

# MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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Thursday, Aug 21st, 2025 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm PUBLIC WELCOME

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER 7:03 PM
- 2. SPECIAL ORDERS
  - 2.1. Selection of Zone 2 Director

Emily Lin: I have lived in zone 2 for over 15 years. I am from Taiwan and my parents are still very involved in community service. I feel like I can do more for the community and would love to have this opportunity to represent my zone and make it more visible.

Charlene formally appoints.

Greg moved to approve Emily as director. Seconded by April.

No objection.

#### 2.2. Selection of Zone 5 Director

Delaram Ahmadyveasi – Charlene: Former at large director with the MVCC. She was the former chair of the Education, Arts, and Culture committee.

Delaram: I grew up in MV and moved away but came back when I could afford it. I don't have a single cause I am more passionate about because as a community we need to focus on everything to make sure everybody can thrive.

Jakob moved to approve Delaram as director. Seconded by Greg.

No objection.

**2.3. Installation of newly-appointed Zone 2 and Zone 5 Directors –** Installation of the newly-appointed Zone 2 and Zone 5 Directors.

Oath administered

3. 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.

Ian Blue - no/no

Derl Clausen - absent

Steven Hedge -no/no

Carolyn Honda no/no

Greg Kopelow no/no

Andrew Marton no/no

Jakob Meuser no/no

Stephen Paddock no/no

April Peterson no/no

Deborah Poppink - absent

Jennifer Rafeedie no/no left at 8PM

Charlene Samiley no/no

Chloe Samiley no/no

Aaron Vanek – absent

Delaram Ahmadyveasi – no/no

Emily Lin – no/no left at 9PM

- 4. WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNITY MEMORIALS
- 5. ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE, GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Janet Turner from Congressman Ted Lieu's Office – Holding service academy day on this Saturday. Congress is on recess, but Congressman Lieu sponsored legislation: (1) allowing law enforcement to use facial recognition provided that it does not infringe on rights; and (2) increases transparency and accountability about sexual harassment and discrimination in the workplace. If you have problems with a federal agency, feel free to call our office.

Katie Abrams field deputy for Supervisor Horvath – LA County is now the first large county in CA to adopt enforceable indoor heat standard for housing, right now it only applies to unincorporated areas but hopefully it will spread to cities. The new county department for homelessness services has had a new director appointed. This will combine many different agencies into one.

Karen from Assembly Member Brian: His bill package has now gone through the assembly and will go through the senate. One bill would change the district lines for California Congress seats. If the measure passes then the special election will occur on November 4, 2025.

6. 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 <a href="MarVista.org">MarVista.org</a> > 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) if we may be of service.

Rob: As a former chair I used to have to set up chair and AV equipment. You probably still have mic equipment at the community center. MVCC can appoint someone to the board of the community center development board. Stakeholder: A law was passed which will possibly take away parking for some people living near public transit. I live in a building that is taking our parking away and I have been there for 30 years on that street. There are elderly residents in that building who won't be able to really deal with the parking issue. How did this happen and where can I go to seek help?

David: I am not from MV but I was elected to the PLUM committee in Venice. The alfresco violations are an epidemic. We have similar Beethoven market problems in Venice. We adopted a resolution that said that we would not support a PLUM application for these sorts of places unless they are already in compliance. There was a lack of consideration about enforcement when the ordinance was passed. In our experience violations are common.

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS - 1 minute 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).

Emily: Regarding the parking issue, in our zone we recently had a burglar and I noticed we have lots of unknown cars parking on the street. Can we make Mar Vista permit parking on the street to stop burglaries?

- 8. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- 9. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
  - **9.1.** July 24th, 2025 Meeting

lan moved to approve the minutes; Seconded by Delaram.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ian Blue	x			

Derl Clausen				Х
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock	X			
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink				Х
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley	X			
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	11	0	0	3

Approved 11-0-0-3

- 10. 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
  - **10.1.** [Administrative] [Funding] Monthly Expenditure Report Discussion and possible action regarding the Monthly Expenditure Report [MER] for June 2025
  - **10.2.** [Administrative] [Funding] Monthly Expenditure Report Discussion and possible action regarding the Monthly Expenditure Report [MER] for July 2025
  - **10.3.** [Administrative] [Funding] Budget Adjustments Discussion and possible action regarding the budget adjustments for August 2025
  - **10.4.** [Administrative] [Funding] FY 2025-26 Administrative Packet Discussion and possible action regarding the MVCC Administrative Packet for Fiscal Year 2025-26

April: Discussion regarding MERs and budget reports. Our current spending for the month is \$211. Right now there is not going to be any carryover from the prior year. We have broken down our budget into major categories predicting what we will be spending throughout the year by category.

