



# Mar Vista Community Council



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Board of Directors

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Wednesday, April 20, 2022 from 6:30pm - 9:00pm

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:34 pm**
- 2. ROLL CALL WITH EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (3 MINUTES)** - Roll Call shall include each board member declaring any ex parte communications outside of their duties and conflicts of interest pertaining to items on or related to this agenda. – All present, except for Ruesch, who had an excused absence. No board member present claimed any ex parte communications outside of their MVCC duties or conflicts of interest. [Rodriguez joined meeting at 6:42 pm] [Ruesch joined meeting at 7:23 pm]
- 3. WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMUNITY MEMORIAL OBSERVATIONS**
- 4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (5 MINUTES)** - See Supporting Documents for details
  - 4.1.** March 16, 2022 – Moved by Rubin, seconded by Laferriere. Approved without objection.
  - 4.2.** March 30, 2022 – Moved by Rubin, seconded by Laferriere. Approved without objection.
- 5. GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES UPDATES (15 MINUTES)** - Timely information from and interaction with elected officials/representatives or city agents regarding matters affecting Mar Vista. – Palms Neighborhood Council/ Budget Advocate, Kay Hartman; Mayor Garcetti's West Area Representative, Vishesh Anand; DONE (Department of Neighborhood Empowerment) representative, Marilú Guevara.
- 6. SPECIAL ORDERS**
  - 6.1.[ADMINISTRATIVE][EXFIN] FY2021-2022 Budget Adjustments** - Discussion and possible action regarding adjustments to the FY 2021-2022 budget.– Moved by Rubin, seconded by Laferriere. Approved without objection.
- 7. CONSENT CALENDAR (5 MINUTES)** - Items deemed to be routine, non-controversial. Any director may ask a clarifying question instead of or before pulling item(s). - SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS – Moved by Marton, seconded by Rubin. Approved without objection.

**7.1. [ADMINISTRATIVE][EXFIN] Monthly Expenditure Report** - Discussion and possible action regarding the most recent Monthly Expenditure Report(s) [MER] - March 2022

**7.2.[FUNDING] FRIENDS OF THE MAR VISTA LIBRARY NEIGHBORHOOD PURPOSE GRANT (NPG)** - Discussion and possible action regarding a Neighborhood Purpose Grant in the amount of \$3,100 to the Friends of the Mar Vista Library to “replace heavily used children’s books”, purchase a “Literature holder for lobby”, and a “revolving dictionary displayer” for the Mar Vista Library.

**7.3.[FUNDING][T&I] EXPENDITURE FOR MAR VISTA STUMP/TREE REMOVAL** - Discussion and possible action regarding an expenditure, not to exceed, \$3,500 for the Bureau of Street Services, Urban Forestry Division to remove stumps/trees from the Mar Vista area.

**7.4.[POLICY] MAR VISTA POSTAL SERVICE DELAYS** - Discussion and possible action regarding the inadequate mail services for residences and businesses of Mar Vista.

## **8. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

**9. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS (90 MINUTES)** - *Discussion must be confined to the merits of the motion, focus on issues, not personalities, avoid questioning motives, and remember our job is to represent Mar Vista, not our personal or political agenda - READ SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND COME PREPARED.*

### **9.1.UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**9.1.1.[POLICY][T&I] Letter of Support for LAPD Action [Clerical Correction]** - During the March Board meeting, there was discussion and action regarding the LAPD’s action on March 1, 2022 that adopted a policy placing limits on officers conducting pretextual traffic and pedestrian stops. The final vote count for the amended motion was 10 to 2 (Rubin, Tilson), 3 abstentions (Honda, Rodriguez, Wheeler). However, the motion went from Public Comments to Board Comments without being moved or seconded. Therefore, the motion of this agenda item is for the *Letter of Support for LAPD Action* motion to be moved, seconded, and reaffirmation of the March final vote count. – Moved by Marton, seconded by Rubin. Approved without objection.

