



MINUTES Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council FULL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, September 8, 2021 - 6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. VIRTUAL MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE

VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING and PHONE NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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AGENDA

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Call to Order – *Joyce Fletcher*, 6:34pm Pledge of Allegiance – *Paul Lawler* Roll Call – *Karen DiBiase*

Quorum at time of meeting called to order: 23

Karen DiBiase, Mark Schwartz, Reina Cerros-McCaughey, Arturo Velasquez, Paul Lawler, Kathleen Barth, Nancy McLean, Angela Dawson, John Sandy Campbell, Alex Farassati (left early 8:24pm), Brian Archibald, Martin Lipkin, Dena Weiss (left early 7:38pm), Lisa Meyer, Peter Fletcher, Leslie Simon, Mihran Kalaydjian, Heath Kline (left early 8:40pm), Lauren Coffman, Joyce Fletcher, Houtan Hormozian, Sam Evans, Eric Spitzer

Absent: Aaron Quantz, Sean McCarthy

No longer on from Board: Ginny Sand

Public Announcements:

Office of Councilmember Bob Blumenfield - *Veronica Vos and Seth Samuels, Reps*Office of LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl – *Blake Clayton, Rep*Los Angeles Public Library, Woodland Hills – *Barbara Metzenbaum*

General Public Comment, by the Public, on Non-Agenda Items:

General Public Comment is limited to (1) minute per speaker and 20 minutes total.

I. Organization, Operation, Policies, & Procedures:

A. Approval of Minutes: Board Meeting – August 11, 2021

See posted support document.

Motion: Joyce Fletcher, Second: Peter Fletcher

Roll Call Vote

PASS Yes: 20 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Ineligible: 3 Total: 23

- YES: Karen DiBiase, Mark Schwartz, Reina Cerros-McCaughey, Arturo Velasquez, Paul Lawler, Kathleen Barth, Nancy McLean, Angela Dawson, John Sandy Campbell, Brian Archibald, Martin Lipkin, Dena Weiss, Lisa Meyer, Peter Fletcher, Leslie Simon, Mihran Kalaydjian, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, Houtan Hormozian, Sam Evans
- NO: 0
- ABSTAIN: 0
- INELIGIBLE: Alex Farassati, Lauren Coffman, Eric Spitzer

B. Officer Reports

President – Joyce Fletcher

Open seats on the WHWCNC board – Area 5 Residential, Area 4 Alternate, Area 5 Alternate, Area 7 Alternate. The Governance Committee will accept applications until October 19th. If the seats are not filled, after October 19th the seats will remain open for stakeholder applications.

Vice President – Dena Weiss

Per our Standing Rules, all NC Board members must participate on a Committee.

Treasurer – Paul Lawler

Secretary – Karen DiBiase

All NC Board members are current with their training with EmpowerLA, as of the Board meeting

Parliamentarian – Sean McCarthy

2. Items for Discussion and Possible Action:

<u>Item No. (1) Treasurer, Paul Lawler</u> (21-069) Approval of the July 2021 MER

Discussion and possible action:

Motion to approve the WHWCNC Budget/Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Monthly Expense Reconciliation [MER] for July 2021.

See posted support document

Motion: Paul Lawler, Second: Dena Weiss

Roll Call Vote

PASS Yes: 20 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Ineligible: 3 Total: 23

- YES: Karen DiBiase, Mark Schwartz, Reina Cerros-McCaughey, Arturo Velasquez, Paul Lawler, Kathleen Barth, Nancy McLean, Angela Dawson, John Sandy Campbell, Brian Archibald, Martin Lipkin, Dena Weiss, Lisa Meyer, Peter Fletcher, Leslie Simon, Mihran Kalaydjian, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, Houtan Hormozian, Sam Evans
- NO: 0
- ABSTAIN: 0
- INELIGIBLE: Alex Farassati, Lauren Coffman, Eric Spitzer

<u>Item No. (2) Community Services Committee – Chair, Dena Weiss</u> (21-070) WHWCNC Virtual Halloween Celebration

Discussion and possible action:

Motion for the board to approve a virtual WHWCNC Halloween costume contest on the Neighborhood Council website with expenditure of \$300 in prizes for three different categories of costumes (\$100 per category; funniest, scariest and most creative) from the Community Services Committee budget. Each \$100 will purchase one award.

