Name: Deborah King

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 11:30 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

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Name: Camino Smith

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 12:13 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: To Los Angeles City Council, My name is Camino Smith and I live in Harvard Heights (HH) which is in Council District 10. I want to express how happy we are and have been for Harvard Heights to be in Council District 10 (CD-10) and to also express the desire for it to remain in CD-10. To be clear, I nor my neighbors, want to be in Council District 1 (CD-1). The rationales for this position include, but is not limited to the following reasons: Normandie is a natural boundary between CD-1 and CD-10; HH is physically separated from CD-1 by a cemetery, crematorium, industrial land, Normandie Park, Loyola High School, and the St. Sophia complex, all of which are community assets, but huge masses of non-residential land; HH has long, close ties to the rest of Historic West Adams to the south and west as well as a shared interest in its public assets, e.g. the Ray Charles Studio/Museum, the Underground Museum, the Debbie Allen Dance Academy, HPOZ resources, etc. HH has no meaningful ties to CD-1; HH has strong working relationships with CD-10 staff; Moving HH to CD-1 would divide the neighborhood council area as well as the Harvard Heights HPOZ; and Coordinating public activity involving both council district offices will be much more cumbersome and, frequently, prohibitive (i.e., street closures for public events, general city services, public/private cleanup operations, HPOZ board appointments, etc.). Finally, and most importantly, it is bad governance for the city council to make a unilateral and impactful decision contrary to the expressed wishes of a large, vocal, and engaged constituency when that constituency has no current city council representation. Such a move seems wholly undemocratic. In addition, being one a few Black/African-American homeowners in this neighborhood (who paid full market price for my home in 2016 and who also does not benefit from Mills Act property tax reductions) and knowing the historical significance of HH and West Adams to our community. I would hate to believe that as we've become the most vulnerable and underrepresented of all minority classes in this City, moves or grabs are being made and allowed to further weaken and strip from us that which we hold dear and is part of our identity. Please do not have me believe this. Being moved to another district unfamiliar with our needs and community leadership like Council

District 1 would be detrimental to our neighborhood. I and my neighbors ask that you vote to keep Harvard Heights in Council District 10. My email address is jcagray101@yahoo.com. I welcome the opportunity to have further dialogue. Thank you, Camino Smith Former Treasurer, Harvard Heights Neighborhood Association (2016-2021)

Name: Sophie Jefferies

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 10:37 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: I object to the suggested redistricting to place Harvard Heights

from CD10 to CD1 and request to have this motion withdrawn. I live in Harvard Heights which is currently and should remain in District 10. I've been very happy with District 10 and have an excellent relationship with the Council staff, receive great services from the Council offices and like being connected to nearby historic neighborhoods in West Adams which are also in District 10. To move to another district unfamiliar with our needs and community leadership would be detrimental to our neighborhood. Please take the residents voices into consideration when thinking

about making unnecessary changes. Thank you.

Name: Kate Wharmby Seldman

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 10:48 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Please do not move Harvard Heights from CD10 to CD1.

Name: Richard Herman

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 12:22 PM

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Name: Elizabeth Kendall Hailey

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 12:28 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: I am a resident of Harvard Heights since 2003 and I have had a

long and productive relationship with our council office as we have worked together to restore and protect our neighborhood and make it a better place for all its residents. To pull Harvard Heights out of CD-10 and force it into CD-1 (especially when we are without current city council representation) is simply not right. As a tax payer and a voter, I respectfully ask that you please listen to the voices of the people who live in Harvard Heights and who

love it so very much. Yours, Kendall Hailey

Name: Candice Koral

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 12:38 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: To all it may concern, As a Franklin Canyon resident, I speak first

hand about the challenges of accessing and maintaining public

safety interests in our canyon. Thus, I request that the city

re-revise the most recent draft map to move the eastern boundary of CD 5 to Briarcrest Drive so the final redistricting map aligns this canyon with its public safety service areas and keeps the Franklin and Coldwater Canyon community together with

adjacent neighboring common interests including but not limited

to emergency services, schools, etc.

Name: RaShon M Chavis
Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 01:30 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: I am a resident of Council District 8. My name is RaShon Chavis

and I am coming to you as an individual representing my household. I am also the Vice President, and Board Member of the Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood Development Council (ECSWANDC). My ask is simple, be a champion of equity and return USC & Expo Park, in their entirety, to Council District 8. The area(s) in question were once, and should continue to be a vital part of my district. District 8 has always been a community of concerns citizens that reach out to our representatives when help is needed. Councilmembers your help is needed! My constituents and I in this "The Great 8th" no longer wish to be penalized over issues that we were not privy to creating. In our last redistricting the politicians responsible for updating and mapping, appear to have drawn the maps in favor of one district. As a result this has diluted the voice of specific groups (African Americans specifically), while amplifying the political power of other. We need economic stimulation. We need land assets. We need you to know that fair is fair. We all need to grow. CD9 already has valuable land assets and viable businesses. We speak as one with our eighth district councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson when we ask to please return to us our #FortyAcres and A Mule. In kind RaShon M Chavis

Name: John Stommel

Date Submitted: 11/06/2021 12:56 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: My name is John Stommel I live in Hancock Park. As the new

City Council District map drawing moves from the Ad Hoc Committee to full City Council for approval - Please keep our neighborhood whole and together with our communities of

interest to the west in CD5.

Name: John Gresham

Date Submitted: 11/07/2021 05:44 PM

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ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this Neighborhood Council shall be the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ("Council" or "GWNC"), an officially recognized advisory council that is part of the Los Angeles Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils.

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

A. The PURPOSE of the GWNC is to participate as a City of Los Angeles entity advising on issues of concern to our neighborhood and on the governance of the City of Los Angeles.

B. The MISSION and POLICY of the GWNC shall be to:

- 1. Respect the dignity and expression of viewpoints of all individuals, groups, and organizations involved in this neighborhood council.
- 2. Remain non-partisan and inclusive in our operations including, but not limited to, the election process for the Board of Directors and committee members.
- 3. Utilize the Early Notification System to inform our neighborhood council of matters involving the City of Los Angeles (and our community) in a way that is tailored to provide opportunities for involvement in the decision-making process.
- 4. Encourage all Stakeholders to participate in all activities of this neighborhood council.
- 5. Prohibit discrimination against any individual or group in our operations on the basis of race, religion, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status, income, homeowner status, renter status, or political affiliation.
- 6. Maintain fair, open, and transparent procedures for the conduct of Council business.

ARTICLE III BOUNDARIES

Section 1: Boundary Description – From the intersection of La Brea Avenue and Olympic Boulevard, go north on La Brea Avenue until Willoughby Avenue. Go east on Willoughby Avenue until Wilcox Avenue. Go south on Wilcox Avenue to Melrose Avenue. Go east on Melrose Avenue until the western property line of the properties on the west side of Western Avenue. Go south along the western property lines of the properties on the west side of Western Avenue until 6th Street. Go west on 6th Street until Wilton Place. Go south on Wilton Place to 7th Street. Go east on 7th Street until the western property line of the properties on the west side

of Western Avenue. Go south along the western property lines of the properties on the west side of Western Avenue until Olympic Boulevard. Go west on Olympic Boulevard to La Brea Avenue, which is the starting point.

Section 2: Internal Boundaries – The GWNC is comprised of fifteen (15) *geographic areas*.

- A. BROOKSIDE Highland Avenue (both sides) from Olympic Boulevard north to Wilshire Boulevard; east to Muirfield Road (both sides); south to Olympic Boulevard; west to Highland Avenue.
- B. CITRUS SQUARE La Brea Avenue north from Third Street to Beverly Boulevard; east to Citrus Avenue (both sides); south to Third Street; west to La Brea Avenue.
- C. COUNTRY CLUB HEIGHTS Wilton Place from Olympic Boulevard north to 7th Street; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Olympic Boulevard; west to Wilton Place.
- D. FREMONT PLACE Area east of Muirfield Road and west of Lucerne Boulevard between Wilshire Boulevard and Olympic Boulevard, not including properties on Muirfield Road and Lucerne Boulevard.
- E. HANCOCK PARK Highland Avenue (both sides) from Wilshire Boulevard north to Melrose Avenue; east to Rossmore Avenue (both sides); south to Wilshire Boulevard; west to Highland Avenue.
- F. LA BREA/HANCOCK La Brea Avenue from Wilshire Boulevard north to Third Street; east to Citrus Avenue (both sides); south to Wilshire Boulevard; west to La Brea Avenue.
- G. LARCHMONT VILLAGE Arden Boulevard (both sides) from Beverly Boulevard north to Melrose Avenue; east to Wilton Place; south to Beverly Boulevard; west to Arden Boulevard.
- H. MELROSE NEIGHBORHOOD La Brea Avenue from Beverly Boulevard north to Willoughby Avenue; east to Wilcox Avenue; south to Melrose Avenue; west to Citrus Avenue (both sides); south to Beverly Boulevard; west to La Brea Avenue.
- I. OAKWOOD-MAPLEWOOD-ST. ANDREWS NEIGHBORHOOD Wilton Place from Beverly Boulevard north to Melrose Avenue; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Beverly Boulevard; west to Wilton Place.
- J. RIDGEWOOD WILTON ST. ANDREWS SQUARE Wilton Place (both sides) from Third Street north to Second Street; north along Wilton Drive (both sides) and Ridgewood Place (both sides) to Beverly Boulevard; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Third Street; west to Wilton Place.

- K. SYCAMORE SQUARE La Brea Avenue from Olympic Boulevard north to Wilshire Boulevard; east to Citrus Avenue (both sides); south to Olympic Boulevard; west to La Brea Avenue.
- L. WESTERN-WILTON ("WE-WIL") NEIGHBORHOOD Wilton Place (both sides) north from Sixth Street to Third Street; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Sixth Street; west to Wilton Place.
- M. WILSHIRE PARK Crenshaw Boulevard from Olympic Boulevard north to Wilshire Boulevard; east to Wilton Place; south to Olympic Boulevard; west to Crenshaw Boulevard.
- N. WINDSOR SQUARE Arden Boulevard (both sides) from Wilshire Boulevard north to Beverly Boulevard; east to Van Ness Avenue (both sides); south to Wilshire Boulevard; west to Arden Boulevard.
- O. WINDSOR VILLAGE Lucerne Boulevard (both sides) from Olympic Boulevard north to Wilshire Boulevard; east to Crenshaw Boulevard; south to Olympic Boulevard; west to Lucerne Boulevard.

ARTICLE IV STAKEHOLDER

Neighborhood Council membership is open to all Stakeholders. A "Stakeholder" shall be defined as any individual who:

- (1) Lives, works, or owns real property within the boundaries of the neighborhood council; or
- (2) Is a Community Interest Stakeholder, defined as an individual who is a member of or participates in a Community Organization within the boundaries of the neighborhood council.

A "Community Organization" is an entity that has continuously maintained a physical street address within the boundaries of the neighborhood council for not less than one year, and that performs ongoing and verifiable activities and operations that confer some benefit on the community within the boundaries of the neighborhood council. A for-profit entity shall not qualify as a Community Organization. Examples of Community Organizations may include Chambers of Commerce, houses of worship or other faith-based organizations, educational institutions, or non-profit organizations.

[The definition of "Stakeholder" and its related terms are defined by City Ordinance and cannot be changed without City Council action. See Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 22.801.1]

ARTICLE V GOVERNING BOARD

The Board of Directors ("the Board") shall be the Governing Body of the Council within the meaning of that term as set forth in the *Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils* ("the Plan").

Section 1: Composition –The GWNC Board shall number twenty-one (21) members, who shall be qualified and elected as specified in Article X of these Bylaws, representing the Council's *geographic areas* and *special interest categories* as follows:

- A. <u>Geographic Areas</u>: Fifteen (15) Directors shall be Stakeholders representing, one (1) each, the Council's fifteen (15) *geographic areas* defined in Article III, Section 2.
- B. <u>Special Interest Categories</u>: Six (6) Directors shall be Stakeholders representing, one (1) each, the Council's six (6) *special interest categories*, as those categories are defined below:
 - 1. One (1) "Business," from among representatives of business and/or business associations located within Council boundaries.
 - 2. One (1) "Renter," from among renters who live but do not also own property located within Council boundaries.
 - 3. One (1) "Education," from among representatives of educational institutions located within Council boundaries.
 - 4. One (1) "Religious," from among representatives of religious organizations located within Council boundaries.
 - 5. One (1) "Other Nonprofit," from among representatives of other nonprofit groups located within Council boundaries.
 - 6. One (1) "At-Large," from among all Stakeholders.
- C. <u>Alternates</u>: Each member of the Board shall have an Alternate who is authorized to vote in that Board member's absence. Alternates shall have the same qualifications and shall be selected by the same method, and at the same time, as voting members.
- D. <u>Board Representation</u>: This Council's goal, as set forth in Article II above, is to foster a Board that fairly represents as many of the Council's constituencies as possible. The Board shall reflect the diversity of the Council's Stakeholders. Accordingly, no single Stakeholder group shall comprise a majority of the Council's Board unless extenuating circumstances warrant and are approved by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Department). So long as they each meet the

qualifications for candidacy set forth below in Article X, Directors and their Alternates need not belong to the same Stakeholder category or community organization. Directors and Alternates should remember that the apportionment of the Board is designed to encourage participation that is widespread in geography and diverse in interests and experiences.

