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WILSHIRE CENTER-KOREATOWN NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
323-200-5532

GENERAL BOARD MEETING
AGENDA

October 20, 2025
5:30pm

Koreatown YMCA Center
433 South Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 9020

1. Call to Order at **5:44PM** at 15 members
2. Roll Call

Board Members		Present	Absent	Excused
Saidur	Rahman	X		
Traz	Co		X	
Faisal	Ahmed		X	
Bill	Robinson	X		
Shazia	Hoq	X		

Linkon	Ahmed	X		
MD Faisal	Ahmed		X	
Erica	Jung	X		
Nikon	Haddadi	X		
Nojan	Haddadi	X		
Kyungho	Hwang	X		
JT	Kim	X		
Shin Suk	Oh		X	
Jeffrey	Park		X	
Rasel	Mahud Jewel	X		
Madison	Cho	X		
Valerie	Berman	X		
J.	Lincoln Bang	X		
Christopher	Malorino	X (5:52 PM)		
Tania	Ramon	X		
Davis	McCaffrey Read	X		
Jinny	Oh	X		

3. General Public Comments – Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker. (2 min)

No public comments.

4. Community/Government Reports & Announcements

a. LAPD Senior Lead Officers

Officers provided an update on recent robberies, including *smash-and-grabs* and *vehicle break-ins* (notably through small triangle windows). They encouraged community members to stay vigilant, be aware of surroundings, and avoid leaving any visible items in vehicles, even small personal belongings. Many victims were reported to be elderly. Officers noted incidents involving fake

jewelry or visible luxury accessories being targeted. Community is advised to make properties and vehicles as “uninviting as possible” to deter theft.

Operation Shoes from Santa supports local schools by identifying children in need and providing brand-new shoes and toys donated by community members and sponsors. The program serves approximately 1,500 to 2,000 children each year and will be held on December 3 at the LAPD Olympic Division Station. WCKNC is requested to consider a \$3,000 donation to help fund the event.

b. City and other Governmental Agencies

Council District 10 Representatives Alan Antonio and Diane Cho, who cover the Koreatown area, provided updates on district activities. Over the past month, the Rapid Response Team has conducted districtwide cleanups, though additional attention and resources are needed for trash pickup and illegal dumping. They also shared that the Day of the Dead Festival will take place on Saturday, November 1, from 12 PM to 8 PM along West Adams Boulevard.

Lighting issues continue due to copper wire theft and a repair backlog; residents were encouraged to provide Service Request (SR) numbers so the district office can follow up. Constituents may contact diane.cho@lacity.org or alan.antonio@lacity.org for assistance.

Representatives also noted that the City Council passed a motion allowing funds to remain within the Koreatown district for local use.

- c. The Central City Neighborhood Partners (CCNP) shared that its Health Fair on October 18 served over 800 individuals, offering vision screenings, blood sugar testing, and other services. CCNP will also host a Christmas event providing toys for children, open to the community.**
- d. Brigid LaBonge introduced herself as a board member of Plymouth School, located at 315 S. Oxford Ave. (at Oxford and 3rd), and announced an upcoming Neighborhood Meet and Greet on December 6, 2025, inviting community members and local stakeholders to attend.**

5. Approval of the Minutes of the WCKNC General Board Meeting for September.

Item moved to next General Board Meeting

6. Review and approve the MER for September 2025.

First: Nojan Haddadi, Second: Shazia Hoq. Motion approved unanimously.

7. Review and approval of the Anderson Munger Family YMCA NPG of \$4,500 to support a STEM-related program for inner-city youth in the Korean community.

First: Davis McCaffrey Read, Second: Nojan Haddadi. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Review and approval of the OBA Foundation NPG of \$3,000 for the LAPD Olympic Division to host their annual *Shoes from Santa* event.

First: Davis McCaffrey Read, Second: Saidur Rahman. Motion passed with 15 Yes, 1 abstain (Christopher Mairiono).

9. Committee reports, discussion and possible action. The committees of the WCKNC are the following:

a. Executive

b. Rules & Bylaws - **No reports.**

c. Outreach, Communications, & Elections -

Tania Ramon has been working with the webmaster and has requested a Zoom subscription for WCKNC, which will be put on the agenda for the board meeting.

d. Planning & Land Use Management - **No reports.**

e. Sustainability & Beautification – **Committee to submit budget. Jinny Oh expressed interest in joining the Committee.**

f. Tenant Rights, & Poverty - **No reports.**

g. Transportation & Public Safety - **No sign ups for Committee.**

Tania Ramon to submit roster for current committees.

