CITY OF LOS ANGELES



# WESTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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# **REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

# AGENDA

Wednesday, October 11, 2023 - 7:00 PM

Belmont Village Senior Living - Westwood 10475 Wilshire Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90024

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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- 1. Call to Order Council Member roll call (Quorum = 8 members)
- 2. Announcements Lisa Chapman
- 3. Approval of Minutes September 11, 2023
- 4. Comments by Public Officials (<u>2 minutes per speaker</u>) SLO James Allen (WLA Community Police Station), Radmehr (Rad) Nowroozi (Senator Ben Allen), Marco Perez (UCLA Community Relations), Patricia Macias (Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky), Janet Turner (U.S. Congressman Ted Lieu), Amanda Laflin (Supervisor Lindsey Horvath), Sherwin Shamoeil (Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur, Sean Regan (U.S. Congressman Brad Sherman)
- 5. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Freddy Cupen-Ames
- 6. Treasurer's Report Laura Winikow
  - A. Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for August, 2023
  - B. Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for September, 2023
- 7. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 minutes per speaker, or less, based upon President's recommendation of speaker requests)
- 8. Westwood Park Gardens Project Stephen Resnick
  A. Introduction of Motion to support the Westwood Park Gardens Project
- 9. Discussion in regard to implementing various outreach efforts to improve Westwood Gardens Park – Lucas Dickey
  - A. Westwood Gardens Park update and discussion of survey from Fairburn parents in regards to the park.
  - B. Follow-up on 199 letters
  - C. Request that Councilmember Yaroslavsky contact the Recreation and Parks Department
- 10. Upzoning of Single Family Neighborhoods Connie Boukidis
  - A. Discussion and Introduction of Motion:

"WHEREAS City data shows more than enough zoning capacity in each of our communities on our underutilized commercial corridors, public lands, and through adaptive reuse, and because our residential neighborhoods have already been rezoned through SB 9 and ADU law that allow duplexes and ADUs on a single lot.

THE WWNC stands with our other neighborhood councils, community groups including United Neighbors, and HOAS in demanding that our Councilmember Katy Young Yaroslavsky and Mayor Karen Bass stand up for our communities and tell the Planning Department to reject the up-zone of our single-family and sensitive multi-family neighborhoods, and instead, locate all upzoning on our underutilized commercial corridors."

#### 11. Homeless Housing Locations – Lisa Chapman

A. Discussion and Introduction of Motion:

"The Westwood Neighborhood Council requests from Councilmember Katy Yaroslavky's staff a full map of all existing and approved to be built homeless housing (including shelters, Interim, bridge, and permanent) in Council District 5. We request this full information by October 31, 2023"

### 12. Broxton Garage – Lisa Chapman

A. Discussion and Introduction of Motion:

"The Westwood Neighborhood Council strongly objects to Council District 5 (CD5) considering the Broxton parking garage to be used for any type of homeless housing. We object to the characterization by CD5 that the Broxton garage is "underutilized". This garage is heavily used and is a much needed asset for Westwood Village, and its business community. We also object to any initiation of discussions with stakeholders in consideration of using the Broxton garage site for homeless housing as it is inappropriate and does not meet the criteria."

## 13. Westwood Park Advisory Board - Tracey Fitzgerald

## 14. Holmby Park Advisory Board – Ann Hayman

## **15. Standing Committee Status/Reports**

- A. Executive Lisa Chapman
- B. Land Use & Planning Connie Boukidis
- C. Outreach and Communications Lisa Chapman
- D. Homeless Taskforce Lisa Chapman
- E. Budget Advocates Marcello Robinson
- F. Public Safety/Transportation and Parking Philip Gabriel
- G. WRAC Emergency Preparedness Philip Gabriel
- H. Bylaws Sandy Brown
- I. WRAC Report and Motions Lisa Chapman
  - 1. Support: Request for a public park and skateboard facility at the West L.A. Commons project

#### 16. Adjournment

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