

Public Health and Safety Committee
Windward School Conference Room 1030, Building C
11350 Palms Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90066
Thursday September 13, 2018 6pm-8pm

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Introductions – Nine stakeholders were present, including co-chairs.
2. Public Comment / Announcements. Stakeholders present expressed concerns about:
 - a. Hazards posed by Torrance refineries.
 - b. Homeless encampments marked by drug deals, loitering, and aggressive behavior.
 - c. Problems caused by the road diet on Venice Boulevard, for example, speeding down cut-through streets.
 - d. The need for a health fair about flu and other public health issues.
 - e. Noise on East Boulevard.
 - f. The noise from garbage trucks picking up garbage at 5am.
 - g. Poor response times of LA Police Department.
 - h. Lack of public civility, even racist threatening of others.
 - i. Fuel ash from Santa Monica and LA Airports.
 - j. Need for better lighting and visibility in some MV neighborhoods.
 - k. Need for greater availability of the City Attorney Neighborhood Prosecutor.
 - l. Need for more representatives on the CHPS, for the CHPS to be more representative of the diversity of MV, and for residents to be able to participate in CHPS decisions. To help with this the CHPS could consider publicizing meetings in *The Argonaut*.
 - m. Bicycle safety vis-à-vis motorized vehicles.
 - n. Create a subcommittee for block captains and Neighborhood Watch.
3. Review and Approval of Past Meeting Minutes – none.
4. Standing Reports and Updates from Sub Committees
 - a. Aging In Place Sub-Committee and Speaker Series
 - b. Bike Mar Vista Sub-Committee Updates
 - i. Let's All Ride Mar Vista (a new club developed by MVNA) – hosted ride to Ballona Creek from MV Library Sat. Sept. 29th at 8:30.
 - ii. Bike West LA Calendar of Events – LACBC Bike Ambassadors
 - iii. Forgotten History of Venice bike ride hosted by Metro and LACBC this Sunday.
 1. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/best-ride-forgotten-history-of-venice-tickets-49055783168?aff=efbevent>
 - iv. Feeder ride to Experience Elenda Ave in Culver City
 - v. Feeder ride to Expo line to join CicLAVia Sunday, Sept. 30th
 - vi. Safe Cycling and Safety Fair at MV Elementary
 - c. Emergency Preparedness Sub-Committee News
 - i. Ready Your LA Neighborhood (RYLAN)/Map Your NeigMap Your Neighborhood
 - ii. Great CA Shake Out – Oct. 18th
 - iii. Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair – Sept. 29th

d. Homeless Issues Sub-Committee Developments

5. Old Business – None

6. **New Business**

- a. Administrative Motion - Selection of presiding Chair for Public Health and Safety Committee (Kenneth Frese or Rob Kadota). **Rob Kadota was selected as presiding Chair without objection.**
- b. Administrative Motion to nominate Kenneth Frese to be MVCC liaison to Resilient LA planning efforts. **Approved without objection.**
- c. Administrative Motion - Review and approval of Public Health and Safety Committee mission statement. **Tabled until the next meeting.**
- i. The MVCC Public Health and Safety Committee is committed to Building a more resilient Los Angeles starts with addressing the needs of our most vulnerable populations and neighborhoods. Too often, those who are least equipped to handle the effects of catastrophic events end up suffering the most. And empowering our most vulnerable —children, immigrants, and lowerincome residents, among others —is not just about emergency preparedness. It is about directly addressing those underlying daily stresses — such as poverty, financial security, and affordable housing —and ensuring that all Angelenos feel safe and secure in their daily lives. It also means bringing neighbors together to strengthen our collective resources and social bonds and innovating creative solutions along the way. Our proposed actions are about building resilience to both the impacts of unexpected catastrophic events and chronic underlying stresses.
1. Safe and Thriving Angelenos
 2. Strong and Connected Neighborhoods
 3. Prepared and Responsive City
 4. Pioneering and Collaborative Partner
- <https://www.lamayor.org/sites/g/files/wph446/f/page/file/Resilient%20Los%20Angel.es.pdf>
- d. Administrative Motion
- i. Request at least one representative from each Zone/Neighborhood Assoc. to support and encourage disaster preparedness efforts of the Emergency Prep Sub Committee. **Approved without objection.**
- e. Funding Motion – \$1000 for a Neighborhood Purpose Grant for Pacific LAPD Winter Wonderland 2018 Toy Give Away event. **Approved without objection.**
- f. Funding Motion – Allocation of \$300 for refreshments for CERT training classes hosted in Mar Vista. **Approved without objection.**
- g. Funding Motion – Allocation of \$500 for the purchase of basic first aid supplies to encourage stakeholders to develop more their own grab and go disaster kits. Participants will be able to assemble a basic first aid kit using small reusable plastic bags and provided supplies along with disaster prep kits. **Approved without objection.**
- h. Funding Motion – Allocation of \$1500 for the purchase of high visibility vests that can be used by kids and adults while walking, running, scooting or cycling. These promotional items would be distributed at safety education events that encourage people to be more aware of their surrounding and be less distracted and more visible to cars and others when in public. **Approved without objection.**

