

Mar Vista Community Council



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

GREAT STREETS AD HOC COMMITTEE Wednesday April 11 2018 6:30 to 7:45 pm Mar Vista Library 12006 Venice Blvd., Mar Vista, CA 90066 (SW corner of Venice and Inglewood Blvds.) Co-Chair: Michelle Krupkin Co-Chair: Rob Kadota

AGENDA

- 1. Call To Order and Welcome Chair (1 min.) acting chair: Michelle Krupkin
- 2. Introductions and Public Comments (for items not on the agenda) (2 minutes)
- 3. Motion to approve recent Great Streets minutes (5 15 minutes)
- 4. Reports (5 Minutes)
 - a. Great Streets Program brief definition-Michelle Krupkin, MV Community Council. Mayor Eric Garcetti launched the Great Streets Initiative to help re-imagine neighborhood centers, one main street at a time. All of our great neighborhoods deserve Great Streets that are livable, accessible, and engaging public spaces for people. Full info at http://lagreatstreets.org/what-we-do Goals:
 - Increased Economic Activity
 - Improved Access and Mobility
 - Enhanced Neighborhood Character
 - Greater Community Engagement
 - Improved Environmental Resilience
 - Safer and More Secure Communities
 - Improved Public Health
 - b. CD11 Field Deputy Hannah Levien will attend to discuss the CD11 Great Streets projects.
 - c. Lenore French, GCI Communications, will give an overview of the March 1 2018 Mar Vista Art Walk and a preview of the upcoming June 7 Mar Vista Art Walk.
- 5. Old Business (15-30 minutes)
 - Policy Motions (30 minutes)

a. Support of Mar Vista Stakeholder's Great Streets Venice Blvd. California Public Records Act request WHEREAS the Great Streets - Venice Blvd pilot project was implemented on May 20, 2017; and

- WHEREAS Mar Vista and Venice Blvd. stakeholders have voiced ongoing concerns about the planning, implementation and evaluation of said pilot project; and
- WHEREAS the Mar Vista Community Council had passed 3 different motions in July, September and October calling for the pilot project data from LADOT, Councilman Bonin's office and the Great Streets Initiative in Mayor Garcetti's office; and
- WHEREAS a California Public Records Act request was filed on behalf of the community by a Mar Vista stakeholder on August 8, 2017 requesting pilot project data from LADOT, Councilman Bonin's office and the Great Streets Initiative in Mayor Garcetti's office; and
- WHEREAS to date, this request has not been fulfilled by LADOT; and
- WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Mar Vista Community Council to facilitate the delivery of City services and City government responses to Mar Vista stakeholders requests for assistance and information;

NOW, THEREFORE, be in resolved that the Mar Vista Community Council will submit a letter in support of the stakeholder's August 8, 2017 California Public Records Act request, demanding that LADOT provide for inspection all of the information requested immediately and without further delay.

STATUS UPDATE: TABLED at the March 13 2018 MVCC BOD Meeting. Due to be heard at the April 11 2018 MVCC BOD Meeting

b. LADOT/CD 11 Great Streets - Venice Blvd Townhall meeting WHEREAS, the Venice Blvd. "Great Street" pilot project was implemented on May 20, 2017; and

- WHEREAS, the pilot project included removing one traffic lane in each direction to install a curbside protected bike lane, a buffer/loading zone and reconfigured on-street parking; and
- WHEREAS, Mar Vista and Venice Blvd. stakeholders have voiced ongoing concerns about perceived negative impacts of pilot project, including:
- 1) Gridlock on Venice Blvd.,
- 2) Cut through traffic onto residential streets adjacent to Venice Blvd,
- 3) A negative increase in emergency response times for LAFD and LAPD because of the gridlock,
- 4) An increase accidents on Venice Blvd and adjacent streets due to gridlock and cut through traffic,
- 5) Safety concerns about the protected bike lane, including reduced visibility and an increase in points of conflict between cars and bicycles.
- 6) An increase in bicycle vs. car accidents,
- 7) A lack of sidewalk improvements,
- 8) A lack of involvement of persons with disabilities in the planning and implementation phases of the project,
- 9) An ongoing lack of transparency in the planning, implementation and evaluation of this pilot project,
- 10) A lack of pre- and post-implementation data provided to the community from LADOT and Council District 11; and
- WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Mar Vista Community Council to monitor the delivery of City services to the community; and
- WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Mar Vista Community Council to facilitate the delivery of City services and City government responses to the community's requests for assistance and information; and
- THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Mar Vista Community Council will sent a letter forthwith to LADOT and Councilman Mike Bonin's office demanding a Town Hall meeting be held post haste on this issue, to present information, gather feedback, and address the concerns of Mar Vista and Venice Blvd stakeholders about the Great Streets Venice Blvd pilot project.

STATUS UPDATE: TABLED at the February 14 2018 Great Streets Ad Hoc Committee meeting.

- 6. Public Comment
- 7. Future Agenda Items
- 8. Adjournment

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