

Wilshire Center Koreatown Neighborhood Council
323-200-5532
General Board Meeting Agenda
Koreatown YMCA Center
433 S. Vermont Ave 90020
Monday, June 9, 2025
5:30 pm

1. Call to order quorum met 5:45 pm
2. Roll call: 15 members present 3 members absent

Board Member	Present	Absent	Excused
Audrey Han	X		
Bill Robinson	X		
Chris Kyungho Hwang	X		
Erica Jung	X		
Jennifer Chung	X		
Ko Eun Ssara Hwang	X		
Nathan Kim	X		
Nojan Haddadi		X	
Saidur Rahman	X		
Sandra Choi	X		
Shazia Hoq	X		
Shin Suk Oh	X		
JT Kim		X	
Jeffrey Park	X		
Valerie Berman	X		
Tania Ramon*			X
Nikon Haddadi*		X	
Chris Maiorino	X		

3. General Public comments – Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the board’s subjects matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker. (2 min) . **Stakeholder voiced** concern about the fencing of RFK Memorial Park. **KYCC representatives informed** the Board of the upcoming 50th anniversary of KYCC. **Project Manager, Karen Coronel** from **“It’s Electric”** an innovative clean energy company informed the Board about a new clean energy free electric charging opportunities in the Koreatown area. Eric McAnally II of the Somos Group, representative for the David Zwirner Gallery located at 606, 612, and 616 N Western Avenue 90004 introduced himself to the Board. The Zwirner gallery can potentially change the fabric of Western Ave.

4. Community/Government Reports & Announcements
 - a. LAPD Senior Lead Officers – **not in attendance**

b. City and other Governmental Agencies

EmpowerLA Representative, John Darnell, Updated the Board on the upcoming **Budget Day** to be held at City Hall on Saturday, June 21, 2025, from 7:30 am to 12:00 pm. He presented the WCKNC Board with a Certificate of Commendation for 25 years of community service. In addition, he informed the Board that the new members will be receiving training and procedural orientation before the general orientation and swearing in of the new board and officers in the second week of July.

District-10 Representative, Allan Antonio updated the Board on upcoming City events. He also responded to stakeholders' question regarding the fencing off of RFK Park. The LAUSD is responsible for closing the park. Bill Robinson commented on the scarcity of greenspace in Koreatown. Robinson again brought up the lack of BID financial accountability.

Bill Robinson motioned to pass items #4 & #5 in the aggregate.

First: Shazia Hoq Second: Saidur Rahman Motion passed unanimously

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meetings for May 2025.

6. Discussion and possible action to approve the Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER) for May 2025.

7. Committees

- c. Rules & Bylaws
- d. Outreach, Communications, & Elections
- e. Planning and Land Use Management
- f. Public Safety, Transportation & Sustainability & Beautification

Items #8 - #11 are ongoing concerns addressed to District-10. No Discussion.

8. Update to the action taken by District-10 regarding **823-827 S. Mariposa Avenue, (Case #: DIR-2024-4950-TOC-HCA. A 7-story, 58 Unit Apartment. Mathew Hayden Land Use Consultant.)**. There were squatters on the property with four pit bulls that escaped through the fencing. The developer cleared the lot. The board calls for action on the part of District-10 to issue a proper trespassing sign so that LEO can detain anyone on the private property on behalf of the developer.

9. Update on the action taken by District-10 regarding the trimming of trees at 620 Harvard Blvd., 90005. The overgrowth of trees is a public safety issue. The trees in front of the JJ Grand Hotel (under renovation) create a dark and sinister environment. This is the second request for action. Please refer to item # 9 from the November 12, 2024, General Board meeting agenda.

10. Update on the action taken by District-10 regarding financial accountability of the Business Improvement District (BID) within the Koreatown district. Gary Russell and James Russell BID leaders. Based on by laws.

11. Continued discussion, update and other possible actions regarding the noise and annoyance complaints about "Fountain LA, located at 2889 W Olympic Blvd. LA CA 90007". They operate as a nightclub with loud music until early morning and all the while having no permits to operate.

12. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation of **ZA-2024-7495 CUB 3528-3536 W 8th Street Los Angeles CA 90005 (Oxford Center) on the condition that the stakeholders of the adjacent neighborhood weigh in via a petition regarding the issue of a 4:00 am closing.** The **conditional use permit** allows the sale and dispensation of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with a proposed 6,737 sq.ft. restaurant/karaoke studio with 20 studio rooms and 176 indoor seats. The proposed hours of operation are from 11 am to 4 am daily with alcohol cut off at 2:00 am.)

Because Mr. Kim did not comply with the Board's conditions, Erica Jung put forth the motion of non-support/recommendation for the proposed hours of operation are from 11 am to 4 am daily with alcohol cut off at 2:00 am at 3528-3536nW. 8th St., LA 90005.

First: Erica Jung Second: Shazia Hoq Motion passed with one abstention (14-1)

Items #13 - #18 no action taken because no representatives were in attendance.

13. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation for **ZA-2025-2099-CU A CUB** to allow the sale of dispensing of the full line of alcoholic beverages for **off-site consumption** for an existing 1,565 sq.ft. market **at Heyman Center located at 730 S. Western Ave. 90005.**

14. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation of **ZA-2024-3870-CUB- A CUB** to allow full-line alcoholic beverage consumption with a new restaurant with karaoke. **Hours 11AM-4AM daily located at 800-808 South Western Ave.**

15. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation **ZA 2019-2977-CUB-PA1- A CUB** to allow the sale of beer & wine for **offsite consumption ex. 1626 sf. gas station operating 24-hours, daily in the c2-1 and r3-1 zones. (4600 Melrose Ave. and 651 & 655 N. Normandie Ave.).**

16. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation **ZA-2023-5787-CUB - A CUB** to allow the on-site sale and dispensing of a full-line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with an existing 6,266 sq. ft. restaurant operating hours from 11am-2am daily located at **3832 Wilshire Blvd. #202.**

17. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation **ZA 2025-2662-CUB-CUX- A CUB** to allow on-site sale of full line of alcoholic beverages w/ an (E) restaurant w/proposed ancillary banquet use, with live entertainment, DJ, karaoke and dancing. Hours of operation 10:00am – 2:00am daily located at **261 S Kenmore Ave.**

18. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation **ZA 2025-2518-CUB - A A CUB** to allow the sale and dispensing of beer and wine for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 1,200 sqft restaurant with 52 seats located at **755 S Vermont Ave.**

19. Comments/Announcements

The representative from "It's Electric" gave comment referred in Public Comments (#3)

20. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn at **6:35 pm**

First: Chris Maiorino Second: Sandra Choi Motion passed unanimously

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