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## Your Community Impact Statement Submittal

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A Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement (CIS) has been successfully submitted to your Commission or City Council. We provided information below about CISs and attached a copy of the CIS.

We encourage you to reach out to the Community Impact Statement Filer to acknowledge receipt and if this Community Impact Statement will be scheduled at a future meeting. Neighborhood Council board members are volunteers and it would be helpful if they received confirmation that you received their CIS.

The CIS process was enabled by the to Los Angeles Administrative Code §Section 22.819. It provides that, "a Neighborhood Council may take a formal position on a matter by way of a Community Impact Statement (CIS) or written resolution." NCs representatives also testify before City Boards and Commissions on the item related to their CIS. If the Neighborhood Council chooses to do so, the Neighborhood Council representative must provide the Commission with a copy of the CIS or rResolution sufficiently in advance for review, possible inclusion on the agenda, and posting on the Commission's website. Any information you can provide related to your agenda setting schedule is helpful to share with the NC.

If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *listed on the Commission's agenda*, during the time the matter is heard, the designated Neighborhood Council representative should be given an opportunity to present the Neighborhood Council's formal position. We encourage becoming familiar with the City Council's rules on the subject. At the Chair's discretion, the Neighborhood Council representative may be asked to have a seat at the table (or equivalent for a virtual meeting) typically reserved for City staff and may provide the Neighborhood Council representative more time than allotted to members of the general public. They are also permitted up to five (5) minutes of time to address the legislative body. If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *not listed on the agenda*, the designated Neighborhood Council representative may speak during General Public Comments.

We share this information to assist you with the docketing neighborhood council items before your board/commission. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at [empowerla@lacity.org](mailto:empowerla@lacity.org).

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### Contact Information

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(9) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 01/14/2026

Type of NC Board Action: For

### Impact Information

Date: 02/13/2026

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: Charter Reform Commission, City Council and Committees

Council File Number:

City Planning Number:

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Westwood Neighborhood Council requests that the Los Angeles City Charter Reform Commission recommend a Charter Amendment requiring that all Neighborhood Council ("NC") elections be conducted under the same unified ballot, administration, and procedural standards as all other City of Los Angeles elections.

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WESTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES  
JANUARY 14, 2026  
BELMONT VILLAGE SENIOR LIVING  
10475 WILSHIRE BLVD. LOS ANGELES, CA 90024

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Lisa Chapman called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Board members in attendance were Marcy Agmon, Connie Boukidis, Lisa Chapman, Stephen Cropper, Philip Gabriel, Samantha Goldstein, Ann Hayman, Scott Shelton, Michael Telerant and Laura Winikow. Members excused were Sandy Brown, Roozbeh Farahanipour, Tracey Fitzgerald, Stephen Resnick, and Chris Schroeder. There were approximately 32 stakeholders and guests attending.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lisa Chapman moved to approve the November 12, 2025 minutes, seconded by Marcy Agmon and approved unanimously.

4. COMMENTS BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS

- A. U.S. Congressman Ted Lieu's representative Janet Turner gave a legislative update for 2025.
- B. 3<sup>rd</sup> District County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath's representative Amanda Laflin gave a legislative update and reported that at the STCP meeting, a modified version of alternative 5 was approved.
- C. State Senator Ben Allen's representative Samantha Gallegos gave a legislative update.
- D. State Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur's representative Sherwin Shamoeil gave a legislative update.
- E. UCLA representative Marco Perez reported that UCLA's Research Park has a new website and listed upcoming events at UCLA.
- F. CD5 Field Deputy Patricia Macias reported that tree trimming is ongoing, Councilmember Yaroslavsky will take part in the homeless count and SB79 is being analyzed for its effects on neighborhoods.

5. DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT

DONE NEA Erica Gatica-Doughty gave an update on DONE events. Erica had a meeting with Marcy Agmon, Samantha Goldstein and another DONE representative to discuss outreach.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

- A. Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for November 2025  
Treasurer Laura Winikow reported that the November 2025 MER had a beginning balance of \$33,912.33, \$189.51 spent, \$134.18 outstanding, and a net available balance of \$33,588.64. Laura moved to approve the MER, seconded by Lisa Chapman and approved unanimously.
- B. Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for December 2025  
Treasurer Laura Winikow reported that the December 2025 MER had a beginning balance of \$33,722.82, \$134.18 spent, and a net available balance of \$33,588.64. Laura moved to approve the MER, seconded by Lisa Chapman and approved unanimously.

7. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was no public comment.

## 8. NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTIONS

### A. Discussion and introduction of motion for a charter amendment to regulate neighborhood council elections

#### Charter Amendment to Regulate Neighborhood Council Elections

“The Westwood Neighborhood Council hereby moves to request that the Los Angeles City Charter Reform Commission recommend a Charter Amendment requiring that all Neighborhood Council (“NC”) elections be conducted under the same unified ballot, administration, and procedural standards as all other City of Los Angeles elections.

#### Los Angeles City Charter Amendment Proposal

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles is currently undertaking Charter Reform to modernize local governance, strengthen democratic participation, and enhance public trust in municipal institutions;

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Councils serve as the foundational level of City government, providing vital input on community priorities and ensuring local representation within the City’s governance structure;

WHEREAS, current NC election processes—administered separately from City elections—use distinct timelines, rules, and procedures, resulting in confusion among stakeholders, reduced visibility, lower voter turnout, and inequitable access to the ballot;

WHEREAS, integrating NC elections with regular City elections would promote broader participation, reduce administrative duplication, and enhance public legitimacy by allowing voters to elect their NC representatives on the same ballot as City Council, Mayoral, and other municipal offices;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Westwood Neighborhood Council urges the Los Angeles City Charter Reform Commission and the Los Angeles City Council to support and adopt a Charter Amendment providing that:

(i) Unified Ballot – Neighborhood Council elections shall be conducted on the same ballot and schedule as City Council and other City offices, whether the election is held in person, by mail, or through any other City-approved voting method.

(ii) Uniform Administration – All administrative functions, including candidate qualification, voter registration, vote tabulation, and certification of results, shall be subject to the same standards and oversight as other City elections, under the authority of the City Clerk.

(iii) Localized Ballot Access – Each voter’s ballot shall include only the Neighborhood Council corresponding to their residence or stakeholder eligibility area, ensuring both accessibility and integrity in the voting process.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Westwood Neighborhood Council requests the Charter Reform Commission to recognize Neighborhood Councils as a formal component of the City’s representative democracy, ensuring that reforms to the City Charter preserve and strengthen the role of NCs in public engagement.”

Stephen Cropper moved the above motion, seconded by Ann Hayman, and carried by a vote of Yes: 9, No: 0, and Abstain: 1 (Connie Boukidis).

Lisa Chapman suggested that this issue be brought to WRAC and BONC.

## 9. SAFE MAXIMUM INDOOR TEMPERATURE FOR RENTAL HOUSING UNITS

### A. Discussion and introduction of motion for an ordinance to regulate indoor temperatures in rental housing

#### Ordinance to Regulate Indoor Temperature for Rental Housing Units

“The Westwood Neighborhood Council hereby moves to request that Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky advocate for the creation of a City of Los Angeles ordinance to establish a safe maximum indoor temperature for rental housing units in the City, per CF25-1036;.

WHEREAS, Los Angeles will face increasing extreme heat due to climate change, and public health evidence shows that sustained indoor temperatures above 82° F are linked to excess emergency-room visits and mortality;

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has mandated that landlords in unincorporated areas maintain habitable rooms at or below 82°;

WHEREAS, the county ordinance prohibits landlords from retaliating against renters who install plug-in air-conditioning or other cooling devices;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Westwood Neighborhood Council urges Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky support and adopt a citywide cooling ordinance providing that:

(i) Maximum indoor temperature – All habitable rooms in rental units shall be maintained at or below 82 degrees Fahrenheit using any code-compliant combination of insulation, ventilation, shading, air-conditioning, or other cooling methods;

(ii) Tenant protections – Renters shall have the right to install safe portable air-conditioning or other plug-in cooling devices upon reasonable notice to the landlord, and landlords shall be prohibited from evicting tenants or passing through the cost.”