# **Clarifying questions:**

Kalani: Last board was not responsible with taxpayer dollars. Many neighborhood councils were giving NPGs to their friends. That's how I got involved with NCs. Are we paying for this room? We need microphones.

Stakeholder: Google meet is free to potentially save zoom costs.

Andrew moved to approve consent calendar; Seconded by Stephen Paddock

#### **Public comment:**

Stakeholder: I thought we would be talking about homeless people.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ian Blue	Х			
Derl Clausen				x
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	Х			
Andrew Marton	Х			
Jakob Meuser	Х			
Stephen Paddock	Х			
April Peterson	Х			
Deborah Poppink				x
Jennifer Rafeedie	Х			
Charlene Samiley	Х			
Chloe Samiley	X			
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	11	0	0	3

Approved 11-0-0-3

- 11. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS
- 12. OLD BUSINESS PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.
- 13. NEW BUSINESS PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.

April moved to make item 13.4 the first item on the agenda. Seconded by Greg. No objection.

13.1. [Policy] [PS&H] Support Amendments to LAMC Sec. 41.18 - Discussion and possible action regarding a motion to support CF 20-1376-S5 (Park), which calls for specific amendments to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 41.18 and for a report back by the City Attorney on the feasibility of amending 41.18 to prohibit encampments consistent with the Governor's model ordinance.

Andrew: The purpose of this is to provide support to Traci Park's motion which calls for specific amendments to section 41.18. This is the primary tool used by the city to deal with homeless encampments. The other part would be a feasibility study on implementing this. This would follow the governor's model ordinance. This would bring 41.18 up to what the US supreme court allows us to do. It would expand certain zones that can be automatically considered safe areas. In the

past, for additional areas, the whole council would need to agree on a new area to designate for a sweep. This would broaden out the automatic feature of the ordinance. Procedural processes in 41.18 would slow things down in the past but now it won't.

# **Clarifying Questions:**

Stephen Paddock: The only thing changing about 41.18 is taking away the requirement for council resolution.

Delaram: Typically when we pass a motion it is to get Traci Park to bring something to council, what is this for?

Andrew: This is to show the council that our community supports this.

Jakob: Would this allow for special enforcement zones anywhere without approval?

Andrew: No, only sensitive places.

April moved to approve. Stephen Paddock seconded.

#### **Public Comment**

Kalani: I support this motion wholeheartedly. The homeless comprise 1% of our population and create a lot of crime issues. Members of this council are too young to remember how difficult the problem was under the 405.

Stakeholder: If there are lots with fires can they be deemed fire severity zones? No.

#### **Board Member Comment**

Delaram: Giving exclusive decision to elected officials is not an easy feeling for this climate. Having them have a say over where people can be that is technically public land only pushes people into our alleys and more dangerous areas.

Jakob: This is a slippery slope that uses a grave power the Supreme Court has given to localities to wage a war on the poor. This will only lead to more incarceration and problems in our community.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
lan Blue	x			
Derl Clausen				x
Steven Hedge	Х			
Carolyn Honda	х			
Greg Kopelow	Х			
Andrew Marton	х			
Jakob Meuser		х		
Stephen Paddock	х			
April Peterson	Х			
Deborah Poppink				х
Jennifer Rafeedie				х
Charlene Samiley	х			
Chloe Samiley	х			
Aaron Vanek				х

Total	9	1	0	4

Motion Approved 9-1-0-4

**13.2.** [Policy] [PLUM] Opposition to SB 79 (Wiener) - Discussion and possible action regarding a motion to oppose SB 79 and any state legislation that mandates housing density without providing clear funding mechanisms for infrastructure, public safety, and municipal services.

Andrew: The city council already voted to oppose this. This motion is to show community support for Traci Park and the motion itself. This bill has no information on expenses regarding infrastructure development. The city attorney also wrote a letter about the cost analysis.

Andrew moved to approve the motion. Seconded by Greg.

#### **Public Comment**

Kalani: You need to get audio equipment, none of you are trained in projecting properly. I am a thespian and loud. We should support this because Weiner makes us pragmatic liberals look like Maga heads.

#### **Board Member Comment**

April: One thing that is part of this is that the City of LA already has a policy in place and this would override the city's policy.

lan: We are in a housing crisis and if we don't build housing Sacramento will just send something else.

