

Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council



Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council General Meeting

September 1, 2010

Approved by the board
October 13, 2010

1. Call to Order

A duly noticed meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (“GWNC”) was held on Wednesday, September 1, 2010, at the Ebell of Los Angeles, 743 South Lucerne Blvd., Los Angeles. President Owen Smith called the meeting to order at 7:08 p. m.

2. Roll Call

Secretary Elizabeth Fuller called the roll. Board Members in attendance at the roll call were: Yigal Arens, Betty Fox (Alternate for Charles Dougherty), Elizabeth Fuller, Jane Gilman, Kiki Gindler, John Gresham, Jack Humphreville, Mike Genewick (Alternate for Alex Jones-Moreno), Federico Mariscal, Frances McFall, Clinton Oie, Matthew Oldham, Mary Rajswing and Owen Smith.

Board Members Patricia Carroll and Fred Pickel joined the meeting at 7:14 p.m. Board member Bobbie Kumetz joined the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members David Lunzer, Benjamin Rosenberg and Jane Usher were absent and not represented by an Alternate.

Fourteen of the 20 Board Members were present at roll call. A quorum is 13, so the Board could make Motions and take votes. Also attending: approximately 12 Stakeholders and guests.

3. Reading of the Minutes

Mr. Smith noted that the General Board is meeting one week early this month. The Minutes of the last [August 11th] Meeting will be read at next month’s [October 13th] Meeting.

4. President’s Report (Owen Smith)

A. Nominations/Seating of Additional Board Members and Alternates

Mr. Kaliski said the Oath of Office aloud and was seated with the Board.

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MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Jane Gilman): The GWNC accepts John Kaliski to the Board as the new Area 1 (Brookside) Alternate.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

- B. Remaining vacancies – please recruit:
The Area 2 (Citrus Square) – Alternate;
Area 9 (Oakwood-Maplewood-St. Andrews) – Director and Alternate;
Area 13 (Wilshire Park) – Alternate;
Area 12 (We-Wil) – Alternate;
Area 14 (Windsor Square) – Alternate;
Business – Alternate;
and Education – Alternate seats remain vacant and open to applicants at this time.

5. Local Government Updates

A. CD4 Update (Nikki Ezhari)

Ms. Ezhari could not attend and there was no report at this time.

B. 42nd Assembly District Update (Haeyoung Kim)

Ms. Kim reported that the State Assembly is considering legislation to “cap the number of times [insurance] companies can raise rates to once per year.” Other legislation is waiting “to be signed by the Governor . . . [that] puts restrictions on mobile billboards.”

C. 26th Senate District Update (Andrew Lachman)

Mr. Lachman could not attend and there was no report at this time.

6. Treasurer’s Report and Budget Items

A. Monthly budget report/approval (Matthew Oldham)

Mr. Oldham reviewed the “Monthly Spending Report – August 1 -- September 1, 2010”.

MOTION (by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Rajswing): The GWNC approves the “Monthly Spending Report – August 1 -- September 1, 2010.”

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

B. GWNC 2010-2011 Budget adjustment to account for unpaid invoices (Elizabeth Fuller)

Ms. Fuller described that the Budget needs to be adjusted because this Meeting space rent is increasing and DONE (the L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment) is “just getting to” paying April invoices (which we assumed had already been paid when she prepared the new budget. She’ll report on it at the next Meeting. Expenses paid since the budget was approved – which will now have to be deducted from the new budget - include a \$275 interpreter fee, a \$400 Meeting space fee and “one or two others.”

7. DWP Oversight

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Mr. Humphreville reported that the “major issue . . . [is the] Ratepayer’s Advocate . . . [and] what is it going to be . . . [The three main concerns are] 1) the Ratepayer Advocate’s role; 2) how will it be funded; and 3) the level of independence.” He estimated that the Advocate’s Office will need \$4 million to hire a Director and other necessary staff, including “outside accountants.” He suggested that the Advocate’s Office have “five Members with staggered terms . . . Two homeowners, two from the business community . . . and one from the rental community . . . Fair and objective advice is the goal . . . The State DRA (Division of Ratepayer Advocate) [<http://www.dra.ca.gov/dra>] has \$25 million . . . We’re going directly to [L.A. City Councilmembers] Garcetti, Smith, Wesson and Perry.”

