva, the council commits to the inclusion of the tribe in Sawtelle's future by:

  - a) taking meaningful proactive steps to strengthen the connection between this land we know as Sawtelle and its original Caretakers including support for housing subsidies, funding for land return, ecological stewardship, and cultural space
  - a. b) ensuring inclusion in land use decisions by:
    - (1) Proactively recruiting tribal council members to land use and transportation committees so that they have meaningful input with regards to their ancestral land and
    - (2) Raising awareness of the tribe's key priorities
  - b. c) and drafting a tribal consultation protocol on items that would impact the Gabrieleno/Tongva and their connection to Sawtelle such as those related to Los Angeles' landscaping ordinance; urban forest management; planning, land use, transportation policies and plans; ownership and management of ancestral remains and artifacts, and design reviews in line with the principles of affirmatively furthering fair housing.
  - c. **Background:**
  - d. The Gabrieleno/Tongva have been the original caretakers of the land we now know of as Sawtelle, West Los Angeles. Through multiple genocidal policies beginning with California's first governor, the First People have been on the brink of physical and cultural erasure. The practice of acknowledging the land and its Caretakers counteracts this historical invisibility and historical harm. A Partnership-based Action Plan provides an implementable framework to actualize the land acknowledgement.
47. **MOTION:** The West Los Angeles Sawtelle Board of Directors requests by a vote of X-X-X that Council District 11 motion City Council to direct the Office of the City Attorney and the L.A. Department of City Planning to issue a supporting report and draft an interim control ordinance that would preserve Sawtelle's rent stabilized ordinance units and historic core with 1L and 2L densities so as to be exempt from the Citywide Housing Incentive Programs and any forthcoming transit oriented incentives prior to the implementation of the Community Plan Update, while meeting the necessary State's equitable affordable housing mandates as per SB 330, the Housing Crisis Act.

- a. **Background:** At the WRAC LUPC May 13, 2024 meeting, LA City Planning confirmed that the West LA Community Plan Update's time frame has now been changed to 2026-2028. The Citywide Housing Incentive Program will be finalized by fall 2024 to comply with the State's February 2025 deadline. Because R1 lots are exempt from any and all of the Citywide Housing Incentive Programs ("CHIP"), non-R1 lots will absorb the entirety of the State's affordable housing mandates. Because Sawtelle's historic core is not-R1, the CHIP will densify the core prior to the implementation of the Community Plan Update. An interim control ordinance is necessary to give the historic core of Sawtelle a chance to retain its current density through the update of the West L.A. Community Plan. An alternative equitable location for the affordable housing directed at the historic core is necessary to maximize the chance that the State will approve the ordinance under SB 330. Sawtelle has already undergone extraordinary displacement as a result of the elimination of over 500 rent stabilized ordinance units at Barrington Plaza towers.
48. **MOTION:** The West Los Angeles Sawtelle Board of Directors resolves by a vote of X-X-X to request that Mayor Bass, regarding CF 23-0623, issue an immediate exemption of RD1.5, RD2, and R2 lots from Executive Directive 1 to protect Sawtelle's historic core while City Council deliberates the codification of the directive, which will be known as the Affordable Housing Streamlining Ordinance. **Background:** Several approaches have been initiated to counteract no-public notice, no discretion projects. This one such approach among others.
49. **MOTION:** The West Los Angeles Sawtelle Board of Directors, in regard to CF 23-0623, requests that the city cap development waivers at one (1), with no more than one (1) of which may be related to the environment, for Executive Directive 1 (ED1) and Affordable Housing Streamlining Ordinance projects, and further requests that Councilmembers representing WRAC member councils (Park, Yaroslavsky, Raman and Hutt) bring a motion in Council or otherwise direct the Dept. of City Planning (DCP) to institute a DCP policy to effectuate this purpose. **Background:** See <https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Motion-LUPC-Waivers-2.2024.pdf> and See: [https://planning.lacity.gov/plndoc/Staff\\_Reports/2023/11-16-2023/CPC\\_2023\\_5273\\_Commission\\_Packet\\_11.16.23.pdf](https://planning.lacity.gov/plndoc/Staff_Reports/2023/11-16-2023/CPC_2023_5273_Commission_Packet_11.16.23.pdf)
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Recommended to WRAC board by WRAC LUPC Committee
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  2. 11814 Missouri example (100% affordable – ED1 Housing Crisis Act): 13 waivers, including no trees, no parking, no setbacks, front yard parking OK).
  3. Developers usually overpay for land, and that is not justification for additional incentives/waivers.
  4. By reducing the size of projects, the land prices will decrease correspondingly.
  5. Additional affordable housing benefits the community immensely.
- d. DIR-2024-179-TOC-VHCA 2318-2332 Amherst Ave
- a. Presentation by Matt Dzurec
50. **MOTION:** The West Los Angeles Sawtelle Board of Directors resolves by a vote of X-X-X to approve project DIR-2024-179-TOC-VHCA 2318-2332 Amherst Ave as submitted.
- a. **Background:** This project is for the construction of an 8-story, 83 feet in height building with 114 apartments, including 13 Extremely Low Income Units, 106,019 sqft of floor area, and 113 parking spaces. Located within a half mile of the Bundy Exposition Metro Line Station, this project complies and exceeds the Transportation Oriented Communities program's requirements. The project is comprised of the following unit count:
- 1BR: 36 (715sqft)
  - 1BR+DEN: 2 (746sqft)

