



Mar Vista Community Council



Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Thursday, October 13, at 7:00 P.M.

Mar Vista Recreation Center Gymnasium
11430 Woodbine Street, Mar Vista, CA 90066

MINUTES

1. **Call to order and Welcome** – Chair (1 min)

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Quorum present: Rob Kadota, Melissa Stoller, Robin Doyno, Sherri Akers, Holly Tilson, Susan Klos, Paola Cervantes, Sarah Auerswald, Damien Newton, Greg Tedesco, Joseph Galloway

2. **Presentation of flag and Pledge of Allegiance** (1 min)

3. **Approval of September 14th, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes** (public comment permitted; 1min per speaker) http://www.marvista.org/files/160914-BOD-draftMINUTES_0.pdf

Motion to approve by, 2nd by.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Approval of October 21st, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes** (public comment permitted; 1min per speaker) <http://www.marvista.org/files/160921-BOD-draftMINUTES.docx>

Motion to approve by, 2nd by.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Public Comment & Announcements** - for items not on the agenda (max 1 min each unless waived by the Chair)

Albert Toubia: Centinela Ave. – sidewalks & big trees – terrible condition.

Rene Abrey: Renter. Has problem with smoking. Culver City has no smoking ordinance in MDU. LA doesn't have – does Mar Vista? Would like ordinance that specific to this community. Wasn't able to open door because of smoke from neighbor. Contact Claudia.Martin@lacity.org - deals with quality of life situations; bring to Safety & security committee. Could also take up at WRAC.

Rob Kadota: City is looking at sidewalk repair project. Also part of long lawsuit for ADA issues; fixing pathways that are most used by people with disabilities; use myLA311 to report.

6. **Elected Officials and City Department Reports** (max 1 min. each unless waived by the Chair)

a. Mar Vista Recreation Center – Director tracie.field@lacity.org caroline.la

b. **CD 5** – Councilmember Paul Koretz, rep by joseph.galloway@lacity.org

Addressing emergency preparedness issues. Working with Traffic Division re: speeding in Westside Village residential area. Speed hump program starting; only two projects per City Council district.

S. Robertson NC hosting Homeless Solutions Town Hall on THrusday, Oct. 27, 7:00 pm, at Museum of Toleranceto build compassionate empathy and get good ideas.

Pilot flyer for myLA311 application. Highly encourage using. Within last 9 months, MVCC is 2nd of 10 to upload requests.

c. **CD 11** – Councilmember Mike Bonin, rep. by Field Deputy Len.Nguyen@lacity.org

Mike hosting booth at fall festival 10:30 – 12:30 office hours.

Public hearing on 12444 Venice Blvd. (S side of Venice at Wasatch) is Thursday, Nov. 3, 6:00 pm, WLA Municipal Building. Staff contact is lakisha.hull@lacity.org; copy Len & Mike.

Met with DWP – they're planning work on regulator station (makes sure water pressure isn't too high). On east side of Grand View, just N of Venice Blvd. Project will take a few months. Will need to close a lane.

Getting complaints about traffic impact on Centinela from Scattergood Project. Conduit is in; pulling high voltage cable. Will be complete in February. Holiday moratorium.

Coordination on road work? Len: do try to coordinate.

- d. [LA City Board of Public Works](#) - Liaison to CD 2, 5, 11, Commissioner joel.jacinto@lacity.org
 - e. [Mayor of Los Angeles](#) – Eric Garcetti, rep. by Daniel.tamm@lacity.org
 - f. [2nd Dist. L. A. County Board of Supervisors](#) - Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas, rep. by Karly.Katona@bos.lacounty.gov
 - g. [CA Assembly 54](#) - Assembly Member Sebastian Ridley-Thomas, rep by scott.malsin@assembly.ca.gov
 - h. [CA Assembly 62](#) - Assembly Member Autumn Burke, rep by District Director Robert.Pullen-Miles@asm.ca.gov
 - i. [US 33](#)– Ted Lieu, rep. by joey.apodaca@mail.house.gov
 - j.– [US 37](#) - Karen Bass, rep by District Director Maral V. Karaccusian maral@mail.house.gov
 - k. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), rep by jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org
7. **Liaison Reports** (Public comment permitted; 1min per speaker)
- a. [Mar Vista Bi Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee](#): Linda Guagliano lindaguag@netzero.net
Next meeting Nov. 16; agenda closes Nov. 12.
Sherri: curb cuts? Linda: can ask for.
Joseph: Bureau of Engineering does curb cuts; would need to do study.
 - b. [DWP MOU](#): Open
 - c. [LANCC](#): Joseph Galloway

