



Mar Vista Community Council



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Tuesday, February 9th, 2016, at 7:00 P.M.
Mar Vista Recreation Center Gymnasium
11430 Woodbine Street, Mar Vista, CA
90066

AGENDA

1. **Call to order and Welcome** – Chair (1 min)
2. **Presentation of flag and Pledge of Allegiance** (1 min)
3. **Approval of January 12th, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes** (public comment permitted; 1min per speaker)
4. **Public Comment & Announcements** - for items not on the agenda (max 1 min each unless waived by the Chair)
5. **Elected Officials and City Department Reports** (max 1 min. each unless waived by the Chair)
 - a. CD 11 – CM Mike Bonin, rep. by Field Deputy Len Nguyen Len.Nguyen@lacity.org
 - b. Mar Vista Recreation Center – Lizka Mendoza, Director
 - c. CD 5 – Paul Koretz, rep by Joseph Galloway joejdg92@gmail.com
 - d. US 36 – Janice Hahn
 - e. US 37 – Karen Bass, rep by District Director Maral V. Karaccusian maral@mail.house.gov
 - f. CA Assembly 54-Sebastian Ridley-Thomas, rep by Scott Malsin scott.malsin@assembly.ca.gov
 - g. US 33 – Ted Lieu, rep. by Joey Apodaca joey.apodaca@mail.house.gov
 - h. CA Assembly 47
 - i. CA Assembly 62
 - j. 2nd Dist. L. A. County Board Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas, rep. by Karly Katona, Karly.Katona@bos.lacounty.gov
 - k. Mayor of Los Angeles – Eric Garcetti, rep. by Daniel Tamm Daniel.tamm@lacity.org
 - l. Joel Jacinto, Department of Public Works
6. **Officers and Liaison Reports** (Action items included with public comment permitted; 1min per speaker)
 - a. Chair-Bill Koontz
 - i. Special presentation to Lizka Mendoza
 - ii. Executive & Finance Committee
 - b. First Vice Chair – Mitchell Rishe
 - c. Second Vice Chair – John Kuchta
 - d. Secretary –Melissa Stoller
 - e. Treasurer-William Scheduling: NOTE: All funding motions must conform to all Empower funding guidelines and must be funded and paid in fiscal year 2015-16 or they will expire. All NPG and CIG grants approved by the Mar Vista Community Council are restricted funds according to Department of Neighborhood Empowerment regulations and must be used for the exact purpose approved by the MVCC. All Neighborhood Council Funding reports are available online at <http://done.lacity.org/onlinefunding/ncfunding.aspx>.
 - i. Report on current financial status
 - ii. **APPROVAL** of December Monthly Expense Report (MER)
 - iii. **APPROVAL** of January Monthly Expense Report (MER)

