



Mar Vista Community Council



AGENDA Packet

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

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Tuesday, September 11th, 2018, at 7:00pm

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

(Agenda item 12.1) Review and approval of Monthly Expense Report - Review and approval of the Monthly Expense Report for August, 2018.

Monthly Cash Reconciliation					
Beginning Balance	Total Spent	Remaining Balance	Outstanding	Commitments	Net Available
\$41011.46	\$1636.59	\$39374.87	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$39349.87

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis					
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available
Office	\$36000.00	\$947.00	\$33374.87	\$0.00	\$33374.87
Outreach		\$689.59		\$0.00	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00	
Community Improvement Project	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$6000.00	\$0.00	\$6000.00	\$0.00	\$6000.00
Funding Requests Under Review: \$0.00		Encumbrances: \$25.00		Previous Expenditures: \$988.54	

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Expenditures						
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
1	STORQUEST-WLA/SAWTELLE	08/31/2018	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$461.00
2	THE WEB CORNER	08/01/2018	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$181.50
3	AT&T BILL PAYMENT	08/18/2018	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$95.54
4	MAILCHIMP MONTHLY	08/21/2018	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$27.00
5	Mar Vista Farmers' Market	07/18/2018	The MVCC approves the expenditure of up to \$5...	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$385.55
6	Rob Kadota	07/18/2018	The MVCC approves the expenditure of \$461 Boa...	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$461.00
7	Saint Andrew's Lutheran Church	08/13/2018	The MVCC approves the expenditure of up to \$3...	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$25.00
Subtotal:						\$1636.59

Outstanding Expenditures



#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
Subtotal: Outstanding						\$0.00

(Agenda item 12.2) Appropriation for Venice High School’s “Grease Night” (Executive and Finance Committee)

Correction: The motion was approved via Community Outreach Cmte.

The Mar Vista Community Council approves an OUTREACH EXPENDITURE, not to exceed \$300, for the purpose of conducting outreach activities at Venice High School’s “Grease Night.” ^[L]_[SEP]

(Agenda item 12.3) Appropriation for fall newsletter (Director Tilson)

The Mar Vista Community Council approves the OUTREACH EXPENDITURE of up to \$4,000 for printing costs and distribution for a fall newsletter. ^[L]_[SEP]

(Agenda item 12.4) Appropriation for safe-cycling events (Mobility Subcommittee)

NB: The motion was not heard at the Community Outreach Cmte.

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The Mar Vista Community Council approves the OUTREACH EXPENDITURE of up to \$400 for printing costs and light refreshments for safe-cycling and bike-swap/bike-tune-up events at two local elementary schools. [L] [SEP]

(Agenda item 12.5) Subcommittee name change (Mobility Subcommittee)

The Mar Vista Community Council renames the “Mobility” Subcommittee to the “Bike Mar Vista” Subcommittee. [L] [SEP]

(Agenda item 12.6) Reimbursement of office expenses (Director Tilson)

The Mar Vista Community Council approves an \$86.49 OFFICE EXPENDITURE to reimburse Holly Tilson for office supplies used in the treasurer's duties. [L] [SEP]

(Agenda item 12.7) Support for construction of an eldercare facility (Planning and Land Use Management)

The Mar Vista Community council supports the construction of an eldercare facility with 67 assisted-care units and 20 memory-care units, with subterranean parking, at 11405 West Venice Boulevard [L] [SEP]

(Agenda item 12.8) Trader Joe’s Conditional Use Permit (Planning and Land Use Management)

The Mar Vista Community Council supports the conditional-use permit application for Trader Joe’s, located at 3546 South Sepulveda Boulevard, to sell bottled alcohol. [L] [SEP]

(Agenda item 15.1) Opposition to dockless scooter permits (Transportation & Infrastructure) -

Discussion and possible action regarding a motion passed by the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee regarding dockless scooters in Mar Vista [L] [SEP]

WHEREAS, the Mar Vista Community Council supports dockless scooters as an affordable mode of transportation that integrates well with existing public transit options; and