- **Section 2: Quorum** Three-fifths (3/5) of the twenty-one (21) member Board (13 members) shall constitute a quorum. A vote on any matter on the Board's agenda cannot be made unless there is a quorum present at the time of the vote.
- **Section 3: Official Action** The Board shall take Official Action by a majority vote of the total number of Board members present, not including abstentions at a meeting, except as otherwise expressly provided herein. There shall be no proxy voting.
- **Section 4: Terms and Term Limits** Board members and Alternates shall serve two (2) year renewable terms, commencing and ending at the first Board meeting convened after certification of the results of the Election of Directors. [For purposes of this Article, service of six (6) months of more of a two (2) year term shall be deemed service of a full term.]
- **Section 5: Duties and Powers -** The primary duties of the Board shall be to govern the Council and to carry out its objectives.
 - A. Accountability: The affairs and business of the Council shall be managed by the Board.
 - B. <u>Privacy</u>: The Council shall protect the privacy of its Stakeholders. Any Stakeholder database created by or on behalf of the Council shall be used exclusively for the purposes of Stakeholder communication, notice, and outreach. In no event shall any such database be compiled from public meeting sign-in sheets. The Council shall deny and refuse to disclose such database and all Stakeholder information pursuant to California Public Records Act Sections 6254(c) and 6255, and such other provisions of law regarding the protection of records from disclosure.
 - C. <u>Communication</u>: No individual Director of the Board shall speak for the Board or otherwise publicly represent a Board position unless authorized to do so by Official Action of the Board. The Board may, by Official Action, delegate to any individual the authority to present before any public body a standing Council position previously adopted by the Board or a statement that the Council has had insufficient time to develop a position or recommendation on a matter before that body. Such authority may be revoked at any time by the Board.
- **Section 6: Vacancies** During a Director's or Alternate's term, he or she must continue to be qualified to run for the seat to which he or she was elected or appointed. (As an example, a Director elected to represent a geographical area must continue to live, work, or own property in that area). If a Director or Alternate no longer qualifies, that Director's or Alternate's position shall be deemed to have been vacated. When a Director is not present at a meeting or vacates the Board, his or her position shall be filled by the Alternate (just for the meeting when the Director is absent but permanently when the Director has vacated the position). When a Director's

position has been filled permanently by the Alternate, when an Alternate vacates the Board, or when no Alternate was elected, a replacement for the Alternate shall be appointed by the Board. Where both the Director's and the Alternate's seat are vacant (for example, where no one stood for election), replacements for both shall be appointed by the Board. Any qualified Stakeholder interested in serving as such a replacement Director or Alternate shall submit a written application to the Secretary within forty-five (45) days after the date a replacement seat becomes open. After the lapse of forty-five (45) days, the Secretary shall forward the names of all applicants to the Board. The Board shall have discretion to appoint the replacement from the applicants or among any other qualified Stakeholders. The term of all appointed Directors and Alternates shall be limited to the term for the vacant seat.

Section 7: Absences – "Poor Attendance" is when a Director misses three (3) consecutive Board meetings. If a Director misses three (3) consecutive Board meetings, the Director shall be deemed suspended, and shall not be entitled to vote or speak on any matter except as provided in this paragraph. The Secretary shall then have the matter placed on the agenda for a vote of the Board at the next regular meeting of the Board. A vote of "No Confidence" by two-thirds (2/3) of the entire number of the Board shall be necessary to remove the identified Board member forthwith. The Director who is the subject of the removal action shall not take part in the vote on the matter, but will be allowed to speak at the Board meeting prior to the vote. If an adequate number of Board Directors are not present to pass a motion for removal, the matter shall be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting, and every meeting thereafter, until such time as a vote is taken. A Board-approved removal under this section shall be effective upon passage, and the Director's position shall be deemed vacated. The suspension of a Director pursuant to this section shall remain in effect until (a) his or her removal becomes effective, or (b) a vote of "No Confidence" on his or her removal fails, or (c) his or her term expires.

Section 8: Censure – The purpose of the censure process is to place a Board member on notice of misconduct and to provide the Board member with an opportunity to correct the misconduct. The Neighborhood Council ("Neighborhood Council") may censure any Board member at a regular or special meeting open to the public following a good-faith determination by the Neighborhood Council Board that the member has engaged in conduct that is contrary to rules and regulations applicable to the Board or that impedes the orderly business of Board operations. Grounds for censure include, but are not limited to, persistent disruptive conduct at meetings, violations or abuses of the Board's bylaws or rules, violations of the Code of Conduct, acting on behalf of the Board without authorization, and misuse or abuse of the censure or removal process by acting in bad faith. The Board shall use the following procedure when censuring a Board member:

A motion to censure a Board member may be initiated by any three (3) Board members. Those Board members shall not constitute a majority of the quorum of any Neighborhood Council body, such as a committee. The motion shall be delivered to any officer of the Board or a specific officer or member of the Board as may be specified in the bylaws or standing rules of the Neighborhood Council. The motion shall be in writing and provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed censure including the date(s) and specific conduct relied upon for the motion. The motion shall not be based upon conclusions, e.g., "for alleged violations of the Code

of Conduct" but shall contain factual statements that describe conduct only and is not intended to embarrass or humiliate the board member.

The Board member, group of Board members or committee responsible for setting the final Board agenda shall include the motion on the agenda of the next regular or special Board meeting scheduled at least thirty (30) days following the delivery of the proposed censure motion.

The Board member subject to censure shall be given a minimum of thirty (30) days prior-written notice, which may include email sent to the last email address on file with the Neighborhood Council, of any meeting at which the motion to censure will be considered. The notice shall provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed censure as specified in 1 above. The Board shall also provide a copy of the notice to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which the motion to censure will be considered.

The Board member subject to censure shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at the meeting, either orally or in writing, prior to the Board's vote on a motion of censure.

The Board shall decide by a majority vote of those present and voting whether or not the Board member should be censured. The Board member who is the subject of the censure motion shall not be counted as part of the majority present and voting and shall not be allowed to vote. For the purpose of censure motions, abstentions shall not be counted as votes.

In no event shall a motion to censure a board member be heard by the Neighborhood Council within sixty (60) days of the next scheduled Board election or selection.

Section 9: Removal – Any Board member may be removed by the Neighborhood Council ("Neighborhood Council") for cause, following a good faith determination by the Board that the member has engaged in conduct that is contrary to rules and regulations applicable to the Board or that impedes the orderly business of Board operations. A Board member shall not be subject to removal under this Policy, unless the member has been censured at least once pursuant to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners' ("Commission") Censure Policy. Grounds for removal include, but are not limited to, persistent disruptive conduct at meetings, violations or abuses of the Board's bylaws or standing rules, violations of the Code of Conduct, acting on behalf of the Board without authorization, and misuse or abuse of the censure or removal processes by acting in bad faith. The Board shall use the following procedure when removing a Board member:

A motion to remove a Board member may be initiated by any three (3) Board members. Those Board members shall not constitute a majority of the quorum of any Neighborhood Council body, such as a committee. The proposed motion shall be delivered to any officer of the Board or a specific officer or member of the Board as may be specified in the bylaws or standing rules of the Neighborhood Council. The motion shall be in writing and provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed removal action including the date(s) and specific conduct relied upon for the motion. The motion shall not be based upon conclusions, e.g., "for alleged violations of the Code of Conduct" but shall contain factual statements that describes conduct only and is not

intended to embarrass or humiliate the board member. The motion to remove shall also include a copy of the prior censure motion and the date it was passed.

The Board member, group of Board members or committee responsible for setting the final Board agenda shall list and briefly describe the motion on the agenda of the next regular or special Board meeting scheduled at least thirty (30) days following the delivery of the proposed removal motion.

The Board member subject to removal shall be given a minimum of thirty (30) days prior written notice, which may include email sent to the last email address on file with the Neighborhood Council, of any meeting at which a motion to remove will be heard. The notice shall provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed removal as specified in 1 above. The Board shall also provide a copy of the notice to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to any meeting at which a motion to remove will be considered.

The Board member subject to removal shall be given reasonable time to be heard at the meeting, either orally or in writing, prior to the Board's vote on a motion for removal.

The Board shall decide whether or not the Board member should be removed by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the currently sitting Board members. The Board member who is the subject of the removal motion shall not be allowed to vote and shall not be counted when determining the two-thirds (2/3) majority vote. For the purpose of the removal motion, abstentions shall not be counted as votes.

In no event shall a motion to remove a Board member be heard by the Neighborhood Council within sixty (60) days of the next election or selection.

The Commission may review a Neighborhood Council's removal decision if requested to do so by the affected Board member. Once the request is made for the Commission to review the decision to remove, the Neighborhood Council voting to remove the board member may not fill the vacancy created by the removal until the Commission has made a decision on whether the removal was proper or the Commission declines to review the matter. The Commission's decision whether to hear or decline to hear the removal review request shall be sent in writing to the requestor and the Neighborhood Council within 30 days after the request for review is delivered.

A request for the Commission to review a Neighborhood Council's removal decision shall proceed as follows: a. The request must be in writing and must be delivered to the Executive Assistant of the Commission or, in the absence of an Executive Assistant, to the President of the Commission within thirty (30) days of the date of the action by the Neighborhood Council to remove the Board member. b. The request must state the basis for the review. The request shall not cite or present any evidence not considered by the Neighborhood Council but must address only procedural deficiencies. c. If the Commission determines the request for review raises sufficient questions regarding procedural deficiencies and agrees to hear the review, it will be placed on the agenda of a regular or special meeting of the Commission within sixty (60) days of receipt of the request for review. d. At the review the Commission will determine if the facts as

presented support the removal motion and if the procedures set out in this policy were correctly applied. e. If the Commission determines that there were either factual or procedural deficiencies, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Uniform Policy for Board Member Removal April 14, 2020 Page 3 of 3 Commission may either reinstate the Board member or return the matter to the Neighborhood Council for further consideration. f. If the Commission returns the matter for further consideration and the Neighborhood Council does not act within sixty (60) days of the Commission's decision the Board member will be considered reinstated. g. During the period of appeal the Board member shall not be counted as part of the Board for any quorum and shall not participate in any Board actions. h. If the matter is returned to the Neighborhood Council for further consideration the Board member shall not be counted as part of the Board for any quorum and shall not participate in any Board actions until the Board takes action as requested by the Commission or until the expiration of the sixty (60) day time period.

This policy is not intended to restrict or eliminate a Neighborhood Council's ability to remove or render ineligible to serve. Board members who fail to attend meetings, join committees, maintain their stakeholder status, or perform other duties as may be described in the Neighborhood Council's bylaws and/or standing rules. Nor is it intended to limit a Neighborhood Council's ability to remove committee chairs or committee members according to the Neighborhood Council's bylaws and/or standing rules.

Section 10: Resignation – A Board Director may resign from the Council, and the position shall then be deemed vacant. Any Director of the Board who ceases to be a Stakeholder is required to submit his or her resignation to the Board for discussion and action at a Board meeting.

Section 11: Community Outreach – In pursuit of the Policy established in Article III of these Bylaws, the Board shall at all times promote and maintain a system of outreach to involve all Stakeholders in all activities of this neighborhood council, including to recruit nominees for subsequent election to the Board. The purpose of this outreach is to maximize the opportunity for every Stakeholder to participate.

The Council shall establish a system to communicate with Stakeholders on a regular basis and to allow for proper notice of membership meetings. The Council shall create and maintain an email list, which shall be used to distribute announcements to all Stakeholders who request to be included on the list, and such list shall be used for Council purposes only. In addition, these email notices will be sent to all community organization leaders in the Council area who request to be included on the list. Further, the Council will publish announcements and updates on a publicly available website and in one (1) or more local periodicals on a regular, but not less than bi-monthly, basis.

ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

Section 1: Officers of the Board – Officers shall include a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

Section 2: Duties and Powers – The duties of the Officers are as follows and also include such additional duties as may be adopted by Official Action of the Board:

A. <u>President</u>: The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Council and its Board. He/she will preside over meetings and serve as the chief representative and spokesperson of the Council to the community and the City of Los Angeles.

The President may appoint a Parliamentarian, who shall serve at the pleasure of the President. The Parliamentarian shall advise the President on procedural matters, including on the application of *Robert's Rules*, any Board Rules, and these Bylaws, during meetings.

- B. <u>Vice-President</u>: The Vice President shall fulfill the responsibilities of the President in the President's absence and in other ways as the President or Board may prescribe.
- C. <u>Secretary</u>: The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Board meetings and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board. An Assistant Secretary may be appointed by the President, with concurrence from the Secretary.
- D. <u>Treasurer</u>: The Treasurer shall oversee and be charged with full custody and control of Council funds and assets, all as more fully set forth in Article IX, Finances. The Treasurer will abide by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. An Assistant Treasurer may be appointed by the President, with concurrence from the Treasurer.

