

**Mar Vista Community Council
Santa Monica Airport Subcommittee**

Minutes

October 10, 2007, 6-8 PM
Mar Vista Public Library

The first meeting of MVCC SMAC was called to order by Committee Chair, Albert Olson at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, October 10, 2007, at Mar Vista Public Library, 12006 Venice Blvd.

Roll Call

Present:

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| 1. Marianne Brown | 7. Janice Francois | 13. Babak Nahid |
| 2. Kelly Cunningham | 8. Dorothy Garven | 14. Albert Olson |
| 3. Walt Davie | 9. Colin Hatton | 15. Gwen Rinehart |
| 4. Kim Drobny | 10. Nick Juarez | 16. Martin Rubin |
| 5. Virginia Ernst | 11. Betty Juarez | 17. Bill Scheduling |
| 6. Bob Fitzpatrick | 12. Ken Marsh | |

Absent:None

Guest:None

Convene/Call to order Chair Albert Olson called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm

Approval of Minutes

Not applicable

Consent Calendar

All items were considered and approved in one motion unless removed by the chair for discussion.

Motion

- 1 (Item V) **Mission:** Chair moved to approve the mission of MVCC SMAC. After some discussion and revisions, mission was approved unanimously.

Recognizing that many neighborhoods within the MVCC borders are located either directly under the flight paths of, or immediately adjacent to, or impacted by, the Santa Monica Airport, it is the mission of the MVCC Santa Monica Airport Sub-Committee to

- 1) Investigate and research the ongoing health, safety, environmental, monetary, and quality-of-life issues created by the activities of the Santa Monica Airport,**
- 2) Search, and advocate, for solutions to these issues,**
- 3) Provide a framework in which MVCC stakeholders can interact with and support other community organizations involved in similar pursuits,**

4) Encourage Los Angeles city officials to take part in the search for solutions to the above mentioned issues

5) Communicate to the City of Santa Monica the concerns of Mar Vista and West Los Angeles residents with regards to the Santa Monica Airport

6) Educate state and federal officials to the health and safety issues with regards the Santa Monica Airport , and encourage legislative and administrative action at the state and federal level of government on these issues.

(Item VI) **Organization and procedures of committee:** Discussion of:

- 1) Definition of committee member with voting rights as any stakeholder who attends a committee meeting,
- 2) All actions taken by committee are then presented to the MVCC Board of Directors. If approved by the Board, they then become actions of the Board. In other words, the committee functions in an advisory way to the Board.

(Item VI) **Officer election:** Chair Albert Olson suggested we elect a Vice-chair and Secretary as officers of the sub-committee. The committee voted, with one abstention, to elect Mr. Martin Rubin as Vice-chair, and unanimously voted to elect Mr. Babak Nahid as Secretary.

(VIII) **SMCC letter of support:** Chair Olson's recommends that the MVCC Board send the following letter to Santa Monica City Council:

Whereas the Mar Vista Community Council and its stakeholders are very concerned about the possibility of a catastrophic accident in our neighborhoods in the event of a jet aircraft's mishap during takeoff or landing,

The MVCC therefore strongly supports efforts by the Santa Monica City Council to conform usage of the Santa Monica Airport to the Category A and B aircraft, which the Airport was designed to accommodate.

Furthermore, the MVCC strongly encourages the Santa Monica City Council to pursue all state and federal legislative means to also accomplish that goal, and offers our full support in that endeavor.

It was moved and seconded, and unanimously passed.

Reports/Discussion	(Item VII): Martin Rubin presented on the SM City Council Staff Report; "Implementation of Safety Enhancements at the SM Airport" and on the Oct. 9 SM City Council Meeting
Tabled for next session	Items IX (letters pf commendation to public officials), X (Discussion of sub-committee's goals), XI (public comment), XII (future agenda items) were tabled until next meeting.
Next meeting	Wed., November 7, 2007 6-8 PM, Mar Vista Public Library
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned 7:55 pm