



# MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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## MEETING AGENDA - MINUTES

Board of Directors

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Thursday, August 15th, 2024 from 7:00pm - 10:00pm

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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#### SB 411 Updates:

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(i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph , to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment

separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL WITH EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - 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.*

*Honda - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Rafeedie - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Kopelow - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Marton - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Ruesch - ex parte communication of artwork on agenda 12.2, emails from stakeholders*

*Clausen - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Peterson - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Ahmadyveasi- present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Paddock - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Samiley - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Meuser - Figone present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Figone - present, no conflicts, no ex-parte*

*Not present: Greenwald, Rubin, Wheeler*

	<b>Roll call</b>	<b>Ex Parte</b>	<b>Conflicts</b>
Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
(Z7) Derl Clausen	PRESENT	NONE	NONE

(Z1) Kelsey Figone	PRESENT	NONE	n
Shaia Greenwald - At Large	NP	N/A	N/A
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
Greg Kopelow - At Large	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
(Z3) Andrew Marton	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
Jakob Meuser - At Large	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
Steve Paddock - At Large	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
April Peterson - At Large	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
(Z2) Martin Rubin	NP	N/A	N/A
		12.2 Emails with CD11 and various membe rs of the commu nity	
(Z5) Drew Ruesch	PRESENT		NONE
Charlene Samiley - At Large	PRESENT	NONE	NONE
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler	NP	N/A	N/A

**3. WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNITY MEMORIALS**

**4. ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE, GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

[Matt from Traci Park's office:](#)

- [Abandoned house on Venice Blvd.](#) Trespass order placed on house. Asked to barricade and fence the property. We are working hard to secure this property without the property owner's participation. Property has been cleared, but barricading and fencing will occur as soon as possible.

2. Encampment on Venice and Francis: Vehicular/tent encampment, circle team will be expanding as of August 25, and will be going to this location to make contact and offer services. If services are denied, proceed with cleaning
3. Vehicle on Centinela near Rose: they are also aware of this and are working on it.
4. Motion regarding restricting RV and vehicle dwellings with 500 feet of sensitive locations and neighborhoods - passed unanimously, 14 yes, 1 absent in city council.
5. Artwork on Palms: Dwp has agreed to work with Traci Park's office and the artist; this will be coordinated through Traci Park's office with Matt. In the meantime, nothing will be done.

[Matthew.halden@lacity.org](mailto:Matthew.halden@lacity.org)

Ms. Janet Turner from congressman Ted Lieu:

1. joined Pete Buttigieg and Mayor Bass for improvements for LA Metro.
2. Disabled veterans qualifying for housing
3. Co-sponsoring bills for creating housing. Grants for services along with housing.

Zach from Supervisor Horvath

1. Expansion of K Line: go to the Metro website to give feedback. Horvath is supportive of the San Vicente Fairfax line.
2. Changes to Board of supervisors: expanding members from 5 to 9, independent ethics commission.
3. Ordinance to safely receive and access medical care, access faith, or be in school. [Zgaidzibos@lacounty.gov](mailto:Zgaidzibos@lacounty.gov)

Marian Ensley from Mayor Bass

1. Mayor Bass was present at the Olympics and received the flag to bring back to Los Angeles: benefit the entire city, small businesses are priority. Efficient and convenient transportation
2. Circle is a service response team to free up LAPD for emergencies. It will be expanding to all of Pacific Division, expanding to Oakwood, Mar vista, Dockwieler, Palms, etc.
3. Inside Safe operation today in Hollywood and earlier this week in the Valley.
4. Mayor announced about 450 slow zones and about 250 speed humps near schools.

[Elizabeth Burkes - Senator: Lola Smallwood Cuevas' office, hiring for district director.](#)

Interested in spending time in Mar Vista, notify on events. They want to focus on wellness.

Wrapping up session. Grant combatting youth homeless, victims of sexual violence -awarded to city of los angeles.

**5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

**Moved: Ruesch**

**Second: Kopelow**

**Vote: 12-0-0-3, passes**

	Move	2nd	Y	N	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large			1				
(Z7) Derl Clausen			1				
(Z1) Kelsey Figone			1				
Shaia Greenwald - At Large							1
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director			1				
Greg Kopelow - At Large		x	1				
(Z3) Andrew Marton			1				
Jakob Meuser - At Large			1				
Steve Paddock - At Large			1				
April Peterson - At Large			1				
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie			1				
(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch	x		1				
Charlene Samiley - At Large			1				
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler							1
			12	0	0	0	3

**6. SPECIAL ORDERS**

**6.1. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA** - 1 minute per speaker, if time permits, more time will be given. The MVCC is built on Stakeholder participation and input; especially through our committees (see [MarVista.org](http://MarVista.org) > Council > Committees). The Brown Act provides for a “part of the meeting where the public can comment on any item of interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the local agency.” The MVCC is an advisory board to the Los Angeles City Council and, as

such, its jurisdiction is restricted within Los Angeles and most importantly, the Mar Vista Community. Therefore, please keep public comments within the MVCC jurisdiction and on matters that the MVCC may act upon in future meetings. Thank you for your involvement with the MVCC. Please feel free to contact us ([info@MarVista.org](mailto:info@MarVista.org)) if we may be of service.