Section 3: Selection of Officers – All Officers shall be elected from among members of the Board by a Board majority vote at the first Board meeting convened after certification of the results of the election of Directors.

Section 4: Officer Terms – Officers shall serve two (2) year renewable terms. The Board may replace any officer at any time by a majority vote.

ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

The Board may create a system for the election, selection or appointment of Stakeholders to committees, sub-committees and/or ad hoc committees as need arises. When committees are established or disbanded, that action shall be noted by the Secretary in Board meeting minutes.

Section 1: Standing – See Board Rules.

Section 2: Ad Hoc Committees – The Board may create Ad Hoc Committees as needed to deal with temporary issues.

Section 3: Committee Creation and Authorization – All committee meetings shall be governed by Board Rules or by Robert's Rules where no Board Rules apply.

ARTICLE VIII MEETINGS

Board meetings shall comply with the Ralph M. Brown Act (*California Government Code Section 54950.5 et seq.*), and shall be noticed and conducted in accordance with the Act, the Neighborhood Council Agenda Posting Policy, and all other applicable laws and governmental policy. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open and public to permit the most Stakeholders to participate, as far as possible, in the conduct of business, deliberation, and the decision-making process

Section 1: Meeting Time and Place – Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the second Wednesday of every month, or at such other times as directed by the Board, and shall occur no less than once per calendar quarter. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Board, provided proper notice is given under the Brown Act. Board meetings shall take place at a location within Council boundaries.

Section 2: Agenda Setting – See Board Rules.

Section 3: Notifications/Postings – Notification of all Board meetings shall include, to the fullest extent possible, posting on the Early Notification (ENS) System of the City of Los Angeles, on the Council's website, at a minimum of five (5) public or commonly frequented locations throughout the Council area, and in one (1) or more publication(s) local to the Council area. Posted agendas shall offer translation assistance in Spanish and Korean. At a minimum, meeting notices shall be posted in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and in compliance with City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council posting policy. An updated listing of the Neighborhood Council's physical posting location/s shall be kept on file with the Neighborhood Council.

Agendas will be e-mailed to any and all Stakeholder lists maintained by the Council. Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, should any Stakeholder request in writing to receive an agenda by mail, it will be mailed, and a fee shall be charged to the Stakeholder.

Section 4: Reconsideration – The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if reconsideration takes place (a) immediately following the original action, or (b) at the next regular meeting. A Motion for Reconsideration can only be made by a Board member (the "Moving Member") who previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If the Moving Member wishes the motion to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two (2) items shall be placed on the agenda for that next meeting: (1) the Motion for Reconsideration of the described matter, and (2) the motion on the actual matter, should the Motion for Reconsideration be approved. If a Motion for Reconsideration is not heard on the same date the action originally was taken, the Moving Member must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsideration and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

ARTICLE IX FINANCES

Subject to further guidance from the City of Los Angeles, the following financial policies shall be followed:

- A. <u>Accounting:</u> The Treasurer shall establish and oversee a system of bookkeeping and accounting for the Council that complies with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles or other standards promulgated by the City of Los Angeles for neighborhood councils and that conforms to all applicable local, state, or federal laws. The Treasurer may request authorization from the other members of the Board to retain a financial professional to assist in creating a bookkeeping and accounting system. The Treasurer may also request the assistance of the Department when implementing same. The Treasurer, however, shall be ultimately responsible for the maintenance of the system of bookkeeping and accounting and for the protection of all Council assets.
- B. <u>Regular Financial Reports to the Board:</u> The Treasurer shall make a financial report at every regular meeting of the Board.
- C. <u>Annual Reports to the City:</u> The Treasurer shall be responsible for preparing, or coordinating the annual preparation of, a financial statement for the Department. The Treasurer also shall coordinate and cooperate with the Department on establishing a process and/or a system by which the financial statements, books, and accounts can be reviewed by the Department pursuant to the Plan.
- D. <u>Inspection of Financial Records:</u> The financial statements, books, and accounts of the Council shall be open for inspection and copying by any member of the public upon a written request to the Board. The Board shall establish fair and open procedures to permit inspection within a reasonable time. Any copying of financial records shall be performed by an established copy service, and the charge for such a service shall be paid by the person or entity requesting the copies.
- E. <u>Fiscal Year:</u> The fiscal year for the Council shall start on July 1st and end on June 30th of each year.
- F. Treasurer's Duties: The Treasurer must insure that:
 - 1. The bank reconciliation is prepared monthly.
 - 2. All disbursements are approved by the President.
 - 3. All checks are signed by the President or Vice President and are counter-signed by the Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer, if an Assistant Treasurer has been appointed, and these officers shall be deemed the approved signatories as required by the Department

G. Contents of Financial Statements:

- 1. A financial statement is to be prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles or other standards promulgated by the City of Los Angeles for neighborhood councils.
- 2. Financial statements must describe the use of funds or grants and must include: amounts appropriated; expenses paid; and ending balances of the funds or grants.
- 3. The annual financial statement (Section C, above) is to be submitted to Department annually pursuant to Department policies and procedures.

ARTICLE X ELECTIONS

Section 1: Administration of Election – The Council's election will be conducted pursuant to any and all City ordinances, policies and procedures pertaining to neighborhood council elections.

Section 2: Governing Board Structure and Voting – The number of Board seats, the eligibility requirements for holding any specific seat, and which Stakeholders may vote for Board seats, are noted in Attachment B.

Only such Stakeholders who are present at the election shall be permitted to vote. There shall be no absentee voting, including but not limited to voting by mail or proxy.

Stakeholders, who live, work or own property within the Council boundaries may cast one (1) vote for a *geographic area* candidate seeking to represent the Stakeholder's address and one (1) vote for a *special interest category* in which the Stakeholder qualifies to vote including the "at large" *special interest category*. Stakeholders who declare a stake in the neighborhood and affirm the factual basis for it may only vote for the "at large" *special interest category*. No Stakeholder may cast more than two (2) votes.

Section 3: Minimum Voting Age – Except with respect to a Youth Board Seat, a stakeholder must be at least 16 years of age on the day of the election or selection to be eligible to vote. [See Admin. Code §§ 22.814(a) and 22.814(c)]

Section 4: Method of Verifying Stakeholder Status – Voters will verify their Stakeholder status by providing acceptable documentation. Stakeholder status may also be established by means of declaring a stake (or interest) in the neighborhood and providing documentation supporting that declaration

Section 5: Restrictions on Candidates Running for Multiple Seats – A candidate shall declare their candidacy for no more than one (1) position on the Board during a single election cycle.

Section 6: Other Election Related Language - The candidate receiving the most votes in each *geographic area* shall be considered elected as a Board Director; the candidate receiving the second-most votes in each *geographic area* shall be considered elected as the Alternate for that seat. The candidate receiving the most votes in each *special interest category* shall be considered elected as a Board Director; the candidate receiving the second-most votes in each *special interest category* shall be considered elected as the Alternate for that seat. If any second-place candidate declines to be the Alternate, the third-place candidate shall be considered elected as the Alternate, and so on.

ARTICLE XI GRIEVANCE PROCESS

- A. <u>Applicability:</u> This formal grievance process is not intended to apply to Stakeholders who simply disagree with a position or action taken by the Board at its meetings. The Neighborhood Council grievance review process will be conducted pursuant to any and all City ordinances, policies and procedures pertaining to Neighborhood Council grievances. Those differences of opinion can be aired at Board meetings. This grievance process is intended to address matters involving procedural disputes, e.g., the Board's failure to comply with Board Rules or these Bylaws.
- B. <u>Procedure:</u> Any grievance by a Stakeholder must be submitted in writing to the Board. The Board shall refer the matter to an *ad hoc* grievance panel comprised of five (5) Stakeholders, who are randomly selected by the Secretary from a list of such individuals (not Board members or Alternates) who previously have expressed an interest in serving from time-to-time on such a grievance panel. The Secretary will maintain the list as a public record of the Board. The Secretary will coordinate a time and a place for the panel to meet with the person(s) submitting a grievance to discuss ways in which the dispute may be resolved. As and when applicable, the activities of any *ad hoc* grievance panel shall be subject to the meeting requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act.
- C. Report: Thereafter, one (1) panel member selected by the panel shall promptly (within two (2) weeks of the panel's meeting) prepare a written report to be forwarded by the Secretary to the Board outlining the panel's collective recommendations for resolving the grievance. The Board may receive a copy of the panel's report and recommendations prior to any meeting by the Board, but the matter shall not be discussed among the Board members until the matter is heard at the next regular meeting of the Board pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.
- D. <u>Board Action:</u> At its next regular meeting, the Board shall discuss the panel's report and take one (1) of the following actions: (1) affirm or reject the panel's recommendation; or (2) respond to the recommendation and ask the panel to reconvene with the person(s) submitting the grievance to consider the Board's response so the panel might outline a revised recommendation to the Board; or (3) table any decision for one (1) meeting cycle to allow time to seek advice from the Department as to how to proceed. If the last option is selected, the Secretary shall forward the matter to the Department for advice, and the response received from the Department will be forwarded by the Secretary to the panel with the request that the panel reconvene with the

person(s) submitting the grievance to consider the Department's response so the panel might outline a revised recommendation to the Board.

E. <u>Referral to the Department:</u> In the event that a grievance cannot be resolved through this grievance process, then the matter may be referred to the Department for consideration or dispute resolution in accordance with the Plan.

ARTICLE XII PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Where the Board has not adopted its own rules for conducting its meetings, the Board shall follow the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised. "Rules for the Conduct of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Meetings" (hereinafter "Board Rules") may be developed and adopted by a two-thirds (66%) vote of the total number of Board members present at a meeting. Board Rules may be changed or modified by the Board at future meetings in the same manner (two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present). Board Rules formally adopted and set forth in writing shall, unless contrary to state or federal law, take precedence where there is a conflict with Robert's Rules.

ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENTS

A. At any regular Board meeting whose agenda includes a proposed Bylaw amendment, and after public discussion at the meeting, these Bylaws may be amended or revised by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire number of the Board. Within fourteen (14) days after such a vote to amend the Bylaws, a Bylaws Amendment Application shall be submitted to the Department for review and approval by the Department, all in accordance with the Plan. The Bylaws amendments will not be effective until approved by the Department.

B. Changes, additions, or deletions to these Bylaws may be proposed by the Board or any Stakeholder(s) during the public comment period of a regular meeting of the Board or prior to distribution of the notice of such a meeting. Such a proposal must be formalized in a writing delivered to the Secretary who will include the proposal on the agenda for public discussion at the next regular meeting.

ARTICLE XIV COMPLIANCE

The Board, its representatives, and all committee members shall refrain from knowingly and intentionally violating these Bylaws and any Rules of the Board and shall abide by the Plan and all city, county, state, and/or federal laws that apply.

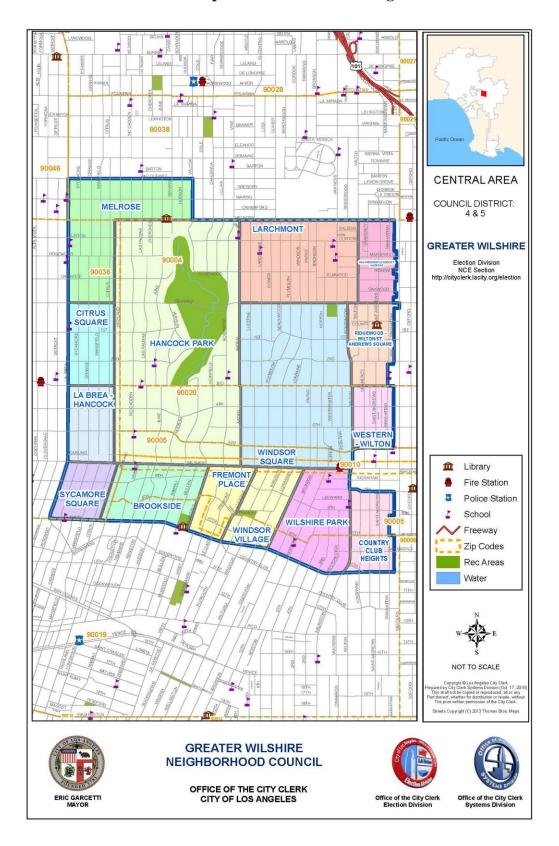
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Section 1: Code of Civility –The Council, its representatives, and all Stakeholders will endeavor to conduct Council business in a professional and respectful manner. Board members will abide by the Commission's Neighborhood Council Board Member Code of Conduct Policy.

Section 2: Training – All board members must take ethics and funding training prior to making motions and voting on funding related matters.

Section 3: Self-Assessment – Intentionally left blank.

