

North Westwood Neighborhood Council
Special Board Meeting
May 8th, 2019 from 7:30 to 10:00pm
Weyburn Commons Village View Room
4th Floor, 11020 Weyburn Dr. Los Angeles CA 90024
AGENDA

Public Speakers

Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when that item is being considered and are limited to 1 minute. Comments from the public on other matters, not appearing on the agenda but within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, will be heard during the General Public Comment period and shall be limited to 2 minutes. Total public comment for each meeting is limited to 5 minutes per speaker. (Time estimates are only approximations as times will vary depending on duration of public comment, board member discussion, and other factors.

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1. Call-to-order and roll call (*2 minutes*)
2. Announcements (*10 minutes*)
3. General Public Comment (*10 minutes; 2 minutes per speaker*)
4. Standing Committee Reports (*20 minutes*)
 - a. Executive Board (Michael)
 - b. Treasurer (Amir)
 - c. Budget and Finance Committee (Andrew)
 - d. Outreach and Communications Committee (Josh)
 - e. Planning and Land Use Committee (Michael)
 - f. The Transportation and Safety Committee (Ryan & Amir)
 - g. Elections Committee (Alisha)
 - h. Community Activities and Projects Committee (Christian)
 - i. Ad Hoc Committee on Homelessness (Chantelle)
 - j. WRAC (Westside Regional Alliance of Councils) (Andrew)
5. Neighborhood Purposes Grant Discussion/Possible Presentations & Awarding of Grants (*Andrew 55 minutes*)
 - a. West Cal Academy: (Amount Requested: \$4,991.5, Grant Use: “WestCal Academy® is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) tax deductible education organization, that helps registered students, identify their career pathway in partnership with industry mentors and academic institutions, through its Make Education Great Again® (MEGA®) Career Pathway Program. Our academic advisory board includes academic professionals, industry representatives, and labor representatives. West Cal Academy would use the funds to educate the community about career pathways and why it is important to implement it. If one observes the trends of successful people, common themes are apparent. Themes such as good mentors, working in their field, and loving their career.”
 - b. Kaleidoscope: (Requested NPG Amount: \$5,000, Grant Use: “Kaleidoscope is a conductorless chamber orchestra dedicated to enriching lives through exhilarating concert experiences that connect diverse communities of Los Angeles. Kaleidoscope would use the NPG Grant to pay the musician fees to provide a free Concert in Westwood, Kaleidoscope has previously performed at the UCLA Powell Library and the Hammer Museum”
 - c. Westwood Village Improvement Association: (Requested NPG Amount: \$4,998.75, Grant Use: “The WVIA is asking for funding to assist our social

service outreach efforts. In particular, we are seeking \$3,380 to fund supplies that assist in our outreach efforts. This funding would pay for snack packs, hygiene kits, TAP cards, laundry cards, resource guides, and first aid kits. These items are given to our local homeless population when they are in critical need and they also serve as a means for our teams to build rapport, trust, demonstrate compassion and caring, and to increase the effectiveness of our efforts to connect our most vulnerable population to long-term solutions. The WVIA is also asking for \$1,618.75 to cover the supplies required for us to host a Westwood Village Outreach Day, where we work to connect our homeless population to outreach providers that we invite to a central location in the community. These funds would cover all of the above items that would in a tote bag that would be distributed to each of our guests.”

- d. ASUCLA/’Places for the People’: (Requested NPG Amount: \$1,500, Grant Use: “The purpose of the event is to strengthen the relationship between UCLA and Westwood Village, and provide students with respite and refreshment from the towering buildings and cement along Westwood Blvd that do not offer seating or places for the people.”)
 - e. CPO Food Closet: (Requested NPG Amount: \$5,000, Grant Use: “The Community Programs Office Food Closet was created in 2009. It provides free food for any UCLA student who may be experiencing hunger and/or struggling to attain food due to financial hardships. The Food Closet accepts stock and checks as donations. Funds are used for the daily operations of the facility and program. Donations will aid with the purchasing of fresh produce, canned goods, and toiletries.”)
6. Community Improvement Project (Amir, 10 min)
- a. LA Conservation Corps; \$2,000 - Sidewalk Cleaning, \$2,000 - Plants (Westwood Blvd between Ohio and Wilshire)
7. Introduction/Discussion to WRAC recommended LA River motion (Andrew, 10 min)
- a. Motion Synopsis: “Pacific Palisades Community Council requests that the County of Los Angeles coordinate flood protection and mitigation of existing flooding risks in the LA River area with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the City of Los Angeles and its various departments tasked with City Planning, architecture, flood mitigation, and street services among others. We ask that all agencies study options to reduce the impact of flooding, the costs of which will largely be borne by taxpayers”
 - b. Full Motion:
<http://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Motion-re-LA-River-1.pdf>

c. Background Info:

<http://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Background-re-LA-River-Motion.pdf>

8. Review and approval of the April 12th Next Friday at Broxton outreach and event expenses up to \$1,015. (*Melissa, 10 minutes*)
9. Update on general finances, and review and approval of monthly expense reports (*Amir, 10 minutes*)
10. Approval of Expenses for April and May council meetings at Weyburn Commons. (*10 minutes*)
11. Adjournment