Jakob: We need to cut regulations around housing, not add more, in order to address the cost of housing.

Delaram: LA has an affordable housing crisis in my opinion.

Andrew: The bill does not address affordable housing. It mostly focuses on higher story structures. I think this is a boondoggle for developers.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
lan Blue		Х		
Derl Clausen				х
Steven Hedge		х		
Carolyn Honda	Х			

Greg Kopelow	х			
Andrew Marton	Х			
Jakob Meuser		х		
Stephen Paddock	X			
April Peterson	х			
Deborah Poppink				x
Jennifer Rafeedie				х
Charlene Samiley	х			
Chloe Samiley			x	
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	6	3	1	4

Motion approved 6-3-1-4

# 13.3. [Policy] [DIRECTOR] [WRAC] Support Heavy Rail-Subway Options; Oppose Monorail Alternatives for the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project (STCP) – Discussion and possible

action regarding a motion to support the proposed heavy rail-subway mode of transportation instead of the proposed monorail alternatives through the Sepulveda Pass.

Jakob: This is a motion about the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project. WRAC is in favor of the heavy rail options, alternatives 4, 5, and 6, because they will be much more useful to commuters. It is important to make sure that this project is as fast and accommodating as possible so that we actually get a lot of ridership to reduce freeway traffic. It is also of paramount importance that the line connects directly to UCLA, as this will reduce a lot of commutes.

# **Clarifying Questions**

Carolyn: What is the difference between a monorail and a heavy rail?

April: Monorail is above ground and heavy rail is larger and below ground.

Paddock: Monorail you wouldn't have to change trains right? No.

Charlene moved to extend meeting by 30 minutes, seconded by April, no objection

Charlene: We are not picking a route yet right? No.

Jakob moved to approve the motion. Seconded by April.

#### **Public Comment**

Kalani: We debated this at the venice neighborhood council. The difference in price between the monorail and the heavy rail is \$4 billion. We have been sold this for 30 years and what about safety issues? We are going through some of the more dangerous places downtown? It has never been addressed.

Spencer: The thing about monorails is that aside from the problems, they are also more complicated and harder to maintain and repair. They are more vulnerable to breakdowns and harder to switch tracks. Besides heavy rail being faster.

#### **Board Member Comment**

Stephen Paddock: I rode the train to and from work yesterday and it was great.

Jakob: This will increase ridership on all lines.

Delaram: I have been held at gunpoint on the metro and I continue to ride it because they added some safety.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ian Blue	х			
Derl Clausen				х
Steven Hedge		х		
Carolyn Honda	х			
Greg Kopelow	х			
Andrew Marton	х			
Jakob Meuser	х			
Stephen Paddock			Х	
April Peterson	х			
Deborah Poppink				х
Jennifer Rafeedie				х
Charlene Samiley	х			
Chloe Samiley	х			
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	8	1	1	4

Motion approved 8-1-1-4

# 13.4. [Policy] [DIRECTOR] Beethoven Market-Restaurant Beverage Program (RBP)

**Requirements** – Discussion and possible action regarding request for action by Los Angeles Dept. of Building and Safety (LADBS) Enforcement Division to perform an expedited review of Beethoven Market's Restaurant Beverage Program license requirements to ensure compliance with all operating standards and community protections and if found in non-compliance to take the necessary steps to ensure compliance.

Jennifer left, 8PM

Stephen Paddock: Beethoven market is not upholding its requirements as stated by the approved restaurant beverage program. We have heard a lot of complaints about the hours of operation, pedestrian safety, and other issues. I also heard from someone who was in support of the market. The motion is for the MVCC to

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request the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety enforcement division perform an expedited review of this place's license requirements to ensure compliance with all operating standards.

# Andrew moved to approve the motion. Seconded by Jennifer.

#### **Public Comment:**

Stakeholder: I bought a home here 45 years ago and I've been waiting for a restaurant that I can walk to for this whole time. I love this restaurant and I am very happy to be able to walk to it.

Diane: I live 500 feet from the market and have been in it a few times. I think that the owners have done everything they can to make that market a neighborhood place. That was the owner's intention and he has followed through. People were complaining a lot before it opened. But it is a wonderful restaurant and it has been a great addition to our community. This makes MV a more walkable neighborhood so we don't have to drive cars. You can get in too.

