

OLD FS 62 AD HOC COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

Co Chairs: Sharon Commins and Rachel Swanger

DATE: WEDNESDAY, March 18, 2009

LOCATION: Santa Monica College Bundy Campus, Room 123. Enter driveway immediately south of Bundy/Centinela and Airport Bl light; proceed downhill to parking lot.

TIME: 7-9 PM approximately

This meeting to be chaired by Rachel Swanger

AGENDA: Discussions may exceed time allotted

1. Call to Order: 1 min.
 2. Approval of minutes 1 min
 3. Assign volunteer to take minutes and circulate sign in sheet: 1 min
 4. Introductions & Public Announcements/Comments: Limit 2 min per announcement for items NOT on the meeting agenda
 5. New Business: 45 minutes, discussion with possible motions
 - a. Report on MVCC BOD meeting of 3-10-2009 re Old Fire Station 62 motions [general committee discussion and debriefing]
 - i. Report on advantages of Venice Blvd public transportation choices over those of Centinela Ave [Yvonne Nelson]
 - ii. Report on City real property funds [Commins and others]
 - iii. Report on zoning—Q conditions [Commins]
 - iv. Revisit the Fire Station Resolution based on Mar Vista Community Council Board action and meeting events and develop new strategy and/or approach to retaining Fire Station 62 for Community Use. [requested by Debra Merrill]
 1. *(Given the Mar Vista Community Council Board's unfavorable reaction to the Fire Station 62 "Resolution" at last Wednesday night's Board meeting - one Board member took issue with every item cited in the resolution regarding reasons for the senior housing not being conducive to the site and found the proposed Venice Boulevard a poor resolution, while others had limited understanding as to the criteria of affordable senior housing, and others wanted further canvassing of senior groups, such as the Mar Vista Seniors group, I believe we should regroup and review our current approach. As it stands now, the MVCC Board voted to a) table the discussion, b) agreed to Councilmember Rosendahl's request to wait until the developer/funding group (Los Angeles Department of Housing ?) gets back to the community with a revised proposal that complies with current zoning (no date for when this was to occur was provided), and c) wants to conduct more research and canvas other seniors in the area, including the Mar Vista Seniors Group. Hence, our current approach and resolution will most likely not be supported by the Mar Vista Community Council and will contain inaccurate information should the housing group present a revised plan that complies with current zoning.)*
 - a. Vote to rewrite or amend resolution based on new strategy and/or approach
 2. Obtain all reports and plans pertaining to Fire Station 62
 - a. *It is apparent that the housing group and probably others within the City have site documents, plans and reports pertaining to Fire Station 62. Councilmember Rosendahl's office is not forthcoming in providing these to the Ad Hoc Committee. Thus, an approach is needed in how to address this. Should more pressure be put on the Councilmember's office or do we ask the Council's office to assist us to go downtown and obtain them ourselves. How can we accurately respond or prepare a resolution when we do not have all the documents in hand to prepare our case?*
 - b. Some of the documents we need to obtain include:
 - i. Fire Station 62 Site Plan
 - ii. Fire Station 62 Floor Plan, Sections and Elevations
 - iii. Fire Station 62 Structural Plans
 - iv. Fire Station 62 Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing Plans
 - v. Fire Station 62 Environmental Review documents
 - vi. Fire Station 62 Underground Gas and Diesel tanks, etc.
 - b. Report on time/place of Committee meeting date with the Councilman [Nguyen]
 - c. Report on all existing and proposed permanent supportive housing units by number and location in the Palms Mar Vista Del Rey Plan area and Venice area [Nguyen]
 - i. Comparison with the rest of CD11
 - d. Report on all sober living homes in the area described in #b. above [McKinnon and others]
6. Old Business: 45 minutes, discussion with possible motions

- a. Timetable for city action on its future[Nguyen; Cheung]
 - i. Report on website and survey [Commins]
 - ii. Process and costs of transferring it to another city entity
 - iii. Feasibility of temporary uses until the real estate market has stabilized
 - iv. Process and timetable if the property is declared surplus a second time
7. Public Comment 2 min. each
8. Future Agenda Items and set April date and location 5 min. Discussion and possible motions
9. Adjourn

The Public is welcome to comment on any item. If there is a 'hot topic' the chairs may limit comments to 2 minutes each; otherwise, open civil discussion is encouraged.

All MVCC stakeholders present may vote on any action item presented on the agenda.

Note future meeting schedule: April 15, 2009 [Location TBA] 7PM-9PM