

MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MAY 11, 2010
MINUTES

8:21 P.M.

The new Board of Directors was administered the oath of office by Councilman Bill Rosendahl and seated: Kate Anderson, Laura Bodensteiner, Sharon Commins, Geoffrey Forgione, Bill Koontz, Marilyn Marble, Tara Mulski, Babak Nahid, Albert Olson, Maritza Przekop, Chuck Ray, Bill Scheduling and Alex Thompson.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Evon Gottlieb and Jean Ushijima presided over the election of officers:

Nominations for Chair: Maritza Przekop (3 votes), Albert Olson (10 votes)

Chair: Albert Olson

Nominations for First Vice Chair: Sharon Commins (10 votes), Maritza Przekop (1 vote), Geoffrey Forgione (1 vote)

1st Vice chair: Sharon Commins

Nominations: Bill Koontz (9 votes), Maritza Przekop (4 votes)

2nd Vice chair: Bill Koontz

Nominations: Laura Bodensteiner (13 votes)

Secretary: Laura Bodensteiner

Nominations: Alex Thompson (13 votes), Geoffrey Forgione (withdrawn)

Treasurer: Alex Thompson

Evon Gottlieb administered the oath of office to the newly elected officers.

8:40 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The following members of the board were present: Kate Anderson, Laura Bodensteiner, Sharon Commins, Geoffrey Forgione, Bill Koontz, Marilyn Marble, Tara Mulski, Babak Nahid, Albert Olson, Maritza Przekop, Chuck Ray, Bill Scheduling and Alex Thompson.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Eric Weiser, represented by Paul Koretz, introduced himself to the board and stakeholders.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive & Finance:

ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION: The MVCC Board rescinds the motion passed on February 9, 2010 that suspended all new funding allocations.

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Albert Olson reported on the remaining funds for the fiscal year.

Community Outreach Committee:

FUNDING MOTION: The MVCC approves the allocation of up to \$2400 to produce and distribute a special Newsletter prior to the Candidate Forum event scheduled for June 1st.

Maritza Przekop offered a friendly amendment to add the amount \$2400.

Motion passed.

Education, Arts & Culture:

FUNDING MOTION: The MVCC approves the allocation of up to \$1,000 to purchase books for the Mar Vista Library. This allocation will be made using funds available at the end of the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

Albert Olson offered friendly amendment to change to \$1000 given the current status of the budget.

Motion passed.

Planning and Land Use Management Committee:

POLICY MOTION: The Mar Vista Community Council opposes the granting of any administrative permissions, zoning entitlements and/or adjustments enabling the establishment of a transportation bus garage operation on the site of Webster Middle School, 11330 W. Graham Place, Mar Vista.

Therefore, the Mar Vista Community Council strongly requests the Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education

rescind its April 13, 2010 approval of Agenda Item 24, Board of Education Report 307, authorizing the relocation of a portion of the District's transportation bus garage operations from the existing facility located at 6901 S. Alameda Street, Huntington Park to Webster Middle School.

Furthermore, the Mar Vista Community Council opposes the granting of any future administrative permissions, zoning entitlements or adjustments enabling a reduction in open space or playable field space at Webster Middle School.

Additionally, the Mar Vista Community Council strongly requests notification by the Los Angeles Unified School District of all future contemplated land use changes to all school campuses within and immediately adjoining the Mar Vista Community Council boundary area including the presentation of proposed site plans which promote any reduction in open space or playable field space, in a timely fashion and 90 days prior to any Los Angeles Unified School District Board approval.

Sharon Commins commented on the open field space available in Mar Vista.

Tammy, parent of 2 boys at Webster Middle, commented about the motion. LAUSD has said it will rescind, but it has not been voted upon yet. She commented that the field may be up for sale.

Curt Steindler asked for supplemental info to be added to the minutes. He strongly recommends supporting this motion to send a message to the LAUSD.

Kendra Wallace, principle, commented on the strength of the community. She commented that it has not yet been rescinded in writing. She also reported surveyors have been on the field and a possible plan to sell 5 acres.

Jay Handel commented that a similar issue just happened in West LA. He commented that perhaps NCs should take up the issue about use of school grounds.

Gregory, a Sierra Club member and former Webster student, commented in favor of preserving open space.

Kate Anderson thanked the Webster parents for their community activism and efforts.