- i. Funding Motion – Allocation of \$100 for each Zone in MVCC (\$600 total) to host Coffee with a Cop events in their areas. Funding will require support from local neighborhood association either in staffing, promotion and/or funding of the event. If there is not a viable neighborhood partner this expectation can be waived. **Approved with conditions: Local, California-based coffee vendors are preferred; no Styrofoam is to be used.**
 - j. Public Health and Safety Events and Outreach Opportunities
 - i. Safe Cycling and Safety Fair at Mar Vista Elementary School
 - ii. Small Business Saturday and Mar Vista Art Walk Santa Sleigh Stop
 - iii. Outreach at MV Farmers Market by Emer Prep Sub-Committee to promote the Great CA Shakeout.
 - iv. Cycling Savvy Workshop Oct. 1st at El Segundo Public Library
 - v. Bike/Walk to School Day
 - k. Homelessness options and opportunities in Mar Vista – Discussion
 - l. Development of SMART Goals for Committee - Initial Brainstorm below:
 - i. Block captain on every block.
 - ii. Neighborhood watch meetings are conducted at least once every other year for every block.
 - iii. Regional CERT trailers and trained citizens in all parts of Mar Vista
 - iv. Host at least one CERT class annually in Mar Vista.
 - v. Development and dissemination of emergency plans and community contacts with with local LAPD/LAFD
 - vi. Enhancement of partnership and support of Historic FS 62 project and program.
 - vii. OTHERS
7. Possible future agenda items
- a. Cool blocks Sustainability Program – www.coolblock.org
 - b. Presentation to MVCC BOD re: Resilient LA program
 - i. <http://www.resilience.la/#intro>
 - ii. <https://www.lamayor.org/Resilience>
 - c. Have the MV LAPD Senior Lead Officer or the District Attorney’s representative at LAPD Pacific Division headquarters be present at CHPS meetings at least half of the time.
 - d. Regular presentations at CHPS meetings by the Red Cross on emergency preparedness, with possible demonstrations of helping activities like CPR.
 - e. An agenda item every meeting about crime, public safety, emergency preparedness, or public health.
 - f. Discussion of issues concerning homelessness in MV.
 - g. Sponsorship of a health fair in MV (with Red Cross volunteer nurses).
 - h. Sponsorship of ritualized engagement activities to help MV residents get better acquainted, for example, monthly events where people eat together. An example, info@TRAASouthBay.com.
8. Public Comment
9. Next meeting: October 11 (second Thursday); 6pm; Windward School Conference Room 1030, Building C, 11350 Palms Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90066
10. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,
 Kenneth W. Frese
 Co-Chair, Committee on Health and Public Safety