 - d. [One Water LA](#) Liaison: Christopher McKinnon
 - e. [WRAC](#): Rob Kadota/Joseph Galloway

 - f. WRAC LUPC: Sharon Commins
 - g. [City Budget Advocates](#): Holly Tilson, Joseph Galloway

 - h. [Recode LA](#): Sharon Commins
Downtown LA 2040: Proposed Downtown Code has been released. Week long open studio event was held at the historic Bradbury Building, 304 S. Broadway St from Monday, October 3rd - Saturday, October 8th, 2016. Additional information available at <http://www.dtl2040.org/about.html>.
Next ZAC meeting: October 26, 2016, 6-8pm in the Robert Janovici Conference Room [Room 525 City Hall]--200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles CA 90012. As always, call ahead for parking OR take Metro.
 - i. [Animal Services](#): Tom Ponton
Establishing relationship with Animal Services department.
Sherri: dog way stations in front of MDU – have some in S. Mar Vista, really successful. Would like to put on next Green Committee meeting – do outreach to MDUs.
Tom: need to put where they won't bother anyone from smell. Need donor – about \$200 – and someone to empty container. Will have 2 at Festival.
 - j. [Fall Festival](#): Albert Olson
Oct. 22. 55 booths, including 15 festival partners/sponsors. Need volunteers at festival as well as for setup (8-10).

Will have free samples for dogs at festival.

Sarah: suggests have band members also do 1 hour of volunteer time.

Sherri: put appeal for volunteers on committee agendas.

- k. [Friends of Historic FS 62](#): Albert Olson

Waiting to hear back analysis of package submitted.

- l. Mar Vista Celebrates 90: Open

- m. [Mar Vista Chamber of Commerce](#): Sarah Auerswald

Monthly coffee time Oct. 30. Make It Mar Vista in November.

8. **Officer Reports** (Action items included with public comment permitted; 1min per speaker)

- a. Chair - Rob Kadota

- i. Need to identify replacement for Sharon Cummins on WRAC LUPC (Land Use and Planning Committee).

Looking for replacement for Sharon in near future; she's no longer living in Los Angeles.

- b. First Vice Chair – Sarah Auerswald

Working on handbook for leadership.

- c. Second Vice Chair – Joseph Galloway

- d. Secretary – Melissa Stoller

Will be out of the country October 14-November 2; internet access will be limited.

- e. Treasurer – Holly Tilson

- i. Report on current financial status

- September bank statement: <http://marvistacc.org/files/09-2016-Bank-Statement.pdf>

- ii. **APPROVAL** of September Monthly Expense Report (MER)

Motion to approve by Meliossa, 2nd by Sherri.

Discussion:

Sarah: Election funding items on agenda – are they things that should have been paid last fiscal year?

Holly: thinks DONE let \$2300 carry over.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. **Committee Reports** - (may include motions to refer action items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable; public comment permitted)

- a. **Website Ad Hoc Committee** – Chair TBD

Committee met, answered remaining questions.

- b. **Committee on Public Safety** – Bill Koontz, Chair; Elliot Hanna, Vice-chair

- b. **Community Outreach Committee** – Sarah Auerswald, Chair; Joseph Galloway, Vice-chair

Mostly dealing with website. Also looking at promotional materials.

Newsletter didn't get to everyone; let us know so we can follow up with delivery company. Hope for more time next time so can proofread.

Rob: thanks Sarah, Melissa & Sherri for their hard work on Newsletter.