Maritza Przekop asked about the environmental clearance to change the land use, the date that LAUSD will vote (not known), and asked if there is a motion for sale.

Bill Koontz commented about another plan to have low income housing on the campus.

Bill Scheduling commented in favor because Mar Vista does not need more traffic.

Alex Thompson asked about restricting the motion to Webster Middle.

Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: None

GRIEVANCES: None

FUTURE AGENDA:

Bill Scheduling asked about an outstanding invoice.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

A Mar Vista parent thanked the Council for inviting the Webster Middle School students and for supporting the education motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Minutes submitted by Laura Bodensteiner on May 19, 2010.

SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO RELOCATING BUS GARAGE USES

Reference to relocating buses to Webster is in paragraph 4, page 2 of LAUSD report 307_09 PDF:

Currently the District owns 15 acres on a parcel of land at 14th Street and San Pedro Avenue. The site is currently occupied by many District Departments. It is proposed that the Alameda Bus garage be relocated to a portion of this site and to a portion of the Webster Middle School campus.

and approved as item 24 in the 4-13-2010 time stamped PDF of LAUSD board actions:

24. Board of Education Report No. 307 – 09/10 ADOPTED

Facilities Services Division

(Approval of Projects to Relocate Several District Functions Currently in Leased Space to the Roybal Learning Center, the 14th and San Pedro Site, Webster Middle School, and LAUSD Administrative Headquarters) Recommends approval of projects to make necessary improvements to District property at the Roybal Learning Center, Webster Middle School, LAUSD Administrative Headquarters and the 14th and San Pedro site to allow the relocation of District offices currently in leased space at an anticipated cost of \$31.6 million. In addition, recommends authorization to fund the projects with the short term use of \$950,000 of general funds until reimbursement is made with the issuance of Certificates of Participation (COPs) to fund construction and relocation activities. Also, recommends authorization to extend the existing lease at 6901 S. Alameda St., Huntington Park for one year to be used as a transportation bus garage.

Excerpts from CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 53090 53097 5

53091. (a) Each local agency shall comply with all applicable building ordinances and zoning ordinances of the county or city in which the territory of the local agency is situated.

53094. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, this article does not require a school district to comply with the zoning ordinances of a county or city unless the zoning ordinance makes provision for the location of public schools and unless the city or county has adopted a general plan.

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the governing board of a school district, that has complied with the requirements of Section 65352.2 of this code and Section 21151.2 of the Public Resources Code, by a vote of two-thirds of its members, may render a city or county zoning ordinance inapplicable to a proposed use of property by the school district. The governing board of the school district may not take this action when the proposed use of the property by the school district is for nonclassroom facilities, including, but not limited to, warehouses, administrative buildings, and automotive storage and repair buildings.

(c) The governing board of the school district shall, within 10 days, notify the city or county concerned of any action taken pursuant to subdivision (b). If the governing board has taken such an action, the city or county may commence an action in the superior court of the county whose zoning ordinance is involved or in which is situated the city whose zoning ordinance is involved, seeking a review of the action of the governing board of the school district to determine whether it was arbitrary and capricious. The city or county shall cause a copy of the complaint to be served on the board. If the court determines that the action was arbitrary and capricious, it shall declare it to be of no force and effect, and the zoning ordinance in question shall be applicable to the use of the property by the school district.

53096. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, the governing board of a local agency, by vote of four-fifths of its members, may render a city or county zoning ordinance inapplicable to a proposed use of property if the local agency at a noticed public hearing determines by resolution that there is no feasible alternative to its proposal. The governing board may not render a zoning ordinance inapplicable to a proposed use of property when the proposed use of the property by the local agency is for facilities not related to storage or transmission of water or electrical energy, including, but not limited to, warehouses, administrative buildings or automotive storage and repair buildings. The governing board of a local agency may make these determinations at the time it approves an environmental impact report on its proposal required by Division 13 (commencing with Section 21000) of the Public Resources Code. Mailed notice of the public hearing shall be provided at least 10 days prior to the hearing, to the owners of all property within 300 feet of the location of the proposed facility and a notice shall be posted in a conspicuous place at the proposed site of the facility. If mailed notice as required above would result in notice to more than 250 persons, as an alternative to mailed notice, notice may be given by placing a display advertisement of at least one-fourth page in a newspaper of general circulation within the area affected by the proposed facility and by posting the notice in a conspicuous place at the proposed site of the facility.

