

Mar Vista Community Council



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

GREAT STREETS AD HOC COMMITTEE Wednesday, January 14th, 6:30 to 8:00 pm Mar Vista Library 12006 Venice Blvd., Mar Vista, CA 90066 (SW corner of Venice and Inglewood Blvds.)

Minutes

- 1. Called To Order at 6:40pm
- 2. Introductions and Public Comments for items not on the agenda (2 minutes)
- 3. Motion to approve November 2014 minutes (2 minutes) passed.

4. Reports

- a. Great Streets Program brief definition –Michelle Krupkin
 Project Site Venice Boulevard from Beethoven to Inglewood
 3-5 year project to complete
 Venice Blvd. is the first of 5 projects to be completed
 CD11 want to focus on nodes, or clusters where there are businesses.
- Report from Sarah Auerswald: the Mar Vista Chamber of Commerce: Businesses on Venice should have input. One big idea: Mid-Block Cross walk between Grand View and Centinela Blvds. Larchmont Ave. as a possible Model.

5. New Business

a. Steven Katigbak, along with Renata Ooms and Conni Pallini-Tipton of the LA Department of City Planning, discussed the Westside Mobility Plan (WMP) as it relates to Great Streets in West LA and Venice Blvd. in Mar Vista. Handouts on the WMP with FAQs and overviews were given out. There was discussion of the 6 study areas including: Transportation Demand Model, Mobility & Rail Connectivity Study, Parking Study, Costal Transportation Corridor, West LA Transportation and Livable Boulevards. There was also discussion of the Urban Design and Streetscapes report of the 5 West LA street sections. There will be a formal outreach for Venice Blvd. similar to the Del Rey Centinela section, possibly as part of the CD11 Jan 25 event. Streetscapes functions to document planning and vision so other city departments can implement community needs.

- b. MOVED TO February 11 2015 Meeting: USC Graduate Urban Planning Program discussion of their CD11 Great Streets Venice Blvd. project.
- c. MOVED TO February 11 2015 Meeting: Discussion of MVCC Great Streets Ad Hoc Committee survey results.
- d. Public Comment: Sherri Akers discussed the MILK Institute Silver Tsunami agreement must make LA good for aging and keep in forefront for Great Streets. She also discussed the idea of the city offering possible rebates for removing sidewalk and placing with hardscape for storm water capture.

Len Nguyen from CD 11 discussed and promoted the upcoming January 25 CD 11 event and corresponding survey. Good results from the Jan 17 event already, hoping for more from Jan. 25.

Tracey Corrine, mosaics artist, discusses possible art projects for GS Venice Blvd. including the possibility of using streetlights and utility boxes as targets for art grants. Discussion of art projects throughout city, such as WeHo Neon Art Project, Beverly Hills High Mural Project.

There was discussion of way station signs similar to those from the Nov. 29 2014 American Express's Small Business Saturday event, designed by Lenore French.

- e. Future Agenda Items- discussion of the upcoming CD11 Great Streets open House on January 25 and survey.
- f. Adjournment 7:57 p.m.