Stakeholder participants will send (1) photos of themselves, family or children in costume to be uploaded to the WHWCNC website. The Community Services Committee will vote.

Motion: Dena Weiss, Second: Kathleen Barth

Amended Motion: Joyce Fletcher, Second: Kathleen Barth

Amended Motion: Motion for the board to approve a virtual WHWCNC Halloween costume contest on the Neighborhood Council website with expenditure of \$300, as approved by the City Clerk, in prizes for three different categories of costumes (funniest, scariest and most creative) from the Community Services Committee Budget.

Stakeholder participants will send (1) photo of children in costume to be uploaded to the WHWCNC website.

The Community Services Committee will vote.

Roll Call Vote (Amended Motion)

PASS Yes: 19 No: 1 Abstain: 0 Ineligible: 3 Total: 23

- YES: Karen DiBiase, Mark Schwartz, Arturo Velasquez, Paul Lawler, Kathleen Barth, Nancy McLean, Angela Dawson, John Sandy Campbell, Brian Archibald, Martin Lipkin, Dena Weiss, Lisa Meyer, Peter Fletcher, Leslie Simon, Mihran Kalaydjian, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, Houtan Hormozian, Sam Evans
- NO: Reina Cerros-McCaughey
- ABSTAIN: 0
- INELIGIBLE: Alex Farassati, Lauren Coffman, Eric Spitzer

Original Motion: Dena Weiss, Second: Kathleen Barth

Roll Call Vote (Original Motion)

n/a

<u>Item No. (3) Community Services Committee – Chair, Dena Weiss</u> (21-071) Letter related to needed improvements to Ventura Blvd. in Area 5

Discussion and possible action:

Motion for the board to approve a letter and document to be sent to Councilmember Bob Blumenfield which notifies and requests improvements to the median, sidewalks, empty lots, tree wells, tree trimming and removal of trash in Area 5.

Dear Councilmember Bob Blumenfield,

On July 21, 2021, Lisa Meyer Area 5 Business Representative, Peter Fletcher Area 5 CBO and Joyce Fletcher President of the Board walked the sidewalks of the WHWCNC Area 5 in Woodland Hills. We found several areas of concern that need to be addressed by the City of Los Angeles.

Please see the attached document with photographs which documents many of the problems that need to be addressed. We are hoping to partner with you, your staff and other City Departments to ensure these issues are addressed with the help and support of the Council office.

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See posted support document

Motion: Dena Weiss, Second: Lisa Meyer

Roll Call Vote

PASS Yes: 17 No: 0 Abstain: 2 Ineligible: 3 Total: 22

- YES: Karen DiBiase, Mark Schwartz, Reina Cerros-McCaughey, Arturo Velasquez, Paul Lawler, Kathleen Barth, Nancy McLean, Angela Dawson, John Sandy Campbell, Lisa Meyer, Peter Fletcher, Leslie Simon, Mihran Kalaydjian, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, Houtan Hormozian, Sam Evans
- NO: 0
- ABSTAIN: Brian Archibald, Martin Lipkin
- INELIGIBLE: Alex Farassati, Lauren Coffman, Eric Spitzer

Note: Dena Weiss left the meeting at 7:38pm, and did not vote on Item#3

<u>Item No. (4) Public Health and Homelessness Committee – Chair, Sam Evans (21-072) Community Impact Statement (CIS) Council File No. 21-0658</u>

Discussion and possible action:

Motion to approve a Community Impact Statement related to Council File # 21-0658.

Community Impact Statement to Support 100 Percent Deed-Restricted Affordable Housing Projects / Expedited Approval Process / Strategic Plan CF 21-0658

The Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council supports this Motion (21-0658), which calls for a strategic plan to streamline 100 percent deed-restricted affordable housing projects. As the Motion states, only 6 percent of the housing projects approved since 2015 have been 100 percent deed-restricted affordable housing, while the need for affordable housing in the City far outpaces that rate. To mitigate the housing and homelessness crisis in Los Angeles, the City can and should encourage the development of fully affordable housing projects by making them cheaper and easier to build.