Azadeh: We live a few doors from neighborhood market. We are asking the city council to perform an expedited review to ensure they become compliant. There are over 15 infractions and the restaurant has been given multiple citations by the city. The focus here should be about safety for our community and residents. They have exceeded seat capacity and overflowed trash cans. There has been an increase in traffic and parking. This is not a place for a full service restaurant.

Hazel: The Beethoven Market is a fabulous community enrichment. I think this is one of the best restaurants that has come around in some time. It draws people and that has made it busy around. The trash from the restaurant is minimal compared to other people just dumping trash in the area.

Eric Newman: I grew up in MV and I went to the market as a kid. I know this place and we have been developing this project over the years to try and make this the best thing possible for the community. This motion is fine and you can do it because we are already in compliance with the over.

Andrea: Lived in MV for 26 years. When I am walking my dog in the evening I see so many people walking to the market from all over the neighborhood and it's turning us into a walkable community. It is bringing people together and I walk down to the restaurant and the staff has been incredible and welcoming.

Stakeholder: I live very close to the restaurant. Some things may seem small but the trash bins are overflowing and the rats and homeless people are starting to come. People who live near me that need to leave early for work are starting to see homeless people in the area. I want them to have covered bins.

Brenda: I do not live in MV but have 4 grandchildren around here. I live in studio city but I don't want to live here because there is nothing to walk to. No places to go for things. There is a school near me now which makes parking harder, but the more traffic by the school has increased my home value.

Holly: The neighborhood loves Jeremy's restaurant. But we want it to be compliant with his license with less seating. I want to see a café with coffee and not something this huge. Most people say the vibe changes after dinner where it becomes a meet up / hookup bar scene.

Sarah: This restaurant is beautiful but it is not a neighborhood restaurant. I have to drive my kids to their activities but I have nowhere to park within a block of my house. I can't handle smelling this all day long. There

is a lot of pollution from the noise and cars. The employees were rude to me when I asked them to remove speakers but the people can be heard from inside my house.

John: This restaurant is noisy from my front yard. Can something be done to help with the noise level? And my backyard is very smelly.

Kalani: I live in Marina Del Rey. I realize the convenience of being able to walk to places. When you presented for this restaurant you made it sound like it would be small but it is not small anymore. There are easy solutions like covering trash bins or building a second location.

Stakeholder: There were so many restaurants that closed and didn't open again in Santa Monica. This was all approved already. Targeting this business is not the thing to do.

Cynthia: We have lived here for 38 years. This restaurant is the greatest thing that has happened to MV in 38 years.

Stakeholder: We all wanted something we could walk to and enjoy but this is too much and it is causing havoc.

Stakeholder: This business isn't being compliant and that is what we are here about.

Stakeholder: I do not live in the area but I have visited many times. The staff tries to minimize impact on the neighborhood. I have never been to a restaurant where the people coming are so quiet.

Stakeholder: It is very hard to get a reservation at this place. I can't find anywhere to park on the street. People are driving in a crazy way in the area. The place is booked so people in walking distance can't even get in. This is becoming a nuisance in the neighborhood.

John: I've been a resident a block away from the market for 40 years. I haven't been able to get a reservation there for 2 months. To have this place expand and have more people would not be possible. Palms and Beethoven is gridlocked. There is no parking in front of my house now blocks away. This is not a neighborhood market.

Stakeholder: This is a good restaurant, but it is a problem for the neighborhood.

Stakeholder: Resident since 2007. This is the best thing that has happened to MV. The market is increasing our property value according to appraisals.

Kevin Pollak: I love MV and wanted to speak on behalf of loving that a quality restaurant is in the neighborhood. I can't imagine if my home was a couple of houses away from the restaurant and I have a big imagination. This is a big opportunity.

Stakeholder: I have lived here for 30 years and I appreciate the restaurant. Personally I am very happy with it and that I can walk to it.

Dennis: I live near the market. The traffic and congestion is not part of the agreement that was made with the city. He has no obligation to mitigate the traffic or the parking. I am in favor of him being in compliance.

Stakeholder: The restaurant have to follow the rules and shouldn't get a free pass.

Stakeholder: I just want the business to be compliant. This one is not. Someone is going to get killed by this restaurant.

Jeremy: I moved to MV 10 years ago. For the people who don't love the restaurant, I sent you my email.

<u>Jeremy@beethovenmarket.com</u>. I want to be able to talk to neighbors about issues they have. I want to be a good neighbor, let's talk about it.