Reports from representatives to NC Alliances and Coalitions and Liaisons, followed by discussion and possible action. For the list, please see below and click here for more information: (<https://empowerla.org/alliances/>)

a. Budget Representative

b. LADWP Advocacy and Oversight

c. LGBTQ+Alliance

- d. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)
- e. Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance (NCEPA)
- f. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA) - get on list, prepare report

10. Discussion and possible action on Sub-District 2's resident complaints regarding an extreme lack of parking in the area and possible action to authorize Tania Ramon to draft a letter to the CD10 office.

Item moved to next meeting.

11. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation **ZA-2017-3351-MCUP** to allow the sale and dispensing of the full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption at **3465 W 6th Street**, an existing 1,996 sq.ft. restaurant with 106 indoor seats.

Item moved to next meeting.

12. Discussion and possible action to support or oppose **ZA-2017-3351-MCUP** to allow the sale and dispensing of the full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption at **3465 W 6th Street**, an existing 2,860 sq. ft. restaurant with 128 indoor seats.

Item moved to next meeting.

13. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendation **ZA-2025-4893-CUB** to allow the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with a proposed 9,000 sf. ft. restaurant/karaoke studio with 29 studio rooms and 245 indoor seats at **3330 W 8th Street**. Proposed hours of operation are from 11 a.m. to 4 a.m., daily, with hours of alcohol sales from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., daily.

Item moved to next meeting.

14. Discussion and possible action to support or oppose **ZA-2012-1305-MPA** to allow for the sale and on-site consumption of full line alcohol at four establishments at **3600 W 6th Street**, an existing hotel.

Jingbo Lou, representative of the Normandie Hotel, explained that the hotel previously operated under a master permit covering all on-site establishments. In 2023, the City informed them that they must now renew individual licenses for each establishment, including Cassell's Hamburgers, Le Comptoir (fine dining restaurant), and their in-room and event services. The previous 10-year limitation on the land use permit has since

been lifted, allowing for renewed individual licenses.

Nojan Haddadi commended the Normandie Hotel as a positive and longstanding part of the community. Boardmembers discussed the reason for the original 10-year liquor license limitation, clarified as a land use condition under the prior permit structure.

First: Erica Jung Second: Kyungho Hwang. Motions passed unanimously.

15. Discussion and possible action to support or oppose **ZA-2012-1306-MPA** to allow for the sale and on-site consumption of full line alcohol at four establishments at **3600 W 6th Street**, an existing hotel.

Included under Agenda Item 14 discussion and approved unanimously.

16. Discussion and possible action to support or oppose **ZA-2012-1307-MPA** to allow for the sale and on-site consumption of full line alcohol at four establishments at **3600 W 6th Street**, an existing hotel.

Included under Agenda Item 14 discussion and approved unanimously.

17. Discussion and possible action to support or oppose **ZA-2022-5383-CUB** to allow continued sale of beer and wine for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing restaurant located at **3785 Wilshire Blvd.** in the C4-2 zone. Applicant requests the amendment of Condition 7a to permit hours of operation from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., daily.

Item moved to next meeting.

18. Discussion and possible action to approve recommendations **ZA 2019-2977-CUB-PA1-A CUB** to allow the sale of beer & wine for off-site consumption at **4600 Melrose Ave**, an approximately 1,626 SF gas station operating 24 hours, daily in the C2-1 and R3-1 zones.

Item moved to next meeting.

19. Update on the action taken by District-10 regarding financial accountability of the Business Improvement District (BID) within the Koreatown district.

20. Discussion and possible action to recommend reconsideration of the decision by the LADOT to turn the Serrano Avenue between Olympic Blvd. and San Marino Street into a northbound one-way street without adequately consulting the residents living there.

Davis McCaffrey Read asked whether LADOT representatives had presented this proposal to the WCKNC. Erica Jung raised concerns about traffic impacts in the

surrounding area. Jinny Oh inquired about how local schools in the area view the change. Bill Robinson highlighted the importance of ensuring that the voices of affected residents are heard and considered in any future decisions. He also suggested gathering a petition to demonstrate the majority opinion of the community regarding the change.

Tania Ramon will start a petition opposing LADOT's decision and will collaborate with board members to collect community signatures. The item will be placed on the agenda for the November board meeting for continued discussion.

First: Tania Ramon, Second: Madison Cho. Motion passed with 15 Yes, 1 Abstain (Davis McCaffrey Read).

21. Vote to approve Ms. Sara Hwang as a Business Representative of the WCKNC in light of the resignation of Mr. Jong Min Park.

First: Shazia Hoq, Second: Nojan Haddadi. Item approved unanimously.

Ms. Sara Hwang entered the meeting as a business representative at 5:45 PM.

22. Comments/ Announcements

Tania Ramon reminded representatives to complete their ethics and funding training.

23. Adjourn at **7:04 PM**

First: Tania Ramon, Second: Saidur Rahman. Motion passed unanimously.

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