*[Ruesch joined meeting at 7:23 pm]*

### **9.2.NEW BUSINESS**

**9.2.1.[POLICY][PLUM] Whole Foods Application for License Type Change with Operating and Delivery Hours Extensions** - Discussion and possible action regarding Whole Foods’ application to change the liquor license from a Type 20 (off-site sale of beer and wine) to a Type 21 (off-site sale of beer, wine, & distilled spirits) in conjunction with changing current operating hours *from 7am to 10pm daily to 6am to 12am daily*; and extend current delivery hours on weekdays until 9pm and on weekends change *from 10am to 4pm to 7am to 9pm*. – Motion to amend by opposing Whole Foods application unless delivery hours on weekends start at 10am instead of 7am. Made by Wheeler, seconded by Rubin, failed 12 to 2 (Rubin, Wheeler), 1 abstention (Tilson), abstentions do not count in vote tally.

Original motion moved by Laferriere, seconded by Marton. Approved 12 to 2 (Rubin, Wheeler), 1 abstention (Tilson); abstentions do not count in the vote tally.

**9.2.2.[POLICY][PHS & HOMELESS] Request for the Enforcement of LAMC 41.18** - Discussion and possible action in support of a request to enforce LAMC 41.18 in Mar Vista. LAMC 41.18, in part, requires that, "No person shall obstruct a street, sidewalk, or other public right-of-way." The Los Angeles City Council approved LAMC 41.18 for the "public's health, safety, and welfare." – Moved by Rubin, seconded by Rodriguez. Approved 10 to 3 (Blakey, Myhra, Sharma) with 2 abstentions (Greenwald, Laferriere); abstentions do not count in the vote tally.

**9.2.3.[POLICY][PLUM] Community Impact Statement (CIS) in Opposition to CF 22-0280** - Discussion and possible action in opposition to [Council File 22-0280](#) which, in part, "prohibits landlords from, at any time or by any means, whether direct or indirect, inquiring about an applicant's criminal history...or taking adverse action based...on an applicant's criminal history." – Moved by Marton, seconded by Laferriere. Approved 10 to 3 (Blakey, Myhra, Sharma) with 2 abstentions (Paul, Rodriguez); abstentions do not count in the vote tally.

**9.2.4.[POLICY][PLUM] Community Impact Statement (CIS) in Support of CF 22-0277** - Discussion and possible action in support of [Council File 22-0277](#) which, in part, is to "instruct and authorize LAHD to AMEND the existing contract (C-136109) with Cask NX, LLC for the amount of \$750,000 and extend the end date to June 30, 2023, for upgrades associated with the Rent Registry Program..." – Moved by Rubin, seconded by Laferriere. Approved without objection.

## 10. REPORTS (20 MINUTES)

### 10.1. Officer Reports

- Chair: Kathryn Wheeler – Given
- Vice-Chair: Andrew Marton
- 2nd Vice-Chair: Jordan Paul
- Secretary: Charlene Samiley
- Treasurer: Drew Ruesch

*[Ruesch left meeting at 8:34 pm]*

### 10.2. Zone Director Reports

- Zone 1: Tyler Laferriere – Given
- Zone 2: Martin Rubin – Given
- Zone 3: Andrew Marton – Given
- Zone 4: Jennifer Rafeedie – Given
- Zone 5: Drew Ruesch
- Zone 6: Holly Tilson – Given
- Zone 7: Faith Myhra

### 10.3. Committee Reports

- Elections & Bylaws: Martin Rubin, Chair – Given
- Outreach: Carolyn Honda, Chair – Given
- PHS & Homeless: Andrew Marton, Chair – Given

- Planning & Land Use Management (PLUM): Drew Ruesch, Chair – Given by Laferriere
- Transportation & Infrastructure (T&I): Jordan Paul, Chair – Given
- Ad-Hoc Committees: – Given by Rubin
  - Educational Election Event

**11. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA (10 MINUTES)** - 1 minute per speaker, if time permits.

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**12. ADJOURNMENT – 8:59pm**

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