

Planning/Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee
Tuesday, June 16th, 2009, 6:00 to 7:55 PM
Mar Vista Library (Southwest corner of Venice and Inglewood Blvds.)
12006 Venice Blvd., Mar Vista, CA 90066
Co-Chairs: Ken Alpern and Steve Wallace

(Every MVCC Stakeholder present is allowed to vote on every motion introduced at this meeting)

Minutes (Chair: Steve Wallace)

Call to Order

Introductions and Public Announcements/Comments

Chris Mckinnon and Sharon Commins mentioned the importance of the MVCC weighing in on the Venice/Lincoln project next month (we need to contact Len Nguyen and Challis MacPherson). The VNC would like for the MVCC to support them, since the proposed project is outside of the guidelines of their Community Plan.

Sharon mentioned that the City might weigh in on the cell tower issue after the recent San Diego court decision (Spring vs. City of San Diego) favoring city input on the location and appearance of cell towers

Sharon also mentioned that she was pushing Bill Rosendahl's office to digitize all Planning documents

Approval of Minutes for meeting on 5/19/09

Report on MVCC Board Actions on Urban Planning/Land Use Committee-Related Efforts

Nothing to report

Committee/Task Force Reports, with potential motions

Sharon reported that New FS 62 will likely not get ROSE Committee funding because one or more of the fire chiefs are not cooperating; however, the other ROSE Committee projects are proceeding well; there were security concerns raised about one of the neighbors by the Beethoven stairs, but it appeared that we were within our rights to pursue the project without any interruptions

Signage-Related Issues in Residential Areas--This keeps getting postponed by the City Council

Old Business

Tabled until next month, with the following changes (Sharon would run this by Westal Regional Alliance Planning):

Policy Motion: The MVCC recommends the Department of City Planning assign an individual planner to be responsible for each submitted case from start to finish, so that the Planning Department provides continuous review and monitoring of any significant changes to a project by other departments during the project plan review, construction and completion.

Casden Development, Exposition/Sepulveda/Pico Motion Review/Reorganization:

Since the MVCC Board would not meet prior to the deadline for EIR Comments, it was recommended that Ken Alpern and Bill Pope and other individuals send out letters for the developers' response during the EIR process, which would address concerns previously raised by the MVCC in committee and with passed Board motions

Mission Statement for PLUM Committee (passed as below, for approval by the Board):

The PLUM Committee shall promote community input and involvement in land use, planning, beautification and appropriately-sized public, commercial and residential development in the Mar Vista region, and provide recommendations to the MVCC Board of Directors regarding such issues, in order to improve the health and quality of life for MVCC stakeholders.

New Business

Vista Del Rey Christian Church (12118 Pacific Ave.) variance—tabled until next month after many messages to the owners were sent by Steve Wallace; those representing the Church to expedite the variance apparently felt that the owners were cutting corners, and the owners fired them because they were dragging the process too long

Adjournment

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