- 1BR JR: 12 (672sqft)
- 2BR: 26 (1049sqft)
- 2-STORY 2BR: 1 (662sqft)
- 2-STORY L/W: 5 (639sqft)
- 3 BR: 1 (1254sqft)
- Studio: 31 (544sqft)
- Total: 114 (average 742sqft)

51. **PRESENTATION:** Gary Benjamin for Case #: CPC-2023-5657-DB-VHCA at 1531 S. Sawtelle Blvd. Motion to approve Case #: CPC-2023-5657-DB-VHCA at 1531 S. Sawtelle Blvd as presented with one abstention (On March 21, 2024, the PLUM Committee voted 3-0-1 to approve with one abstention due to the negative impact that market rate co-living represents to meaningfully affordable, family-sized units in Sawtelle)

52. **PRESENTATION:** MATT DZUREC DIR-2024-179-TOC-VHCA 2318-2332 Amherst Ave

53. **MOTION:** To Amend the Alternative Affordable Housing Plan for an Interim Control Ordinance to protect non-R1 properties from the disproportionate impact of the Citywide Housing Incentives Program by approving and recommending the following to the Board:

1. The Board resolves to motion Council District 11's representative, Traci Park, to protect Sawtelle's non-R1 residential properties, including RD1.5, RD2, R2, and R3, from residential densification resulting either from (i) Executive Directive 1 or (ii) the Citywide Housing Incentives Program, by maintaining pre-existing non-R3 lots at a density of 2L or below, and re-directing the units of State-mandated housing to the Alternative Affordable Housing Zone Subarea in compliance with SB 330, via an Interim Control Ordinance (ICO) prohibiting:

a) the issuance of demolition permits with regards to below-market rate housing;

b) the issuance of demolition and other permits affecting contributing features in the potentially eligible historic subareas as defined in the Los Angeles Historic Resources Inventory; and

c) the streamlining procedures under Executive Directive 1 so as to reinstate public notice and hearing review. [Unanimous]

d) by redirecting State-mandated housing density to the prior Alternative Plan sub areas in addition to 11556 West La Grange Ave, 2007 S Colby Ave, 2020 S Federal Ave, 2024 S Federal Ave, 2027 S Colby Ave, 2031 S Colby Ave, 2036 S Colby Ave [Unanimous. Vince recused.]

e) and by mandating 80% - 100% of the units to be affordable and incentivizing an Eco-Sustainability District with a 10% set aside of the sub areas as greenspace with a net-zero carbon building standard for all areas within the Alternative Plan.