- iv. **Funding Motion: Mar Vista Eco Car Expo publicity** (submitted by Green Committee)
 The Mar Vista Community Council approves the allocation of up to \$700 for the printing of Eco Car Expo publicity materials including flyers, banners and signage for the A Frames.
- v. **Funding Motion: Mar Vista Art Walk** (director's motion submitted by Robin Doyno)
 Whereas a goal of Mar Vista's Great Street project is to enhance its reputation as a walkable, attractive destination; and
 Whereas art walks attract local foot traffic and increase economic viability of communities; and
 Whereas during the inaugural Mar Vista Art Walk, held December 3, 2015 some local businesses reported more than double their normal sales and even their best sales night ever; and
 Whereas approximately 1,000 visitors walked along Venice Boulevard and participated in the evening's program of events; and
 Whereas many art walk events transpired outdoors on sidewalks, thus encouraging the majority of visitors to walk the entire length of our Venice Boulevard Great Street due to this organizational emphasis on sidewalk engagement;
 The Mar Vista Community Council approves a Neighborhood Purpose Grant of \$500 for printing of fliers, posters, maps, programs, handouts for a second Mar Vista art walk—Steppin' Into the Art of Mar Vista, to be organized and run by non-profit Green Communications Initiative, Inc., and held March 3, 2015, 6-9p.m. along the Venice Blvd CD- 11 "Great Street" between Inglewood Blvd—Beethoven Street.
- vi. **Funding Motion: MVCC Election** (submitted by Outreach & Elections Committees)
 MVCC approves the reallocation of funds in the MVCC budget to the Outreach and Elections/Bylaws Committees not to exceed \$23,400 as needed for the following expenses for the 2016 MVCC election as mandated by the City of Los Angeles to ensure maximum community outreach to recruit candidates and maximize voter turnout.
- City is requesting 3 direct mailers. Cost to reach 30,000 plus households is \$8,465 plus tax. We are proposing two mailers at a total cost of \$18,600
 - 100 yard signs - \$600
 - Banners – 6 to be placed at park (2), Farmers Market (at tent), Venice High Learning Garden, Old Fire Station, Walgrove School - \$50 each, \$300 total
 - Flyers \$200
 - 4-page newsletter (previously allocated in budget) printing, layout and distribution – est. \$3,500
 - Postcards or bookmarks for handout (quote of \$32 for \$2,500) - \$200
- vii. **Funding Motion: Webster Middle School NPG** (submitted by Education, Arts & Culture Committee)
 WHEREAS **Webster MS** is a community school strongly and increasingly appreciated by our local northern Mar Vista residents.
 WHEREAS support of its resurging reputation among the community is very important to Mar Vista's reputation as a residence with strong educational opportunities.
 WHEREAS the current highly popular robotics offerings are insufficient to serve more than a single classroom despite great demand for more equipment to teach more, and eager, students.
 BE IT RESOLVED that MVCC eagerly grants \$2419.70 toward Webster MS's request to partially fund more robotics equipment for a second classroom to reach avid STEAM students.
- viii. **Funding Motion: Mark Twain Middle School CIG** (submitted by Education, Arts & Culture Committee)

WHEREAS **Mark Twain ES** has attracted considerable attention of late concerning its public properties and community aesthetics, and
WHEREAS social injustice in the relative public spending among local primary school campuses is of local public concern, and
WHEREAS the outdoor play equipment and public spaces at Mark Twain are long in need of enrichment and beautification, it would address the public's focus to
BE IT RESOLVED that MVCC would support Twain's outdoor spaces through a Community Improvement Grant for \$1719 matching the cost of Outdoor PE Equipment (\$969) with the local West Mar Vista Neighborhood Association that organized local activism in this regard.

- ix. **Funding Motion: Grand View Elementary School NPG** (submitted by Education, Arts & Culture Committee)

WHEREAS **Grand View Elementary School** serves over 500 children a packet of processed food daily.

WHEREAS despite being a school of high poverty concentration, still appreciable amounts of this biodegradable meal head for a landfill every day.

WHEREAS this school has an active gardening program with instruction on high quality, home-grown foodstuffs and earth sciences that would benefit pedagogically from the component that shows the ecology of waste.

WHEREAS salvaging the food waste and transforming its nutrients into a form compatible with growth, learning and the school's learning garden will benefit all available parties and constructs.

BE IT RESOLVED that MVCC recommends applying \$1300 toward a Neighborhood Purpose Grant that will facilitate closing the knowledge circle on food, food waste, decomposition and regrowth.

- x. **Funding Motion: Venice High School NPG** (submitted by Education, Arts & Culture Committee)

WHEREAS **Venice High School** (VHS) is Mar Vista's local westside secondary school, enrolling more than 2000 children of whom approximately two-thirds are "socioeconomically disadvantaged", and distributed ethnically with a population that is two-thirds Hispanic and equal measures among one quarter its students that is Caucasian and African-American.

WHEREAS VHS students and community alumni are integrally connected with a history and culture of both beach and conservation honoring its "Dogtown" and "green" roots.

WHEREAS hundreds of students commute daily in a self-propelled mode that fosters traffic mitigation and clean, green, healthy community values that merit support from the community at large.

WHEREAS publicly and monetarily supporting the values reflected by our community confers encouragement of beneficial community values that itself attracts families and community-spirited individuals.

BE IT RESOLVED that MVCC will contribute \$1949.90 toward funding purchase of securable wheelbase lockers that encourage studious behavior, sustainable commuting and healthful living among our community's young scholars.

