

LADOT, CD 11, CD 5, Palms NC
VENICE BLVD MOBILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT
STAKEHOLDER MOTION

Background: At the beginning of August, 2022, LADOT began outreach in Mar Vista regarding a new Venice Blvd. Mobility Improvements project slated for installation in November 2022.

On a flyer distributed in August to some residences in Mar Vista along or near Venice Blvd. (see attached), only the logo of the Palms Neighborhood Council (NC) appears. Upon further investigation, the same version of this flyer has been posted on social media by Councilmember Bonin's office ([here](#) and [here](#)).

We understand that the Palms NC has a Venice Blvd. Improvement Ad Hoc Committee, which has been in existence since 2020. We understand that this Palms NC committee had made plans for Venice Blvd in Palms, and has discussed these plans with both Councilmember Koretz's office and LADOT. Councilmembers Koretz (mover) and Bonin (second) opened [Council File: 22-0694](#) on June 10, 2022 on behalf of outreach efforts for this project.

Mar Vista stakeholders want to have the same opportunities for input into this project as were given to stakeholders in Palms. This includes discussions about what we want on Venice Blvd at the MVCC Transportation, Infrastructure and Sustainability Committee, with Councilmember Bonin's Transportation Deputy Eric Bruins and LADOT in attendance.

Until such time as these discussions can take place and our input is incorporated into the project, stakeholders are clear that the MVCC should not support the Venice Blvd. Mobility Improvements project.

MOTION: Be it resolved that the Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) will send a letter forthwith to LADOT and Councilman Mike Bonin's office, stating:

- 1) transportation projects like this should be an ongoing partnership between stakeholders, the Neighborhood Councils and the City, and the MVCC is the best and most direct way to communicate about projects like this with the public, and
- 2) no transportation project of this scale and magnitude should be considered, planned, implemented or approved without the ongoing involvement and approval of the MVCC and its stakeholders.

Furthermore, the letter will state that the MVCC will not support the Venice Blvd Mobility Improvements project due to the lack of discussions with Mar Vista stakeholders and lack of incorporation of their input into the design of the project.

The letter will also be copied to Councilman Koretz's office, and the Palms Neighborhood Council Board, the Venice Neighborhood Council Board and the SORO Neighborhood Council Board (all the NCs affected by this project too.)