[Directors Fred Pickel and Patti Carroll arrived at this time.]

8. Community Concerns

A. Senior citizen concerns (Joan Taylor)

Mr. Smith said that Ms. Taylor could not attend this Meeting. He relayed that there’ll be a public meeting on the Westside Subway Extension on September 20th at 6:00 p.m. at the L.A. County Museum – West at Fairfax and Wilshire. Stakeholder Suzanne Chase was concerned about parking on 6th Street in Windsor Square. Stakeholder John Welborne, Vice President of Planning & Land Use for the Windsor Square Association, responded that some 6th Street homeowners need the parking.

9. Outreach Committee (Matthew Oldham)

A. Larchmont Fair booth

Director Mary Rajswing reported there will be a GWNC booth at the October 24th Larchmont Fair, and KYCC will be donating trees for us to distribute.

B. Saturday morning GWNC-sponsored events (Federico Mariscal)

Mr. Mariscal said they “will start doing events . . . Saturday, October 9th or Sunday, October 10th . . . [They] would like to start with the Larchmont Village Association . . . [He’ll] keep you posted.”

C. Website redesign (Elizabeth Fuller)

Ms. Fuller reported that the Outreach Committee will meet tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. at the Larchmont Chronicle office and she “will present tweaks in . . . the design.”

[Director Barbara Kumetz arrived at this time.]

D. E-Mail newsletter and Larchmont Chronicle ads (Mary Rajswing)

Ms. Rajswing reported that because our early meeting this month predated the Larchmont Chronicle publication date, we couldn’t use our September ad space to promote our general meeting, so we used it to promote the the September 28th Land Use Committee meeting instead.

10. Ad Hoc Election Review Committee

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Ms. Fuller distributed copies of an August 31st “Memorandum” from the “Ad-Hoc Committee to Review Voter Eligibility of Area 7 Voters in the May 13, 2010 [GWNC] Election”; a September 1, 2010 letter to Arleen Taylor, Chief, Election Division, Office of the L.A. City Clerk “Re: 2010 [GWNC] Election – Vacancies in Area 7”; a “GWNC Area 7 (Larchmont Village) Stakeholder Registrations” list; and “A Resolution declaring vacant the [GWNC] Area 7 (Larchmont Village) Geographic seats for Director and Alternate.” Ms. Fuller explained the e-mail she’d sent to Board Members regarding this issue.

MOTION (by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The GWNC adopts the following:

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING VACANT THE GREATER WILSHIRE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL AREA 7 (LARCHMONT VILLAGE) GEOGRAPHIC
SEATS FOR DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATE.**

WHEREAS, the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (GWNC) Board of Directors Election was held at the Wilshire Crest Elementary School Auditorium from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 13, 2010, under the oversight and management of the Los Angeles City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, challenges to, and protests of, this May election for the Area 7 geographic seats were timely filed, and necessary documentary evidence requested from the City Clerk’s Office finally was received in July; and

WHEREAS, at the August 11, 2010, Board of Directors meeting, a committee of Directors was appointed to review the registration materials finally received from the City Clerk’s Office; and

WHEREAS, this committee met on August 14, 2010, and reviewed in detail and at length the Registration Forms provided to GWNC by the City Clerk’s Office; and

WHEREAS, in a Report to the Board of Directors dated August 31, 2010, the committee made two recommendations, as follows:

1. Due to the unfortunate mishandling of the voter registration for Area 7, the Board should declare the results of the election for the Area 7 Director and Alternate seats inconclusive and therefore declare those two seats vacant immediately. At such time as the Board chooses, the Board should deal with those vacancies in the same manner as it deals with other vacancies where no Candidates were elected at the May 13 election.

