

President's Letter: Updates for 250 N Wilton, Visits, ED1 & Street Lights Dear Neighbors,

I apologize for showing up in your in-boxes after only two weeks, but there are several things going on in the neighborhood that you probably want to know about.

250 N Wilton Pl. Many of you have seen the provocative sign newly posted on the property touting a 6-story building with 40 units. It is important to remember that the lot was once occupied by a lovely and protected house that was illegally demolished without a permit. Lambert Giessinger, Office of Historic Preservation, commented "...any project will trigger CEQA review and the baseline will be pre-demolition." The property is still for sale, earlier attempts having fallen through. Our best guess is that this is an attempt to interest a developer and get the property off the owner's books.



While this may take the situation off the boil, we still need to be vigilant and seek a way forward. We will take the issue to the GWNC Land Use Committee, seek advice from those who have acted against similar projects and support reforms of the ED1 proposals.

Visits. I'll add a plug on the importance of paying RWNA dues. When we speak on these matters, the percentage of paid dues illustrates the support behind our words. We all stand together on these issues. Officials listen to those numbers.

I have now been to every residence at least once, although about one-third haven't been available. I'll get there. The map on www.ridgewoodwilton.com shows who has donated. If you want, mail a \$20.00 check to RWNA, PO Box 74605, Los Angeles 90004, or use Zelle with our email contact@ridgewoodwilton.com As always, thanks for the happy receptions and donations.

ED 1. The United Neighbors organization continues to press for modifications to this housing initiative that go to the City Council soon. The latest wrinkle is to maintain a cut-off date in the regulations for Faith-Based Organizations. If removed, the regulations would allow FBOs to buy property now and build on it, basically allowing them to become developers without restrictions. More information at https://www.unitedneighbors.net/

Street Lights. There are at least 15 street lights out in our neighborhood, probably from a theft of the copper wires. We are in touch with CD 13, LAPD Olympic Division and the Bureau of Street Lighting. BSL is months behind on even inspecting the damage much less repairing it and that gridlocks everything. We are trying to get CD 13 to assist with better response.

Thanks for reading and have a great Memorial Day Holiday. My back is killing me today so I probably won't get out for more visits, but soon!