- xi. **Funding Walgrove Elementary School NPG** (submitted by Education, Arts & Culture Committee)

WHEREAS **Walgrove Elementary School** is situated in the increasingly popular westernmost edge of Mar Vista.

WHEREAS private fundraising at Walgrove has become critical in supplementing operating funds lost as a result of district-wide austerity measures.

WHEREAS Walgrove's popularity has been growing though less steadily recently so that anchoring enrollment is imperative not only for this school but for the integrity of the whole community as well.

WHEREAS community outreach is not only fun and good but crucial toward sustaining the school, its community and what makes the community so attractive.

BE IT RESOLVED that MVCC will contribute \$1250 toward supporting this community interaction which showcases current student's beloved Studio Lab learning and conveys its appeal to neighbors and their prospective students.

- ix. **Funding Richland Elementary School NPG** (submitted by Education, Arts & Culture Committee)

WHEREAS **Richland Elementary School** has initiated a dual language French instructional program.

WHEREAS materials at the school formerly devoted to conventional English-only instruction are wanting in French resources.

WHEREAS the MVCC has explicitly supported instigation of this popular program, commending it as an important aspect of local living that recommends Mar Vista to young families.

WHEREAS fundraising potential and discretionary budgeting among the school and its community are scarce.

BE IT RESOLVED that MVCC recommends contributing \$1K worth of dual language resources to the school as most befits its dual language learners.

- f. Mar Vista Bi Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Liaison: Linda Guagliano lindaguag@netzero.net
- g. DWP MOU Liaison: Myra Boime
- h. LANCC Liaison: Open (Bill Koontz reporting)
- i. DWP Recycled Water Liaison: Christopher McKinnon www.ladwp.com/recycledwater
- j. Fall Festival Liaison: Albert Olson
- k. City Budget: John Kuchta
- l. Recode LA: Sharon Commins
- m. Mar Vista Chamber of Commerce: Sarah Auerswald <http://marvistachamber.com/>
- n. Animal Services Liaison: Steve Boskin
7. **New Business** - Action items, which may include motions to refer items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable (public comment permitted, 1 min per speaker unless waived by the Chair); items may be received and filed by consent if no discussion or public comment.
- a. **POLICY MOTION: Resolution supporting Mar Vista Schools** (directors' motion submitted by Melissa Stoller)
- Whereas our schools are an integral part of our community, and
- Whereas the Mar Vista Community Council, and the community it serves, strongly values our neighborhood schools and supports their efforts to enhance their students educational experience and attract students from our neighborhood to our schools; and
- Whereas, as a result of district-wide austerity measures, LAUSD budgets do not adequately support many community-supported enhancements to our children's educational experience—and even some basic needs—such as:
- A composting program to transform the compulsory "Breakfast in the Classroom" mandate from a classroom refuse problem into a composting program that teaches nutrition and ecology and supports the thriving learning garden program at Grand View Elementary;
 - Dual language resources to support and grow a French dual language immersion program initiated by Richland Elementary School;
 - Outdoor play equipment, such as functional basketball nets and refurbished backboards, as expressly addresses neighbors' concerns from the community surrounding Mark Twain Middle School;
 - Robotics equipment to enable Webster Middle School to expand its popular robotics programs beyond a single classroom and reach more of the students eager to learn;
 - Walgrove Elementary School's annual Game Day that reaches out to the community to showcase its exciting Studio Lab program;
 - Wheel-locking skateboard lockers at Venice High School that would provide safe storage for student's boards and allowing them to focus on their studies, encourage "green" transportation mode that reduces vehicular congestion, and improve student attendance; and

Whereas, despite high poverty rates at many of our schools, parents have made significant contributions toward educational enhancements at their schools; and
Whereas identifying the most critical needs to present as a Neighborhood Purpose Grant or Community Improvement Project to MVCC requires an enormous time investment by school staff and community volunteers; and

Whereas MVCC needs to reserve funds for operational and outreach expenses as well as for unforeseen community needs and priorities, making it difficult to support NPG requests until near the end of its fiscal year; and

Whereas holding its mandated council election at the end of its fiscal year exacerbates this problem; and

Whereas schools need to receive NPG funding early in the school year in order to spend the grant money as intended by MVCC; and

Whereas community council funds do not carry over to the next fiscal year;

Let it be resolved that the Mar Vista Community Council requests a rule change to allow Neighborhood Purpose Grant and Community Improvement Project funding approved by a neighborhood council before the end of its fiscal year to be spent by schools in the next fiscal year.

