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## West Adams Neighborhood Council

### Minutes Regular Board Meeting Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave, Los Angeles, CA, 90016 April 15, 2019, 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

- Welcome and Call to Order** : Meeting called to order at 6:50 PM
- Roll Call:**

Board Members	Attendance	Board Members	Attendance
Steven Meeks	Present	Elbert Preston	Excused
Leon Burdeos	Present	Citlali Chavez-Nava	Excused
Richard Williams	Present	Yolanda Davis-Overstreet	Excused
Beatrice Jett	Present	Leslie Graham	Un-Excused
Eva Aubry	Present	John Sims	Un-Excused
Clint Simmons	Present		
Connye Thomas	Present		
Adam Tootla	Present		
Josef Siroky	Present		

- General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:** two minutes per person (until 7 PM)
  - Stakeholder Kate O' Brien, principal of New LA Charter School addressed the vote from the March 2019 meeting regarding the charter re-location at the Baldwin Hills Elementary school campus. She said she hopes the WANC can collaborate to find a new location for the school, and invites members of the board to the campus.
  - Stakeholder Andra Moldov, of the non-profit Food and Water Watch, asked to be on the agenda for the May 2019 regular board meeting, in order to present their support for the LADWP to transition to "100% renewable energy" at a 2030 target, and the possibility the WANC draft a CIS to support this goal.

c. Stakeholder Andrea Wilson, Executive Director of a nonprofit based Urbanization, seeks the WANC to continue supporting new developments in the community which will contribute 1% towards an art development fund for local artists.

d. Stakeholder Mika Matsui, reiterated the date/time for LAPD/West Adams community safety meetings the Baldwin Hills Library every second Wednesday of the month with 3A31 SLO Mejia

d. Stakeholder Cheryl Francis, asked for a list of how many projects are currently in development or owned by the CIM group.

e. Stakeholder Dynastly Taylor, director of nonprofit Dynasty Youth thanked the board for their NPG funding for her programs for children, including a summer camp and tutoring.

**4. Administrative Items:**

a. Secretary's Report: Review and Approval of March Monthly Meeting Minutes

- Tabled for May board meeting, no physical copies were present

b. Treasurer's Report: Review and Approval of March MER

- March MER approved by a vote of 9 yes - 0 No

- All present members voted Yes

**5. Senior Lead Officer: Officer Mejia**

- Not Present

**6. Council-Member Wesson's CD10 Update: Kimani Black**

- Not Present

**7. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Brett Shears**

Brett Shears, from DONE explained the upcoming WANC elections and passed out a sample ballot voting model. On May 11, 10-2 PM, there will be an informational training session for existing candidates on the functions of a board member and the city agencies involved in the process.

**8. Assembly-Member Sydney Kamlager-Dove District 54 Update: Bernard Dory**

- Not Present

**9. Standing Committee and City Liason Reports**

Land Use had two meetings in April.

Public Safety is in contact with SLO Sergio Sanchez and will schedule a meeting time soon.

Outreach will be hosting the Taste Of Spring event on April 28th at Westside Park.

**10. Presentation:**

a. Development(s) at 5400 / 5410 W Adams Blvd for Restaurant(s) and Bakery

- Kate Hirsh, representative of CIM Group explained the two properties which (5400) was a used tire shop and (5410) a bakery. 5400 will be a mediterranean restaurant with an outdoor patio with a menu ranging from \$7 to \$14, with the on-site consumption of beer/wine. 5410 will be another mediterranean bakery/restaurant with a former off-site alcohol permit, but will additionally have an on-site alcohol permit for beer/wine.

b. Development at 4203 W Jefferson Blvd for Micro-Brewery

-Beer Party Co. owners were present to give a presentation on their 156 person maximum occupancy micro-brewery. Jason Eisner the owner, has years of experience in the industry and will collaborate with local vendors to supply menu items. In addition, they will work with LYFT to supply discount codes for their customers. The business will hire locally with approximately 50 new jobs for the community.

**11. Old Business:**

a. Discussion and possible action on the purchase of WANC promotional items; for example shopping bags, not to exceed \$3500

- Eva Aubry/Josef Siroky will work with the vendor on any new designs or purchase orders.
- Vote passed 9 Yes- 0 No.
- All board members present voted Yes.

b. Discussion and possible action on filing a CIS on *Council File # 19-0600* for NC childcare services to be provided at NC meetings

- Vote passed 5 Yes - 4 No.
- Yes: Steven Meeks, Beatrice Jett, Connye Thomas, Adam Tootla, Josef Siroky.
- No: Eva Aubry, Richard Williams, Clint Simmons, Leon Burdeos.

c. Discussion and possible action on requesting the City of LA remove several clothing donation collection containers

- Many containers are left unkept and leave a negative aesthetic for the area. Stakeholders agreed they needed to be removed.
- Vote passed 8 Yes - 1 No.
- Yes: Steven Meeks, Beatrice Jett, Connye Thomas, Adam Tootla, Josef Siroky, Eva Aubry, Richard Williams, Clint Simmons.
- No: Leon Burdeos.

d. Discussion and possible action on the selection of Business Representative

- Tabled for next regular meeting.

**12. New Business:**

a. Discussion and possible action on the Conditional Use Permit(s) for the development(s) at 5400 and 5410 W Adams Blvd

- Stakeholders/Board Members had concerns regarding parking, the lack of stakeholders present to voice their opinions, and alcohol related issues (drunk driving).
- Vote passed 5 Yes - 4 No
- Yes: Eva Aubry, Richard Williams, Beatrice Jett, Adam Tootla, Josef Siroky.
- No: Connye Thomas, Steven Meeks, Clint Simmons, Leon Burdeos.

b. Discussion and possible action on the Conditional Use Permit for the Party Beer Co. Micro Brewery at 4203 W Jefferson Blvd

-Stakeholders/Board Members had concerns regarding parking, the lack of stakeholders present to voice their opinions, and alcohol related issues (drunk driving).

- Vote passed 6 Yes - 3 No

- Yes: Eva Aubry, Richard Williams, Beatrice Jett, Adam Tootla, Josef Siroky

c. Discussion and possible action on filing a CIS regarding SB 50, ***Council File # 19-0002-S38 and or Council File 18-1226***, "More Housing, Opportunity, Mobility, Equity and Stability Act"

- Vote Passed 5 Yes - 4 No

- Yes: Steven Meeks, Connye Thomas, Clint Simmons, Richard Williams, Josef Siroky.

- No: Leon Burdeos, Adam Tootla, Eva Aubry, Beatrice Jett.

**13. Adjourn - 8:45 PM**

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