



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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Meeting Agenda

Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability (TI&S) with the Board of Directors

Wednesday, May 1, 2024 From 6:30 to 8:30pm

Virtually at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86007487493> Meeting

ID: 860 0748 7493

Public Welcome

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1. CALL TO ORDER 6:33 PM

2. ROLL CALL AND EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS/CONFLICTS-OF-INTEREST - *roll call shall include each attending board member declaring any ex parte communications outside of their duties and conflicts of interest pertaining to items on or related to this agenda.*

Kelsey Figone no/no

Jakob Meuser no/no

Fred Kuhns no/no

Derl Clausen no/no

April Peterson absent

3. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - [SEE MEETING MINUTES 4/5/2024 UPLOADED HERE FOR DETAILS](#)

4.1. Approval of the April 5, 2024 Minutes

Kelsey Figone	Yes
Jakob Meuser	Yes
Derl Clausen	Yes
Fred Kuhns	Yes
Steve Paddock	Yes
Faith Myhra	Yes
Francisco	Yes
Kalani Whittington	Yes
Stakeholder	Yes

Approved 9-0-0

5. REPRESENTATIVE, GOVERNMENT AGENCY, AND CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

5.1. Faith Myhra, NCSA

Committee has been discussing the Olympics, artificial turf, democracy vouchers, the flyaway buses at Van Nuys with hopeful electrification, the gondola project, and an EV motion. Next meeting is 5/2. Tree committee is discussing current tree issues and things get very complicated. There is a tree letter writing campaign for city officials. Their next meeting is 5/18 at 1:30. The NCSA meets at different parks and places.

6. CHAIR REPORTS

- a) CHAIR – Kelsey Figone
 - i) [SEE CHAIR REPORT SLIDES IN SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.](#)
- b) VICE-CHAIR – April Peterson
- c) MEMBER – Jakob Meuser
- d) MEMBER – Derl Clausen
- e) MEMBER – Fred Kuhns

NCSA energy committee met on 4/17. Guest speaker from grid alternatives was looking for ways to partner with neighborhood councils and the NCSA. She is interested in different kinds of grants that could involve the alliance and spoke about the organization “good alternatives.” Resilient Palisades spoke about a grant proposal they are working on. Finally, discussed the Berkeley city ordinance affecting gas hookups and how those might affect Los Angeles.

7. SPECIAL ORDERS – NONE 8. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - NEW - [SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS](#)

- 8.1. **[POLICY] COUNCIL FILE 24-0445 (GOLF COURSE USE / TEE-TIME RESERVATION SYSTEM / BLACK-MARKET TEE TIME BROKERS).** Discussion and possible action regarding [Council File 24-0445](#): calling for the Department of Recreation and Parks to review and report on the current reservation system for public golf course tee-times, which have come under a class-action lawsuit and suffered from black-market tee-time brokers who are buying up and reselling tee-times for profit.

Jakob moves/ Fred seconds

Steve discussed how this is a valuable amenity for the citizens of Los Angeles.

Kelsey mentioned that it is important for reservable public space to be reservable to the public.

Kalani has golfed in the past as a rehabilitative activity and supports this council motion because people are manipulating the system with greater computer knowledge than city IT departments can handle. Mar Vista is fortunately located for golf.

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Stakeholder	Yes
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Approved 9-0-0

8.2.[POLICY] COUNCIL FILE 23-0002-S123 (VIOLATION / DRIVERS LICENSE SUSPENSION / REVOCATION) Discussion and possible action regarding [Council File 23-0002-S123](#): supporting SB 1509 (Stern), the Negligent Operator Treatment (NOT) in California Act, which seeks to specify that the conviction of driving 26 mph or higher over the posted speed limit would count as a two-point violation, instead of one-point, in order to mitigate reckless driving and speed-related collisions.

Kelsey moves/ Fred seconds

Derl is in support of having greater points assigned to this sort of speeding to reduce fatalities.

Jakob doesn't see this as having an extreme over criminalizing effect.

Fred notes that the real solution is redesigning roads to prevent this sort of speeding, but this can help in the interim.

Kalani opposes this bill because it hurts the poor and insurance costs are skyrocketing. The increase in driving points could make it very difficult for disadvantaged people to afford insurance. Purchasing a car can be aspirational for people. Cars have great sensors now for safety and so increased fatalities must be due to people driving carelessly, which is because young people are not as educated about driving as before because children are chauffeured everywhere these days and don't have the same respect for automobiles as older generations. People will drive illegally without insurance anyway.