2. The Board should direct the president to dispatch the attached letter, or one substantially like it, to inform the City Clerk of the Board’s action and to offer suggestions to the City Clerk’s Office for improvement in the management of future neighborhood council elections, especially with respect to reviewing and recording the required documentation of Stakeholder eligibility to vote; and

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WHEREAS, Article VII. G of the Bylaws of GWNC (hereinafter “the Bylaws”) states, in part: “. . . The candidate receiving the most votes in each *geographic area* shall be considered elected as a Board member; the candidate receiving the second-most votes in each *geographic area* shall be considered elected as the Alternate for that seat. . . .”; and

WHEREAS, Article VI. H of the Bylaws states, in part: “. . . Where both the Director’s and the Alternate’s seat are vacant (for example, where no one stood for election), replacements for both shall be appointed by the Board. . . .”; and

WHEREAS, Article XXII. A of the 2010 Neighborhood Council Election Procedures (hereinafter “Election Procedures”) states: “Any board member seat(s) that is/are not filled through the election process will be deemed vacant when the new governing board takes office”; and

WHEREAS, the committee’s review established clearly that the election results for the Area 7 seat are inconclusive as to which candidate had the most votes from legitimately registered voters and, therefore, no candidate can be deemed to have been elected as Director or Alternate for that geographic area per Article VII.G of the Bylaws, and a vacancy therefore exists and needs to be filled in accordance with Article VI.H of the Bylaws and Article XXII.A of the Election Procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that GWNC hereby:

1. Declares that the results of the election for the Area 7 Director and Alternate seats were inconclusive and those seats therefore are vacant; and
2. Affirms that the Board will fill those vacancies at its next meeting or as soon thereafter as possible, pursuant to the Bylaws and Election Procedures; and
3. Directs the President of GWNC to dispatch the letter presented and recommended by the committee to assist the Los Angeles City Clerk in better managing the documentation of Stakeholder voter eligibility in the future.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Welborne stated that “because of the eight ineligible voters incorrectly allowed to vote by the City Clerk [in the recent GWNC Area 7 election] -- it simply is not possible to declare a winner and a runner-up in this two-candidate election.” Mr. Mariscal spoke of his desire to do service for the community no matter what the election decision is. Mr. Welborne said that “it’s important to resolve the issue . . . and adopt the Resolution.” He observed that City Ordinance 179680 says that the City must help with this; he “believes that the Board has to act independently” because the City Clerk’s Office did not act.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

Mr. Genewick requested that both Mr. Mariscal and Karen Gilman be appointed to the Area 7 seat, alternating attendance. It was agreed to Agendize appointments for the open seats at the October 13th General Board Meeting.

11. Ad Hoc Funding Guidelines Committee

The Committee did not meet last month.

12. Ad Hoc Million Trees Committee

[This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #9) A.)] Ms. Rajswing reported that the Koreatown Youth and Community Center will be helping distribute trees at our booth at the Larchmont Fair on Sunday, October 24th. The Committee did not meet. “Any requests . . . for [other] trees are on hold” due to City budget cuts.

13. Ad Hoc Uniform Bylaws Committee

Mr. Welborne announced a Bylaws Task Force Meeting September 11th at 9:30 a.m. at the Barrio Action Youth and Family Center in El Sereno. He stated that “the Bylaws Task Force has extensively discussed” how to improve NC Bylaws, saying that “Task Force leaders have tried to find a middle ground . . . there seemed to be a consensus . . . that the group is very organized . . . [Bylaws language] will not be imposed.” It was mentioned that the Bylaws Task Force is focusing on creating a “wireframe Table of Contents” for NC Bylaws so that everyone can be using and referring to the same Articles or sections of each NC’s Bylaws.

14. Land Use Committee

[The following Item Land Use Committee text is directly from the Agenda.]

A. Oesteria Mamma – Liquor CUP (5730 W. Melrose)

Issue: Business is a family-owned Italian restaurant, seeking permission to sell a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with food service. Voluntary conditions, presented in writing, include sales for on-site consumption only, hours 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Thurs., 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday, no live entertainment, happy hours, or exterior advertising of liquor sales, no fixed bar on premises. Applicants have received no protests to the application; will go to Larchmont Village Association to seek their approval. Hearing date was August 25, but applicants requested file be held open for input from the NC. **LUC recommended MOTION:** [see below].

Ms. Fuller read the above description.

MOTION (by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Genewick): The GWNC supports the CUP application of Oesteria Mamma, 5730 W. Melrose on the condition that there are no objections from the Larchmont Village Neighborhood Association.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

B. Ariel Market Beer and Wine CUP (304 N. La Brea)

Issue: Family-owned neighborhood market, catering to largely Orthodox Jewish clientele, seeking CUP to allow sales of beer and Kosher wine. Alcohol sales expected to be only

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about 2% of market's total. Applicants presented letters of support from neighbors. Voluntary conditions, presented in writing, include no outdoor advertisements of alcohol sales, no consumption allowed on premises, hours of 9 a.m.-7 p.m. on Sundays, 8 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 1/2 days on Fridays, closed Saturdays and holidays. No expected impact on traffic or parking since target market is existing customers. **LUC recommended MOTION: [see below].**

Ms. Fuller read the above description and noted that "no neighbors wrote in to protest."