- c. **Ageing in Place** - Sherri Akers, Tatjana Luethi & Birgitta Kastenbaum, Co-chairs

Meeting Monday, 6:00: speaker on Tools for dealing with dementia.

Purposeful Aging Los Angeles: Sherri is rep for CD 11

- d. **Homeless Solutions Ad Hoc Committee** – Robin Doyno & Susan Klos, Co-chairs, Joe Cuanan, Vice-chair
Looking at scarf project, Laundry Love, Little Free Pantry.(similar to Little Free Library)
 - e. **Green Committee** – Melissa Stoller, Jeanne Kuntz & Sherri Akers, Co-chairs
Eco Car Expo is April 30.
 - f. **Great Streets Ad Hoc Committee** – Michelle Krupkin & Greg Tedesco, Co-chairs
 - g. **Transportation & Infrastructure Committee** – Ken Alpern, Chair; Michelle Krupkin, Vice-chair
 - h. **Planning and Land Use Management Committee** - Mitchell Rishe, Co-chairs; Michael Millman & Latrice Williams, Vice-chairs
 - i. **Education, Arts and Culture Committee** –Robin Doyno & Paola Cervantes, Co- chairs; Lenore French, Vice-chairs
Nov. meeting moved to Nov. 3.
 - j. **Airport Committee** – Holly Tilson & Martin Rubin, Co-chairs
 - k. **Recreation Open Space Enhancement Committee** – Jerry Hornof & Tom Ponton, Co-chairs
 - l. **Historic FS 62 Ad Hoc Committee** – Rachel Swanger & Roy Persinko, Co-chairs
 - m. **Elections and By-laws**- Rob Kadota, Chair; Holly Tilson, Vice-chair
Will meet before end of year.
10. **Zone Director Reports** – (may include motions to refer action items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable; public comment permitted)
- a. Zone 1 – Ken Alpern
Concern about RVs on Sepulveda building up.
Just recently had some burglaries. Caught
 - b. Zone 2 – Damien Newton
Burglary issues. Neighborhood Watch starting up.
St. Andrew: decorate car in parking lot, get treats.
Richland bike & walk to school – talking about expanding to other schools.
 - c. Zone 3 – Melissa Stoller
Need street cleaning on Centinela north of Palms.
 - d. Zone 4 – Greg Tedesco
Parking issues with car repair (2 Guys from Sweden). On Barrington, street filling up with long term parking.
 - e. Zone 5 – Michelle Krupkin
 - f. Zone 6 – Holly Tilson
Most houses broken into with open windows; don't put trash barrels against house – burglars will use to climb up.

11. **New Business** - Action items, which may include motions to refer items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable; Public comment permitted, 1 min per speaker unless waived by the Chair). Items may be received and filed by consent if no discussion or public comment.

CONSENT CALENDAR: *Directors may request removal of any item from the consent calendar*

MVCC approves Items 11.a-11.m on consent.

Request to remove the following items from consent calendar.

Sarah: pull C

Joseph: Pull A

Rob: B

Damien: Pull A

Motion to approve on consent by Ken , 2nd by Sherri.

Motion carried unanimously.

- a. **ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION: PLUM Committee Chair** (submitted by Rob Kadota, MVCC Chair)

MVCC appoints Damien Newton to be chair of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee, replacing Mitchell Rische and thanking him for his service.

Motion to approve by Sherri, 2nd by Robin.

Discussion:

Damien: has been writing about planning, land us for over 9 years; something that is interested in.

Motion carried: 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstension (Damien).

- b. **ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION: PLUM Committee Vice-Chair** (submitted by Rob Kadota, MVCC Chair)

MVCC removes Michael Millman as vice-chair of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee, thanking him for his many years of service and leaving in place Latrice Williams as vice-chair.

Motion to approve by Sherri, 2nd by Sarah.

Discussion:

Rob: Michael has offered to suspend himself for 90 days, backed up with letter of resignation. Not within our procedures; would be self-imposed.

Damien: has no idea what we're talking about.

Sherri: We had really difficult year last year with a number of contentious issues, Michael was largely instigator in getting community inflamed before BOD was able to engage with members of community. Constant violations of Brown Act.