ATTACHMENT A - Map of Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council



ATTACHMENT B – Governing Board Structure and Voting Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council – 21 Board Seats

| BOARD POSITION | # OF SEATS | ELECTED OR APPOINTED? | ELIGIBILITY TO RUN FOR THE SEAT | ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE FOR THE SEAT |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|--|---|
| Geographic Area Directors 1 to 15 Term: 2 Years | 15 | Elected | Stakeholders who live, work or own property within the respective geographic areas and who are 18 years or older at the time of election. | Stakeholders who live, work or own property within the respective geographic area and who are 16 years or older. |
| Renter Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who rents and lives but does not own property within the GWNC and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | Stakeholders who rent and live but do not own property in the GWNC and who are 16 years or older. |
| Business Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who is a regular and ongoing participating representative of a business or business association within the GWNC boundaries and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | Stakeholders who are regular and ongoing participating representatives of a business or business association within the GWNC boundaries and who are 16 years older. |
| Education Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who is a regular and ongoing participating representative of an educational institution within the GWNC and who is 18 years of age or older at the time of election. | Stakeholders who are regular and ongoing participating representatives of an educational institution within the GWNC and who are 16 years or older. |

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| Religion Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who is a regular and ongoing participating representative of a religious organization within the GWNC and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | regular and ongoing participating representatives of a religious organization within the GWNC and |
|---|---|---------|--|--|
| Other Nonprofit Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who is a regular and ongoing participating representative of another nonprofit group within the GWNC and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | regular and ongoing participating representatives of another nonprofit group within the |
| At Large Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Any regular and ongoing participating stakeholder who lives, works, and/or owns property within the GWNC or who declares a stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | stakeholder who lives, works, and/or owns property within the GWNC or who declares a stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder and who |

Name: Chava Shervington

Date Submitted: 11/05/2021 02:03 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Council President Martinez and fellow Councilmembers, Thank

you for all of your time and effort to create an equitable map for LA City. We advocate on behalf of the Jewish community and not at the expense of any other community. We ask that you protect the 70-year-old historic Jewish Council District 5 which has given this community a collective voice in fighting anti-Semitism as well as the voice to uplift our culture City wide. Please keep

Bel-Air, Westwood, Beverly Wood, Cheviot Hills,

Pico-Robertson, Fairfax- Beverly area, Mid-Wilshire/Labrea, and Hancock Park together in CD5 in the final map to be voted on by

the LA City Council. Thank you

Name: Michael Monroe

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 07:32 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: As a longtime resident of Harvard Heights, please consider that

we want to remain in Council District #10. Thank you. Mike

Monroe

Name: Wendy Radford

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 08:23 AM

20-0668-S7 **Council File No:**

Comments for Public Posting: I am writing regarding redistricting. I live in Harvard Heights which is in Council District 10. I want to express how happy we have been for Harvard Heights to be in Council District 10. We have developed excellent relationships with the Council staff, have received great services from the Council office, and remain connected to historically linked nearby neighborhoods in West Adams which are also in Council District 10. Being moved to another district unfamiliar with our needs and community leadership like Council District 1 would be detrimental to our neighborhood. - Normandie is a natural boundary between CD-1 and CD-10; HH/NH is physically separated from CD-1 by a cemetery, crematorium, industrial land, Normandie Park, Loyola High School, and the St. Sophia complex, all community assets but huge masses of non-residential land. - HH/NH has long, close ties to the rest of Historic West Adams to the south and west as well as a shared interest in its public assets, e.g. the Ray Charles Studio/Museum, the Underground Museum, the Debbie Allen Dance Academy, HPOZ resources, etc. HH/NH has no meaningful ties to CD-1. - HH/NH has strong working relationships with CD-10 staff. - Moving HH/NH to CD-1 would divide the neighborhood council area as well as the Harvard Heights HPOZ. - Coordinating public activity involving both of the council district offices will be much more cumbersome and, frequently, prohibitive (i.e., street closures for public events, general city services, public/private cleanup operations, HPOZ board appointments, etc.) - Finally, and most importantly, it is bad governance for the city council to make a unilateral and impactful decision contrary to the expressed wishes of a large, vocal, and engaged constituency when that constituency has no current city council representation.

Name: Laurie Cohn

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 09:04 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Please keep Studio City in its entirety in only one council district.

I see no reason to split it in two. It should also only include cities

in the SF Valley. Thank you.

Name: Patricia Carroll

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 09:55 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Technical Boundary Corrections for CLA Staff Please see the

below information from the Greater Wilshire NC Bylaws, As well as the attached bylaws to confirm the legal boundaries as there may be some subtile adjustments to your drawn maps to respect

the GWNC boundaries. RIDGEWOOD - WILTON - ST.

ANDREWS SQUARE – Wilton Place (both sides) from Third Street north to Second Street; north along Wilton Drive (both sides) and Ridgewood Place (both sides) to Beverly Boulevard; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Third Street; west to Wilton Place. Please note, it is of the utmost importance to our community that St. Brendans School and Church be kept together

in the same council district which will now be CD13.

LARCHMONT VILLAGE – Arden Boulevard (both sides) from Beverly Boulevard north to Melrose Avenue; east to Wilton Place; south to Beverly Boulevard; west to Arden Boulevard. Thank you

for your kind consideration.

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ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this Neighborhood Council shall be the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council ("Council" or "GWNC"), an officially recognized advisory council that is part of the Los Angeles Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils.

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

A. The PURPOSE of the GWNC is to participate as a City of Los Angeles entity advising on issues of concern to our neighborhood and on the governance of the City of Los Angeles.

B. The MISSION and POLICY of the GWNC shall be to:

- 1. Respect the dignity and expression of viewpoints of all individuals, groups, and organizations involved in this neighborhood council.
- 2. Remain non-partisan and inclusive in our operations including, but not limited to, the election process for the Board of Directors and committee members.
- 3. Utilize the Early Notification System to inform our neighborhood council of matters involving the City of Los Angeles (and our community) in a way that is tailored to provide opportunities for involvement in the decision-making process.
- 4. Encourage all Stakeholders to participate in all activities of this neighborhood council.
- 5. Prohibit discrimination against any individual or group in our operations on the basis of race, religion, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status, income, homeowner status, renter status, or political affiliation.
- 6. Maintain fair, open, and transparent procedures for the conduct of Council business.

ARTICLE III BOUNDARIES

Section 1: Boundary Description – From the intersection of La Brea Avenue and Olympic Boulevard, go north on La Brea Avenue until Willoughby Avenue. Go east on Willoughby Avenue until Wilcox Avenue. Go south on Wilcox Avenue to Melrose Avenue. Go east on Melrose Avenue until the western property line of the properties on the west side of Western Avenue. Go south along the western property lines of the properties on the west side of Western Avenue until 6th Street. Go west on 6th Street until Wilton Place. Go south on Wilton Place to 7th Street. Go east on 7th Street until the western property line of the properties on the west side

of Western Avenue. Go south along the western property lines of the properties on the west side of Western Avenue until Olympic Boulevard. Go west on Olympic Boulevard to La Brea Avenue, which is the starting point.

Section 2: Internal Boundaries – The GWNC is comprised of fifteen (15) *geographic areas*.

- A. BROOKSIDE Highland Avenue (both sides) from Olympic Boulevard north to Wilshire Boulevard; east to Muirfield Road (both sides); south to Olympic Boulevard; west to Highland Avenue.
- B. CITRUS SQUARE La Brea Avenue north from Third Street to Beverly Boulevard; east to Citrus Avenue (both sides); south to Third Street; west to La Brea Avenue.
- C. COUNTRY CLUB HEIGHTS Wilton Place from Olympic Boulevard north to 7th Street; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Olympic Boulevard; west to Wilton Place.
- D. FREMONT PLACE Area east of Muirfield Road and west of Lucerne Boulevard between Wilshire Boulevard and Olympic Boulevard, not including properties on Muirfield Road and Lucerne Boulevard.
- E. HANCOCK PARK Highland Avenue (both sides) from Wilshire Boulevard north to Melrose Avenue; east to Rossmore Avenue (both sides); south to Wilshire Boulevard; west to Highland Avenue.
- F. LA BREA/HANCOCK La Brea Avenue from Wilshire Boulevard north to Third Street; east to Citrus Avenue (both sides); south to Wilshire Boulevard; west to La Brea Avenue.
- G. LARCHMONT VILLAGE Arden Boulevard (both sides) from Beverly Boulevard north to Melrose Avenue; east to Wilton Place; south to Beverly Boulevard; west to Arden Boulevard.
- H. MELROSE NEIGHBORHOOD La Brea Avenue from Beverly Boulevard north to Willoughby Avenue; east to Wilcox Avenue; south to Melrose Avenue; west to Citrus Avenue (both sides); south to Beverly Boulevard; west to La Brea Avenue.
- I. OAKWOOD-MAPLEWOOD-ST. ANDREWS NEIGHBORHOOD Wilton Place from Beverly Boulevard north to Melrose Avenue; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Beverly Boulevard; west to Wilton Place.
- J. RIDGEWOOD WILTON ST. ANDREWS SQUARE Wilton Place (both sides) from Third Street north to Second Street; north along Wilton Drive (both sides) and Ridgewood Place (both sides) to Beverly Boulevard; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Third Street; west to Wilton Place.

- K. SYCAMORE SQUARE La Brea Avenue from Olympic Boulevard north to Wilshire Boulevard; east to Citrus Avenue (both sides); south to Olympic Boulevard; west to La Brea Avenue.
- L. WESTERN-WILTON ("WE-WIL") NEIGHBORHOOD Wilton Place (both sides) north from Sixth Street to Third Street; east to Manhattan Place (both sides); south to Sixth Street; west to Wilton Place.
- M. WILSHIRE PARK Crenshaw Boulevard from Olympic Boulevard north to Wilshire Boulevard; east to Wilton Place; south to Olympic Boulevard; west to Crenshaw Boulevard.
- N. WINDSOR SQUARE Arden Boulevard (both sides) from Wilshire Boulevard north to Beverly Boulevard; east to Van Ness Avenue (both sides); south to Wilshire Boulevard; west to Arden Boulevard.
- O. WINDSOR VILLAGE Lucerne Boulevard (both sides) from Olympic Boulevard north to Wilshire Boulevard; east to Crenshaw Boulevard; south to Olympic Boulevard; west to Lucerne Boulevard.

ARTICLE IV STAKEHOLDER

Neighborhood Council membership is open to all Stakeholders. A "Stakeholder" shall be defined as any individual who:

- (1) Lives, works, or owns real property within the boundaries of the neighborhood council; or
- (2) Is a Community Interest Stakeholder, defined as an individual who is a member of or participates in a Community Organization within the boundaries of the neighborhood council.

A "Community Organization" is an entity that has continuously maintained a physical street address within the boundaries of the neighborhood council for not less than one year, and that performs ongoing and verifiable activities and operations that confer some benefit on the community within the boundaries of the neighborhood council. A for-profit entity shall not qualify as a Community Organization. Examples of Community Organizations may include Chambers of Commerce, houses of worship or other faith-based organizations, educational institutions, or non-profit organizations.

[The definition of "Stakeholder" and its related terms are defined by City Ordinance and cannot be changed without City Council action. See Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 22.801.1]

ARTICLE V GOVERNING BOARD

The Board of Directors ("the Board") shall be the Governing Body of the Council within the meaning of that term as set forth in the *Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils* ("the Plan").

Section 1: Composition –The GWNC Board shall number twenty-one (21) members, who shall be qualified and elected as specified in Article X of these Bylaws, representing the Council's *geographic areas* and *special interest categories* as follows:

- A. <u>Geographic Areas</u>: Fifteen (15) Directors shall be Stakeholders representing, one (1) each, the Council's fifteen (15) *geographic areas* defined in Article III, Section 2.
- B. <u>Special Interest Categories</u>: Six (6) Directors shall be Stakeholders representing, one (1) each, the Council's six (6) *special interest categories*, as those categories are defined below:
 - 1. One (1) "Business," from among representatives of business and/or business associations located within Council boundaries.
 - 2. One (1) "Renter," from among renters who live but do not also own property located within Council boundaries.
 - 3. One (1) "Education," from among representatives of educational institutions located within Council boundaries.
 - 4. One (1) "Religious," from among representatives of religious organizations located within Council boundaries.
 - 5. One (1) "Other Nonprofit," from among representatives of other nonprofit groups located within Council boundaries.
 - 6. One (1) "At-Large," from among all Stakeholders.
- C. <u>Alternates</u>: Each member of the Board shall have an Alternate who is authorized to vote in that Board member's absence. Alternates shall have the same qualifications and shall be selected by the same method, and at the same time, as voting members.
- D. <u>Board Representation</u>: This Council's goal, as set forth in Article II above, is to foster a Board that fairly represents as many of the Council's constituencies as possible. The Board shall reflect the diversity of the Council's Stakeholders. Accordingly, no single Stakeholder group shall comprise a majority of the Council's Board unless extenuating circumstances warrant and are approved by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Department). So long as they each meet the

qualifications for candidacy set forth below in Article X, Directors and their Alternates need not belong to the same Stakeholder category or community organization. Directors and Alternates should remember that the apportionment of the Board is designed to encourage participation that is widespread in geography and diverse in interests and experiences.