MOTION (by Mr. Genewick, seconded by Mr. Pickel): The GWNC supports the CUP application of Ariel Market Beer and Wine, 304 N. La Brea.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

C. 812 N. Sycamore – Legalize 3rd Dwelling Unit

Issue: When applicant purchased property in 1998, it was presented as a legal triplex (3rd unit is in a converted garage). Applicant found out only recently that the 3rd unit was not permitted and seeks to legalize it. Requires variances to various parking conditions but no other actions. Unit has existed for many years and has been continuously occupied. Applicant presented letters of support from neighbors (one of whom recently gained GWNC support for a similar 3rd unit legalization on his own property). Neighborhood is a mixture of multi-unit buildings of various sizes. Legalization will not change occupancy numbers, traffic or parking situation in the area. **LUC recommended MOTION: [see below].**

Ms. Fuller read the above description and noted that the zoning is R3 and that this unit has existed for at least 20 years.

MOTION (by Mr. Genewick, seconded by Jane Gilman): The GWNC supports the CUP application regarding 812 N. Sycamore to legalize a third dwelling unit.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

D. 216 S. Irving – Legalize 3rd Dwelling Unit

Issue: When applicant purchased property in 2002, it was presented as a legal triplex, with the third unit created from a laundry area at least 30 years ago. Variances for parking setbacks are required to legalize. Construction of a carport and two uncovered parking spaces is also required, but there is room to build these at the rear of the property. They would not be visible from the street. No other changes are required. **LUC recommended MOTION: [see below].**

Ms. Fuller read the above description.

MOTION (by Mr. Genewick, seconded by Mr. Pickel): The GWNC supports the CUP application regarding 216 S. Irving to legalize a third dwelling unit.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

E. Al's Liquors CUP Revisions – 5550 Melrose Ave.

Issue: In the early 1990s, when the business was under the same ownership but different management, there were complaints of graffiti on the premises. When the managers did not comply with orders to clean it up, the Zoning Administrator imposed corrective conditions following a public hearing, as the first step in revocation of the CUP. The manager/operator appealed and was denied, and was ordered to file for a Plan Approval within a year. The operator never did this, and the property owners were never made aware of the situation. In the 17 years since, the store has changed operators, and neither the new operators nor the continuing owners were aware of the order to file a Plan Approval. A city administrator recently noticed the Plan Approval was never filed, and ordered the owners to file it. They filed the application last month and seek support for the application. No further complaints have been received from the neighbors since the early 1990s.

LUC recommended MOTION: [see below].

Ms. Fuller read the above description.

MOTION (by Jane Gilman, seconded by Mr. Pickel): The GWNC supports the CUP application of Al's Liquors, 5550 Melrose Ave., on the condition that there are no objections from the Larchmont Village Neighborhood Association.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

F. Los Angeles City Design Guidelines Negative Declaration

Issue: The City of Los Angeles has proposed adopting a set of citywide Design Guidelines to help streamline the planning process. Recently, a "Negative Declaration" was issued, stating that the new Design Guidelines would not have a negative environmental impact of any sort, and giving only a short window for public comment and input. PlanCheckLA, a watchdog group, has objected to the Negative Declaration being issued before the Guidelines themselves have been written or examined, to the short review period for the ND, which allows too little time for Neighborhood Council and other public review, and to the overall speed of the City's code streamlining process (to which this is related), which seems to be eliminating much opportunity for public input in the process.

LUC recommended MOTION: That the GWNC adopt the following resolution, supplied by PlanCheckLA:

WHEREAS:

The City of Los Angeles Planning Department's contemplated Policy Motion regarding Mitigated Negative Declaration does not allow adequate time for Neighborhood Councils' to deliberate and input,

WHEREAS:

The City of Los Angeles Planning Department has failed to post all background research documentation related to this issue (project),

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WHEREAS:

The City of Los Angeles Planning Department has failed to fully disclose the precise text of these proposed changes and how they fit into the General Plan Framework Element;

The Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council endorses the resolution to require the Planning Department to post all background research documents related to NEGATIVE DECLARATION-NG-10-280-PL: ENV-2010-715 online; to provide full disclosure of the precise text of these proposed changes and how they fit into the General Plan Framework Element; and to restart the Negative Declaration process at the time these documents are posted to provide for full review of the Guidelines and the Negative Declaration in accordance with CEQA notification and review requirements.

