



WEST ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WANC)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90016

(Subject to approval at the next scheduled WANC Brown Act compliant meeting)

Roll Call and Public Comment:

Prior to Roll Call and a quorum, public comment was permitted:

Public Comment/Stakeholder Discussion:

Stakeholder, Josef Siroky, informed the board that Mr. Skiroky has been talking with County Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas's office about attending WANC's meetings. Mika, another stakeholder discussed her contacts with Los Angeles Police Department (L.A.P.D.) Officer Mejia. Clint interjected that the WANC Safety Committee (Note: Clint is the WANC Safety Committee Chairman) will be meeting next month-in February; yet, Clint later rescheduled the WANC Safety Committee because of a scheduling conflict with WANC's own board meeting in late February 2019. That WANC Safety Committee is scheduled for March 11, 2019. Continuing, Clint spoke of the need for our stakeholders, the community, and everyone to observe and inspect your California vehicle license plate (s) because there are thieves stealing California vehicle license plate(s). Subsequently to the public comment, a WANC Board quorum was established.

Quorum:

When the WANC Board Meeting quorum manifested itself, WANC Board President Steven Meeks requested the roll call vote at approximately 6:05 pm-because these WANC Board members comprised said quorum: John Sims, Beatrice Wallace, Elbert Preston, Clint Simmons, Connye Thomas, Steven Meeks, Yolanda Davis-Overstreet, Leon Van Toyon Burdeos, Junior. Absent WANC Board member was Adam Tootla-who arrived at approximately 7:30pm. Additionally, these board members were absent but excused: Leslie Graham, Beatrice Jett, Richard (Coach) Williams. Citlalli Chavez-Nava was absent but not excused.



WEST ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WANC)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90016

(Subject to approval at the next scheduled WANC Brown Act compliant meeting)

Agenda Item #4

Old Business:

Discussion and possible action on Board Retreat-Steven presented the following: the retreat is February 2, 2019 here at Vineyard Recreation Center (VRC) at around approximately 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. (They appeared with the board members present that the beginning and ending times for WANC's retreat are appropriate and generally acceptable) Ideas that Steven discussed were the website, having board members learn constant contact and to work on basic items. Elbert raised other possibilities and the useful nature of the retreat: that there are new board members so at the retreat, those new board members can become educated on the "how to's" and the "do's" and "don'ts". Steven interjected that there could be committee involvement-such as "break-out" session on standing committees. Steven even indicated that another WANC retreat is practical or possible again in the not-to-distant future.

b. Discussion and possible action on selection of City Liaisons and Standing Committee Members:

Here, the conversation was on Committee assignments on several WANC Standing Committees:

1. Safety-the WANC Board members are Elbert Preston, Clint Simmons, Yolanda Davis-Overstreet
2. Land Use- the WANC Board members are Eva Aubrey, Adam Tootla, Connye Thomas,
3. Outreach- the WANC Board members are Leon Van Toyan Burdeos, Junior, Steven Meeks, Connye Thomas



WEST ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WANC)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90016

(Subject to approval at the next scheduled WANC Brown Act compliant meeting)

Agenda Item #4

b. continued:

4. Rules the WANC Board members are Leon Van Toyon Burdeos, Junior, Yolanda Davis-Overstreet, Mrs. Jett
6. Finance the WANC Board members are Richard Williams, Yolanda Davis-Overstreet
5. Youth/Education- the WANC Board members are Leslie Graham, John Sims

Regarding the Youth/Education Committee, Connye voiced concerns and desired more facts or information on combining the Youth and Education Committee. Response from Elbert was that combining both committees are concerned with children, education, learning so it is more convenient to have both ideals under one umbrella-so to speak. Of note, Connye has to leave early and so does, Mr. Sims who needs to depart at 7:10 pm.

Pertaining to city liaisons, Steven is the WANC city liaison for Homelessness, Connye is on for Film, while Leon is on the Grievance Committee.

c. Discussion and possible action on selection of 5 Board Members to file CIS's. *In limine*, a CIS is a Community Impact Statement filed in support of, against a City action or ordinance that impacts WANC or the WANC neighborhood at-large. Illustratively, Steven stated that WANC has filed only one CIS. Expanding, Steven also observed that these board members are authorized to file CIS: Steven, Adam, Leslie. Leon questioned whether filing a CIS is difficult. The answer is NO. Elbert indicated that there needs to be a vote, an agenda item.

d. Discussion and possible action on filing a CIS on Council File number 17-0447 oil drilling safety in residential neighborhoods



WEST ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WANC)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90016
(Subject to approval at the next scheduled WANC Brown Act compliant meeting)

Agenda Item #4

c.-continued:

Leon questioned whether filing a CIS is difficult. The answer is NO. Elbert indicated that there needs to be a vote, an agenda item. Connye wants a draft of the CIS. Josef, the stakeholder indicated that the WANC Board needs to approve it. Leon then introduced a motion to approve and authorize himself and new board member, Connye Thomas to file CIS's. Vote was taken: and vote was undivided 8-0: Connye and Leon are now authorized to file CIS's. Curiously, Steven mentioned that the secretary, Leon can complete a BAC-a Board Action Certificate.

d. Discussion and possible action on filing a CIS on Council File number 17-0447 oil drilling safety in residential neighborhoods. Discussion honed in on oil drilling in WANC's area. Steven addressed the need for WANC to file alternatively a CIS supporting the oil drilling or opposing said oil drilling. Clint moved with Leon seconding to lodge/file a CIS. Connye sought clarification. Clint stressed that there should be a "buffer" of at a minimum of 2,500 feet to protect areas involved. Per Clint, there is a safety factor-indeed, drilling is being conducted at Pico and Genesee-there is an oil well. Yolanda has concerns, too. Vote was initiated and again said vote was united 9-0 because Adam was here and the board expanded to 9 members.



