



# Mar Vista Community Council



**MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Tuesday, October 14th, 2014, at 7:00 PM Mar  
Vista Recreation Center Auditorium 11430  
Woodbine Street, Mar Vista, CA 90066

## MINUTES

### **141014-BOD-MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order and Welcome** – Chair (1 min.)
  - Meeting called to order at 7:11 p.m.
  - Quorum present – **Bill Koontz (Chair), Bill Duckett (Secretary), Bill Scheduling (Treasurer), Michael Millman, Brad Wilhite, Melissa Stoller, Michelle Krupkin, Yvette Molinaro, John Kuchta, Mitchell Rishe, Ken Alpern, and Robin Doyno**
2. **Presentation of the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance** (1 min)
3. **Approval of September 2014 Minutes (Regular Meeting and Special Meeting)** (public comment permitted) (1 min)
  - Motion by Bill Scheduling to approve. 2nd by John Kuchta. Motion carries with 10 Ayes and 1 abstentions (Melissa Stoller)**
4. **Public Comment & Announcements**--for items not on the agenda (max 1 min each unless waived by the Chair)
  - Sarah Auerswald-Mar Vista Business Association is now a chamber. On 11/29 there will be a popup (small business Saturday) encouraging shoppers to shop locally for what they did not find at the malls(concentrating on the Great Street corridor).**
  - Albert Olson-Reminding us that the Fall Festival is this Saturday and need able-bodied to help setup on Saturday morning. The honoring of the honoree will be at 12:30 p.m.**
5. **Special Presentation** – Project Facilities Staff, Mark Twain School, concerning the future Mandarin Language School (15 min)
  - Tabled until next month because feedback is still being sought**
6. **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](mailto:Len.Nguyen@lacity.org)
    - Len: Offending signs for the Farmer's Market are down and they are working on the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase for signs that go to 5 p.m. Bonin will be at Fall Festival from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Feedback is sought about the new sidewalk ordinance on October 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm at the rec center. Solar workshop MV Park Gym on 11/4 8-10 a.m.**
  - b. Mar Vista Recreation Center – Jason Kitahara, Director
    - Jason: Thanks to Fall Festival and the Hornoff family the park now has an inflatable movie screen. Golf activities have started up at the rec center. Classes on Tuesday late afternoon. Friday Halloween event on October 31st**
  - c. CD 5 – Paul Koretz, rep by Joseph Galloway,  
[joseph.galloway@lacity.org](mailto:joseph.galloway@lacity.org)
    - Joseph: Working on getting RVs off Sepulveda and street cleaning signs. Fire Department is setting up**

**a program to get smoke detectors in households.  
Westside Village Homeowners Association hosted an  
event on disaster preparedness.**

- d. US 36 – Janice Hahn  
**-No report**
  - e. CA Assembly 54-Sebastian Ridley-Thomas, rep by Scott Malsin  
[scott.malsin@assembly.ca.gov](mailto:scott.malsin@assembly.ca.gov)  
**-Scott: Promoting Prop 1 and 2. 4<sup>th</sup> year of balanced budget. 8 bills sponsored by Ridley-Thomas were passed. Proposed health form about highly infectious diseases. Encouraged to talk to Assemblyman regarding mandatory immunization and entrance and egress of carpool lanes.**
  - f. CA Senate 28 – Ted Lieu, rep. by Robert Pullen-Miles [Robert.Pullen-Miles@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Robert.Pullen-Miles@sen.ca.gov)  
**-No report:**
  - g. CA Assembly 47  
**-No report**
  - h. CA Assembly 62  
**-No report**
  - i. 2nd Dist. L. A. County Board Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas, rep. by Karly Katona, [Karly.Katona@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:Karly.Katona@bos.lacounty.gov)  
**-No report**
  - j. Mayor of Los Angeles – Eric Garcetti, rep. by Daniel Tamm  
[Daniel.tamm@lacity.org](mailto:Daniel.tamm@lacity.org)  
**-No report**
7. **Officers and Liaison** Reports (Action items included with public comment permitted, 1 min per speaker)
- a. Chair-Bill Koontz
    - i. Appoint representative for DWP MOU/LANCC  
**-Bill Koontz will do this until he can find a representative.**
  - b. First Vice Chair-Mitchell Rische  
**-No report**
  - c. Second Vice Chair-John Kuchta  
**-No report**
  - d. Secretary-Bill Duckett
    - i. **Farmer's Market Update**  
**Mar Vista stakeholders are getting to know their council through the staffing of the table and Directors are becoming quite knowledgeable on the feeling of the stakeholders.**
  - e. Treasurer-William Scheduling: NOTE: All funding motions must conform to all Empower funding guidelines and must be funded and paid in fiscal year 2014-15 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. **APPROVAL** of July, August, and September MER  
**No money in July, \$602 in August, and \$28.72 in September. They need to be re-filed.**  
**Motion to approve by Bill Scheduling and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Duckett.**  
**Motion carries unanimously.**
    - ii. **FUNDING MOTION: EXEC-FIN:** Motion to approve payment to CBS Advertising Distributors, LLC for distribution of newsletters in the amount of \$1679.00.  
**Motion to approve by Bill Scheduling and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Alpern.**  
**Motion passed unanimously.**