54. **MOTION:** To Form an ad hoc committee to advise the Board and maintain the Board abreast the events FK nursery sale [Unanimous]

a) <https://lyonstahl.com/properties/fk-nursery-development-portfolio/>

b) Whereas the zoning of the FK nursery will have a profound impact on the residential interior as it comprises significant open space

2. Motion to Form an ad hoc committee to advise the Board on the zoning of the 1700<sup>th</sup> block of Amherst and South Bundy Drive [Unanimous]

a) Whereas the character and experience of Bundy and Amherst sides of their 1700<sup>th</sup> block diverge to an extraordinary degree,

b) Whereas Bundy Drive is a high quality transportation corridor.

3. Motion to update the NC website to distinguish between the Alternative Plan, the proposed Community Plan Update of 2023, the proposed Community Plan Update of 2024, and the Citywide Housing Incentives Program [Unanimous.]

C. Motion to approve Community Impact Statement in Appendix C Re: DCR Core Application No. 101796, or LA-R-24-101796-ANN, 12320 W Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90064 – West LA Sawtelle Neighborhood Council (PLUM Committee) request for a new Community Meeting & Public Hearing due to a Lack of Notice for the March 24<sup>th</sup> and April 4<sup>th</sup> Meetings [Unanimous]

## **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

### **WESTSIDE REGIONAL ALLIANCE OF COUNCILS UPDATES**

55. **MOTION:** WLASNC has consistently supported LAMC 41.18 as a means of protecting sensitive uses in the public space from homeless encampments. The WLASNC has witnessed firsthand the difference between having protected City space, and having County land that is not protected by a similar ordinance, becoming the subject of long-standing, dangerous encampments. We oppose CF 21-0329-S5, as it will make implementation of LAMC 41.18 unnecessarily complicated and unnecessarily difficult, and needlessly involves County agencies in matters of City policy. LAMC 41.18 was never intended to solve the homelessness, but rather to protect the public space near sensitive uses, and we urge the City to not dilute what impact 41.18 has on protecting the public space near sensitive uses. Many other laws, and lawsuit settlements, address the provision of shelter to homeless individuals. MOTION (per the above): Motion to send a letter to the city and the CIS opposing councilmember Yaroslavsky's proposed amendments to LAMC 41.18.
56. **MOTION:** THE WLASNC, A MEMBER OF THE WESTSIDE REGIONAL ALLIANCE OF COUNCILS (WRAC), REQUESTS THAT THE CITY RECEIVES MONETARY COMPENSATION AND/OR RECEIVES COMMUNITY BENEFITS FOR THE TRANSFER OF EASEMENTS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY, EQUIVALENT TO THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE PROPERTY TRANSFERRED, AND THAT THIS VALUE RECEIVED IS INVESTED IN THE COMMUNITY PLAN AREA AFFECTED. WLASNC FURTHER REQUESTS THAT COUNCILMEMBERS REPRESENTING THE WRAC MEMBER COUNCILS BRING A MOTION TO COUNCIL OR OTHERWISE DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING (DCP) TO INSTITUTE A DCP POLICY TO EFFECTUATE THIS PURPOSE. BACKGROUND: [PROW Easement Compensation](#) MOTION REFERS TO CITY COUNCIL FILE [23-0623](#)
57. **MOTION:** IN REGARD TO CF 23-0623, THE WLASNC, A MEMBER OF THE WEST SIDE NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE OF COUNCILS (WRAC), REQUESTS THAT THE CITY CAP DEVELOPMENT WAIVER AT FIVE (5), WITH NO MORE THAN ONE (1) OF WHICH MAY BE RELATED TO THE ENVIRONMENT, FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVE (ED1) AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING STREAMLINING ORDINANCE PROJECTS, AND FURTHER REQUESTS THAT COUNCILMEMBERS REPRESENTING WRAC MEMBER COUNCILS (CMs PARK, YAROSLAVSKY, RAMAN AND HUTT) BRING A MOTION IN COUNCIL OR