(b) The board shall, within 10 days, notify the city or county, whose zoning ordinance has been rendered inapplicable under subdivision (a), of its action. If the governing board has taken this action, the city or county may commence an action in the superior court of the county whose zoning ordinance is involved or in which is situated the city whose zoning ordinance is involved, seeking a review of the action of the governing board to determine whether it was supported by substantial evidence. The evidence before the court shall include the record of the proceedings before the city, county, and district. The city or county shall cause a copy of the complaint to be served on the board. If the court determines that the action was not supported by substantial evidence, it shall declare it to be of no force and effect, and the zoning ordinance in question shall be applicable to the use of the property by the local agency.

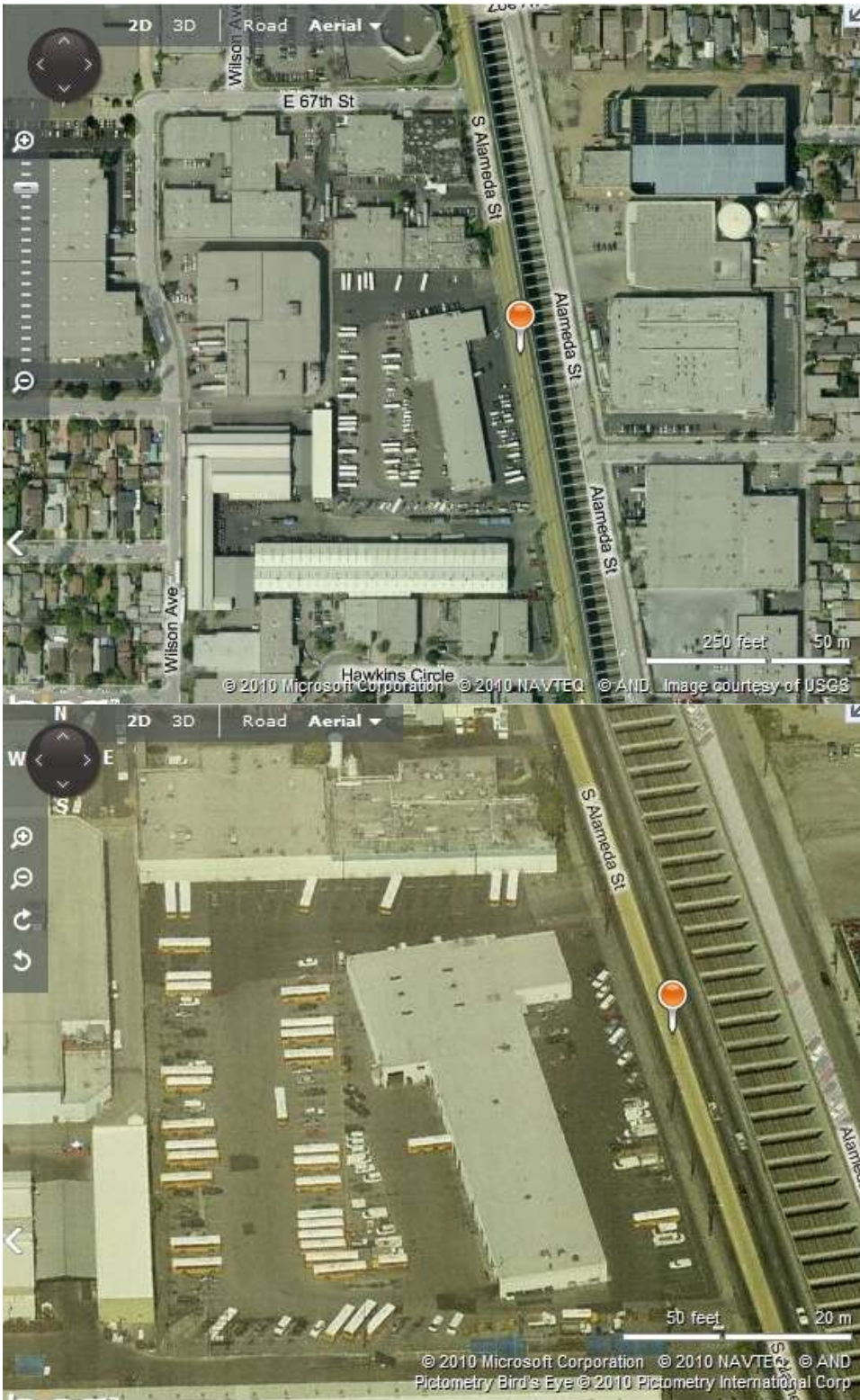
(c) "Feasible" as used in this section means capable of being accomplished in a successful manner within a reasonable period of time, taking into account economic, environmental, social, and technological factors.