[NOTE: The LUC vote to recommend this motion was not unanimous. Mr. Genewick was opposed, saying the Negative Declaration refers only to the process of creating the new guidelines, not to the guidelines themselves, and that the process will indeed have no negative environmental impacts, as defined by CEQA, even if the guidelines may.]

[NOTE: The above Item 14) F) text is word-for-word from the Agenda.]

Ms. Fuller read the above description, explaining that Mr. Genewick voted against it. He commented that “CEQA [California Environmental Quality Act] . . . really doesn’t apply to the procedure . . . [This] shouldn’t even involve CEQA . . . We still have adequate input to the Guidelines.” Mr. Kaliski was concerned that the Design Guidelines “have nothing to do with streamlining . . . There’re a lot of mistakes in the Motion . . . The Guidelines are available . . . These are guidelines, not standards . . . so that you do not have different guidelines from zone to zone.” He urged to “at best . . . drop” the Motion. Stakeholder Lucille Saunders of the La Brea - Willoughby Coalition and PlanCheckLA was concerned that the Guidelines are an attempt “to undermine” a lawsuit, contending “the Guidelines were not available on the website until” August 26th. She wanted “proper time” to review” the Guidelines and was concerned that the Guidelines will result in “projects [that can] be approved over-the-counter.”

Mr. Welborne pointed out that Mr. Kaliski is very experienced in land use planning and believed that the City “Planning Department has done an inadequate job of outreach.” Mr. Genewick thought that if the City does not issue a Negative Declaration “they’ve got to do an Environmental Impact Report.” Mr. Kaliski supported having more time (“60 days”) for Guidelines review and described the Guidelines as “basically an appendix that City staff will use.” Mr. Humphreville was concerned regarding how the City is handling the issue.

MOTION (by Mr. Gresham, seconded by Mr. Pickel): The GWNC President will draft a letter, using advice, recommending a 60-day delay in the Design Guidelines and Negative Declaration review process.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

MOTION (by Mr. Pickel, seconded by Mr. Gresham): The GWNC refer the issue back to its Land Use Committee for further consideration of the City Planning Department's proposed Design Guidelines and Negative Declaration.

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

Mr. Kaliski commented that the City is "looking at ways to change the structure of the [Planning] Department . . . [New General Manager] Michael LoGrande's first request will be to hire four new planners . . . [to help with] the backlog."

G. 427 S. McCadden application for HPOZ approval of front-yard wall

Issue: The property owners, weary of intrusions onto their property from foot traffic related to John Burroughs Middle School, began building a 39" brick wall across the front of their property. While the wall design did meet City code requirements, however, it had not been reviewed, as required, by the Hancock Park HPOZ board before construction began. Construction was halted and the application was brought to the HPOZ board, which opposed the application on the grounds that walls and fences are highly discouraged because they alter the park-like setting of the neighborhood. The owners made clear their intent to appeal, and the Hancock Park Homeowners' Association brought the matter to the GWNC, seeking support for the HPOZ Board's position.

LUC recommended action: None at this time. After lengthy discussion of whether it was necessary or proper for the GWNC to step in on a matter that has already been decided by the appropriate governing body (in this case the HPOZ board), Cindy Chvatal, on behalf of the HPHOA, Est. 1948, withdrew the request for GWNC action.

Ms. Fuller said that the above is "informational only."

H. Larchmont Bungalow – 107 N. Larchmont

Issue: Civil and criminal court cases have been continued until December. Business partner Ken Bernard and counsel Fred Gaines provided updates on the restaurant, said they are working with the city to bring the business into compliance and suggested forming a broad-based community-focused committee to discuss the Q conditions on Larchmont, compliance issues and future business development along the street. Patty Lombard and Patti Carroll volunteered to work with such a committee, and to invite representatives from the Larchmont Boulevard Association and the City Council office to participate.