- **Section 2: Quorum** Three-fifths (3/5) of the twenty-one (21) member Board (13 members) shall constitute a quorum. A vote on any matter on the Board's agenda cannot be made unless there is a quorum present at the time of the vote.
- **Section 3: Official Action** The Board shall take Official Action by a majority vote of the total number of Board members present, not including abstentions at a meeting, except as otherwise expressly provided herein. There shall be no proxy voting.
- **Section 4: Terms and Term Limits** Board members and Alternates shall serve two (2) year renewable terms, commencing and ending at the first Board meeting convened after certification of the results of the Election of Directors. [For purposes of this Article, service of six (6) months of more of a two (2) year term shall be deemed service of a full term.]
- **Section 5: Duties and Powers -** The primary duties of the Board shall be to govern the Council and to carry out its objectives.
 - A. Accountability: The affairs and business of the Council shall be managed by the Board.
 - B. <u>Privacy</u>: The Council shall protect the privacy of its Stakeholders. Any Stakeholder database created by or on behalf of the Council shall be used exclusively for the purposes of Stakeholder communication, notice, and outreach. In no event shall any such database be compiled from public meeting sign-in sheets. The Council shall deny and refuse to disclose such database and all Stakeholder information pursuant to California Public Records Act Sections 6254(c) and 6255, and such other provisions of law regarding the protection of records from disclosure.
 - C. <u>Communication</u>: No individual Director of the Board shall speak for the Board or otherwise publicly represent a Board position unless authorized to do so by Official Action of the Board. The Board may, by Official Action, delegate to any individual the authority to present before any public body a standing Council position previously adopted by the Board or a statement that the Council has had insufficient time to develop a position or recommendation on a matter before that body. Such authority may be revoked at any time by the Board.
- **Section 6: Vacancies** During a Director's or Alternate's term, he or she must continue to be qualified to run for the seat to which he or she was elected or appointed. (As an example, a Director elected to represent a geographical area must continue to live, work, or own property in that area). If a Director or Alternate no longer qualifies, that Director's or Alternate's position shall be deemed to have been vacated. When a Director is not present at a meeting or vacates the Board, his or her position shall be filled by the Alternate (just for the meeting when the Director is absent but permanently when the Director has vacated the position). When a Director's

position has been filled permanently by the Alternate, when an Alternate vacates the Board, or when no Alternate was elected, a replacement for the Alternate shall be appointed by the Board. Where both the Director's and the Alternate's seat are vacant (for example, where no one stood for election), replacements for both shall be appointed by the Board. Any qualified Stakeholder interested in serving as such a replacement Director or Alternate shall submit a written application to the Secretary within forty-five (45) days after the date a replacement seat becomes open. After the lapse of forty-five (45) days, the Secretary shall forward the names of all applicants to the Board. The Board shall have discretion to appoint the replacement from the applicants or among any other qualified Stakeholders. The term of all appointed Directors and Alternates shall be limited to the term for the vacant seat.

Section 7: Absences – "Poor Attendance" is when a Director misses three (3) consecutive Board meetings. If a Director misses three (3) consecutive Board meetings, the Director shall be deemed suspended, and shall not be entitled to vote or speak on any matter except as provided in this paragraph. The Secretary shall then have the matter placed on the agenda for a vote of the Board at the next regular meeting of the Board. A vote of "No Confidence" by two-thirds (2/3) of the entire number of the Board shall be necessary to remove the identified Board member forthwith. The Director who is the subject of the removal action shall not take part in the vote on the matter, but will be allowed to speak at the Board meeting prior to the vote. If an adequate number of Board Directors are not present to pass a motion for removal, the matter shall be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting, and every meeting thereafter, until such time as a vote is taken. A Board-approved removal under this section shall be effective upon passage, and the Director's position shall be deemed vacated. The suspension of a Director pursuant to this section shall remain in effect until (a) his or her removal becomes effective, or (b) a vote of "No Confidence" on his or her removal fails, or (c) his or her term expires.

Section 8: Censure – The purpose of the censure process is to place a Board member on notice of misconduct and to provide the Board member with an opportunity to correct the misconduct. The Neighborhood Council ("Neighborhood Council") may censure any Board member at a regular or special meeting open to the public following a good-faith determination by the Neighborhood Council Board that the member has engaged in conduct that is contrary to rules and regulations applicable to the Board or that impedes the orderly business of Board operations. Grounds for censure include, but are not limited to, persistent disruptive conduct at meetings, violations or abuses of the Board's bylaws or rules, violations of the Code of Conduct, acting on behalf of the Board without authorization, and misuse or abuse of the censure or removal process by acting in bad faith. The Board shall use the following procedure when censuring a Board member:

A motion to censure a Board member may be initiated by any three (3) Board members. Those Board members shall not constitute a majority of the quorum of any Neighborhood Council body, such as a committee. The motion shall be delivered to any officer of the Board or a specific officer or member of the Board as may be specified in the bylaws or standing rules of the Neighborhood Council. The motion shall be in writing and provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed censure including the date(s) and specific conduct relied upon for the motion. The motion shall not be based upon conclusions, e.g., "for alleged violations of the Code

of Conduct" but shall contain factual statements that describe conduct only and is not intended to embarrass or humiliate the board member.

The Board member, group of Board members or committee responsible for setting the final Board agenda shall include the motion on the agenda of the next regular or special Board meeting scheduled at least thirty (30) days following the delivery of the proposed censure motion.

The Board member subject to censure shall be given a minimum of thirty (30) days prior-written notice, which may include email sent to the last email address on file with the Neighborhood Council, of any meeting at which the motion to censure will be considered. The notice shall provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed censure as specified in 1 above. The Board shall also provide a copy of the notice to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which the motion to censure will be considered.

The Board member subject to censure shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at the meeting, either orally or in writing, prior to the Board's vote on a motion of censure.

The Board shall decide by a majority vote of those present and voting whether or not the Board member should be censured. The Board member who is the subject of the censure motion shall not be counted as part of the majority present and voting and shall not be allowed to vote. For the purpose of censure motions, abstentions shall not be counted as votes.

In no event shall a motion to censure a board member be heard by the Neighborhood Council within sixty (60) days of the next scheduled Board election or selection.

Section 9: Removal – Any Board member may be removed by the Neighborhood Council ("Neighborhood Council") for cause, following a good faith determination by the Board that the member has engaged in conduct that is contrary to rules and regulations applicable to the Board or that impedes the orderly business of Board operations. A Board member shall not be subject to removal under this Policy, unless the member has been censured at least once pursuant to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners' ("Commission") Censure Policy. Grounds for removal include, but are not limited to, persistent disruptive conduct at meetings, violations or abuses of the Board's bylaws or standing rules, violations of the Code of Conduct, acting on behalf of the Board without authorization, and misuse or abuse of the censure or removal processes by acting in bad faith. The Board shall use the following procedure when removing a Board member:

A motion to remove a Board member may be initiated by any three (3) Board members. Those Board members shall not constitute a majority of the quorum of any Neighborhood Council body, such as a committee. The proposed motion shall be delivered to any officer of the Board or a specific officer or member of the Board as may be specified in the bylaws or standing rules of the Neighborhood Council. The motion shall be in writing and provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed removal action including the date(s) and specific conduct relied upon for the motion. The motion shall not be based upon conclusions, e.g., "for alleged violations of the Code of Conduct" but shall contain factual statements that describes conduct only and is not

intended to embarrass or humiliate the board member. The motion to remove shall also include a copy of the prior censure motion and the date it was passed.

The Board member, group of Board members or committee responsible for setting the final Board agenda shall list and briefly describe the motion on the agenda of the next regular or special Board meeting scheduled at least thirty (30) days following the delivery of the proposed removal motion.

The Board member subject to removal shall be given a minimum of thirty (30) days prior written notice, which may include email sent to the last email address on file with the Neighborhood Council, of any meeting at which a motion to remove will be heard. The notice shall provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed removal as specified in 1 above. The Board shall also provide a copy of the notice to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to any meeting at which a motion to remove will be considered.

The Board member subject to removal shall be given reasonable time to be heard at the meeting, either orally or in writing, prior to the Board's vote on a motion for removal.

The Board shall decide whether or not the Board member should be removed by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the currently sitting Board members. The Board member who is the subject of the removal motion shall not be allowed to vote and shall not be counted when determining the two-thirds (2/3) majority vote. For the purpose of the removal motion, abstentions shall not be counted as votes.

In no event shall a motion to remove a Board member be heard by the Neighborhood Council within sixty (60) days of the next election or selection.

The Commission may review a Neighborhood Council's removal decision if requested to do so by the affected Board member. Once the request is made for the Commission to review the decision to remove, the Neighborhood Council voting to remove the board member may not fill the vacancy created by the removal until the Commission has made a decision on whether the removal was proper or the Commission declines to review the matter. The Commission's decision whether to hear or decline to hear the removal review request shall be sent in writing to the requestor and the Neighborhood Council within 30 days after the request for review is delivered.

A request for the Commission to review a Neighborhood Council's removal decision shall proceed as follows: a. The request must be in writing and must be delivered to the Executive Assistant of the Commission or, in the absence of an Executive Assistant, to the President of the Commission within thirty (30) days of the date of the action by the Neighborhood Council to remove the Board member. b. The request must state the basis for the review. The request shall not cite or present any evidence not considered by the Neighborhood Council but must address only procedural deficiencies. c. If the Commission determines the request for review raises sufficient questions regarding procedural deficiencies and agrees to hear the review, it will be placed on the agenda of a regular or special meeting of the Commission within sixty (60) days of receipt of the request for review. d. At the review the Commission will determine if the facts as

presented support the removal motion and if the procedures set out in this policy were correctly applied. e. If the Commission determines that there were either factual or procedural deficiencies, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Uniform Policy for Board Member Removal April 14, 2020 Page 3 of 3 Commission may either reinstate the Board member or return the matter to the Neighborhood Council for further consideration. f. If the Commission returns the matter for further consideration and the Neighborhood Council does not act within sixty (60) days of the Commission's decision the Board member will be considered reinstated. g. During the period of appeal the Board member shall not be counted as part of the Board for any quorum and shall not participate in any Board actions. h. If the matter is returned to the Neighborhood Council for further consideration the Board member shall not be counted as part of the Board for any quorum and shall not participate in any Board actions until the Board takes action as requested by the Commission or until the expiration of the sixty (60) day time period.

This policy is not intended to restrict or eliminate a Neighborhood Council's ability to remove or render ineligible to serve. Board members who fail to attend meetings, join committees, maintain their stakeholder status, or perform other duties as may be described in the Neighborhood Council's bylaws and/or standing rules. Nor is it intended to limit a Neighborhood Council's ability to remove committee chairs or committee members according to the Neighborhood Council's bylaws and/or standing rules.

Section 10: Resignation – A Board Director may resign from the Council, and the position shall then be deemed vacant. Any Director of the Board who ceases to be a Stakeholder is required to submit his or her resignation to the Board for discussion and action at a Board meeting.

Section 11: Community Outreach – In pursuit of the Policy established in Article III of these Bylaws, the Board shall at all times promote and maintain a system of outreach to involve all Stakeholders in all activities of this neighborhood council, including to recruit nominees for subsequent election to the Board. The purpose of this outreach is to maximize the opportunity for every Stakeholder to participate.

The Council shall establish a system to communicate with Stakeholders on a regular basis and to allow for proper notice of membership meetings. The Council shall create and maintain an email list, which shall be used to distribute announcements to all Stakeholders who request to be included on the list, and such list shall be used for Council purposes only. In addition, these email notices will be sent to all community organization leaders in the Council area who request to be included on the list. Further, the Council will publish announcements and updates on a publicly available website and in one (1) or more local periodicals on a regular, but not less than bi-monthly, basis.

ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

Section 1: Officers of the Board – Officers shall include a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

Section 2: Duties and Powers – The duties of the Officers are as follows and also include such additional duties as may be adopted by Official Action of the Board:

A. <u>President</u>: The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Council and its Board. He/she will preside over meetings and serve as the chief representative and spokesperson of the Council to the community and the City of Los Angeles.

The President may appoint a Parliamentarian, who shall serve at the pleasure of the President. The Parliamentarian shall advise the President on procedural matters, including on the application of *Robert's Rules*, any Board Rules, and these Bylaws, during meetings.

- B. <u>Vice-President</u>: The Vice President shall fulfill the responsibilities of the President in the President's absence and in other ways as the President or Board may prescribe.
- C. <u>Secretary</u>: The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Board meetings and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board. An Assistant Secretary may be appointed by the President, with concurrence from the Secretary.
- D. <u>Treasurer</u>: The Treasurer shall oversee and be charged with full custody and control of Council funds and assets, all as more fully set forth in Article IX, Finances. The Treasurer will abide by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. An Assistant Treasurer may be appointed by the President, with concurrence from the Treasurer.

Section 3: Selection of Officers – All Officers shall be elected from among members of the Board by a Board majority vote at the first Board meeting convened after certification of the results of the election of Directors.

