



# Mar Vista Community Council



## MINUTES

Election & Bylaws Committee  
Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 6:00 PM

Windward School | 11350 Palms Blvd | L.A., 90066 - Room 910

**Meeting commenced** at 6:00 pm

Presided over by committee Chair Martin Rubin, along with Vice Chair Holly Tilson

**In attendance:** Martin Rubin, Holly Tilson, Kathryn Wheeler, Adriana De La Cruz, Robin Doyno, Michelle Krupkin, Mary Hruska, Andrea Ambriz, Selena Inouye, Vanessa Diaz, Jason Fineis, Elliot Hanna, Nannette Pastor-Hanna, Wayne Wheeler

**#1 : Introductions** – Those present introduced themselves and gave a little bit of backstory about what lead them to be involved in supporting the Mar Vista Community and involvement in the Council.

**#2: Minutes** – There were no minutes available for approval from the last Election and Bylaws Committee.  
Chair Rubin asked for a volunteer to take notes to be used as an aid in compiling the meeting minutes. Adriana De La Cruz volunteered for this meeting.  
Chair Rubin asked if Robin Doyno, former Election and Bylaws Committee Chair, had an up-to-date report that he could give regarding the status of the committee.

**#3: Public Comment** (for items not listed on the agenda)  
A. Robin Doyno spoke and handed out a print copy of his comments (see attachment).

**#4: Old Business** – None at this time.

### #5: New Business

#### A. Standing Rules:

1. The discussion regarding the latest version (4/24/19) of the Standing Rules, resulted in two motions.  
The first **MOTION** by Kathryn Wheeler; seconded by Mary Hruska was made to consolidate Articles 1A and 1B of the [FINAL DRAFT MVCC STANDING RULES Apr 24, 2019](#) resulting in one statement instead of two with the revision reading as follows:

**Authority:**

*These Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) Standing Rules supersede all prior versions and are subordinate to and must adhere to the MVCC Bylaws, the California Brown Act, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) Rules, and all Local, State, and Federal laws that apply..*

**MOTION PASSED** without objection

2. The second **MOTION** by Kathryn Wheeler; seconded by Mary Hruska after amendments were made– Approve the [FINAL DRAFT MVCC STANDING RULES Apr 24, 2019](#) separating the policies from the Standing Rules and send them back to the BOD.  
This format would separate the Media Policy, the Tent Policy, and the Code of Conduct Policy as well as possible future policies from the Standing Rules (see attachments). The rationale behind the separation is to simplify updates to any policy as well as to the Standing Rules.

**MOTION PASSED as amended** without objection

**B. 2019 MVCC Election Challenges**

*Report presented by At-Large Director Kathryn Wheeler was TABLED until the August 28 meeting.*

**C. Workshops - 2019 Neighborhood Council Elections**

Selena Inouye brought information on the meetings which are scheduled for other Los Angeles neighborhoods.

*Tuesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> (6p-8p) South Los Angeles and Harbor Location: MLK Jr. Therapeutic Center  
3916 S. Western Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90062*

*Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> (6p-8p) Central and East Location: Ramona Hall  
4580 N. Figueroa St. Los Angeles, CA 90065*

*Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup> (6p-8p) North Valley and South Valley Location: Fire Station (#87)  
10124 Balboa Blvd. Granada Hills, CA 91344*

The discussion revolved around why there was no workshop scheduled for the West Los Angeles areas. Mention was made that the increase in voter participation for the area was at its highest this year and wondered why Empower Los Angeles did not schedule a “share-your-thoughts-on-the-2019-nc-elections-in-person” meeting for the West Los Angeles area.

**MOTION by Adriana De La Cruz and seconded by Holly Tilson:** To send a letter from the MVCC Board of Directors, requesting that "Empower Los Angeles\* schedule a workshop as soon as possible within Council District 11 in order that all the West Area Region neighborhood councils are afforded the same opportunity as the other Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils to provide candidate and stakeholder, in-person election feedback regarding the 2019 Neighborhood Council Elections.

**MOTION PASSES** – without objection

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**D. Chair Rubin announced that submissions for proposed bylaws changes should be sent to the Chair in writing** a minimum of 72 hours in advance to allow for review and placement on the meeting agenda and emailed to both the Chair:

[Martin.Rubin@marvista.org](mailto:Martin.Rubin@marvista.org) ; and Vice-Chair: Holly Tilson: [Holly.Tilson@marvista.org](mailto:Holly.Tilson@marvista.org)

**Include the current and the proposed wording as well as the rationale so that we can compile and organize the proposed changes.**

**#6: Announcements** None

**#7 Next Scheduled Meeting:** Wednesday - August 28, 2019, 6PM  
Location: Windward School - 11350 Palms Blvd, Room 910

**#8 Meeting Adjourned: 7:50PM**