WHEREAS, MVCC recognizes the primacy of public safety of ALL residents and visitors over other worthy neighborhood goals like improved transportation, accommodating new technology, or equal access to multimodal transportation for low income neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the majority of dockless scooter riders in Mar Vista and Venice violate traffic laws such as avoiding sidewalks and Class I bike paths or riding with a valid driver’s license, and scooter companies have not taken necessary steps to mitigate illegal behavior; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and LADOT developed a regulatory framework and pilot program for shareable dockless vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the pilot regulations drew from a traffic study limited to one council district and did not include usage patterns or accident rates in areas where dockless scooter usage is highest; and

WHEREAS, the regulations emphasized equity and sidewalk safety of parked vehicles, but ignored safety of vehicles in operation; and

WHEREAS, the regulations do not provide LAPD with specific guidance on enforcement, allocate

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resources from fees to mitigate the costs of enforcement, or require dockless scooter operators to self-enforce by geofencing prohibited areas;

THEREFORE, MVCC censures the approval of the LADOT regulations and opposes issuing permits to companies to operate scooters at this time. MVCC will support these actions once the city council and LADOT immediately take the following steps to improve the regulations:

- *require permitted companies to disable scooter usage or parking via geofencing on all Class I bike paths, city parks (excluding roads and bicycle lanes, and including the Venice Beach Boardwalk), and LAUSD primary and secondary schools; and*
- *provide LAPD with adequate resources to deploy two extra officers for fulltime traffic enforcement, to focus on scooter usage in high-impact areas; and*
- *develop, in consultation with LAPD, signage informing scooter users of relevant traffic laws, and deploy signage in areas with the highest illegal usage (as determined by LAPD) including on the Braude Bike Path.*

Additionally, MVCC requests that LA City Council and LADOT act during the pilot program to:

- *study scooter traffic patterns, law violations, and injury rates in areas of the city with the highest scooter usage, and*
- *use the results of that study to determine, with LAPD, the extra long-term resources needed to enforce traffic laws for scooters and cover the cost of these resources with changes to the permitting fee structure, and*
- *approve enforcement mechanisms to accept reports of illegal scooter usage and disable accounts of identify users that illegally operate scooters, using ride data provided by the scooter companies.*

(Agenda item 15.2) Support for notification of tree removals (Planning and Land Use Management)

– Discussion and possible action regarding support for a 45-day public-comment period prior to the removal of any city-owned trees. ^[1]_{SEP}

WHEREAS the City of Los Angeles (CoLA) is developing a new Urban Forestry Management Plan (UFMP) following years of City budget-related cutbacks, and

WHEREAS subsequent class-action litigation settled in 2015 prioritizes and funds reparation of ADA compliant sidewalks, putting pressure on the mature trees comprising our urban canopy since these are more likely to have lifted sidewalks due to the dearth of preventive maintenance, and

WHEREAS the Urban Forestry Division (UFD) has adopted policy to notify EmpowerLA of pending tree removal permits in the City, and

WHEREAS EmpowerLA shall alert the relevant Neighborhood Council (NC) as to tree/s within its boundaries at risk for removal, triggering either a 3-day review period in the case of 1-2 at-risk trees, or a 30-day review period in the case of 3+ at-risk trees,

THEREFORE, let it be understood that while the Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC, a certified

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NC) appreciates the partnership that would empower cooperation in these important assessments, enabling sustenance of our vital urban canopy, yet it

REQUESTS the timeline for evaluating tree removal permits be extended to accommodate NC citizen advisory capabilities and limitations, as a Brown-Acted council restricted by monthly committee and board meetings. Three days is insufficient time to manage and publicly evaluate such consequential – and technical – decisions with good faith and accuracy. And legal constraints can make even a 30-day notice period infeasible.

THEREFORE the MVCC requests a timeline that would empower NCs meaningfully, by restructuring UFD's process in conjunction with whatever City Departments, Offices or Councils are necessary, to mandate a 45-day period for public comment on the proposed removal of trees.

(Agenda item 15.3) Discussion of improvements to MVCC website - Discussion and possible action regarding improvements to the MVCC website. ^[L]_[SEP]

(Agenda item 15.4) Discussion of constituting a town hall subcommittee - Discussion and possible action regarding constituting a town hall subcommittee to arrange meetings regarding issues of interest in Mar Vista. ^[L]_[SEP]