

**REPORT
MINUTES
PLUM COMMITTEE/MVCC
MAR VISTA LIBRARY
JANUARY 15, 2013**

Co-Chairs: Steve Wallace/Michael Millman

6:07 meeting called to order.

Introductions/Public Comment

Minutes to be approved in February.

Report on MVCC Board action.

**PRESENTATION
COMMUNITY CARE FACILITY ORDINANCE
SOBER LIVING FACILITIES**

Alisa Orduna/Guest Speaker, United Way, came to the meeting to present some information as to why there needs to be possible City Ordinances/Regulations in connection with Single Dwelling homes that from time to time are converted into community care facilities for the economically disadvantaged, homeless, Veterans, as well as individuals suffering from emotional instability related to addiction. Ms. Orduna was very knowledgeable and provided an outstandingly comprehensive overview. Likewise, Chairperson Sharon Commins initiated an aggressive search of the existing statutes and provided a complete handout which offered distinctions and information pertaining to different classifications associated with community care facilities such as single housekeeping units, boarding houses, and the different license requirements. It would appear that certain facilities may be exempt from City Ordinance, if they enjoy a certain type of license issued by the State Health organizations which allow no more than six Tenants. There was some discussion as to whether or not Municipal Ordinances should be adopted wherein the occupancy would be four or more who are not family members.

Although no decision was made whether to support or oppose any type of pending City Ordinance, many members in attendance at the meeting thought that all community care facilities/sober living facilities should be licensed or otherwise permitted; the Owner of the property possibly undertake a course of study and get a certificate or license; and there should be some oversight, either informally by organizations or by the City government. Concern was raised as to whether or not some of these organizations might illegally convert the single dwelling into some type of boarding house or apartment or would convert the garage into habitable space without permits???

This was an informational presentation only. A gentleman from the L.A. City Planning Department was invited, but could not attend.

Many interesting issues were presented, discussed, debated and argued. The consensus suggested that licensing, permit, the size of the square footage, and the number of units on a city block would be issues for further consideration by Mar Vista and MVCC.

CONCLUSION

It was agreed that Sherri Akers would pull together a resolution for consideration by the full MVCC Board, and that Co-Chair/PLUM/Millman would prepare these **Minutes** as a report to MVCC.

DATE: _____

MICHAEL MILLMAN, DIRECTOR
CO-CHAIR/PLUM