Section 4: Officer Terms – Officers shall serve two (2) year renewable terms. The Board may replace any officer at any time by a majority vote.

ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

The Board may create a system for the election, selection or appointment of Stakeholders to committees, sub-committees and/or ad hoc committees as need arises. When committees are established or disbanded, that action shall be noted by the Secretary in Board meeting minutes.

Section 1: Standing – See Board Rules.

Section 2: Ad Hoc Committees – The Board may create Ad Hoc Committees as needed to deal with temporary issues.

Section 3: Committee Creation and Authorization – All committee meetings shall be governed by Board Rules or by Robert's Rules where no Board Rules apply.

ARTICLE VIII MEETINGS

Board meetings shall comply with the Ralph M. Brown Act (*California Government Code Section 54950.5 et seq.*), and shall be noticed and conducted in accordance with the Act, the Neighborhood Council Agenda Posting Policy, and all other applicable laws and governmental policy. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open and public to permit the most Stakeholders to participate, as far as possible, in the conduct of business, deliberation, and the decision-making process

Section 1: Meeting Time and Place – Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the second Wednesday of every month, or at such other times as directed by the Board, and shall occur no less than once per calendar quarter. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Board, provided proper notice is given under the Brown Act. Board meetings shall take place at a location within Council boundaries.

Section 2: Agenda Setting – See Board Rules.

Section 3: Notifications/Postings – Notification of all Board meetings shall include, to the fullest extent possible, posting on the Early Notification (ENS) System of the City of Los Angeles, on the Council's website, at a minimum of five (5) public or commonly frequented locations throughout the Council area, and in one (1) or more publication(s) local to the Council area. Posted agendas shall offer translation assistance in Spanish and Korean. At a minimum, meeting notices shall be posted in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act and in compliance with City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council posting policy. An updated listing of the Neighborhood Council's physical posting location/s shall be kept on file with the Neighborhood Council.

Agendas will be e-mailed to any and all Stakeholder lists maintained by the Council. Pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, should any Stakeholder request in writing to receive an agenda by mail, it will be mailed, and a fee shall be charged to the Stakeholder.

Section 4: Reconsideration – The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if reconsideration takes place (a) immediately following the original action, or (b) at the next regular meeting. A Motion for Reconsideration can only be made by a Board member (the "Moving Member") who previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If the Moving Member wishes the motion to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two (2) items shall be placed on the agenda for that next meeting: (1) the Motion for Reconsideration of the described matter, and (2) the motion on the actual matter, should the Motion for Reconsideration be approved. If a Motion for Reconsideration is not heard on the same date the action originally was taken, the Moving Member must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsideration and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

ARTICLE IX FINANCES

Subject to further guidance from the City of Los Angeles, the following financial policies shall be followed:

- A. <u>Accounting:</u> The Treasurer shall establish and oversee a system of bookkeeping and accounting for the Council that complies with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles or other standards promulgated by the City of Los Angeles for neighborhood councils and that conforms to all applicable local, state, or federal laws. The Treasurer may request authorization from the other members of the Board to retain a financial professional to assist in creating a bookkeeping and accounting system. The Treasurer may also request the assistance of the Department when implementing same. The Treasurer, however, shall be ultimately responsible for the maintenance of the system of bookkeeping and accounting and for the protection of all Council assets.
- B. <u>Regular Financial Reports to the Board:</u> The Treasurer shall make a financial report at every regular meeting of the Board.
- C. <u>Annual Reports to the City:</u> The Treasurer shall be responsible for preparing, or coordinating the annual preparation of, a financial statement for the Department. The Treasurer also shall coordinate and cooperate with the Department on establishing a process and/or a system by which the financial statements, books, and accounts can be reviewed by the Department pursuant to the Plan.
- D. <u>Inspection of Financial Records:</u> The financial statements, books, and accounts of the Council shall be open for inspection and copying by any member of the public upon a written request to the Board. The Board shall establish fair and open procedures to permit inspection within a reasonable time. Any copying of financial records shall be performed by an established copy service, and the charge for such a service shall be paid by the person or entity requesting the copies.
- E. <u>Fiscal Year:</u> The fiscal year for the Council shall start on July 1st and end on June 30th of each year.
- F. Treasurer's Duties: The Treasurer must insure that:
 - 1. The bank reconciliation is prepared monthly.
 - 2. All disbursements are approved by the President.
 - 3. All checks are signed by the President or Vice President and are counter-signed by the Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer, if an Assistant Treasurer has been appointed, and these officers shall be deemed the approved signatories as required by the Department

G. Contents of Financial Statements:

- 1. A financial statement is to be prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles or other standards promulgated by the City of Los Angeles for neighborhood councils.
- 2. Financial statements must describe the use of funds or grants and must include: amounts appropriated; expenses paid; and ending balances of the funds or grants.
- 3. The annual financial statement (Section C, above) is to be submitted to Department annually pursuant to Department policies and procedures.

ARTICLE X ELECTIONS

Section 1: Administration of Election – The Council's election will be conducted pursuant to any and all City ordinances, policies and procedures pertaining to neighborhood council elections.

Section 2: Governing Board Structure and Voting – The number of Board seats, the eligibility requirements for holding any specific seat, and which Stakeholders may vote for Board seats, are noted in Attachment B.

Only such Stakeholders who are present at the election shall be permitted to vote. There shall be no absentee voting, including but not limited to voting by mail or proxy.

Stakeholders, who live, work or own property within the Council boundaries may cast one (1) vote for a *geographic area* candidate seeking to represent the Stakeholder's address and one (1) vote for a *special interest category* in which the Stakeholder qualifies to vote including the "at large" *special interest category*. Stakeholders who declare a stake in the neighborhood and affirm the factual basis for it may only vote for the "at large" *special interest category*. No Stakeholder may cast more than two (2) votes.

Section 3: Minimum Voting Age – Except with respect to a Youth Board Seat, a stakeholder must be at least 16 years of age on the day of the election or selection to be eligible to vote. [See Admin. Code §§ 22.814(a) and 22.814(c)]

Section 4: Method of Verifying Stakeholder Status – Voters will verify their Stakeholder status by providing acceptable documentation. Stakeholder status may also be established by means of declaring a stake (or interest) in the neighborhood and providing documentation supporting that declaration

Section 5: Restrictions on Candidates Running for Multiple Seats – A candidate shall declare their candidacy for no more than one (1) position on the Board during a single election cycle.

Section 6: Other Election Related Language - The candidate receiving the most votes in each *geographic area* shall be considered elected as a Board Director; the candidate receiving the second-most votes in each *geographic area* shall be considered elected as the Alternate for that seat. The candidate receiving the most votes in each *special interest category* shall be considered elected as a Board Director; the candidate receiving the second-most votes in each *special interest category* shall be considered elected as the Alternate for that seat. If any second-place candidate declines to be the Alternate, the third-place candidate shall be considered elected as the Alternate, and so on.

ARTICLE XI GRIEVANCE PROCESS

- A. <u>Applicability:</u> This formal grievance process is not intended to apply to Stakeholders who simply disagree with a position or action taken by the Board at its meetings. The Neighborhood Council grievance review process will be conducted pursuant to any and all City ordinances, policies and procedures pertaining to Neighborhood Council grievances. Those differences of opinion can be aired at Board meetings. This grievance process is intended to address matters involving procedural disputes, e.g., the Board's failure to comply with Board Rules or these Bylaws.
- B. <u>Procedure:</u> Any grievance by a Stakeholder must be submitted in writing to the Board. The Board shall refer the matter to an *ad hoc* grievance panel comprised of five (5) Stakeholders, who are randomly selected by the Secretary from a list of such individuals (not Board members or Alternates) who previously have expressed an interest in serving from time-to-time on such a grievance panel. The Secretary will maintain the list as a public record of the Board. The Secretary will coordinate a time and a place for the panel to meet with the person(s) submitting a grievance to discuss ways in which the dispute may be resolved. As and when applicable, the activities of any *ad hoc* grievance panel shall be subject to the meeting requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act.
- C. Report: Thereafter, one (1) panel member selected by the panel shall promptly (within two (2) weeks of the panel's meeting) prepare a written report to be forwarded by the Secretary to the Board outlining the panel's collective recommendations for resolving the grievance. The Board may receive a copy of the panel's report and recommendations prior to any meeting by the Board, but the matter shall not be discussed among the Board members until the matter is heard at the next regular meeting of the Board pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.
- D. <u>Board Action:</u> At its next regular meeting, the Board shall discuss the panel's report and take one (1) of the following actions: (1) affirm or reject the panel's recommendation; or (2) respond to the recommendation and ask the panel to reconvene with the person(s) submitting the grievance to consider the Board's response so the panel might outline a revised recommendation to the Board; or (3) table any decision for one (1) meeting cycle to allow time to seek advice from the Department as to how to proceed. If the last option is selected, the Secretary shall forward the matter to the Department for advice, and the response received from the Department will be forwarded by the Secretary to the panel with the request that the panel reconvene with the

person(s) submitting the grievance to consider the Department's response so the panel might outline a revised recommendation to the Board.

E. <u>Referral to the Department:</u> In the event that a grievance cannot be resolved through this grievance process, then the matter may be referred to the Department for consideration or dispute resolution in accordance with the Plan.

ARTICLE XII PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Where the Board has not adopted its own rules for conducting its meetings, the Board shall follow the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised. "Rules for the Conduct of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council Meetings" (hereinafter "Board Rules") may be developed and adopted by a two-thirds (66%) vote of the total number of Board members present at a meeting. Board Rules may be changed or modified by the Board at future meetings in the same manner (two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present). Board Rules formally adopted and set forth in writing shall, unless contrary to state or federal law, take precedence where there is a conflict with Robert's Rules.

ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENTS

A. At any regular Board meeting whose agenda includes a proposed Bylaw amendment, and after public discussion at the meeting, these Bylaws may be amended or revised by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire number of the Board. Within fourteen (14) days after such a vote to amend the Bylaws, a Bylaws Amendment Application shall be submitted to the Department for review and approval by the Department, all in accordance with the Plan. The Bylaws amendments will not be effective until approved by the Department.

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ARTICLE XIV COMPLIANCE

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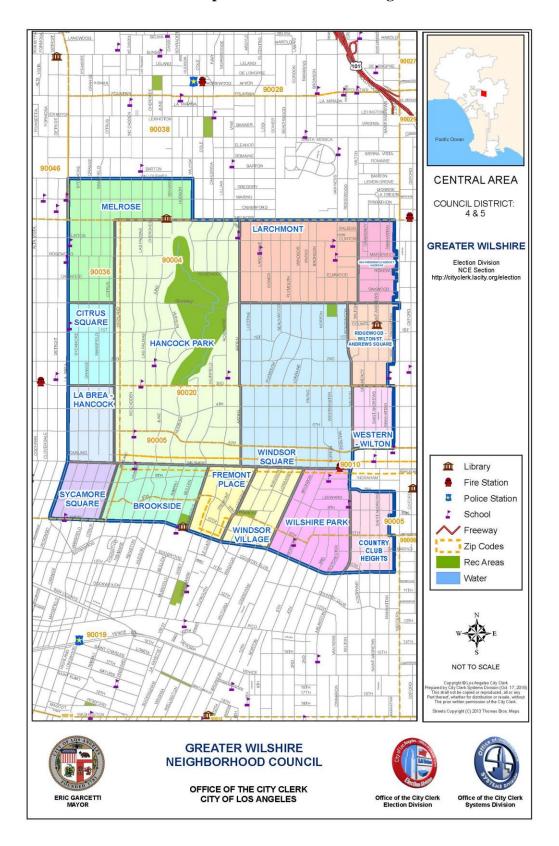
GREATER WILSHIRE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL APPROVED BYLAWS 11/10/2020

Section 1: Code of Civility –The Council, its representatives, and all Stakeholders will endeavor to conduct Council business in a professional and respectful manner. Board members will abide by the Commission's Neighborhood Council Board Member Code of Conduct Policy.

Section 2: Training – All board members must take ethics and funding training prior to making motions and voting on funding related matters.

Section 3: Self-Assessment – Intentionally left blank.

ATTACHMENT A - Map of Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council



ATTACHMENT B – Governing Board Structure and Voting Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council – 21 Board Seats

| BOARD POSITION | # OF SEATS | ELECTED OR APPOINTED? | ELIGIBILITY TO RUN FOR THE SEAT | ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE FOR THE SEAT |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|--|---|
| Geographic Area Directors 1 to 15 Term: 2 Years | 15 | Elected | Stakeholders who live, work or own property within the respective geographic areas and who are 18 years or older at the time of election. | Stakeholders who live, work or own property within the respective geographic area and who are 16 years or older. |
| Renter Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who rents and lives but does not own property within the GWNC and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | Stakeholders who rent and live but do not own property in the GWNC and who are 16 years or older. |
| Business Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who is a regular and ongoing participating representative of a business or business association within the GWNC boundaries and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | Stakeholders who are regular and ongoing participating representatives of a business or business association within the GWNC boundaries and who are 16 years older. |
| Education Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who is a regular and ongoing participating representative of an educational institution within the GWNC and who is 18 years of age or older at the time of election. | Stakeholders who are regular and ongoing participating representatives of an educational institution within the GWNC and who are 16 years or older. |

GREATER WILSHIRE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL APPROVED BYLAWS 11/10/2020

| Religion Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who is a regular and ongoing participating representative of a religious organization within the GWNC and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | regular and ongoing participating representatives of a religious organization within the GWNC and |
|---|---|---------|--|--|
| Other Nonprofit Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Stakeholder who is a regular and ongoing participating representative of another nonprofit group within the GWNC and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | regular and ongoing participating representatives of another nonprofit group within the |
| At Large Representative Term: 2 Years | 1 | Elected | Any regular and ongoing participating stakeholder who lives, works, and/or owns property within the GWNC or who declares a stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder and who is 18 years or older at the time of election. | stakeholder who lives, works, and/or owns property within the GWNC or who declares a stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder and who |

Name: David Marmor

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 11:15 AM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Shame on any council members supporting this travesty of a plan.

