

Renters' Subcommittee with the Board of Directors

Saturday, December 5, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order at 2:07pm
2. Announcements

Board of Directors is taking place Tuesday the 8th.

Friends of Historic Fire Station 62 is making an effort to create a community center and is interested to hear from stakeholders in the community who may be interested in supporting the effort and who could make use of community space. Rob Kadota (Current MVCC board member) is involved in this initiative if anyone is interested.

3. Public Comment for Items NOT on This Agenda

Kalani commented that she is moving and has noticed that it is hard to find quality movers. It would be helpful to provide guidance for renters on how to stay safe in COVID with moving and to potentially identify movers that meet any safety guidelines. Her landlord is asking that movers have insurance coverage for COVID and also requiring that she have renters insurance before moving in.

4. Reading and Approval of Minutes from previous meeting - November 21th, 2020

Reading is waved; please email Tyler.Laferriere@marvista.org to give comments on the minutes (see subcommittee page on MarVista.org)

5. Unfinished Business and General Orders

5.1 RECAP: Stay Housed LA

Reminder to visit stayhousedla.org, an Los Angeles County-sponsored resource for tenants in COVID-19-related crisis .

5.2 RECAP: Call for Volunteers

The Renters Subcommittee is seeking volunteers to canvas the neighborhood, with proper safety social distancing, mask-wearing and other safety precautions being observed, in order to distribute flyers (as soon as they are printed) to advertise for the January 16th, 2020 Renters' Subcommittee meeting concerning eviction protections for residential and commercial renters in Mar Vista. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact either Co-Chair Bickteron or Co-Chair

Laferriere via email. A Google Forms sign-up sheet is available at this link:
<https://forms.gle/GTgSHtGqVCkbABx99>

Kalani commented that she can ask Palms NC to post the flyer and when she moves, she will be leaving Mar Vista NC and transitioning to Westside NC instead.

Kalani asked where posters will be distributed. Tyler responded that in addition to posting at apartment buildings, and will also put at bulletin boards and will be posting large format posters at the farmer's market.

Kalani stated that adhering to COVID restrictions makes it hard to get turnout. Please be careful if doing anything in person and remember to wear gloves, face mask and face shield if possible. Tyler said he will be looking at Census safety guidelines since that type of canvassing will be similar.

6. New Business

6.1 Request for Action: Motion asking LA City Council to extend the eviction moratorium in the City of LA

Tyler has proposed a motion to be presented to the MVCC Board of Directors at its December 8th, 2020 meeting, requesting Councilmembers Bonin and Koretz to introduce a motion extending the eviction moratorium for renters in the City of Los Angeles until June 30th, 2021, given the Safer-at-Home order issued by Los Angeles County and effective from November 30th to December 20th and new surge in COVID-19 cases.

Stacy has said that she will propose this as a Board of Director's Motion for the 12/8 BoD meeting.

Kalani proposed an amendment to the motion to include concerns about food insecurity.

With the amendment, motion was passed 3-0.

6.2 Housing Element Update for the City of Los Angeles

Discussion and possible action concerning the commencement of the update of the Housing Element of the the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles, which is currently concluding its visioning phase. Set for implementation in 2021, this update is required by the state every eight years and is meant to demonstrate the City has sufficient capacity to accommodate the number of housing units identified in the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA).

7. Final comments

Kalani asked what to do if volunteers don't sign up to help promote the January meeting. Tyler has a list of stakeholders to contacts about it. Annie commented that she hopes we will get the support of MVCC BoD members. Kalani commented that we should map out our reach for promotion; Tyler commented that he has mapped out where multifamily buildings are located. Krishna will be helping promote in Zone 7 where there are a lot of renters. Tyler will tackle UCLA and apts near Sawtelle/Sepulveda. Annie will focusing on apt buildings near Inglewood and Washington Place.

8. Adjourned at 6:44