- iii. **FUNDING MOTION: EXEC-FIN:** Motion to revise the HNA funding to use funds for tables and chairs from ABY Rentals and not the petting zoo.  
**Friendly amendment to use the money for food and beverage accepted.**  
**Motion to approve by Bill Scheduling and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Kuchta.**  
**Motion carries unanimously.**
  - f. Mar Vista Bi Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Liaison - Linda Guagliano  
**-Linda: Next meeting is November 19<sup>th</sup> and agenda closes November 15<sup>th</sup>. Repeated what Len said about Farmers' Market signs.**
  - g. DWP MOU/LANCC Liaison-Open  
**-No report**
  - h. DWP Recycled Water Liaison-Christopher McKinnon  
[www.ladwp.com/recycledwater](http://www.ladwp.com/recycledwater)  
**-No report**
  - i. Fall Festival Liaison-Albert Olson/Yvette Molinaro  
**-Yvette: Lots and lots of auction items, great deals to be had by all.**
  - j. City Budget: John Kuchta  
**-John: Heavy lifting done by those on the regional level. Jay Handal is once again representing us at the regional level. Jay Handal was elected co-chair.**
  - k. Recode LA: Sharon Commins  
**-No report**
- 8. **Zone Director Reports**--may include motions to refer action items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable; Public comment permitted)
  - Zone 1 – Alternating between Westwood and Overland between getting the work done on the streets in lieu of the EXPO. Take precautions against auto theft which are happening quite frequently.**
  - Zone 2 – Brad Wilhite: Scarefare on October 17<sup>th</sup> at Richmond Elementary (2:30 to 8:30p.m.). Mega Garage Sale on the 25<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.**
  - Zone 3 – Bill Scheduling: Hilltop Family Picnic happened on October 11<sup>th</sup>. HNA ahs dumped a great deal of money into CERT trailer.**
  - Zone 4 – Michael Millman: Illegally parked vehicles by those parking there and going to work. Some are parking there then taking limos to LAX.**
  - Zone 5 – Michelle Krupkin: Thinking of implementing Traffic Calming on Herbert between Grandview and Inglewood. Dead crows and will contact Vector Control. Status Quo trying to get open on Grandview.**
  - Zone 6 – Valerie Davidson: No report.**
- 9. **Committee Reports & Consent Calendar** - Action items included, 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. **Executive & Finance Committee**-Bill Koontz, Chair
    - i. **ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION:** Appoint Bill Koontz, Mitchell Rishe, John Kuchta, Bill Duckett, and Bill Scheduling to have access to the City Clerk's website to upload community impact statements.  
**Motion by Ken Alpern and 2<sup>nd</sup> Michelle Krupka. Motion carries unanimously.**
  - b. **GGs 2015 AD HOC COMMITTEE**- Shelley Wiseman, chair  
**-No report**
  - c. **Recreation Open Space Enhancement Committee** – Jerry Hornof & Tom Ponton, Co-Chairs  
**-No report**
  - d. **Green Committee** – Melissa Stoller, chair & Jeanne Kuntz and Sherri Akers, Co-Chairs  
**-No report**
  - e. **Transportation & Infrastructure Committee** – Ken Alpern & Mitchell Rishe, Co-Chairs  
**-No report**
  - f. **Planning and Land Use Management Committee**-Steve Wallace & Michael Millman, Co-Chairs

