I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Background of Neighborhood Councils
A. The Goals and Objectives of NCs (per the Los Angeles City Council Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils adopted in May 2001)
   1. Promote public participation in City governance and decision making processes so that government is more responsive to local needs and requests
   2. Collaborate with other NCs regarding common and disparate concerns
   3. Facilitate delivery of services and government response to needs
   4. Provide equal opportunity to form as a NC and participate in the governmental decision making and problem solving processes
   5. Support grassroots organizing to form a neighborhood council
   6. Foster sense of community for all people to express ideas and opinions about their neighborhood and government
B. City of Los Angeles Governance of Neighborhood Councils
   1. DONE and BONC – their oversight role and the current review commission
   2. Brown Act – seeking sunshine and transparency
   3. City and State Ethics Laws
   4. DONE Election Procedures

III. Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council
A. Governance of the GWNC
   1. GWNC Bylaws
   2. Stakeholders and Board of Directors
B. Responsibilities of GWNC Directors and Alternates
   1. Dedicate time to board meetings and projects
   2. Promote and strengthen the organization’s mission and programs
   3. Provide stable and capable organizational planning
   4. Ensure adequate resources and their effective use
   5. Enhance the organization’s public outreach and standing
   6. Represent legal and ethical integrity and hold one another accountable
   7. Recruit and orient new board members and assess board performance
C. GWNC 2007 Election
   1. GWNC Election Procedures and the Independent Election Administrator (“IEA”)
   2. All candidates and voters must show original identification documents
   3. Candidate Filing Forms due to the IEA by 5:00 pm on February 12, 2007
   4. Optional Candidate Statements of 100 words and passport-type photos due via email only to election@greaterwilshire.org by 5:00 pm on February 26, 2007
   5. Candidate Forum at The Ebell at 7:00 pm on March 7, 2007
   6. Campaign rules
   7. March 14, 2007 Election Day Location and Procedures
   8. Election results

IV. Question and Answer Period

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