**Commemoration of Lahaina fire, concern about fire hazards in Mar Vista.**

**6.2. [AD-HOC COMMITTEE] Election Ad-hoc Committee - Appointment and Creation of an Election Ad-hoc Committee composed of the following members: Jakob Meuser, Carolyn Honda, Martin Rubin, and Drew Ruesch. Including Paddock**

**Moved: Ruesch**

**Second: Marton**

**Vote: 12-0-0-3, passes**

	Move	2nd	Y	N	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large			1				
(Z7) Derl Clausen			1				
(Z1) Kelsey Figone			1				
Shaia Greenwald - At Large							1
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director			1				
Greg Kopelow - At Large			1				
(Z3) Andrew Marton		x	1				
Jakob Meuser - At Large			1				
Steve Paddock - At Large			1				
April Peterson - At Large			1				
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie			1				
(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch	x		1				
Charlene Samiley - At Large			1				
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler							1
			12	0	0	0	3

**7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS - 2 minutes per speaker, if time permits, more time will be given. board members may make very limited comments and briefly respond to statements**

made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights (no action may be taken on matters brought up during general public comment).

**8. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**8.1.** July 18th, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

**Move: Marton**

**Second: Kopelow**

**Vote: 12-0-0-3, passes**

	Move	2nd	Y	N	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large			1				
(Z7) Derl Clausen			1				
(Z1) Kelsey Figone			1				
Shaia Greenwald - At Large							1
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director			1				
Greg Kopelow - At Large		x	1				
(Z3) Andrew Marton	x		1				
Jakob Meuser - At Large			1				
Steve Paddock - At Large			1				
April Peterson - At Large			1				
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie			1				
(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch			1				
Charlene Samiley - At Large			1				
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler							1
			12	0	0	0	3

**9. CONSENT CALENDAR** - Items deemed to be routine, non-controversial. Any officer may ask a clarifying question instead of or before pulling item(s). - PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS

**Move: Kopelow**

**Second: Paddock**

**Vote: 12-0-0-3, Consent Calendar passes**

	Move	2nd	Y	N	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large			1				
(Z7) Derl Clausen			1				
(Z1) Kelsey Figone			1				
Shaia Greenwald - At Large							1
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director			1				
Greg Kopelow - At Large	x		1				
(Z3) Andrew Marton			1				
Jakob Meuser - At Large			1				
Steve Paddock - At Large		x	1				
April Peterson - At Large			1				
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie			1				
(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch			1				
Charlene Samiley - At Large			1				
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler							1
			12	0	0	0	3

- 9.1. **[ADMINISTRATIVE] [FUNDING] Monthly Expenditure Report** - Discussion and possible action regarding the Monthly Expenditure Report [MER] for July 2024
- 9.2. **[ADMINISTRATIVE] [FUNDING] Budget Adjustments** - Discussion and possible action regarding the budget adjustments for August 2024
- 9.3. **[FUNDING] [OUTREACH] Pop Up Canopy** - Discussion/And Possible Action regarding a Branded Pop Up Canopy for use at events not to exceed \$1700.
- 9.4. **[FUNDING] [OUTREACH] Outreach Polo Shirts** - Discussion/And Possible Action regarding polo shirts for board members for use at events not to exceed \$400.
- 9.5. **[FUNDING] [EXFIN] Venice Blvd. Bistro Lighting [CIP]** - Discussion and potential action regarding a Community Improvement Project to repair lighting on Venice Blvd. in the amount of \$8,863.73. If approved, funds will be rerouted from MVCC directly to CD11's account. CD11 will handle contracting.
- 9.6. **[FUNDING] [EXFIN] [PLUM] [OUTREACH] Door Hanger Printing and Distribution** - Discussion and potential action regarding expenditure in the amount of \$3500 for the



printing and distribution of door hangers to alert the public of new potential developments.

**10. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

**11. OLD BUSINESS - PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.**

**12. NEW BUSINESS - PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.**

**12.1. [FUNDING] [EACC] Richland Elementary Booster Club NPG** - Discussion and potential action regarding an Neighborhood Purpose Grant for Richland Elementary Booster Club in the amount of \$5000.

