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**Board of Directors
Agenda**

July 13, 2010 (7:00 p.m.)

MCW Headquarters-Main Auditorium
543 N. Fairfax Avenue

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OPENING ITEMS

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| 1. Call to Order; Roll Call | |
| 2. Opening Remarks from the Chair | (2 min) |
| a. Code of Civility | |
| b. Rules of Procedure | |
| 3. Approval of May 11, 2010 Minutes | ACTION REQUIRED (2 min) |
| 4. Public Comment Period | (10 min) |
| Comments from the Public on matters within Board jurisdiction. | |
| Under Mid City West Bylaws, comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker. | |
| 5. Report from LAPD Wilshire Division | (5min) |
| 6. Announcements from City Representatives | (10 min) |
| a. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment; Mayor; Council Offices;
Assemblymembers; other elected officials | |
| 7. Board of Directors Election to fill vacant Religious Community seat | (10 min) |

ITEMS OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

8. **Wilshire Rapid Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Peak Hour Bus Lanes** (30 min)
- a. Presentation by Metro regarding proposal to convert curb lanes on Wilshire Blvd. between Westlake District and Santa Monica (except City of Beverly Hills) to peak hour bus-only lanes. The project would involve resurfacing curb lanes between Western and Fairfax or, under Alternative A, also resurfacing curb lanes between Fairfax and San Vicente.
 - b. **MOTION** to support BRT Proposal Alternative A.
 - c. NOTE: Because Mid City West must submit comments on the draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment by July 26, 2010, the EIR/EA has not been formally heard by the Transportation Committee, although the project has been discussed at prior committee meetings.
9. **Public Safety Committee:** (5 min)
- a. Announcement re National Night Out, August 3, 2010
10. **Land Use:** (40 min)
- a. **Case No. ZA-2009-2900-CUB-ZV: 8412 West Third Street (Berri's Pizza)**
 - i. Applicant seeks a Conditional Use Permit (CUB) to permit the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing restaurant, hours of operation from 11am to 4am daily with volunteered hours for service of alcohol from 11am to 2am daily. Applicant currently has an ABC license for on-site consumption of beer and wine.
 - ii. Applicant seeks a Zone Variance to permit required parking spaces to be provided off-site with 750 feet of the restaurant by a lease agreement in lieu of a covenant.
 - iii. MOTION: Oppose application for CUB based primarily on (a) record of late night LAPD service calls to location, (b) complaints from neighbors regarding late night noise and nuisance, and (c) applicant's apparent lack of effort to address these long-standing issues; and oppose application for Zone Variance based primarily on (a) failure to maintain existing on-site parking as usable parking, and (b) performance record of current valet parking operations.
 - b. **Case No. TT-71267-CN: 817 North Alfred (Condominium Project)**
 - i. Applicant seeks approval of a tentative tract map for an 18-unit condominium building and a zone variance from "Q" qualified permanent conditions requiring, among other things, increased setbacks on upper floors of structures and other architectural limitations and transitions designed to ensure compatibility of new structures with older, smaller scale buildings in neighborhoods.
 - ii. The Applicant is also requesting variances from landscaping requirements, a deviation in the way site tree ratio is calculated, and a deviation from greenbelt area requirement, maximum hardscape calculation, and vegetative landscape screening.
 - iii. This building received building permits and tentative tract map approval before the neighborhood "Q" conditions were finalized. The original developer failed to complete the project and the tentative tract map (condo approval) expired, although

the building permits remain valid. The project could be completed as apartments “by right,” but requires the variance and other elements of the request to be completed as condominiums.

- iv. MOTION to oppose the application.
- c. **Report re Recent Decisions on MCW Land Use Matters and Upcoming Hearings**

ADMINISTRATIVE AND ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

- 11. **Budget Committee:** (15 min)
 - a. Monthly Financial Report, including Review and Approval of Purchasing Card transactions and bank statements
 - b. Presentation and Approval of Revised 2010/11 Budget
- 12. **Executive Committee:** (5 min)
 - a. Report re: Standing Committees and Committee Assignments
 - b. Appointment of Designees to Submit Community Impact Statements
 - c. Appointment of Representative to Recycled Water Advisory Group
- 13. **Communications Committee:** Report and Announcements
- 14. **Bylaws/Grievance Committee:** Report (5 min)
- 15. Highlights of DONE Board Member Training: Presentation by Bruce McCormick (5 min)

CLOSING ITEMS

- 16. Public Comment Period
Comments from the public on matters within Board jurisdiction.
Per MCWCC Bylaws, comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker.
- 17. Board Member Comments/Announcements
- 18. Adjourn

Next MCWCC Regular Board Meeting: August 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Reminder: MCWCC Board Meetings are held at the MCWCC Offices, NCJW Auditorium, 1st Floor, 543 N. Fairfax Avenue

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