

[POLCY][COMMUNITY PLAN]- Discussion and possible action regarding MVCC input on Opportunity Site at the Santa Monica Airport in the Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey Draft Community Plan.

Whereas there are 13 parcels forming a triangular area along Bundy Drive that are part of the Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey Community Plan and zoned as R1, Single family,

And whereas, these parcels that are owned by the City of Santa Monica are currently open land,

And whereas, these parcels comprise the eastern buffer zone of the Santa Monica Airport runway,

And whereas, the City of Los Angeles, and Mar Vista in particular, has not satisfied its General Plan requirement of 1 acre of Neighborhood Park for every 1000 residents,

And whereas, the current Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey Community Plan policy document states the following:

“To preserve existing open space resources and where possible develop new open space”

“Encourage the retention of passive and visual open space which provides a balance to urban development of the community”

“Views of distinctive visual resources (e.g. bluff, wetlands) will not be significantly disturbed”

And whereas, per the Santa Monica City Attorney and the official Santa Monica Airport map, the parcels are part of the Santa Monica Airport,

And whereas, the disposition of Santa Monica Airport land is governed by Santa Monica measure LC,

And whereas, measure LC stipulates that airport land can only be used for park, recreational or educational uses,

And whereas, in 2013, the Mar Vista Community Council, issued an official statement of support for the Airport 2 Park proposal to transform the Santa Monica Airport land into a Great Park,

Therefore be it resolved, that the Mar Vista Community Council feels that it would be poor planning to ignore the dictates of Measure LC and zone the parcels to encourage development, and requests that no zoning changes be made to the parcels, and /or the parcels should be rezoned as Open Space.

Be it further resolved, that the Mar Vista Community Council requests that it be copied on any inter-city communication between Santa Monica and Los Angeles regarding any discussions about the Santa Monica Municipal Airport (SMO).