Holly: What were the issues Michael inflamed community about?

Paola: Has heard many versions of people Michael has offended.

Melissa: No process for suspension, could be reappointed in three months.

Ken: A lot of people not being represented here. Well aware of how Michael does things. Has also held meeting together. If pass in this way, will offend a lot of people.

Robin: Brought long list of grievances when brought to committee, one still before California Fair Political Practices. We've been dealing with real ethical problem for more than a year.

Motion carried unanimously: 0 ayes, 8 nays, 3 abstentions.

- c. **FUNDING MOTION: Tablecloths** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)

MVCC approves the expenditure of an additional \$100, in addition to \$600 already approved, for the purchase of three blue tablecloths with the MVCC logo and one green tablecloth with the Green Committee logo for use at the Farmers' Market tents, meetings and other MVCC events.

Motion to approve by , 2nd by .

Discussion:

Sarah: motion to table, take back to committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

- d. **FUNDING MOTION: Election Signs and Banners** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)
MVCC approves the payment of \$60 to Tickled Plum for the design of MVCC election signs and banners.
- e. **FUNDING MOTION: Election advertising** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)
MVCC approves the following payments for MVCC election advertising:
- \$10 to Facebook for page boost
 - \$110 to the Argonaut for ad
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- f. **FUNDING MOTION: Meeting materials printing** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)
MVCC approves the payment of \$73.86 to Copyland for printing of MVCC meeting materials.
- g. **FUNDING MOTION: Website hosting** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)
MVCC approves the expenditure of \$32.09 monthly for website hosting by RIMU.
- h. **FUNDING MOTION: September Website hosting** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)
MVCC approves reimbursing \$32.09 to Holly Tilson for payment of the September website hosting invoice.
- i. **FUNDING MOTION: October Website hosting** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)
MVCC approves reimbursing \$32.09 to Holly Tilson for payment of the October website hosting invoice.
- j. **FUNDING MOTION: August meeting materials printing** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)
MVCC approves the expenditure of \$153.09 for printing of August meeting materials.
- k. **FUNDING MOTION: Board retreat room rental** (submitted by Executive & Finance Committee)
MVCC approves the payment of \$75 to St. Bede's Church for room rental for MVCC's BOD retreat held on August 13, 2016.
- l. **FUNDING MOTION: Website** (submitted by Community Outreach Committee)
Whereas the website ad hoc committee has met and decided on The Web Corner for the redesigned MVCC website, therefore, be it resolved that the MVCC will hire The Web Corner to create a new website for MVCC and migrate over all the existing files for a fee of \$2000, plus an ongoing monthly maintenance fee of \$150/month once the new site is live.

Motion to approve by , 2nd by .

Discussion:

Motion carried unanimously.

- m. **POLICY MOTION: Grandview Market, 12210 Venice Blvd., case No. ZA-2016-3148**
(submitted by Planning & Land Use Management Committee)

Grandview Market, 12210 Venice Blvd., case No. ZA-2016-3148: MVCC approves a Conditional Use Permit to continue the sale of beer and wine for on-site consumption and the sale of beer for off-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 4,794 square foot restaurant/market including a 183 square foot patio.

Motion to approve by , 2nd by .

Discussion:

Eric Newman: Renewing beer & wine license. Would allow on consumption at sidewalk tables. Will respect neighbors, getting goo feedback.

Tom Ponton: Louie's – lost battle to have outdoor seating. Eric: Louie's is on property line; Grandview Market has space inside property line.

Angela Heckland: Market add a lot to neighbor.

Motion carried unanimously.

12. **Grievances**, if any, received

13. **Future agenda items**

Next BOD: will have 2024 Olympics presentation.

14. **Public Comment**

Ken Alpern (speaking as member of public): Measure M: main complaint that hears is “it doesn't do enough”. Makes sure we have some funds in pipeline to give us some mobility.

Paola: moment of silence for Nora Fine. Recently lost battle with breast cancer.

Santa Monica voted on plan for 20 acres of airport not use (parking, FAA can't block).

15. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 P.M.

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