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Announcement of 2022 Westside Community Plans Advisory Group Members

Los Angeles City Planning is pleased to announce the formation of the 2022 Westside Community Plans Advisory Group (WCPAG). We are privileged to have received interest from various organizations and individuals who expressed their shared commitment to the work of shaping the future community plans for the westside region. The Advisory Group consists of organizations and individuals who live, work, and study in the four Westside community plan geographies: Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey, West Los Angeles, Westchester-Playa Del Rey, and Venice.

The 52-member Advisory Group is composed of a diverse group of community leaders, residents, community-based organizations, advocacy groups, business leaders, Certified Neighborhood Councils, Business Improvement Districts (BIDs), students, housing development experts, and professionals from various planning-related fields. The Advisory Group is not a decision-making body and will assist the Westside Community Plans Update team in evaluating initial draft community plan materials – such as new draft land use maps, zoning, and policies – that address topics such as housing, tenant rights, homelessness, climate change, mobility, historic and cultural resources, sustainability, and other critically important issues facing the Westside Communities.

The selected Advisory Group members include the following individuals and organizations:

Abundant Housing Los Angeles	Bill Przylucki, People Organized for Westside Renewal (POWER)
Adam Richeimer, Community Leader	Brian Reiff, Partner Architect at DIGBAR
Amy Liu, Westside Stakeholder	Christopher Curry,
Andrea León-Grossmann, Environmental Justice Leader	Housing Development Professional
Andrew Lewis, Westside Stakeholder	Daisy Vega, Community Leader
Ben Borukhim, AIA, BBA Studios	Elizabeth Bar-El, AICP, City Planner

Frank Halavy, Housing Development Professional

Isabelle Duvivier, FAIA Duvivier Architects Community Forest Advisory Committee

Izaan Kanji, High School Student

Jake Townsend, Resident Stakeholder

Jenny Hontz, Livable Communities Initiative

John Reed, AIA, Architect

Josh Mizrahi, Undergraduate Student

Joshua Ryan, Graduate Student

Katie Schindler, Undergraduate Student

Latrice Williams, Resident Stakeholder

Marcia Albert, PhD, Resident Stakeholder

Marina Martos Dabel, Kilroy Realty Corporation

Marissa Ritchen, Architect

Michael Brodsky, Academic

Michael Glick, Century Glen HOA

Martha Altamirano, Westside Stakeholder

Monica Mejia, Nonprofit Executive Director

Naomi Nightingale, PhD, Community Leader

Owen Gilbert, Undergraduate Student

Paola Pini, AIA, Architect

Richard Hirschkoff, Housing Mar Vista

Sarah Rubinstein, Resident Stakeholder

Tara Barauskas, Nonprofit Affordable Housing Leader Tim Bonefeld, Abbot Kinney Merchant Association

Urban Ark Technologies

Westside Village HOA

Del Rey Neighborhood Council, represented by Pooja Bhagat

Mar Vista Community Council, represented by Andrew Ruesch

Palms Neighborhood Council, represented by Kay Hartman and Neal Anderberg

South Robertson Neighborhood Council, represented by Ellen Lanet

West Los Angeles / Sawtelle Neighborhood Council, represented by Jay Ross

Westchester Neighborhood Council, represented by Julie Ross

Westside Neighborhood Council, represented by Kimberly Christensen

Venice Neighborhood Council, represented by Michael Jensen

Christina Davis, Gateway Los Angeles Business Improvement District (BID)

Donald Duckworth, Westchester Town Center Business Improvement District (BID)

Eleni Polakoff, Venice Beach Business Improvement District (BID)

Vicki Nussbaum, Century City Business Improvement District Association (CCBID)

Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) represented by Maryam Zar

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