

Mar Vista Community Council
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
Chair: Albert Olson
Tuesday, January 27 7-9 PM
Santa Monica Bundy Campus Multi-Purpose Room #123

DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:05. The attendance sheet was signed by Albert Olson, Bob Fitzpatrick, Linda Guagliano, Dorothy Garven, Chuck Ray, Sharon Commins, and Ken Alpern.

Ken Alpern made public comment regarding the Draft EIR for Expo Phase II and requested that the committee address this at the next meeting.

The minutes of the October and November meetings were unanimously approved. A brief discussion took place regarding the election of officers to help administer the committee. Chuck Ray was nominated for the position of Vice-Chair of the Committee, and was unanimously approved by the committee for that position. A request was made for a Secretary for the Committee, but no one was interested in filling the position.

A report was made on recent MVCC Board actions relating to T & I motions. Linda Guagliano commented that LADOT had reported at the LADOT/CD11 Traffic Committee that they had done a study and concluded that the MVCC request to fund the installation of pedestrian crosswalks with pedestrian activated traffic signals on Washington Place and East Boulevard and Washington Place and Marcasel Avenue could not be justified at this time, because of the small amount of pedestrian traffic.

Bill Pope discussed why the motion passed at the last T & I Committee meeting requesting that LADOT look into the feasibility of re-timing the traffic signal lights on Venice Blvd at Centinela Ave., Walgrove, and Lincoln Blvd so as to increase the flow of north/south traffic, had been withdrawn.

Linda Guagliano reported on the most recent meeting of the LA DOT Bi-Monthly Meeting, and Bill Pope reported on the Neighborhood Traffic Management Committee.

New Business (with possible motions)

a. The following motion re: Traffic Control Tiger Teams, proposed by Westside Regional Alliance of Councils, was approved by a vote of 6-1-0

1. While the City has found it both effective and profitable to implement "Tiger Teams" to clear "No Parking, Tow Away Zones" during peak hours, the city has been unable to control gridlock.

2. As gridlock is a major quality of life issue, the City of Los Angeles City Council is hereby requested to implement an enforcement mechanism and fine system to alleviate the constant gridlock in intersections in the City Limits.

b. The following policy motion was presented by Chuck Ray and unanimously approved:

WHEREAS on November 3, 2008 the residents of the 3100 block of Corinth Avenue submitted a petition to the Councilmember for Council District 11 requesting his agreement that the boundaries of Overnight Parking District 505 shall be extended to include the 3100 block of Corinth Avenue and

WHEREAS the Los Angeles Department of Transportation has taken the position that a resolution of the full City Council is necessary,

THEREFORE the Mar Vista Community Council hereby resolves that they support the petition of the residents of the 3100 block of Corinth Avenue and request the Councilmember for Council District 11 to ask the full City Council to extend the boundaries of the Overnight Parking District 505 to include the 3100 block of Corinth Avenue.

c. The following motion was unanimously approved in response to the proposed MOU between Los Angeles Department of Transportation and Neighborhood Councils:

The MVCC believes it is very important for Neighborhood Councils (NCs) to have a good working relationship with all Offices of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), especially those responsible for:

- **Transportation Development and Transit Services,**
- **Transportation Operations, and**
- **Parking Management and Regulations.**

Therefore the MVCC requests the LADOT to schedule a series of working sessions whereby interested NCs, of a representative subset thereof, and LADOT management of the above Offices work jointly to develop the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to be offered to all NCs for signing.

d. The following motion was unanimously approved in response to Councilmember Rosendahl's resolution to the Transportation Committee to draft an amendment to LAMC 85.02 "creating a provision for councilmembers to designate discrete and distinct areas of their council districts where people would be allowed to park and sleep overnight." Council File 08-3125:

The MVCC is supportive of Councilmember Rosendahl's significant efforts to address the problem of people living in vehicles that are being parked on residential streets in both the Venice and Brentwood areas, using both pilot parking programs and creation of OP Districts.

However, the MVCC is concerned with similar issues within its boundaries, and concerned with a possible spillover effect if the programs initiated in the above-mentioned areas are successful in removing vehicles from those residential areas. Therefore, the MVCC requests that the City be mindful of our stakeholders' concerns as the above programs are implemented, and---where appropriate---similar solutions be considered for the Mar Vista community.

This motion will be sent to Councilmember Rosendahl.

e. There was a discussion of digital billboard issue, including discussing a possible Community Impact Statement regarding the new proposed City Billboard Ordinance, and the California Assembly Bill 109 that would create a moratorium on the creation or conversion of any digital billboards in the State for 3 years. It was decided to table this until the following month, in order to collect more information.

Old Business

The following motion, which had been sent back to Committee for additional work, was discussed, but the committee did not come to any conclusions about possible wording.

a. Policy Motion (Proposed by the MVCC PLUM committee) **The MVCC opposes any new construction that increases density until a clear defined plan to guarantee supply of existing water requirements, as well as enough additional water to sustain increased density, is adopted by the City of Los Angeles.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:15