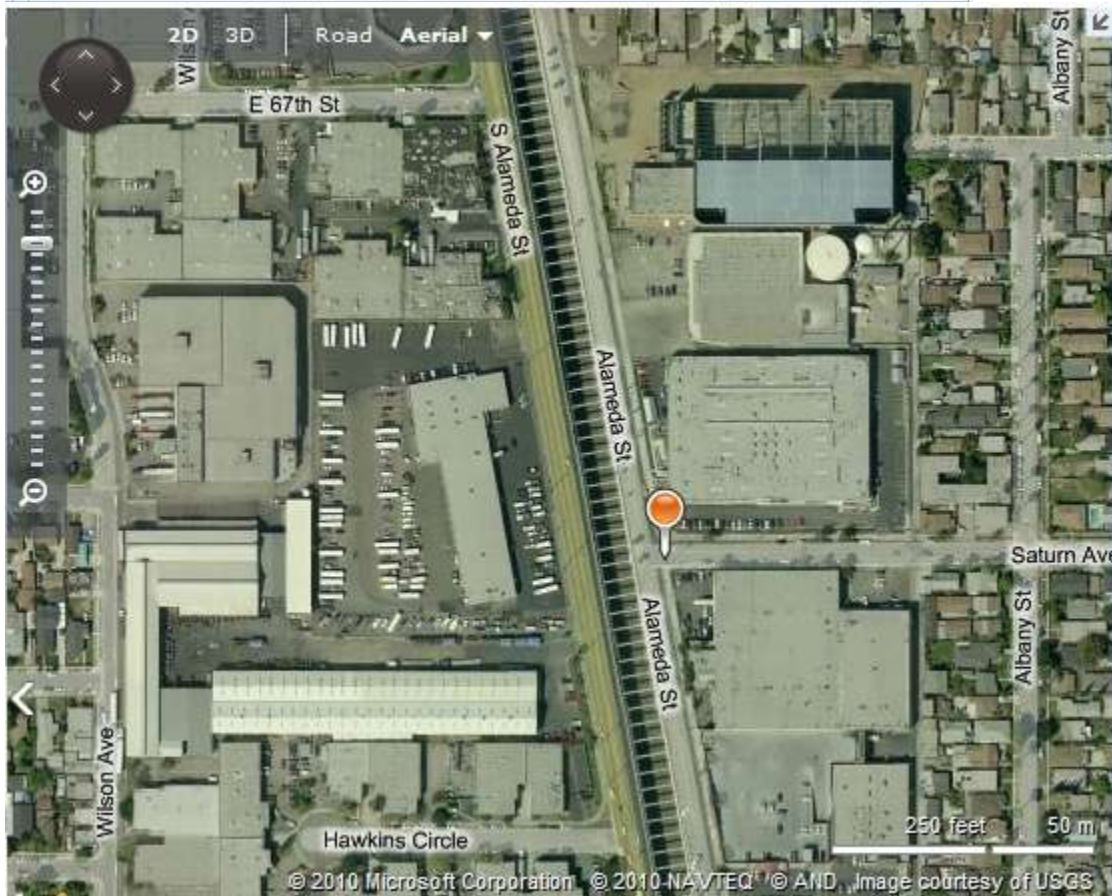
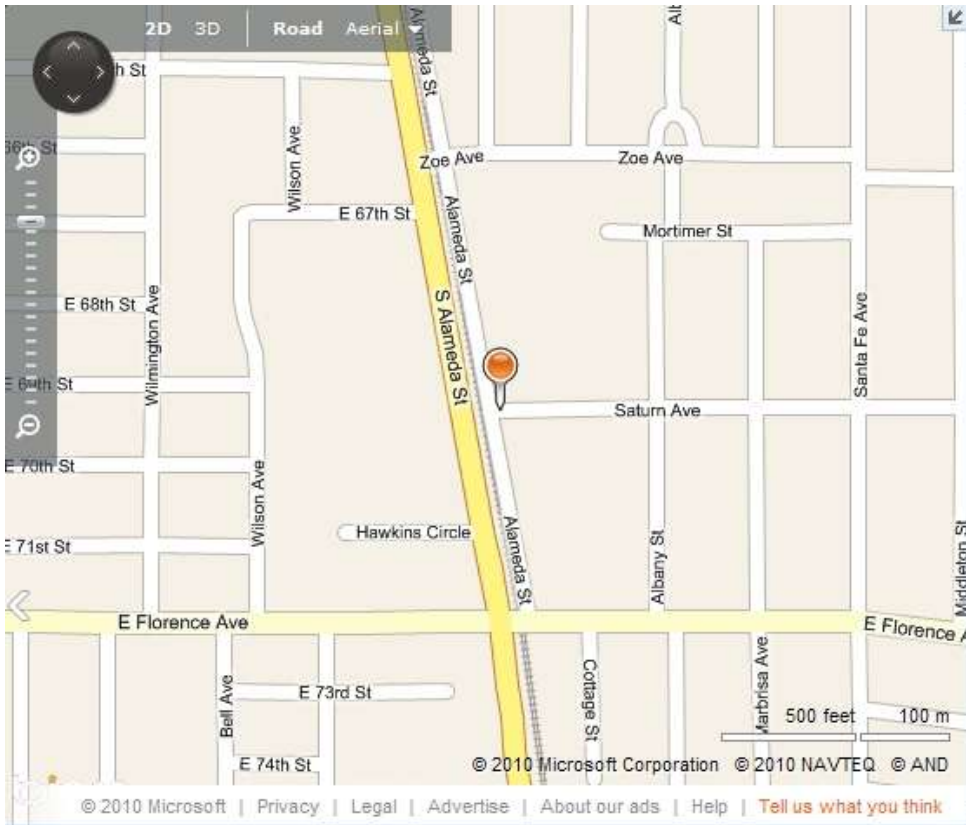
LAUSD Alameda Garage Aerial