Stakeholder: I manage the restaurant and the employees that are there. Our staff has chosen this restaurant as a community center. This restaurant is very important to our employees. It has been very important for people. Another person used to work at the original Beethoven market.

#### **Board Comment:**

lan: I appreciate everyone coming tonight. I think we should be celebrating successful businesses.

Stephen Paddock: I understand there are a lot of people impacted positively and negatively by this business.

The motion is narrow and talking about proper compliance. We are just asking to make sure that he is following the rules.

Andrew: I agree with Paddock. There is an issue of compliance here. The restaurant knew what it was getting into when it applied for the permits and put this together. It was unfair for the restaurant to make problems for homeowners.

Greg: I've been in the restaurant business. Like Kalani said, you are a victim of your own success so just reduce the seating.

Carolyn: I've lived here a long time and get annoyed when somebody parks in front of my house. Parking seems to be a giant thing here. You should try and do something about parking to be a nice neighbor.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
lan Blue	Х			
Derl Clausen				x
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Andrew Marton	Х			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock	Х			
April Peterson	Х			
Deborah Poppink				х
Jennifer Rafeedie				x
Charlene Samiley	Х			
Chloe Samiley	Х			
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	10	0	0	4

Approved 10-0-0-4

Jakob moved for 5 minute recess. Seconded by Andrew. No objection. Called back to order at 8:23PM.

**13.5. [Policy] [PLUM] 11335-11405 W. Venice Blvd. – Shoring** - Discussion and possible action regarding a motion to request that Councilmember Traci Park's office identify measures that resolve the long-standing open excavations and expired permits on the 3 parcels.

## Andrew moved to bring this up after 13.6. Seconded by Ian – no objection

Stephen Paddock: This would ask for a status report regarding the temporary shoring. This process is starting but we should still do this.

Carolyn moved to approve. Seconded by Greg.

#### **Public Comment**

Kalani: I support this motion but would like an amendment to put up proper fencing and signage to keep out of the property. Please take note of those who are pro homeless and vote them out of office.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ian Blue	X			
Derl Clausen				х
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock	X			
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink				х
Jennifer Rafeedie				х
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley	X			
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	10	0	0	4

Passes 10-0-0-4

13.6. [Policy] [DIRECTOR] 11335-11405 W. Venice Blvd. – Safety Concerns at Vacant Lots Discussion and possible action regarding request for action by City agencies to address public safety and nuisance conditions at vacant lots on Venice Blvd.

Andrew moved this up on the agenda. Seconded by Stephen Paddock. No objection.

Patrick: The LADBS inspection division has posted a notice of code violation on the site. They would not give me a hard copy. The code violations cover four issues including shoring, fencing, trash, and graffiti. If the owner does not respond

this will go to the next level of emergency and issue an order to comply. The person who answered has numerous addresses in other cities. He asked me to send my concerns in writing and I sent them a letter. Without a form signed by the owner the LAPD is powerless to move squatters off a property.

Jakob moved to extend meeting by 30 minutes. Seconded by April. No objection

Emily left, 9PM

Andrew moved to approve. Seconded by Stephen Paddock.

#### **Public Comment**

Kalani: I support this motion and I am going to contact Traci's office to contact why affordable housing units were torn down so quickly but these have sat vacant for years. Republican presidents crash the economy and then buildings lose funding. This is another building that is not going to go up and that's probably what happened on venice. We should prevent affordable housing units being torn down in advance unless building starts immediately.

Spencer: If you legally own a property it is your responsibility to make sure it is safe and to make sure that people can't get into it. If these properties are in violation, steps should be taken to bring them into compliance.

Sam: My wife and I live on Ballona drive and this vacant lot has become a huge problem. We bought our house in November and want to start a family here but shouldn't have to deal with this every night. This encampment should be cleared out and we need urgency here because of the firefighters responding weekly. The property owner and city must be held accountable.

Stakeholder: We need to seek recovery costs from the private property owner for this nuisance issue. I live in the house directly behind one of the vacant properties. There are six or seven tents there and lots of bicycles.

#### **Board Member Comment**

Delaram: I support this because our neighbors are at risk, but the closure of the Venice encampment pushed people into these neighborhoods.