- i. **POLICY MOTION: PLUM:** Motion to recommend dividing the lot at 3629 Grand View Blvd., the home of Susan Klos.  
**-Motion by John Kuchta and 2<sup>nd</sup> Michelle Krupkin. Motion carries unanimously.**
- g. **Education, Arts and Culture Committee** – Brad Wilhite, chair Sara Roos, Vice- Chair
  - i. **POLICY MOTION: EAC:** Motion to approve letter (Appendix A attached) to LAUSD District 4 Board Member, Steve Zimmer, supporting efforts to create a committee to address the needs of, and provide a voice for Title I families in LAUSD District 4.  
**Sara Roos read the letter (attached to minutes). The schools serve as feeders to Venice High per a question by Melissa Stoller.**  
**Motion to move this up on agenda made by Bill Koontz and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Kuchta. Motion carries unanimously.**  
**Motion to approve made by Brad Wilhite and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Alpern. Motion carries unanimously.**
- h. **Santa Monica Airport Committee** – Bill Duckett, chair Martin Rubin, Vice-Chair  
**-No meeting this month as committee is concentrating on recruitment of people to walk precincts in Santa Monica**
- i. **Safety and Security Committee** – Rob Kadota, Chair  
**-No report**
- j. **Historic FS 62 Ad Hoc Committee** – Rachel Swanger & Roy Persinko, Co-Chairs
- k. **Community Outreach Committee** – Bill Duckett, Chair John Kuchta, Vice-Chair  
**-If you load full email to see the link to unsubscribe.**
- l. **Elections and By-laws-** Bill Scheduling, chair
- m. **Great Streets Ad Hoc Committee** – Michelle Krupkin, chair  
**1<sup>st</sup> meeting was October 8<sup>th</sup>. Read minutes online.**
- n. **Aging in Place Ad Hoc-** Bill Duckett, chair
  - i. **POLICY MOTION: AIP AD HOC:** Motion to accept the mission statement crafted by the committee: The Mar Vista Community Council Aging in Place Ad Hoc Committee aims to provide an empowering voice and a network of resources to our diverse community of Seniors.  
**Motion by Bill Duckett and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Kuchta. All**
  - ii. **POLICY MOTION: AIP AD HOC:** Whereas the Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies with support from AARP just released a study on Housing America’s Older Adults showing that:
    - By 2030 the number of adults aged 65 to 74 will nearly double from 21.7 million in 2010 to 38.6 million
    - The typical homeowner over 65 can only afford in-home assistance for about 9 years – or 6.5 years in an assisted living residence. For renters it is much worse.
    - In 2010, there were more than 7 potential caregivers for every person in the high-risk years of 80-plus. By 2030, the projected ratio will fall to 4 people for every person 80-plus. By 2050, it is expected to further fall to less than 3 to 1.

Therefore, the Mar Vista Community Council urges Mayor Garcetti to sign the [Milken Institute Best Cities for Successful Aging Pledge](#) and make the issue of aging in place a focal point of his administration.

**-Bill Duckett offered substitute motion since the mayor has already**

**signed the pledge**

**MOTION: AIP: Mar Vista Community Council would like to thank the mayor for signing the Milken Institute Best Cities for Successful Aging pledge and ask that MVCC via the Aging In Place Ad Hoc Committee become part of the process for carrying out the pledge. Motion to approve by Bill Duckett and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Kuchta. Motion carries unanimously.**

**10. Discussion Calendar**

**11. Unfinished Business** - Action items held over from previous meeting (Public comment permitted)

**12. New Business** -(Public comment permitted)

**13. Grievances**, if any, received

**13. Future agenda items**

**14. Public Comment**

**Rose Boulos -Across the street from Palms next to the wash, trees have not been trimmed and they need it badly. It is cover for much mischief under the cover of dark.**

**15. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn at 8:56 p.m. by Michelle Krupkin and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Kuchta.**

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## APPENDIX A

[MVCC Letterhead]

[Steve Zimmer](#)

[Board Member](#)

[LAUSD District 4](#)

[steve.zimmer@lausd.net](mailto:steve.zimmer@lausd.net)

[Date]

Dear Board Member Zimmer,

The Mar Vista Community Council, on the advice of its Education, Arts and Culture Committee, supports your efforts to create a committee to address the needs of, and provide a voice for, Title I families in LAUSD District 4.

The boundaries of the Mar Vista Community Council include schools within District 4, and also some schools in District 1, including Clover Elementary School, Charnock Elementary School, and Palms Middle School.

We encourage you to reach out to and include the communities and families of these District 1 schools as part of your efforts to engage and better serve Title I families. These schools serve as feeders to Venice High School, serve the same community (and sometimes the same families) as do the District 4 schools, and should be considered part of the Venice “family” of schools.

We appreciate your consideration of this request, and we appreciate your efforts on behalf of Title I families.

Best regards,

Board of Directors, Mar Vista Community Council