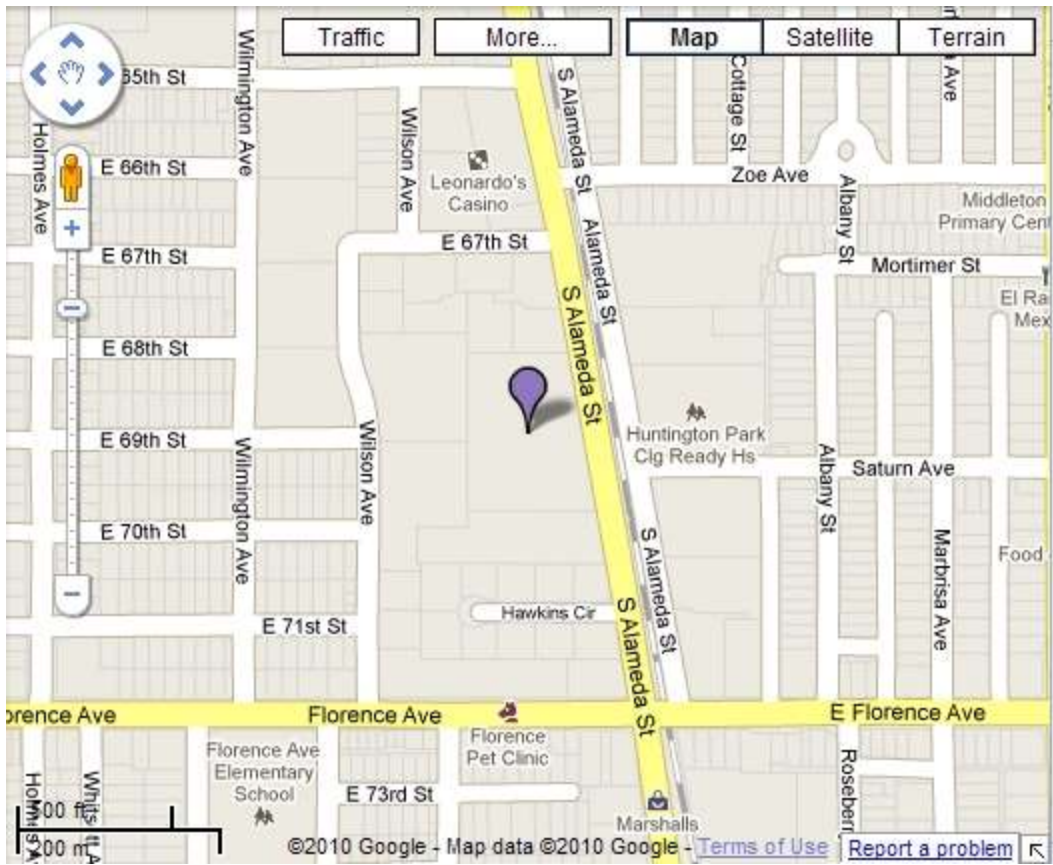
Los Angeles Unified School District Alameda Garage