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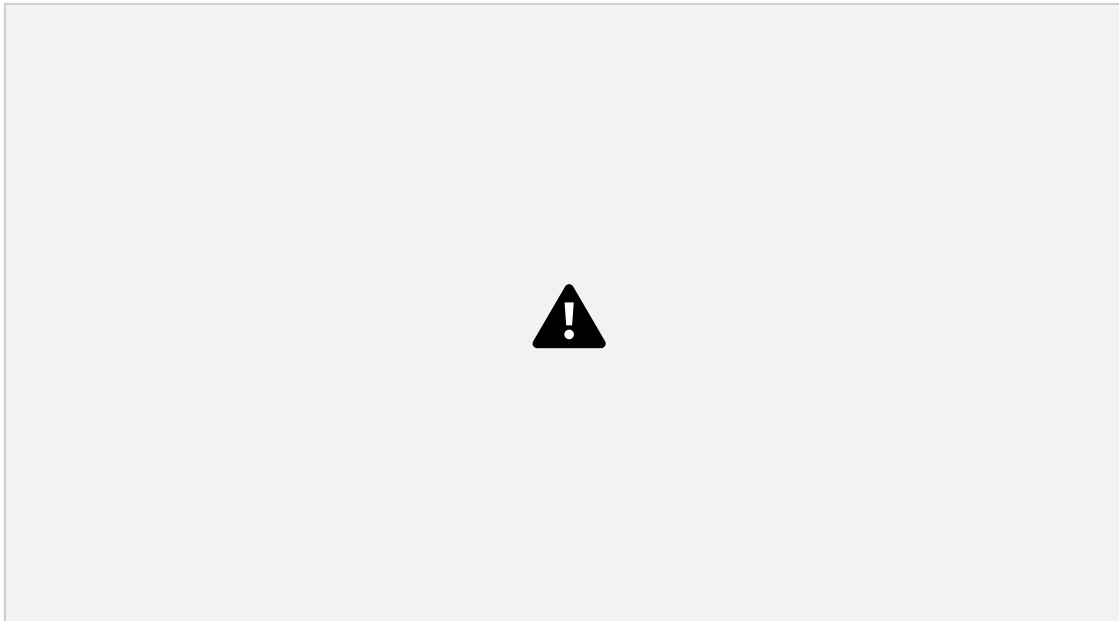
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For reference:

**PLUM Appendix Map**



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**PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST:** Requests shall be forwarded to DONE and the City Attorney for guidance in determining compliance with the request. The Board will respond to the person or agency requesting the records in writing, within 10 days of receipt of the request, informing them that their request has been received and forwarded to DONE and the City Attorney to determine compliance. Link <https://recordsrequest.lacity.org/> DONE link <https://empowerla.org/public-records-requests/>

**RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS:** For information on the NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website [www.westlasawtelle.org](http://www.westlasawtelle.org).

**TELECONFERENCING:** In conformity with the October 6, 2023 enactment of California Senate Bill 411 (Portanitino) an LA City Council approval on November 1, 2023, The Sawtelle Neighborhood Council will be conducted virtually.

**SB 411 UPDATES:** If a Neighborhood Council has a quorum of board members in a physical location, board members who wish to join the meeting via teleconferencing must adhere to AB 2449 rules and regulations. If a Neighborhood Council does not have a quorum of board members in a physical location, they must adhere to SB 411 rules and regulations.

In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph, to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

**PAID REPRESENTATIVES:** If you are compensated to monitor, attend, or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 48.01 et seq. More information is available at [ethics.lacity.org/lobbying](http://ethics.lacity.org/lobbying). For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or [ethics.commission@lacity.org](mailto:ethics.commission@lacity.org)

## **Appendix A: Letter to Rachel Burke re: Request for Westwood-Sawtelle CicLAVia**

To: Rachel Burke, CicLAVia Chief Program Officer, [rachel@ciclavia.org](mailto:rachel@ciclavia.org)