Stakeholder: Until I embarrassed Bass personally the 405 encampment was an issue.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ian Blue	X			
Derl Clausen				х
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	Х			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Andrew Marton	Х			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock	X			
April Peterson	X			

Total	10	0	0	4
Aaron Vanek				X
Chloe Samiley	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Jennifer Rafeedie				x
Deborah Poppink				x

Approved 10-0-0-4

13.7. [Policy] [PLUM] 77 Mini-Market Application for Liquor License Upgrade & Extended Operation Hours - Discussion and possible action regarding an application for a Conditional Use Permit at 12131 W. Washington Pl. (corner of Washington Pl. and Grandview), for a liquor license upgrade from a Type 20 (Beer and Wine) to a Type 21 (Full line of alcoholic beverage) for off-site consumption and extended operation hours from 7am to 1 am.

Stephen Paddock: Conditional use permit for liquor license. This would allow for offsite consumption of full liquor. It is a mini market from 7AM-1AM. They don't typically go that late but it would allow that. They put a sign up in their store and a few people came to the meeting. This is already selling alcohol and would add more kinds.

Andrew moved to approve; Seconded by Ian.

#### **Public Comment**

Kalani: I support this. The owner was also present at the meeting and was very amenable. We need to support our local business owners who are good. He had a licenses to stay open later but was closing earlier.

#### **Board Member Comment**

Hedge: I liked the owner and I think he would be responsible. You can do your laundry and get a drink.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
lan Blue	X			
Derl Clausen				x
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock	X			
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink				х
Jennifer Rafeedie				х

Charlene Samiley	Х			
Chloe Samiley	X			
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	10	0	0	4

Passes 10-0-0-4

**13.8.** [Policy] [DIRECTOR] Porchfest LA 2025 – Community Event Listing - Discussion and possible action regarding authorization for MVCC to share information about Porchfest LA 2025 in its public communications channels.

#### **Clarifying questions:**

Carolyn: Rob told us about Porchfest. According to our bylaws we cannot endorse an event. NCs should not promote private entities or businesses. We will have city disclaimers on any communications we send out.

Rob: This has been happening all across America but just came to LA last year. We can invite musicians to come play on our porches. This motion would allow the MVCC to share information about this event and have it be a cosponsor.

Hopefully we will have musicians performing throughout MV and local areas. This will create community! There are NCs that have their logos on the event.

April: Can this be driveways instead of porches and can businesses support this as well?

Stephen Paddock: This is not a product or service.

Carolyn: Our contact at DONE said we can support it.

Andrew moved to approve the motion. Seconded by Stephen Paddock.

#### **Public Comment**

Stakeholder: If the board can support nonprofits, then why can we not support this.

Carolyn: We can support this and we can do that but we can't put our own logo. We are a city run organization so our resources are not for putting our logo on private things.

John: Did you get a legal opinion from the city attorney's office?

Carolyn: They (DONE) told us we can publicize it but we can't put our logo on it.

Kalani: We used to have an art walk on Venice Blvd. and parties at all the different intersections. If you can get your act together and coincide your community day with this event that would be huge.

Rob: MV used to do a green garden tour of neighborhood gardens and their backyards. That was fully supported and endorsed by the council.

#### **Board Comments:**

Stephen Paddock: We had to get a permit for a community event on my street. Is the organization going to get permits? Rob: People will maintain it in their yard on private property.

Delaram: Carolyn presented this nicely about the limitations the city set. When there are noise complaints about this event our logo will not be on their for people to get upset at us about. This is a beautiful community event.

Andrew: All the methods of distribution available to us get used. Just not our logo.

lan: If there is a way we could get further clarification on why other NCs can use their logos and we can't, I would be interested in that.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ian Blue	X			
Derl Clausen				х
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock	X			
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink				х
Jennifer Rafeedie				х
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley	X			
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	10	0	0	4

Approved 10-0-0-4

**13.9. [Funding] [PLUM] Development Door Hangers** - Discussion and possible action regarding an expenditure not to exceed \$2,000 for the costs (e.g., designing, proofing, printing, and distribution) to produce PLUM door hangers.

Jakob moved to table. Seconded by April.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
lan Blue	X			
Derl Clausen				X
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	Х			

Stephen Paddock			Х	
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink				х
Jennifer Rafeedie				х
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley	X			
Aaron Vanek				х
Total	9	0	1	4

Tabled 9-0-1-4

## 14. REPORTS

# Officer Reports

- Charlene Samiley Chair
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- Jakob Meuser Secretary
- April Peterson Treasurer

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- Zone 5 Vacant
- Zone 6 Aaron Vanek
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- Public Health, Safety and Homelessness
- Planning and Land Use Management
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15. ADJOURNMENT 9:47PM. Moved by Charlene. Seconded by Ian.



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