This plan disenfranchises an entire council district and serves only

the interests of a narrow swath of wealthy residents of this

enormous and diverse city of 4 million people. I urge all council members to please, please vote down this corrupt, terrible plan.

Thank you.

Name: Karen Woodward Sarrow Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 02:18 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: The neighborhood Studio City council opposes the gerrymandered

map proposed by the City Council. We support a simple map, illustrated on page 60, illustration A of the report. I live on

Colfax, the city council map literally splits my street in half, and both of the public schools our two sons attend disappear from our residential district. Please adopt a single, sensible map that clearly eliminates gerrymandering, and splitting our Studio City in half.

Name: nathan adlen

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 04:50 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Please retain FRANKLIN CANYON PARK in its original

district, its a wonderful community asset that needs to be

protected from developers.

Patty Kirby Name:

11/08/2021 03:51 PM **Date Submitted:**

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Public Comment Council File 20-0668-57 From: Patty Kirby –

4434 Carpenter Ave. Studio City, CA 91607 posted 11/8/21. I strongly oppose any redistricting map that separates Studio City into more than 1 whole district. This includes any of the HYBRID maps that show splitting Studio City into 2 districts CD2 and/or CD4. The Studio City Neighborhood Council should remain whole per the map below. ESPECIALLY starting at the northern boundary of the 101 Freeway. The area south of the 101 Freeway IS Studio City in zip code 91607 and is not in Valley Village. Studio City was split before into 3 Council Districts and it was proof that nothing can get done with this multiple district configuration in one community. If you need to balance out the population numbers, Please move Toluca Lake to CD4 and keep

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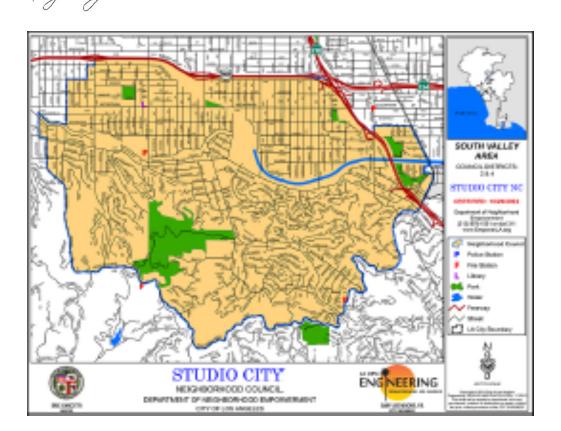
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If you need to balance out the population numbers, Please move **Toluca Lake to CD4** and keep all of Studio City in CD2.

Respectfully,



Name: Stephen J. Sass

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 04:05 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: As a Studio City resident for more than 25 years and current

member of the boards of Studio City Residents Association and Studio City Farmers Market, I strongly oppose the proposed

division of Studio City into two districts as provided in the Hybrid

Map. Studio City is a single, geographically connected

community of interest with unified needs and policy concerns. We've experienced the split of our neighborhood into several Council districts in the past and it simply doesn't work. It just creates confusion, duplication of effort and places an unfair

burden on residents, businesses, community organizations and the

City. Please serve the goal of redistricting and responsive

government--please keep Studio City together in one district with

the ability to elect and engage with one Councilmember

representing our community.

Name: Ellen

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 04:58 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: I live in Mt. Washington. The closest retail area near me is

Highland Park. Currently, Highland Park is split into two districts: CD1 and CD14. Specifically, the Figueroa side is in CD1, and the York side is in CD14. This does not make sense. Both parts of Highland Park should be in the same neighborhood. It does not matter to me which district (CD1 or CD14); rather, the important thing is keeping them together. I submitted this comment to the Commission, and it was accepted by the Commission in its proposed Map. But the City Council Member has put forth a Motion undoing this. Please do not split up Highland Park into

two separate Districts; rather, keep it intact in 1 District.

Name: Judith Fischer

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 05:13 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Do NOT split Council district 3 west of Corbin. This West Valley

area must remain contiguous.

Name: Mouis Yafeh

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 05:13 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Hello. I am asking the City Council to revise the draft map to

move the eastern boundary of CD 5 to Briarcrest Drive so that it follows current public safety service areas and keeps the Franklin

and Coldwater canyon community together with its schools,

congregations, and cultural institutions.

Name: Barry Johnson

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 07:59 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

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Studio City Stakeholder What CD2 should be: image.png

Name: Crenshaw Manor Community Association

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 07:59 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Please see comments in the attached letter from Crenshaw Manor

Community Association asking that boundaries in motions 46-B presented by Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo and 46-J presented

by Paul Krekorian not be redrawn.



CRENSHAW MANOR COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



November 8, 2021

Los Angeles City Council Room 340, City Hall 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Attempts to Redraw Council District 10 Boundaries and Return of Economic Assets to Council District 8

Honorable Council President Martinez and Councilmembers,

Crenshaw Manor Community Association (CMCA) is the collective voice of over 936 homeowners, and approximately 2,500 residents directly west and northwest of the Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza (BHCP), located in CD10. We write today regarding the serious attempts being made to remove areas within CD10, related to motions 46-B (Harvard Heights) and 46-J (Crestview), which should not be considered. Given the unfortunate suspension of Councilmember Ridley-Thomas, we find ourselves in a precarious situation, without a voice. Drastic changes to CD10 boundaries would further disenfranchise its communities and their constituents. We strongly support the final K2.5 MAP presented by the Redistricting Commission, and ask that NO changes be made to CD10 boundaries.

We are also concerned for our neighbors to the south in Council District 8. Returning economic assets to CD8 which has one of the largest percentages of Black voting-age residents in the city would be an equitable solution for a disadvantaged district in the eyes of voters. Allowing USC, along with the Expo Center to be returned to CD8 would correct a 10-year injustice that you now have the power to correct.

As voters it seems our voices are not heard when we make it clear where we stand on issues that affect the communities, we live in. What we say and what the City Council does or has the power to do at times falls on deaf ears. CD10 is currently without a representative, but we have a voice and that voice would like the City Council to "NOT" redraw CD10 boundaries.

Thank you for your consideration

Crenshaw Manor Community Association cmca@crenshawmanor.org

Name: Patricia Lombard

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 06:51 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: There has been some communication from the Windsor Square

Association suggesting that Fremont Place would prefer to move from CD5 where we are currently located in the hybrid map to CD13. The is not the official position of the Fremont Place Association, we have not yet had an opportunity to discuss this and vote on this matter. Patricia Lombard, member of board of

directors of Fremont Place Association.

Mindsor Square Association

November 8, 2021

Via Email Only

Councilmembers Mitch O'Farrell and Paul Koretz City Hall, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Council File 20-0668-S7

Redistricting: Greater Wilshire

Dear Councilmembers O'Farrell and Koretz:

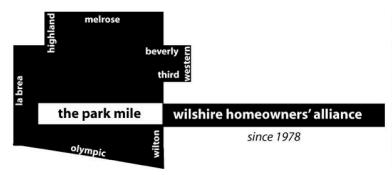
Based upon the actions of the Ad Hoc Redistricting Committee on Friday, November 5, 2021, we respectfully request the following specific <u>minor modifications</u> to the new hybrid map:

- **1. GWNC Technical Boundary Corrections.** Our first request is to ensure that your dividing lines conform to the City-approved perimeter and internal boundaries of the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (GWNC), as follows:
 - The GWNC's Eastern Boundary. CD 10 correctly includes properties along both sides of Western Avenue, as currently configured in the hybrid map. However, the correct dividing boundary between CD 10 and CD 13 (the eastern boundary of the GWNC) is: "The rear (western) property line of the properties along the west side of Western Avenue, except for the area between 6th Street and 7th Street, for which the western boundary is Wilton Place." This means that both sides of Manhattan Place should be in CD 13. Please see pages 3 and 4 of the attached GWNC Bylaws for the details.
 - The GWNC's Rossmore/Arden Boundary. The GWNC dividing line between our internal neighborhoods of Larchmont Village and Windsor Square is east of Rossmore, such that both sides of Arden Boulevard are included in Larchmont Village and in Windsor Square. Thus, CD 13 in the hybrid map should include both sides of the properties along South Arden Boulevard, as both sides are within our Larchmont and Windsor Square neighborhoods. The CLA's hybrid map may have incorrectly depicted this boundary as being the middle of South Arden Boulevard. Please see pages 3 and 4 of the attached GWNC Bylaws for the details.
- **2A.** Complete the East/West Split of GWNC. We understand that it is not the will of the Ad Hoc Committee to unite the entire Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council (GWNC) in CD 5, as proposed by the Redistricting Commission. The Committee split the GWNC between CD 5 and CD 13, but not in a manner that makes the most sense for the GWNC and its most effective City Council representation.

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Therefore, our second request is to add the "south of Wilshire" / "east of Muirfield" neighborhoods of the GWNC into CD 13, from CD 5, just as the Ad Hoc Committee did with our "north of Wilshire / "east of Rossmore/Arden" neighborhoods. This request is based upon our and the City Council's local land-use goal, since 1978, to NOT have this part of town be split between those in the GWNC living north and south of Wilshire. The critical development decisions related to Wilshire Boulevard impact residents on both sides, and it is important to us that both sides be in the same Council District.

I write as one of the long-time proponents of enforcement of the Park Mile Specific Plan, a main goal of the Wilshire Homeowners' Alliance, of which the Windsor Square Association is a part:



Brookside Homeowners' Association
Citrus Square Neighborhood Association
Fremont Place Association
Hancock Park Home Owners' Associaton
La Brea-Hancock Homeowners' Association
Larchmont Village Neighborhood Association
Ridgewood-Wilton Neighborhood Association
St. Andrews Square Neighborhood Association
Sycamore Square Neighborhood Association
Wilshire Park Association
Windsor Square Association
Windsor Village Community Association

The east-west split of GWNC must extend down to Olympic Boulevard. The dividing line should be between our Brookside (which would stay in CD 5) and Fremont Place (which would move to CD 13) neighborhoods. That would keep Fremont Place with its neighbor institution, The Ebell of Los Angeles (and also does not split The Ebell clubhouse and theatre parcels from its parking lot on the east side of Lucerne Boulevard). Again, our attached Bylaws provide the relevant boundary descriptions and we have also attached our boundaries map.

2B. Return the GWNC NW Corner to CD 5. The population numbers involved in our 2A request also allow for the <u>return</u> from CD 13 to CD 5 of the northern half of GWNC's Melrose Neighborhood (GWNC Area 8) that got lopped off in the Commission's Map K2.5. This split of our Area 8 neighborhood, at that time, accommodated adding back sections of Melrose Avenue to CD 5, as urgently sought by our adjoining Mid City West Neighborhood Council leaders. But this population accommodation is not necessary if our second request (to complete the east / west split of GWNC) is approved. Bringing all of our Area 8 Melrose Neighborhood into CD 5 helps make our argument for two <u>complete</u> halves: "West GWNC" and "East GWNC."

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Our requests:

- 1. Technical Boundary Corrections (see above for details).
- 2. Create West GWNC and East GWNC:
 - A. Move GWNC Areas 4, 15, 13, and 3 (from CD 5 to CD 13).
 - B. Add Back to CD 5 the Removed Portion of GWNC's Area 8.

Thank you for addressing these needed changes.