CC: Katy Yaroslavsky, Traci Park, LADOT, LA Metro, Caltrans District 7, BikeLA, UCLA Government Relations

### **Letter: Request for Westwood-Sawtelle CicLAVia event**

Since first adapting and introducing Bogotá's "ciclovía" to Los Angeles in 2010, CicLAVia's open streets events have become a beloved staple of the city. In that time, nearly 2 million Angelenos have experienced how closing a street to cars to create a temporary public park fosters a vibrant community. On average, five times more people attend CicLAVia events than use all Los Angeles parks combined, evidence of the public's desire for more open street events. Numerous studies have confirmed that CicLAVia positively impacts local neighborhoods by boosting business revenue,<sup>1,2</sup> drastically improving air quality,<sup>3,4</sup> increasing physical activity,<sup>5</sup> and decreasing violent crime.<sup>6</sup>

The conditions in Westwood and Sawtelle are ideal for a CicLAVia event. Westwood and Sawtelle are home to major car-free/car-light populations, but a lack of safe infrastructure prevents many from regularly cycling or using other modes of active transportation. Westwood and Sawtelle have historically been segregated from one another by the 405 freeway and limited pedestrian- and cycling-friendly crossings. CicLAVia would help bridge this gap and bring our communities together. Additionally, both neighborhoods include dense commercial corridors with diverse businesses and are served by several major bus routes and the Metro E Line, allowing easy event access for all Angelenos. In the near future, Westwood and Sawtelle will be served by the transformational transit expansions of the D Line and Sepulveda Transit Corridor. Fostering a local culture of active mobility will maximize the impact of these projects, and encourage more people who live, work, or play in Westwood and Sawtelle to do so without a personal vehicle.

A Westwood-Sawtelle route should include the major commercial corridors of Westwood Blvd Sawtelle Blvd, and we support extending the route as far into UCLA's campus as practicable to encourage participation by the student body. Examples of 3-4 mile routes are shown in Figure 1.

In summary, the local residents, businesses, and all Angelenos would benefit from the synergy of CicLAVia's proven success and the ideal open street conditions in Westwood and Sawtelle. Therefore, the North Westwood Neighborhood Council and West LA Sawtelle Neighborhood Council strongly request a local CicLAVia event in the near future. We encourage coordination between Council District 5, Council District 11, CicLAVia, UCLA, LA Metro, LADOT, and Caltrans and we look forward to working with those agencies to move this event forward.



**Figure 1.** Potential routes for a Westwood-Sawtelle CicLAvia event with total lengths of 3-4 miles.

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## Appendix C: Community Impact Statement to the Cannabis Regulation Commission

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**Re: DCR Core Application No. 101796, or LA-R-24-101796-ANN, 12320 W Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90064 – West LA Sawtelle Neighborhood Council (PLUM Committee) request for a new Community Meeting & Public Hearing due to a Lack of Notice for the March 24<sup>th</sup> and April 4<sup>th</sup> Meetings**

Dear Commission members,

West LA Sawtelle Neighborhood Council has not received any notices for public hearings regarding the licensing of cannabis within our boundaries for up to 24 months, including the latest hearing which took place on March 24<sup>th</sup> for Application No. 101796. Guidelines require notification to the neighborhood council and so there is concern regarding the lack of notice for such a prolonged period of time.

Education and compliance with regulations are important to our residents. We request a list of community liaisons and contacts for these matters with your office and the operators within our neighborhood council area.

Issues of concern include:

- **Ownership/management – people would be interested in hearing who owns the store, where are they based, is it part of a larger operation or a solo entrepreneur?**
- **Proposed hours of operation – is it in line with neighboring and/or sensitive businesses?**
- **Security – what is the protocol on site?**
- **Protection of minors – how will minors be protected from entering the property?**
- **Loitering/cannabis use around the premises – are there complaints of people making a purchase and sitting in their cars in the surrounding area to use it?**
- **Parking – Is there dedicated parking spaces behind the building in compliance with retail guidelines for parking in the city of LA? Is there parking for employees? How are pick-ups handled?**