Additionally, let it be resolved that MVCC encourages board, committee and community members to assist in finding alternative funding sources for these worthy projects.

- b. **POLICY MOTION: Resolution supporting animal rights** (directors' motion submitted by Sherri Akers)

The Mar Vista Community Council supports [Council File 15- 0843](#) (see Attachment A) by Councilmember Paul Koretz and Mitch O'Farrell and urges the City to -

1. INSTRUCT the Department of Animal Services (DAS) and the Housing and Community investment Department (HCID) to solicit input from stakeholders in the Los Angeles rental housing market in regard to approaches that could facilitate the expansion of animal adoptions by tenants in residential rental properties to include.
 - a. Programs to better inform tenants of their rights in regard to animal ownership while taking into consideration the welfare of the animals.
 - b. Concerns, in regard to both financial issues and physical property, that landlords and other tenants may have
2. INSTRUCT the DAS and HCID to review programs and concepts in other cities to determine if their provisions should be considered as a basis for developing approaches applicable in the City of Los Angeles.

98 percent of Denver properties accept cats and 93 percent accept small dogs. Yet 62 percent of Los Angeles rental properties refuse animals completely. This is considered to be a major obstacle to achieving no kill shelters. With a critical shortage of housing in Los Angeles, having to find housing that accepts pets makes it even more challenging. The MVCC applauds and thanks the Councilmembers for taking action on this issue.

- c. **POLICY MOTION: Martin Expo Town Center Project**, 12101 W. Olympic Blvd., Case Nos. TT-72298-MU; ENV-2012-3063-EIR; CPC-2013-2567-GPA-VZC-HD- CU-MCUB-CUX-ZV-ZAD-SPR; CPC-2015-4455-DA (submitted by PLUM & T&I Committees)

WHEREAS, traffic in West Los Angeles surrounding the Martin Expo Town Center Project is in gridlock at every major nearby intersection, especially during "rush hours"; and

WHEREAS, it is unknown but anticipated that traffic will become even more impacted once Phase 2 of the Metro Expo Line begins operation, especially as a result of a number of "at grade" crossings, including the nearby crossing on Barrington Ave.; and

WHEREAS, it is unknown but anticipated that, in order to avoid "at grade" crossings, commuters will divert their traffic patterns to "above grade" crossing streets, including Bundy Dr. where the Martin Town Center Project is located; and

WHEREAS, it is unknown but anticipated that, once Phase 2 of the Metro Expo Line begins operation, streets surrounding the Project, including side and residential streets, will be impacted as riders commute by car and bike to and from the adjacent Expo/Bundy station:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mar Vista Community Council strongly recommends that the City Planning Department put any approvals relating to the Martin Expo Town Center Project

on hold, pending a new traffic study after Phase 2 of the Metro Expo Line starts operation, as this will allow the City to better determine the Project's full impact on traffic.

- d. **POLICY MOTION: WRAC Motion RE: Conditional Use Beverage (CUB) Permits** for Alcohol Authority of City Zoning Administrators to Impose Conditions of Approval to Mitigate Potential Land Use Impacts Arising from the Sale or Service of Alcoholic Beverages That Are Adverse to Public Health, Safety and Welfare (submitted by PLUM & T&I Committees)

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has imposed land use conditions in Conditional Use Beverage (CUB) permits for decades to protect public health, safety and welfare by mitigating potential impacts due to the sale or service of alcohol, as recommended by the LAPD, Council Offices, neighborhood councils, community councils, and local residents; and

WHEREAS, the Department of City Planning suddenly reversed this decades-long practice in 2012, on the advice of the City Attorney's Office, with no public notice, no public process, no public hearings, and no direction from the City Council, which is charged with policy-making authority; and