WEST ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WANC)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90016
(Subject to approval at the next scheduled WANC Brown Act compliant meeting)

e. Discussion and possible action on filing a CIS on Council File number 17-1125-S4 and or 17-1125-S3 is a cease and desist order on scooter safety.

Discussion: Steven expounded the view that a CIS is needed. Josef reiterated that Bird-their representative would like to talk to WANC. Continuing, John stated that the local law enforcement (police) are issuing citations; Perhaps the City could investigate it per Steven. Per Elbert, the City has through their own imprimatur, allowed these scooters. Again, Steven emphasized the CIS would require adherence to the current ordinance and some sort of mandatory education. Yolanda desired the Bird representative to outline their roles and responsibilities and desires more information from Bird. Leon moved to file a CIS on Council File number 17-1125-S4 with Beatrice Wallace seconding. Voting was 7-1 in favor of WANC's CIS with Yolanda opposing. Significantly, no action was taken on Council File number 17-1125-S4 and or 17-1125-S3 is a cease and desist order on scooter safety.

f. Discussion and possible action on filing a CIS on Council File number 12-0460-S4 on Zoning Code Reorganization (November agenda item 11a)

Discussion-went directly to Connye moving with Elbert seconding for WANC to oppose the Zoning Code Reorganization. Vote was taken; the vote was concerted and all members voted in favor of WANC's opposition. 9-0.

g Discussion and possible action on filing a CIS on Council File number 18-0467 on NC Reform.

Discussion-*in limine*, NC Reform is a divided but soon to be resolved matter vis-à-vis neighborhood councils, city council, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, stakeholders.



WEST ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WANC)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90016
(Subject to approval at the next scheduled WANC Brown Act compliant meeting)

Agenda item# 4

g-continued:

Beatrice Wallace felt the need for further information-research is needed. Steven felt that WANC can review previous CIS's on this topic. Leon, *in limine*, emphasized the need for NC Reform to include compensating neighborhood council members. Unfortunately, Mr. Shears was unable to attend the meeting. Elbert wants an Ad Hoc committee. Leon moved with Beatrice Wallace seconding to support no NC Reform-unless as mentioned considerations of possible compensating neighborhood council board members. Vote was 4-4-said motion neither failed nor emerged victorious. There was a motion for reconsideration; but not contuned.

h. Discussion and possible action on filing a CIS on Council File number 18-1044 on FAA/Next Gen Compliance of State and Federal Laws Changes in Flight Routing at LAX
Discussion: Steven voiced the need for the adherence to standards of flight paths. Clint revealed that altitude-needed more clarification on the precise path; for example, the path could be visual. Elbert indicated perhaps the need to perhaps to table this item. Josef , the stakeholder stressed the need for the City Attorney to investigate the topic or even communicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Steven recommended that the WANC Safety Committee investigate. Significantly, Connie is to depart at 6:48 pm. Clint agreed: lets table the item-it was.



WEST ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WANC)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90016
(Subject to approval at the next scheduled WANC Brown Act compliant meeting)

Agenda Item #5

New Business:

- a. Discussion and possible action on monthly meeting agenda setting per bylaws

Steven at the outset, noticed that this is a tense area; Clint offered that perhaps a template could be a good idea. Also, send ideas via email(s) to the president; ergo, Steven Meeks. John Sims will be leaving shortly, however. The governing board would place items on the agenda. Elbert mentioned that items not acted on be rolled over to the next meeting. This item

- b. Discussion and possible action on formulating a declaration for area developers and local hiring/procurement practices.

Discussion: Steven voiced concerns that potential or active employers hire local employees and a declaration would express WANC's concern. Yolanda observed that this is a sustainable need for our community.

Unfortunately, at this time, approximately, 7:00 pm Connye had previously left and John Sims left; thus no quorum. Said agenda item 5b and 5d is to be tabled.

- d. Discussion and possible action on Bylaws changes-no action for the reason, WANC quorum no longer manifested itself.



WEST ADAMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WANC)

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, Monday, January 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm
at Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90016
(Subject to approval at the next scheduled WANC Brown Act compliant meeting)

Adjournment:

Because, John Sims departed at 7:00 pm the WANC Board quorum was non-existent, Steven Meeks adjourned the WANC Board meeting at 7:15 pm.

WANC Board meeting minutes were composed by the newly approved WANC Secretary, Leon Van Toyon Burdeos, Junior.