Sincerely yours,

John H. Welborne

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Vice President for Planning and Land Use

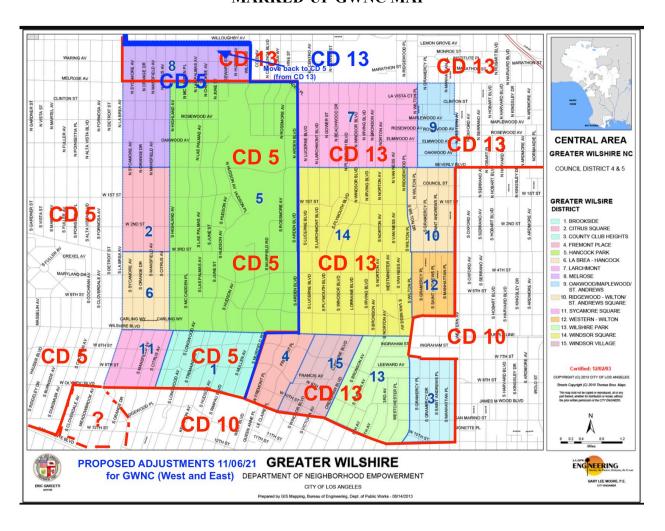
Windsor Square Association

Attachments:

- Marked up GWNC Map (see next page)
- GWNC Bylaws

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MARKED-UP GWNC MAP



Name: John Gonzales - Individual

11/08/2021 05:41 PM **Date Submitted:**

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: I am a longtime resident of Council District 8. I write to express outrage over the City Council's proposed treatment of CD8 in redistricting. Frankly, considering that it is clear that CD8 is to be the last remaining majority black voter district, an institutional disadvantage placed upon it must be considered systematic racism and a potential Civil Rights violation. You must not proceed as is being suggested by the Ad Hoc Committee, which allowed a politically biased process to promote a result which will clearly run contrary to the overarching goal of city policy to promote equity. Equity and the removal of systemic disadvantage to challenged minority communities have been clamored for in recent months, and the City must make good on its promised response. It surely should not double-down on policy injustice as is being suggested. Any reasonable observer, including the City's own Redistricting Commission, the LA Times, and individual Councilmembers understands that the last redistricting process was a failure to the city, especially its most vulnerable constituencies in South Los Angeles. Largely to benefit more powerful Councilmembers, one of whom used that power ending in indictment which brings shame to the process and our city. CD8, and to a lesser extent CD9, were stripped of valuable economic engines. Caught in the crossfire, and suffering to this day, are the 260,000 residents of CD8 who face challenges beyond unequitable districting. Virtually every asset was stripped from CD8, leaving it currently with only a Crenshaw Mall which has decayed even further. The Councilmembers involved are gone, but the community continues its unearned punishment. Almost no one questions what occurred. Now, the only equitable solution is a correction, and the correction most practically necessitates the return of some lost economic engines. Whether via a need for reversal, or a new objective look at distributing area assets (which must be part of creating fair districts), CD8 must be given some key asset(s). There is no population obstacle, no voting rights obstacle, and no geographic impossibility. To not return assets is political and intentional. The Redistricting Commission deliberated and voted upon this. They specifically noted the need to resolve the issue in their report. That after a year-long analysis with copious community participation. They initially voted to return BOTH USC and Expo Park. Somehow,

through unfortunate backroom political pressure CD9 was able to maneuver a reversal of that vote, instead leading to a compromise. Yet now the Council, with no discussion and no novel information seeks to revoke the compromise and the suggestion of the Commission. These are the sort of actions that demonstrate the inability of City Council to remove incumbent political desires from fair process. Let's face it, Councilmember Price has dropped his regard for the overall health of the city, of South LA and the black community, and is more concerned with his own re-election above all. Assets do not belong to a district. Assets are the City's and the entire purpose of redistricting is to map to create overall equitable districts. That involves boundary changes in almost all districts, some to a huge extent. So an objective process divides City assets to create balance. CD9 indeed has economic needs as well. Aside from USC & Expo, it has the Convention Center, Staples, L.A. Live, and the Ritz Carlton complex. CD8 has the Crenshaw Mall. A simple solution is to return USC and Expo to CD8, and to also to simply return a Downtown portion which was previously taken from CD9, contiguous with what it now has. Downtown has become asset-heavy, larger, and poised to grow. There is no reason it should be sacrosanct and is already part CD9. Why the Commission and Council fail to even consider this is a mystery and obviously political. Nonetheless, it is then the City's responsibility to not leave CD8 as "odd man out". It must look for alternate solution and if Councilmember Price will participate in that best scenario solution then HE should bear the burden in alternate solutions. If USC and Expo are returned to CD8, CD9 still has the Conv. Center, Staples, L.A. Live, and Ritz. It would be significantly stronger than the status which Mr. Price and the Ad Hoc Committee attempt to paint as adequate for CD8 without the return. The Commission suggested compromise. Objective compromise clearly places USC, the larger asset, in CD8, which clearly possess far fewer other assets. Regardless, the suggestion to reverse the proposed compromise is outlandish. After no deliberation, with no objective rationale to reverse the extensive process at commission is indefensible. Were Mr.Price not on the Ad Hoc, it would not have happened. Full Council must reject the proposal, and find a solution to share assets, and not re-affirm the systemic disadvantage to CD8 and it's majority black community.

Name: Hugh Moore

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 05:54 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Harvard heights community should remain in CD10

Name: Hugh Moore

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 06:05 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: The city council members should accept the redistricting

committee's map presented and leave Harvard Heights in CD 10.

Name: John Gresham

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 08:24 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Regarding the 11/08/2021 letter from the Windsor Square

Association to Council File 20-0668-S7 The Wilshire Park Association Board, representing the Wilshire Park neighborhood* (Wilshire Park), located in the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood

Council (GWNC), also known as GWNC Area 13, has not fully discussed and considered, nor has it reached consensus on,

ramifications of the proposed east/west split of GWNC that would

extend Council District 13 to Olympic Boulevard, east of Muirfield, as proposed in the letter sent to this council file earlier

today, 11/08/2021, from the Windsor Square Association.
Therefore, Wilshire Park is not in a position to support this

proposed change at this time. *Wilshire Park (GWNC Area 13) is an HPOZ and is one of the four neighborhoods south of Wilshire Boulevard proposed to be moved to Council District 13 from its current location in Council District 5. Wilshire Park's official position at this time remains unchanged: that GWNC be kept together in Council District 5 with its similar community of

interest neighbors to the west.

FBI GOAT PUPPETS Name: **Date Submitted:** 11/08/2021 09:33 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: 1/ DENIAL of a VOTING MEMBER OF C.D. 10 VIOLATES

THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT PROTECTIONS of over 200,000 BLACK, ASIAN, AND HISPANIC VOTERS AND CITIZENS who ARE registered voters in the C.D. 10 district. The City Council is clearly empowered by PRECEDENT---Council President EX OFFICIO HERB WESSON GAVE C.D. 12 a voting member while the district was losing its member due to being "hunted" by the F.B.I. Councilperson Grieg Smith voted as CARETAKER and did an excellent job representing temporarily the people, WHITE PEOPLE primarily of C.D. 12. The Vote was 11-3. The following Councilmembers BELIEVE in basis rights of having a VOTE on the upcoming map: CD 11--MIKE BONIN CD 8---MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAWSON CD 9--CURREN DEMILLE PRICE, JR. THE FOLLOWING COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE RACISTS OR JUST PLAIN CORRUPT and WANT NO VOTE FOR CD 10 ON THE MAP: GIL GOOD MAN---WHY GIL, WHY????? Paul Martin Krookorian---SPEAKS FOR HIMSELF BLOB REPRESENTATION!!!! Nithya Raman---cd4---LIAR LIAR

BLIEWBENBLIELD, cd 3--MARRIED TO A BLACK WOMAN!!!!! AND STILL VOTED AGAINST

LIAR!!! SHE RAN AS INCLUSIVE, but showed she's a

RACIST Paul Koretz---Jewish racist---VOTE NO ON HIM FOR CONTROLLER, HE SUCKS Council President Nury

Martinez---A TRUE FAILURE OF LEADERSHIP AND

COURAGE Cd 7--MoniCOW ROTriguez--a failure all the way CD 10---DIDN'T GET A VOTE ON THIS (Good luck to MRT on his case, hope the TRUTH comes out, he got SET UP.) CD

12---staffer B, JOHN LEE--an UNINDICTED

CO-CONSPIRATOR rodent!, He got to vote MRT off the Council???? CD 13--Mitch O'Farrel---I was suprised, thought he

had 1% of a soul left, but he sold out 1,000% CD 14--Kevin DE LIAR....VOTE NO ON THIS CREEP FOR MAYOR. HE

HATES EVERYONE BUT HIMSELF CD 15--JOEY

BUCKETS---VOTE NO FOR MAYOR, he WILL NEVER GIVE BLACK PEOPLE A VOICE. 2/ MERGE THE SEPULVEDA BASIN WITH ENCINO and the OTHER SIDE OF IT with Lake

JUSTICE for the crap in 2011 that happened. 4/ Keep K-Town TOGETHER 5/ Put LINCOLN HEIGHTS TOGETHER and PUT IT IN CD 14. 6/ keep STUDIO CITY TOGETHER in whichever district it will be put in There will be alot of COMPLAINING in this motion. DO NOT COMPLAIN--YOU THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES KEEP VOTING FOR THE SAME CRIMINALS OVER AND OVER AGAIN!!!!!!!! YOU DID THIS TO YOURSELVES! NOW TIME TO GET US OUT OF THIS MESS. Thank you to Chairman Ali and the L.A. City Council Redistricting Commission---you drafted a TIMELY map and a good one! Thanks especially to members: Judge Moreno, Rocky Dumgodillo (who did some good), and Ms. Shaw. OK---let's correct this mess and get back to SANITY

Name: Patty Kirby

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 07:32 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: PLEASE move the section area marked on the Hybrid Map in

CD2 SOUTH OF THE 134 (101) Freeway to CD4 with the rest of Studio City to make Studio City 1 District and not split into 2. The area south of the freeway is Studio City 91607, not part of Valley

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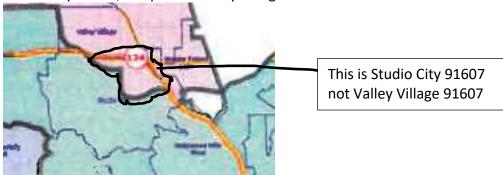
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PLEASE move the section area marked on the Hybrid Map in CD2 SOUTH OF THE 134 (101) Freeway to CD4 with the rest of Studio City to make Studio City 1 District and not split into 2. The area south of the freeway is Studio City 91607, not part of Valley Village 91607.



I strongly oppose any redistricting map that separates Studio City into more than 1 whole district. This includes any of the HYBRID maps that show splitting Studio City into 2 districts CD2 and/or CD4.

The Studio City Neighborhood Council should remain whole per the map below. ESPECIALLY starting at the northern boundary of the 101 Freeway. The area south of the 101 Freeway IS Studio City in zip code 91607 and is not in Valley Village.

Studio City was split before into 3 Council Districts, and it was proof that nothing can get done with this multiple district

configuration in one community.

Respectfully,

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Name: Lionel Mares, MPA **Date Submitted:** 11/08/2021 11:22 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Honorable Councilmembers, I am skeptical of the proposed changes to Map K 2.5 Final by the Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commission (LACCRC). I have seen many changes to the map. One of the biggest concerns is that councilmember Nithya Raman will lose many of her supporters because of how the redistricting process proposes changes to the map, particularly Districts 2 or 4 / 4 or 2. As a long-time resident of the San Fernando Valley (East), I am afraid that the city council under the leadership of council president Nury Martinez (CD-6) will cave into the demands of the rich and powerful while neglecting the poor and underprivileged. I was disappointed with "Commissioner" Rachel Torres because of her performance as Commissioner. She was quiet and passive/submissive. She did not speak up, and now we're left with the consequences of her inactions and among others who did not speak up during the redistricting process in the past months. I am asking that the San Fernando Valley, especially the Latino/Hispanic community, remain intact. I ask that Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council remain whole and unified. I ask that the city council pay attention to the poor, the voiceless, and the underrepresented in the San Fernando Valley and greater Los Angeles. We should not change the maps to please the wealthy and special interests. We should focus on strengthening the Latino/Hispanic communities because many of us are neglected by our own city council. I have been reading the news from 89.3 KPCC FM, the LAist, Los Angeles Times, The Daily News; including Elizabeth Chou, David Zahniser, and Rob Quan aka "Unrig LA" who have constantly been monitoring and sharing the news via Twitter. I am grateful for their service. When changing/altering/modifying the MAP, please do so in an orderly fashion as to not create chaos or disruption for future generations. We must work together to solve our problems. We should focus on the issues that matter. Thank you.

Name: Chaim Kolodny

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 10:28 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Thank you for all of your time and effort to create an equitable

map for the City of Los Angeles. I support the configuration of district 5, in the hybrid map approved by the redistricting ad-hoc committee on Nov. 5th. My community thanks the committee and now ask all the members of the Council to join in protecting the 70-year-old historic Jewish Council District. The unity of this district has given our community a representative and collective voice in fighting anti-Semitism as well as the opportunity to uplift and share our culture City wide. We also commend the hybrid map for being inclusive of a district for the Armenian community. Thank you for your continued patience and care in this complex

process.

Name: Sharon

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 10:32 PM

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together. Thank you for your patience and hard work in this very

complex process.

Name: Jamie T.

Date Submitted: 11/08/2021 11:12 PM

Council File No: 20-0668-S7

Comments for Public Posting: I'm a resident of Northeast Los Angeles district 14 in support of

the hybrid map presented by the Ad Hoc Redistricting Committee and posted to this council file on 11/5. This hybrid map has made many improvements upon previous maps for my district and for

other districts as well.