



MID CITY WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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## Board of Directors Agenda

April 12, 2011 (7:00 p.m.)

NCJW Building, 543 N. Fairfax Ave., Los Angeles CA 90036

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### OPENING ITEMS

- 1. Call to Order; Roll Call 2 min)
- 2. Opening Remarks from Chair (5 min)
- 3. **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.
- 4. Announcements from City Representatives (10 min)
  - a. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment; Mayor; Council Offices; Assemblymembers; other elected officials.
- 5. LAPD Report: Senior Lead Officer Art Gallegos (10 min)
- 6. Approval of March 8, 2011 Minutes (5 min)
- 7. Board and Committee Vacancies and Assignments: (10 min)
  - a. Election to fill Board Vacancy: Government Seat
  - b. Opening re Public Policy Committee Chair

### ITEMS OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

- 8. Presentation by Christopher Koontz, Planning Deputy for Paul Koretz (10 min)
- 9. **Modified Parking Requirements District Proposed Ordinance:** (25 min)
  - a. The City Planning Department has proposed an ordinance that would authorize the establishment of districts with modified parking requirements. The eight proposed

modification tools could affect either in the number of required off-street parking (increase or decrease) and/or the manner in which the required parking spaces are provided.

- b. The Planning and Land Use Committee and the Transportation, Parking & Streetscape Committee recommend opposing the ordinance, as follows:

The Modified Parking Requirement District proposal proposed project should be rejected as presented in that there was inadequate notice of the proposal; that the proposal as presented is inadequate and flawed; the proposed should have requirements written within it that require notice to businesses and residences within one-half mile of the proposed special district; that the proposal should have larger areas that three acres for the proposed districts; that the proposal must include language for appealing decisions made by districts; and the city must implement ordinances regulating valet parking before this proposal can go into effect.

- c. A substitute motion will be offered to support the ordinance, with comments and conditions.

**10. Budget Committee and Budget Items: (10 min)**

- a. Monthly Financial Report, including review and approval of purchasing card transactions and bank statements.
- b. Motions to approve Neighborhood Purposes Grants and other year-end spending:
  - i. Hancock Park Booster Club NPG for supervision program in the amount of \$3,125.
  - ii. Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative NPG for San Vicente Median Project in amount of \$4,700.
  - iii. Pacific Graffiti Solutions for enhanced graffiti abatement in Mid City West area in amount of \$2,525.
  - iv. Purchase of emergency supplies for CERT's Neighborhood Team Program in amount of \$1,100.
  - v. Modification of Mid City West FY2010-11 Budget to reflect these motions and other adjustments to reflect year-to-date spending and projected expenditures for remainder of fiscal year.

**11. Arts & Recreation Committee Report: (2 min)**

- a. Announcement regarding MMAW and Earth Day Celebration.

**12. Public Safety Committee: (2 min)**

- a. CERT Wrap up

**13. Communications Committee Report (2 min)**

**14. Planning and Land Use Committee:**

- a. **5467 Wilshire Blvd (Walgreens) ZA-2011-284-CUB** (Consent)
  - i. A request for Conditional Use Permit (CUB) to allow for the sale and dispensing of beer and wine for off-site consumption at an existing Walgreens store (#06516). Store currently does not sell alcohol.
  - ii. Motion to oppose the application unless the applicant meet the original conditions of approval for store, including door on Wilshire that complies with Community Design Overlay, change to non-conforming electronic blade sign on Wilshire. Committee vote unanimous.

- b. **5575 Wilshire Blvd (Rite Aid)** (Consent)
    - i. A request for a conditional use permit renewal to allow the continued off-site sale of beer, wine and distilled spirits in a 16,690 sq. ft. Rite Aid Drug Store with operation hours 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. seven days a week.
    - ii. Motion to oppose the application unless the previous conditions of approval are adhered to, the Wilshire Blvd entrance is activated and operable during business hours, and the Wilshire Blvd. entry modified to be more street and pedestrian friendly, in compliance with the local Community Design Overlay Ordinance. Committee vote unanimous.
  - c. **5757 Wilshire Blvd. #108 (Mixt Greens) ZA-2010-2442-CUB** (Consent)
    - i. Sale and dispensing of beer and wine for on-site consumption in a new 2,047 sq. ft. restaurant in the [Q]C4-2-CDO and QPB-2 Zones.
    - ii. Motion to support the application. Committee vote was unanimous.
  - d. **7475 & 7469 W Beverly Blvd. (Buddha's Belly) ZA 2011-402-CUB** (15 min)
    - i. Renewal of an existing CUB to continue the sale of beer and wine for on-site consumption in an existing restaurant that seats 88 patrons and operates from 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m. from Mon to Thurs, 12:00 noon to 11:00 p.m. on Fri and Sat, and from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Sun. An additional bar seats eight and serves beer and wine. The request is for a CUB with a term of ten years with plan approval every four years.
    - ii. Motion to support application. Committee Vote: 5-3.
  - e. **989 & 939 N La Brea (Sit N Sleep) ZA-2011-103-ZV** (15 min)
    - i. Zone Variance to allow a retail furniture store in the MR1-1 zone with maximum hours of operation seven days a week from 8am to 10pm.
    - ii. Motion to support application failed in committee 3-5; there was no committee motion to oppose application. Committee discussion focused on maintaining industrial zoning of property.
  - f. **110 S Fairfax Unit #A-16 (The Veggie Grill)** (20 min)
    - i. A request for Conditional Use Permit for on-site sale and consumption of beer and wine (type 41 ABC License) for a new fast-casual restaurant seating 113 patrons. Hours Mon to Sun 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
    - ii. No committee recommendation. Committee vote to support application failed 3-4; motion to take no position failed 2-5. Discussion focused on whether Caruso (The Grove) and/or Gilmore Co. (Farmers Market) legally may request additional alcohol permits.
15. Bylaws and Grievance Committee: (10 min)
- a. Update on Status of Grievance filed by James O'Sullivan against Board Chair
  - b. Update on Status of Bylaws Reorganization

16. Adjourn

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