6901 South Alameda St. Huntington Park, CA 90001 tel: (323) 589-4631 fax: (323) 589-2510

web: transportation.lausd.net

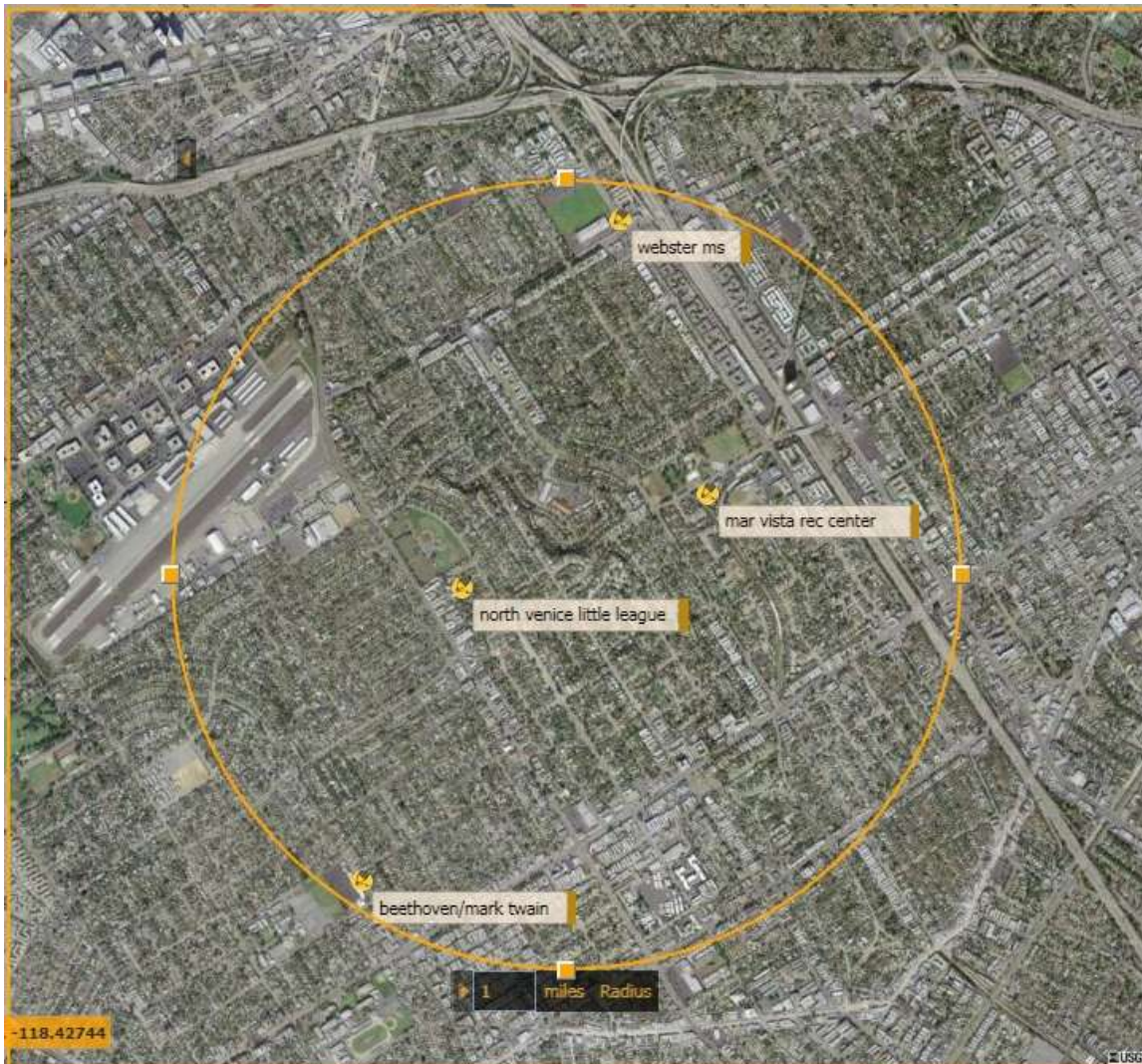






MAR VISTA PLAYABLE BALL FIELDS/OPEN SPACE AERIAL

[hi res Terraserver image, Depiction mapping program]