Stephen Cropper moved the above motion, seconded by Ann Hayman, and carried unanimously.

#### 10. SUNRISE WILSHIRE PROJECT-PRESENTATION UPDATE

Justin Cua and Omar Rawi gave an update on the project. Changes were made in response to the DRB and community comments. They hired a new architect and redesigned many elements. There will be no driveway on Ashton and they will try to preserve Ashton’s character. The fourth floor of the Ashton building will be set back. Loading and trash pickup will be on Wilshire. The senior living and affordable housing buildings will have a shared amenities space. They have not gone through the permitting process yet but expect construction to start in the summer of 2027 and finish in 2029. Land use attorney Dave Rand explained that the affordable housing is a by-right project according to state law and it isn’t illegal to have the two buildings separate.

There was a Q & A afterwards where a number of residents near the project aired their concerns about health and safety issues, the increase in building height and square footage, space between the buildings and shade/shadow effects. Linda Smith said she submitted a brief to the City Attorney and is waiting for a ruling.

#### 11. CICLAVIA EVENT IN WESTWOOD

Westwood Village Business Improvement District Executive Director Michael Russell explained what CicLAvia is and said they would like to have one in Westwood in 2027. It would be on Westwood Blvd. from Le Conte to the Expo Line station. He is going to several neighborhood councils to gauge interest in the event.

#### 12. WWNC ZOOM LICENSE PURCHASE

A. Discussion and introduction of motion to purchase a Zoom license from DONE for outreach and committee meetings

DONE has not given a purchase price for a Zoom license yet. Marcy Agmon moved that WWNC ask DONE to supply a Zoom license up to \$250. Laura Winikow seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

#### 13. WESTWOOD PARK ADVISORY BOARD

No report was given.

#### 14. HOLMBY PARK ADVISORY BOARD

Ann Hayman reported that nothing has happened with regard to park concerns. There are still unleashed dogs running around and vendors are using the park. Barbecues under the trees should be removed because they are a fire hazard. CD5 Field Deputy Patricia Macias said that there has been enforcement but the results are not what they would like. She will ask park rangers about issuing citations.

#### 15. STANDING COMMITTEE STATUS REPORTS

A. WRAC – Report & Motions – no report

B. Executive – no report

C. Land Use & Planning – no report

D. Ad Hoc Committee on WWNC Boundary Adjustments – no report

E. Outreach & Communications

1. Discussion of call with DONE representatives on outreach strategies

Marcy Agmon and Samantha Goldstein listed some of the strategies discussed such as canvassing residents and Westwood Blvd. businesses to see what their concerns are, holding events such as a community clean-up or summertime movies at the park, having a table at the farmer's market and making flyers to leave at businesses and homes, using social media such as Nextdoor and WWNC's website, and partnering with CD5. Samantha will make an agenda and would like to have an in-person meeting an hour before the next board meeting. Connie Boukidis suggested going to schools, sports events and religious institutions as well.

F. Homeless Committee

1. Update on the homeless count

Lisa Chapman reported that the homeless count will take place on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Volunteers are still needed.

Lisa Chapman moved to table the rest of the agenda, seconded by Samantha Goldstein, and approved unanimously.

G. Budget Advocates

1. Discussion and Motion to appoint a WWNC board member to the Budget Advocates

H. Public Safety/ Transportation & Parking

I. WRAC – Emergency Preparedness

J. WRAC – Transportation and Mobility Committee

K. Bylaws

#### 16. ADJOURNMENT

President Lisa Chapman adjourned the meeting at 10:31 p.m.