WHEREAS, Zoning Administrators now unilaterally and without notice use the Plan Approval Process to remove previously-imposed conditions designed to avoid or mitigate actual or potential land use impacts adverse to public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, municipalities throughout the State of California have and continue to impose land use conditions to mitigate adverse impacts that may otherwise arise from the sale or service of alcohol, including the Cities of Santa Monica, West Hollywood, Palmdale, Lancaster, Huntington Park, Montebello, Orange, San Bernardino, Pinole, Ventura, San Buenaventura, Santa Cruz, Hayward, Walnut Creek, Watsonville, and the County of Los Angeles, among others; and

WHEREAS, the City's current practice undermines the ability of the City and local communities to protect against potential land use impacts that are adverse to public health, safety and welfare, including but not limited to potential nuisances, by restricting the imposition of conditions on, among other things, hours of sale of alcohol, happy hours, container sizes, types of alcohol sold, and other similar rules and regulations, despite the efficacy of such conditions in avoiding or mitigating potential adverse impacts arising from the sale or service of alcohol; and

WHEREAS, California courts have repeatedly affirmed that municipalities have broad police powers to impose land use conditions that protect against potentially adverse impacts on public health, safety and welfare arising from the sale or service of alcohol; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) has not advised the City that the imposition of such land use conditions interferes with ABC's enforcement of State law; and

WHEREAS, implementation of this new policy not only impairs the ability of the LAPD, Council Offices, and communities to protect public health, safety and welfare, but also interferes with the ability of CUB applicants to garner support for their projects by negotiating for the imposition of mutually agreed-upon conditions, as had been done for decades before the current practice was imposed, which forces communities to oppose projects they could otherwise support with proper conditions:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Resolved that the Mar Vista Community Council calls upon the City Council to adopt a policy to: (1) Authorize the imposition of land use conditions that protect public health, safety and welfare by mitigating potential adverse impacts from the sale or service of alcohol, consistent with the practice of other jurisdictions statewide as well as the City's decades-long practice prior to 2012; (2) Maintain and enforce previously-imposed CUB conditions on the sale or service of alcohol; and (3) Prohibit the removal of previously-imposed conditions outside the public processes mandated under the City Charter and Zoning Code.

- e. **POLICY MOTION: Utility Box Painting** (directors' motion submitted by Robin Doyno)

WHEREAS Mar Vista benefits from beautification projects, and

WHEREAS The Utility Box Painting Projects in other areas of our fair city have enriched, enlivened and civilized the public area, and

WHEREAS the Senior, Artist, and Youth Communities can all share in the creation of The Mar Vista Utility Box Project, and

WHEREAS the Venice Boulevard and Grandview pilot utility box painting enriched the inaugural Mar Vista Art Walk and currently stands as an aesthetic plus to our de facto town square, and

WHEREAS the Los Angeles District Council Office 11 has supported and continues to support the previous iteration as well as the current effort to advance our cultural profile, and

WHEREAS Mar Vista will benefit from the inclusion of the visual history of our community in the Utility Box Painting Project, and

WHEREAS the community will benefit from a juried decision to select 15 to 20 artists to render their submissions on utility boxes by a jury composed of 2 MVCC EACC members, 2 city council staff members and 2 at large community members, and

WHEREAS MVCC EACC shall produce, distribute and post a call for submissions and time line, conduct a selecting jury, post results and execute a letter of understanding, therefore
BE IT RESOLVED that the Mar Vista Community Council shall ask Los Angeles District Council Office 11 to embrace and sponsor the above listed project.