LUC recommended action: None at this time. Additional committee members would be welcomed.

Ms. Fuller said that the above is "informational only."

I. T-Mobile Cell Phone Poles at 9th and Mansfield and 1st and Wilton

Issue: Both applications were heard and discussed at previous meetings, neighbors from both areas are opposed to the installations. The T-Mobile representative will return in September with updates and more information. At the August LUC meeting, neighbors

who live near the Mansfield location expressed their opposition, provided background research on court precedents and offered to join our wireless telecommunications subcommittee.

LUC recommended action: None at this time. Discussion will continue at next month's meeting.

Ms. Fuller said that the above is "informational only."

J. Remodeling and Expansion Project at Eastern Presbyterian Church – 4270 W. 6th St.

Issue: Developer's representative introduced the project, which is still in the planning stage, and asked what GWNC reaction would be to the City's suggestion that Bronson Ave. would need to be widened to accommodate part of the expansion plan. LUC members noted that neighbors, including the Windsor Square Association, would probably oppose such a plan. Developers will return next month with an update and more information about the project plans.

LUC recommended action: None at this time.

Ms. Fuller said that the above is "informational only."

K. Draft Hollywood Community Plan

Issue: A draft of the new Hollywood Community Plan has just been released. Because part of the GWNC area lies within the HPC area, we will be asked to comment on the draft. Appointed a subcommittee to read the draft and report back to the full Land Use Committee next month.

LUC recommended action: None at this time. Additional subcommittee members are welcome.

Ms. Fuller said that the above is "informational only."

L. Draft of GWNC Cell Phone Policy

Issue: Reviewed second draft of proposed GWNC policy on cell phone antenna installations. Stakeholders from the Sycamore Square neighborhood volunteered to help the subcommittee incorporate thoughts from relevant court cases, as well as appropriate legal language.

LUC recommended action: None at this time. Discussion will continue at next month's meeting.

Ms. Fuller said that the above is "informational only."

M. California Marketplace Voluntary Conditions Review

Issue: In June, project developers presented plans for this project (incorporating a grocery store, retail and restaurant space on the east side of Western Ave.). Discussion centered on topics such as liquor licenses, hours of operation, signage, noise abatement and others. Developers submitted a list of voluntary conditions, many aimed at addressing the concerns discussed at the earlier meeting. Conditions were reviewed and discussed. Comments will be relayed to applicants, who will be invited to September's meeting for a more thorough discussion of several specifics relating to signage and parking structure design.

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LUC recommended action: None at this time.
Ms. Fuller said that the above is “informational only.”

N. Upcoming Issues for September LUC Meeting:

- Cell phone antennas atop 654/666 s. La Brea (Pac Bell building)
- Meter cabinet at Olympic/Muirfield
- CUP application to sell wine/beer at Piper’s Restaurant (222 N. Western)
- CUP application to sell wine/beer at Café Storygarden (338 S. Western)
- Permit application for addition, garage, etc. at 5226 W. 1st St.
- Renovations at 500 S. Lorraine
- Reduced setbacks at 148 N. Las Palmas
- 323 N. Larchmont wireless telecommunications facility
- 12-unit condo conversion at 100 N. Sycamore
- Over-height wall at 364 N. Highland

Ms. Fuller said that the above is “informational only.”

15. Board Member Comments/New Business

Mr. Kaliski recommended that it would be good to make the Land Use Committee part of the General Board Meeting Agenda “a consent Agenda” in which a group of Items could be considered together. Mr. Welborne noted that that would help “efficiency” and Mr. Pickel supported the idea, saying it would “shorten meetings.”

16. Public Comments

Alternate Director Sarah Tabor was concerned about pedestrian safety and would like an ad hoc Committee to “review pedestrian crashes over the last few years” and recommend solutions. She offered to be contacted at STabor@usc.edu. Ms. Fuller called for volunteers for the Committee. In response to a question from Mr. Mariscal, Ms. Fuller said GWNC business card designs are available and that approximately \$250 is budgeted for the cards. Mr. Welborne commented that Metro Purple Line subway extension information outreach has been well done.

17. Announcements and Adjournment

Mr. Smith announced that the next General Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, October 13th at 7:00 p.m. and thanked everyone for attending.

Mr. Smith declared and the Board agreed to **ADJOURN** the Meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
David Levin
Minutes Writer