AYSO Regions serving Mar Vista: 2010 registration

AYSO Region 7	1400 Players
AYSO Region 19	1600 Players
AYSO Region 70	1300 Players
AYSO Region 20	1500 Players
Total:	5800 Players

Coast Soccer League: 2009-2010 registered teams

City Soccer	10 Teams
Galaxy Alliance	17 Teams
Pacific Coast Soccer Club	19 Teams
Santa Monica United	15 Teams
Westside Soccer Academy	12 Teams
Total:	73 Teams*

*Approximately 800 club players

These numbers do not include local park soccer, school programs, or other specialty programs such as LA Scores.

Nor do they include other popular team sports requiring substantial grass areas for safe, healthy, instruction and play: baseball, softball, lacrosse, rugby, field hockey, etc.

**Webster Middle School's open space/ball field area is the biggest in the MVCC.
It is a valuable resource for the MVCC's northernmost zones because it is multipurpose and easily accessible.**

FIELD SPACE STUDY W405 BREAKOUT 2010 UPDATE

Facility	Address	Zip	Lights	Park Area Acres	Playable Fields Acres	Soccer Fields	Baseball Fields
Admiralty Park	Admiralty Wy, MDR LAco	90292	no	6.19	0	0	0
Ballona Wetlands/Playa Vista LL	Lincoln BI @ Jefferson, LA	90292	no	556.01	5.57	0	3
Burton Chase Park	Mindinao Wy, MDR LAco	90292	yes	9.66	0	0	0
Carl Nielsen Park	Will Rogers St, LA	90045	yes	8	5.48	1	2
Culver Slauson Park	5070 Slauson, LA	90230	no	1.99	0	0	0
Del Rey Lagoon Park	6660 Esplanade, PDR	90293	no	10.64	1.26	0	1
Dockweiler State Beach	Vista Del Mar, PDR	90293	no	249.81	0	0	0
Glen Alla Park	4601 Alla Rd, MDR	90292	no	4.79	0	0	0
Mar Vista Gardens Park	4901 Marionwood Dr, LA	90230	no	2.28	2.28	1	1
Mar Vista Park*	11430 Woodbine Av, MV	90066	no	18.45	7.65	1	3
North Venice LL/Ocean View Farm	Rose Av @ Centinela LA	90066	no	14.39	4.35	0	3
Oakwood Rec Center	767 California Av, Ven	90291	yes	3.64	2.23	1	2
Penmar Park/Golf Course	1341 Lake St, Ven	90291	yes	62.08	5.83	2	5
Venice Beach	Venice @ Speedway, Ven	90291	no	211.97	0	0	0
Vista Del Mar Park	Vista Del Mar, PDR	90293	no	1.06	0	0	0
Westchester Rec Center/Golf Cou	7000 W Manchester, LA	90045	yes	96.97	7.86	2	3
Playa Vista Bluff Creek Park	Lincoln @ Bluff Creek	90094	no	7	2	1	1
Westminster Park	1234 Pacific Av, Ven	90291	no	2.17	0	0	0
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1 Study focuses on City of Los Angeles Rec and Parks facilities in the area bounded by the 10, 405, 105 Freeways and the Pacific Ocean

2 Inglewood, Culver City, and Santa Monica facilities are excluded

3 LAUSD athletic fields are excluded; there is no uniform fields access policy. Each principal makes the call on availability

4 Sites leased to local Los Angeles youth sports groups are included: North Venice LL (DWP/LARAP) and Playa Vista LL (CA DFG)

5 LA County facilities at Marina Del Rey (Admiralty Park; Burton Chase Park) are included

6 'Park Area-Acres' defined as all open space/park/rec space: beaches, wetlands, golf courses, hardscape (ball courts, community centers, etc)

7 'Playable Fields Acres' defined as the total acres physically available and sized appropriately(minimum size=one acre) for baseball & soccer game play

8 'Playable Fields Acres' measured and calculated using the City of LA ZIMAS website tool plus Microsoft Terraserver USGS satellite photos for landmark references