

Mar Vista Community Council



Green Committee Sunday, August 28, 2016 - 9:30 A.M.

> Grand View Market 12210 Venice Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90066

Agenda

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Motion to approve May minutes
- 3. Public comment
- 4. Reports/discussion (possible motions to follow)
 - Green Tent
 - Gray Water Workshop (presentation by Art Lee)
 - Fall Festival table
 - Apartment recycling
 - Outreach to address more community-specific sustainability issues
 - Gas leaf blowers
 - Dept. of Sanitation bin recycling/top replacement
- 5. New business (possible motions to follow)
 - a. POLICY MOITON: Resolution for Requiring EV Chargers in Multi-Family Dwelling Units

WHEREAS, the negative impacts of climate change are worsening more quickly than anyone expected, including extreme storm events, such as powerful storms, winds, floods, wildfires and drought; and

WHEREAS, the planet has now topped 400 parts per million (ppm) in the concentration of global carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and 350 ppm is considered the maximum threshold above which irreversible climate impacts begin to occur; and

WHEREAS, according to the US Environmental Protection Agency, fossil fuel production and usage is the largest emitter of greenhouse gases worldwide; and

WHEREAS, reducing the use of fossil fuel-powered vehicles is an effective way to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, the spread of the use electric vehicles charged by renewable power like solar, wind and geothermal has begun in earnest; and

WHEREAS, wealthy communities have received by far the largest shares of state rebates to purchase electric cars; and

WHEREAS, low-income communities are disproportionally affected by pollution and climate change; and

WHEREAS, newly constructed or renovated multi-family buildings are currently required to be wired for electric vehicle chargers, but are not required to have actual chargers installed; and

WHEREAS, persons living in multi-family buildings find it difficult to charge their vehicles and therefore have little incentive to purchase and use electric vehicles; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Multifamily Housing Council in 2015, apartments in the City are 41% of all housing. Since multifamily housing is much more population dense than single family homes, an enormous percentage of the City's population does not have reliable access to electric vehicle chargers; and

WHEREAS, to reach a goal of 100% of multifamily parking spaces having access to electric vehicle chargers by 2025, setting annual benchmarks would be an effective approach – for example 20% by 2017, 30% by 2018, 40% by 2019, 50% by 2020, 60% by 2021, 70% by 2022, 80% by 2023, 90% by 2024 and 100% by 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Mar Vista Community Council has been a strong leader in promoting Citywide sustainability policies and aims to continues its tradition into the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the Mar Vista Community Council hereby supports and encourages any City, State or Federal legislation leading to an ordinance requiring 100% of existing and new multi-family housing parking spaces to have access to electric vehicle chargers by 2025.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Mar Vista Community Council supports the creation of a local ordinance requiring that all electric vehicle chargers in the City should be powered by non-fossil fuel, clean and renewable energy.

b. POLICY MOTION: Local Oil/Gas Facility Inspection

The natural gas storage facility for SoCalGas - Sempra Energy in Playa del Rey area are the oldest repurposed oil wells in the entire Gas Company system. If there are recent safety inspection and tests for methane gas leaks in the air above and surrounding these storage facilities, we request that they be made available to the Mar Vista Community Council and the general public and be easily searchable online, simple to read, chartable and interpreted for the lay person to see and understand the baseline and any increases and decreases in methane levels over time.

If no recent safety inspections or ongoing tests for methane and other gas leaks have been made, we request that they be scheduled as soon as possible and the results be released to this Council and the general public in the manner described above. Further we request these safety inspections be frequent and air quality tests be monitored and completed and made public daily.

Also, Air Quality Notifications must be available online and a method be made available for Playa del Rey and surrounding area stakeholders to sign up and be notified of Reportable Releases, as they are now being done for the Aliso Canyon Storage Facility neighbors.

- 6. Public comment
- 7. Adjournment
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