Francisco appreciates the concern of overcriminalization but reckons that the odds of this getting your license taken away is so unlikely that it would only happen if you were doing this all the time. Driving is a privilege, not a right.

Derl wants to encourage a culture of personal responsibility when it comes to driving and those willing to drive 25 over the speed limit can take on the responsibility of the extra points.

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Fred Kuhns	Yes
Steve Paddock	No
Faith Myhra	Yes
Francisco	Yes
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Stakeholder	

8.3.[POLICY] COUNCIL FILE 23-1442 (FOSSIL FUEL / VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT ELECTRIFICATION / SOLAR AND BATTERY ENERGY SYSTEMS / CITY DECARBONIZATION GOALS / LA100 STRATEGIC LONG TERM RESOURCE PLAN)

Discussion and possible action regarding [Council File 23-1442](#): operationalizing the city effort to effectuate LA100's Strategic Long Term Resource Plan for vehicle and building decarbonization and electrification.

Kelsey brought up discussion of voting on CIS's for things that have already been passed in city council.

Jakob thinks that these are good to bring up during chair reports, but a CIS can burden the main meeting.

Steven thinks that when we disagree with a decision by the council that can be a useful CIS after the fact. If someone feels strongly about something in committee then it can be brought to the overall council.

Fred agrees with Jakob that these should be brought during chair reports.

Kalani agrees with Jakob that Drew's point that the meetings get too long has merit. We don't have time for this many CIS's, but it is important to bring things to constituents' attention.

Kelsey discusses how this particular council file highlights the different motions that have been raised dealing with climate goals and trying to coordinate them with one another.

8.4.[POLICY] COUNCIL FILE 23-1056 (E-BIKE SUBSIDY PROGRAM / LOCAL REBATES / RESIDENTIAL CHARGING STATIONS) Discussion and possible action regarding [Council File 23-1056](#): reviewing the report from LADWP on the feasibility and recommended considerations for an e-bike subsidy program to reduce vehicle miles traveled within the City.

Kelsey explains that LADWP has submitted a report about the ebike subsidy program as instructed by the council, and this is an opportunity for us to add another CIS to urge the council to take actual action.

Fred wonders who the best agency is to pilot this program, and why LADWP is trying to push it off onto others.

Jakob is disappointed with the comprehensiveness of the report.

Faith wants to see what comes out of this report and is personally in favor of Ebike rebates. Metro and ride on bike store just did a pilot program with 250 ebikes out of a lending library.

Francisco points out that the size of the rebate for EVs justifies a much smaller rebate necessary for ebikes. Also points out that it isn't strange for LADWP to try and pass this off to LADOT or other departments.

Steven doesn't know if this rebate will help the people who need ebikes because they are expensive, unlike EV rebates which help people who are wealthier than that.

Fred points out that the report recommends a focus on ebikes to be used for utilitarian purposes and to replace vehicle trips rather than for recreational purposes. It also recommends a program focused on cargo ebikes and types aimed at lower-income communities.

Kalani supports ebikes but not as the laws are written. Ebikes do not belong on bike trails because they achieve high speeds and high distances. Kids know how to jimmy ebikes to achieve even higher speeds. It is like having a motorcycle whiz by you on a regular walking path. She advocates for taxes and registration for ebikes. Has seen tweens riding ebikes at over 40 mph and something must be done.

Francisco doesn't think that implementing a program that might help someone that doesn't need it shouldn't outweigh the fact that it will help people who need it.

9. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - OLD

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA - *The Brown Act provides for a "part of the meeting where the public can comment on any item of interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the local agency." The MVCC is an advisory board to the Los Angeles City Council and, as such, its jurisdiction is restricted within Los Angeles and most importantly, the Mar Vista Community. Therefore, please keep public comments within the MVCC jurisdiction. Thank you.*

Kalani hopes that many people have been viewing the news and seen that 5 people have been attacked and 3 murdered on mass transit. She believes that mass transit right now is too dangerous and bike lanes should be prevented before mass transit is fixed.

Francisco notes a motion by CD1 Hernandez discussing oversized vehicle enforcement regarding a report on its cost and efficacy. The CAO produced a report but a lot of information was missing from other departments. The report that was supposed to come from this motion was not satisfactory in answering what the council district asked for. Part of NCs missions are to hold city government and agencies accountable, and this is an opportunity for us to highlight something or comment on it.

11. ADJOURNMENT Kelsey moves/ Derl seconds 7:52

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(i)

An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii)

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(iii)

An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.