Link to the City Council Motion:

https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=21-0658

See posted support document/Council File

Motion: Sam Evans, Second: Peter Fletcher

Substitute Motion: Heath Kline, Second: Mihran Kalaydjian

Substitute Motion: Motion to be sent back to the Public Health and Homelessness Committee for further analysis on wording.

Roll Call Vote (Substitute Motion)

FAIL Yes: 7 No: 12 Abstain: 0 Ineligible: 3 Total: 22

- YES: Karen DiBiase, Kathleen Barth, Nancy McLean, Angela Dawson, Martin Lipkin, Mihran Kalaydjian, Heath Kline,
- NO: Mark Schwartz, Reina Cerros-McCaughey, Arturo Velasquez, Paul Lawler, John Sandy Campbell, Brian Archibald, Lisa Meyer, Peter Fletcher, Leslie Simon, Joyce Fletcher, Houtan Hormozian, Sam Evans
- ABSTAIN: 0
- INELIGIBLE: Alex Farassati, Lauren Coffman, Eric Spitzer

Original Motion: Sam Evans, Second: Peter Fletcher

Roll Call Vote (Original Motion)

PASS Yes: 10 No: 9 Abstain: 0 Ineligible: 3 Total: 22

- YES: Mark Schwartz, Reina Cerros-McCaughey, Arturo Velasquez, Kathleen Barth, John Sandy Campbell, Brian Archibald, Peter Fletcher, Leslie Simon, Joyce Fletcher, Sam Evans
- NO: Karen DiBiase, Paul Lawler, Nancy McLean, Angela Dawson, Martin Lipkin, Lisa Meyer, Mihran Kalaydjian, Heath Kline, Houtan Hormozian

- ABSTAIN: 0
- INELIGIBLE: Alex Farassati, Lauren Coffman, Eric Spitzer

Note: Alex Farassati (left the meeting at 8:24pm) and Heath Kline (left meeting at 8:40pm), after voting was completed on Item#4

3. Area Reports - were provided

Area 1 - Aaron Quantz, Karen DiBiase, Mark Schwartz, Reina Cerros-McCaughey

Area 2 – Arturo Velasquez, Paul Lawler, Sean McCarthy, Kathleen Barth

Area 3 - Nancy McLean, Angela Dawson, John Sandy Campbell, Alex Farassati

Area 4 – Brian Archibald, Martin Lipkin, Dena Weiss

Area 5 – Lisa Meyer, Peter Fletcher

Area 6 – Leslie Simon, Mihran Kalaydjian, Heath Kline, Lauren Coffman

Area 7 – Joyce Fletcher, Houtan Hormozian

At-Large – Sam Evans, Eric Spitzer

Youth Member - Vacant

4. Committee Reports - were provided

Budget Committee – Paul Lawler and Joyce Fletcher, Co-Chairs

Community Services Committee – Dena Weiss, Chair

Education Committee – Reina Cerros McCaughey, Chair & Mihran Kalaydjian, Vice Chair

Environmental & Beautification Committee – Brian Archibald, Chair

Governance Committee – Joyce Fletcher, Chair

Public Health and Homelessness Committee – Sam Evans, Chair

PLUM Committee – Lauren Coffman, Chair

Public Safety and Transportation Committee - Houtan Hormozian, Chair

Social Media & Community Outreach Committee – Peter Fletcher, Chair & Kathleen Barth, Vice Chair WHIP Committee – Heath Kline, Chair

Ad-hoc - Westfield Promenade 2035 Project - Joyce Fletcher, Chair

Ad Hoc Committee – Measure A. Parks Program - Peter Fletcher, Chair

Ad Hoc Committee - Arts Fees and Cultural Amenities - Lauren Coffman, Chair

Ad-hoc Committee - Flight Path and Noise Advisory Committee - Martin Lipkin, Chair

Announcements:

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on October 13, 2021, by teleconference. Please visit the calendar page at whouncil.org for the complete details and to confirm the date and time.

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Adjournment of Meeting: 8:45pm

Minutes submitted by: Karen DiBiase, Secretary

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