**Move: Honda**

**Second: Kopelow**

**Vote: 9-0-2-4, motion passes**

**Clausen left for 30 minutes 8:02pm**

	Move	2nd	Y	N	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large			1				
(Z7) Derl Clausen							1
(Z1) Kelsey Figone			1				
Shaia Greenwald - At Large							1
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director	x		1				
Greg Kopelow - At Large		x	1				
(Z3) Andrew Marton			1				
Jakob Meuser - At Large			1				
Steve Paddock - At Large			1				
April Peterson - At Large			1				
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie			1				
(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch					1		
Charlene Samiley - At Large					1		
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler							1
			9	0	2	0	4

**12.2. [ADMINISTRATIVE] [EACC] Palms Art Figures & DWP** - Discussion and potential action regarding Palms Art Figures & DWP

**Original motion as amended**

**Move: Ahmadyveasi**

**Second: Honda**

**Vote: 11-0-0-4, motion passes**

	Move	2nd	Y	N	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large	x		1				
(Z7) Derl Clausen							1
(Z1) Kelsey Figone			1				
Shaia Greenwald - At Large							1
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director		x	1				
Greg Kopelow - At Large			1				
(Z3) Andrew Marton			1				
Jakob Meuser - At Large			1				
Steve Paddock - At Large			1				
April Peterson - At Large			1				
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie			1				
(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch			1				
Charlene Samiley - At Large			1				
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler							1
			11	0	0	0	4

Reassessment of CPUC regulation phrasing included as amendment:

**Vote on Amendment:**

**Motion: Ahmadyveasi**

**Second: Marton**

**Vote: 11-0-0-4, amendment passes**

	Move	2nd	Y	N	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large	x		1				
(Z7) Derl Clausen							1
(Z1) Kelsey Figone			1				
Shaia Greenwald - At Large							1
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director			1				

Greg Kopelow - At Large			1				
(Z3) Andrew Marton		x	1				
Jakob Meuser - At Large			1				
Steve Paddock - At Large			1				
April Peterson - At Large			1				
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie			1				
(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch			1				
Charlene Samiley - At Large			1				
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler							1
			11	0	0	0	4

**12.3. [ADMINISTRATIVE] [EACC] Tap Card Art Contest** - Discussion and potential action regarding Tap Card Art Contest.

**Pulled from agenda**

**12.4. [ADMINISTRATIVE] [EACC] Mar Vista Stairs** - Discussion and potential action regarding Mar Vista Stairs.

**Pulled from agenda**

**12.5. [POLICY] [PS&H] [CF 24-0140-S1](#)** - Discussion and Potential Action, Support for the motion in [CF 24-0140-S1](#) calling for the City Attorney to analyze the impact of the Supreme Court’s ruling in City of Grants Pass, Oregon v. Johnson

**Move: Marton**

**Second: Peterson**

**Vote: 8-0-3-4**

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Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large					1		
(Z7) Derl Clausen							1
(Z1) Kelsey Figone					1		
Shaia Greenwald - At Large							1
Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director			1				

Greg Kopelow - At Large			1				
(Z3) Andrew Marton	x		1				
Jakob Meuser - At Large			1				
Steve Paddock - At Large			1				
April Peterson - At Large		x	1				
(Z4) Jennifer Rafeedie			1				
(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch					1		
Charlene Samiley - At Large			1				
(Z6) Kevin Wheeler							1
			8	0	3	0	4

### 13. REPORTS

#### Officer Reports

- Drew Ruesch - Chair
- Andrew Marton - 1st Vice Chair
- Carolyn Honda - 2nd Vice Chair
- Jennifer Rafeedie - Secretary
- Greg Kopelow - Treasurer

#### Zone Reports

- Zone 1 - Kelsey Figone
- Zone 2 - Martin Rubin
- Zone 3 - Andrew Marton
- Zone 4 - Jennifer Rafeedie
- Zone 5 - Drew Ruesch
- Zone 6 - Kevin Wheeler
- Zone 7 - Derl Clausen

#### Committee Reports

- Elections and Bylaws
- Outreach
- Public Health, Safety and Homelessness
- Planning and Land Use Management

- Transportation, Infrastructure and Sustainability
- Education Arts and Culture
- WRAC, WRAC Committees and Other Liaisons

**14. ADJOURNMENT 8:56pm**

**Move: Ruesch**

**Second: Marton**

**Vote: 11-0-0-4**

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Delaram Ahmadyveasi - At Large			1				
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Carolyn K. Honda - Community Director			1				
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(Z2) Martin Rubin							1
(Z5) Drew Ruesch	x		1				
Charlene Samiley - At Large			1				
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