

Bylaws of the MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Neighborhood Council membership is open to all Stakeholders. A "Stakeholder" shall be defined as any individual who:

- (1) Lives, works, or owns real property within the boundaries of the Neighborhood Council; or
- (2) Is a Community Interest Stakeholder, defined as an individual who is a member of or participates in a Community Organization within the boundaries of the Neighborhood Council.

A "Community Organization" is an entity that has continuously maintained a physical street address within the boundaries of the neighborhood council for not less than one year, and that performs ongoing and verifiable activities and operations that confer some benefit on the community within the boundaries of the neighborhood council. A for-profit entity shall not qualify as a Community Organization. Examples of Community Organizations may include Chambers of Commerce, houses of worship or other faith-based organizations, educational institutions, or non-profit organizations.

[The definition of "Stakeholder" and its related terms are defined by City Ordinance and cannot be changed without City Council action. See Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 22.801.1]

Article V GOVERNING BOARD
Section 1: Composition

Number of Directors: The Board shall be comprised of sixteen (16) Directors, including the five (5) officers described in Article V. Of the sixteen (16) Directors, one (1) shall be elected "Community" Director, one (1) shall be elected "Youth" Director, seven (7) shall be elected "At-large" Directors and seven (7) shall be elected "Zone" Directors.

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Youth Director: Candidates for Youth Director must be Mar Vista Stakeholders and at least fourteen (14) years of age and no more than seventeen (17) years of age, at the time of election or selection.

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Section 11: Community Outreach

The goals and objectives of the MVCC regarding Community Outreach are:

A. To develop a system of ongoing communication with Stakeholders regarding current and upcoming projects, issues and events;

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B. to encourage Stakeholder participation in MVCC activities;

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C. to notify Stakeholders about the NPG process and the amount of remaining funds available; and

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D. to interact with other neighborhood councils on issues of mutual concern and participate in citywide neighborhood conventions.

For further information, see the Standing Rules of the MVCC

Article VII COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

Section 1: Standing Committees

Standing committees may include, but shall not be limited to the:

- A. Education, Arts and Culture Committee (EACC)
- B. Elections and Bylaws Committee (Elections/Bylaws)
- C. Executive/Budget and Finance Committee (ExFin)
- D. Outreach Committee
- E. Planning and Land Use Management Committee (PLUM)
- F. Public Health and Safety Committee (PHS)
- G. Transportation, Infrastructure and Sustainability Committee (TIS)

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Article X ELECTIONS
Section 1: Administration of Election

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Election of Directors: The MVCC'S Election of Directors shall occur based on a two year cycle and shall be conducted pursuant to City ordinances and procedures pertaining to Neighborhood Council elections.

Section 2: Governing Board Structure and Voting

- A. The "Community" Director shall be elected by all Stakeholders as defined in Article IV.
- B. The "At-large" Directors shall be elected by Stakeholders who live, work, or own real property or a business within the stated boundaries of the MVCC; and
- C. The "Zone" Directors shall be elected only by Stakeholders who live, work, or own real property or a business within their respective stated geographic Zone boundaries.

For further information, see the Standing Rules of the MVCC.

See Attachment B – Governing Board Structure and Voting.

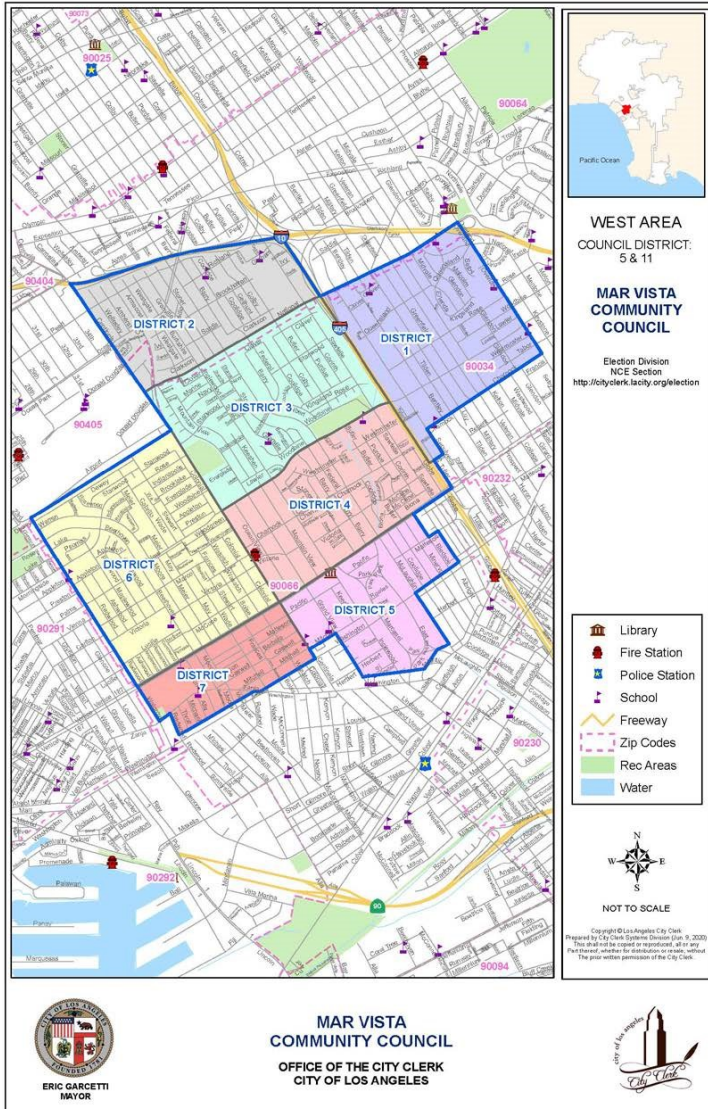
Section 3: Minimum Voting Age

Except with respect to a Youth Director Seat, a stakeholder must be at least 16 years of age on the day of the election or selection to be eligible to vote. To vote for a Youth Director a stakeholder must be at least 14 years of age. [See Admin. Code §§ 22.814(a) and 22.814(c)]

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ATTACHMENT A – Map of Mar Vista Community Council



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Mar Vista Community Council – 16 Board Seats

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BOARD POSITION	# OF SEATS	ELECTED OR APPOINTED?	ELIGIBILITY TO RUN FOR THE SEAT	ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE FOR THE SEAT
Zone Directors (Zones 1-7) Term: 2 Years	7	Elected	Stakeholders 18 years or older who live, work or own real property or a business within the respective stated geographic boundaries of a Zone and who obtain signatures in support of his/her candidacy from 20 MVCC Stakeholders eligible to vote for the candidate.	Stakeholders 16 years or older who live, work or own real property or a business within the respective stated geographic boundaries of a Zone.
At-Large Directors Term: 2 Years	7	Elected	Stakeholders 18 years or older who live, work or own real property or a business within the stated boundaries of the MVCC and obtain 20 signatures of MVCC Stakeholders to support his/her candidacy.	Stakeholders 16 years or older who live, work or own real property or a business within the stated boundaries of the MVCC.
Community Director Term: 2 Years	1	Elected	Stakeholders 18 years or older who live, work or own real property in the neighborhood and also Community Interest Stakeholders who obtain 20 signatures of MVCC Stakeholders to support his/her candidacy.	Stakeholders 16 years or older.
Youth Director Term: 2 Years	1	Elected	Stakeholders between 14 and 17 years of age who live, work or own real property in the neighborhood.	Stakeholders 14 years or older.

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