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## Board of Directors AGENDA

**May 13, 2008 (7 p.m.)**

MCW Headquarters-Main Auditorium  
543 N Fairfax Avenue

*The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any item on the agenda. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when that item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters, not appearing on the agenda but within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board. As covered under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the MCWCC does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services and activities. Sign language interpreters, assisted listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request at least 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend. Call 213 847-9123 or email [RRay@lacity.org](mailto:RRay@lacity.org).*

1. Call to order; Roll Call (3 min)
2. Opening Remarks from the Chair (3 min)
3. Approval of April 8, 2008 Minutes (2 min)  
♦ **ACTION REQUIRED**
4. Public Comment Period (10 min)  
Comments from the public on matters within Board jurisdiction.  
Per MCWCC Bylaws, comments limited to three (3) minutes per speaker
5. Financial Report from Treasurer (5 min)
6. Announcements from City Representatives (10 min)
  - a. DONE: Naheed Qureshi
  - b. Representatives from Council Offices, Mayor, and other elected officials
- COMMITTEE REPORTS/MOTIONS**
7. Arts and Recreation (5 min)
  - a. Announcement re next Miracle Mile Art Walk
8. Election Committee (10 min)
  - a. Announcement re Candidate Filing Period, Important Dates,
  - b. Recruitment of Candidates for Seats on Board
9. Public Safety Committee (5 min)
  - a. Announcement re Emergency Preparedness Fair on May 18, 2008 at Melrose Trading Post
10. Land Use Committee (3 min)
  - a. Announcement re meeting with Gail Goldberg, LA Planning Director  
Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at Wilshire Ebell Theater  
Hosted by Greater Wilshire NC
  - b. Whole Foods Market – 6359 West Third Street (at Fairfax) (15 min)  
The Land Use Committee recommends support of application to modify the conditional use permit to (1) permit the sale of alcohol during expanded hours of 6:00 a.m. to 12 a.m. (in lieu of , (2) permit unlimited number of wine tasting events

- from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and (3) expand the floor area for onsite consumption of wine in connection with expansion of store
- ◆ **ACTION REQUIRED**
  - c. Divine Pasta -615 N. La Brea (south of Melrose) (10 min)  
The Land Use Committee recommends support of application for conditional use permit for the sale of beer and wine only for onsite and offsite consumption with hours of operation 11 a.m. to midnight daily at existing restaurant
  - ◆ **ACTION REQUIRED**
  - d. City of Los Angeles Housing Element (15 min)  
The Land Use Committee moves that Mid City West oppose taking any further action on the City's draft Housing Element until the Planning Department provides the opportunity for Neighborhood Councils and the public to provide meaningful input; and encourage the Planning Department to re-open the comment period to allow for such meaningful input.
  - ◆ **ACTION REQUIRED**
11. Transportation, Parking and Streetscape Committee (5 min)
    - a. Announcement re Westside Extension ("Subway to the Sea") Alternative Analysis Study
  12. Executive Committee (5 min)
    - a. Date of June 2008 Board Meeting (5 min)  
Because June 10, 2008 falls on the second day of Shavuot, the Board will discuss rescheduling the date of the monthly board meeting.
    - ◆ **ACTION REQUIRED**
    - b. City of Los Angeles Budget Shortfall  
The City of Los Angeles is facing a severe budget crisis. Mayor Villaraigosa's proposed budget maintains \$50,000 annual funding for NCs, while many other departments are facing cuts. Some NCs have suggested that NCs allocate a portion of their budgets to City program(s) facing budget cuts.
    - ◆ **ACTION REQUIRED**
    - c. Workshop re Full Public Financing of City of LA Municipal Elections (10 min)  
During public comment at May 2008 Board meeting, the California Clean Money Campaign requested that Mid City West CC cosponsor with Greater Wilshire NC a workshop on proposals for full public financing of municipal elections. The Executive Committee seeks board approval for sponsorship, and input regarding dates for a workshop
  13. Public Comment (10 min)  
Comments limited to two (2) minutes per speaker.
  14. Board Member Comments/Announcements (10 min)  
Comments from Board members on matters within Board jurisdiction.
  15. Future Agenda Items/Calendar Events (5 min)

*Adjourn*

**Next MCW Regular Board Meeting: June 10, 2008 (7 p.m.)  
DATE SUBJECT TO CHANGE (see Agenda Item 12 (a))  
(REMINDER: MCW BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD AT MCW OFFICES,  
NCJW AUDITORIUM, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, 543 N. FAIRFAX AVE.)**

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