8. **Zone Director Reports** – (may include motions to refer action items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable; public comment permitted)
 - a. Zone 1 – Ken Alpern
 - b. Zone 2 – Brad Wilhite
 - c. Zone 3 – Bill Scheduling
 - d. Zone 4 - Michael Millman
 - e. Zone 5 – Michelle Krupkin
 - f. Zone 6 – Valerie Davidson
 9. **Committee Reports** - (may include motions to refer action items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable; public comment permitted)
 - a. **Recreation Open Space Enhancement Committee** – Jerry Hornof & Tom Ponton, Co-Chairs
 - b. **Green Committee** – Melissa Stoller, Jeanne Kuntz & Sherri Akers, Co-Chairs
 - c. **Transportation & Infrastructure Committee** – Ken Alpern & Michelle Krupkin, Co-Chairs
 - d. **Planning and Land Use Management Committee** - Steve Wallace & Mitchell Rishe, Co-Chairs; Michael Millman, Vice-Chair
 - e. **Education, Arts and Culture Committee** – Brad Wilhite, Robin Doyno & Sara Roos, Co-Chairs
 - f. **Santa Monica Airport Committee** – Valerie Davidson & Martin Rubin, Co-Chairs
 - g. **Safety and Security Committee** – Rob Kadota, Chair
 - h. **Historic FS 62 Ad Hoc Committee** – Rachel Swanger & Roy Persinko, Co-Chairs
 - i. **Community Outreach Committee** – Sarah Auerswald & John Kuchta, Co-Chairs
 - j. **Elections and By-laws**- Bill Koontz, chair
 - k. **Great Streets Ad Hoc Committee** – Michelle Krupkin, chair
 - l. **Aging in Place** - Sherri Akers, Tatjana Luethi & Birgitta Kastenbaum, Co-Chairs
 - m. **Homeless Issues Committee** – Robin Doyno, Chair
 10. **Discussion Calendar**
 11. **Unfinished Business** - Action items held over from previous meeting (Public comment permitted)
 12. **Grievances**, if any, received
 13. **Future agenda items**
 14. **Public Comment**
 15. **Adjournment**
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File No. **15-0843**

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to soliciting input in regard to programs and regulations that could facilitate the expansion of animal adoptions by tenants in residential rental properties.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Koretz - O'Farrell):

1. INSTRUCT the Department of Animal Services (DAS) and the Housing and Community Investment Department (HCID) to solicit input from stakeholders in the Los Angeles rental housing market in regard to approaches that could facilitate the expansion of animal adoptions by tenants in residential rental properties to include:
 - a. Programs to better inform tenants of their rights in regard to animal ownership while taking into consideration the welfare of the animals.
 - b. Concerns, in regard to both financial issues and physical property, that landlords and other tenants may have.
2. INSTRUCT the DAS and HCID to review programs and concepts in other cities to determine if their provisions should be considered as a basis for developing approaches applicable in the City of Los Angeles.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For, if amended: Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council

(Housing Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Summary:

On November 18, 2015, your Committee considered a Motion (Koretz - O'Farrell) relative to soliciting input in regard to programs and regulations that could facilitate the expansion of animal adoptions by tenants in residential rental properties. According to the Motion, more than 2 million City residents (approximately 62 percent) are tenants and estimates are that more than half the housing stock consists of rental units that do not accept companion animals. In Denver, by contrast, 98 percent of apartment communities accept cats, 93 percent accept small dogs and 66 percent accept large dogs, all without negatively impacting the perception that the city provides a high quality of life for its residents.

With the City striving to achieve "no kill" status relative to adoptable animals, reaching the goal will require encouraging and, when possible, facilitating adoptions in rental units. Doing so requires seeking and fostering cooperation and understanding between tenants and landlords with regard to companion animals. An American Humane Association survey of shelters in 93 U.S. cities has reported that "moving" is the most common reason given for pet guardians relinquishing their animals to shelters, and "landlord restrictions" ranks fourth. Data collected by the Santa Clara, CA Humane Society indicates that about 26 percent of relinquishments are due to such restrictions.

City shelters report that, since 2011, at least 22.6 percent of relinquished dogs and 18.6 percent of relinquished cats were turned in due to issues relating to tenancy restrictions. Pet guardians who have lost their homes due to economic circumstances often find themselves unable to find rental housing in which they could continue to keep their animals. In other cases landlords have, upon occasion, insisted that existing tenants get rid of their animals or face eviction. In many such cases the City's Rent Stabilization Ordinance protects the tenants, but unfortunately those tenants are not aware of their rights under the law.

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the Motion, as amended. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
KORETZ	YES
RYU	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
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