

# Mar Vista Community Council



# **Green Committee**

Sunday, October 25, 2015 - 9:30 A.M.

## **Mar Vista Farmers Market**

Grand View at Venice Blvd. Tables Adjacent to the Post Office

# **Agenda**

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Public comment
- 3. Motion to approve July minutes
- 4. Presentation: Cathy Seals, Citizen's Climate League: Carbon Fee and Dividend legislation
- 5. Reports
  - a. MVCC Green Tent
  - b. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA)
  - c. Landscaping guidelines for developers
- 6. Discussion
  - a. Green Committee post-Garden Showcase
  - b. How can Mar Vista adopt a carbon neutral goal?
- 7. Old business
  - a. Funding motions
  - b. Policy Motion: Preserving City Trees
- 8. New business
  - a. Funding Motion: Green Tent

The Mar Vista Community Council approves the expenditure of up to \$500 to purchase a new Green Tent canopy.

b. Policy Motion: Solar Energy Petition

The Mar Vista Community Council authorizes the gathering of signatures on the following petition to present to the the DWP Board of Directors:

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power is currently proposing an increase of \$10 per month for customers who have installed solar panels. This penalizes people who are trying to go green. DWP's current policies reflect a model of large, centralized energy producing plants that require miles of transmission lines that require costly maintenance. Extreme weather and political events expose these lines to substantial risks. If the public utilities don't get involved in supporting roof-top solar energy, the private sector will. We will then have the same problems as we have with our cable providers. These providers have a monopoly and can charge what they want and give us poor service.

We the undersigned call on DWP to develop policies and services that support roof-top

solar energy, and to build the infrastructure to store and utilize the energy generated from roof-top solar panels as well as a skilled workforce to install, maintain and service solar panels. DWP's current policies are modeled on centralized production of energy which is inefficient and ignores the need to develop more decentralized sustainable energy sources.

#### 9. Public comment

## 10. Adjournment

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