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Thursday, Oct 23rd, 2025 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm

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1. **CALL TO ORDER 7:01 PM**
2. **SPECIAL ORDERS**
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.*

Delaram Ahmadyveasi no/no

Ian Blue no/no

Derl Clausen arrived 7:13 PM no/no

Steven Hedge no/no

Carolyn Honda no/no

Greg Kopelow no/no

Emily Lin absent

Andrew Marton no/no

Jakob Meuser no/no

Stephen Paddock absent

April Peterson no/no

Deborah Poppink no/no

Jennifer Rafeedie no/no

Charlene Samiley no/no

Chloe Samiley absent

Aaron Vanek no/no COI with agenda item 13.3, excusing

4. WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNITY MEMORIALS

Deborah: Porchfest LA is coming 11/1 and 11/2 next weekend. We have 20 hosts who have donated their front porches for performers. These are free events and there are maps showing where to go.

Carolyn: The map is on our website.

5. ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE, GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Matt Halden CD11: Update on homelessness. There is an encampment on Venice and McLaughlin as well as issues at the Mar Vista rec center. We targeted the bike chop shop at Venice and McLaughlin. There was a lot of cleanup that happened. Individuals must be amenable to accepting services. If you have concerns about SB79 connect with me and I can reach out to our planning team. SB79 supersedes all city planning projects we currently have. It is out of our hands at this point. We will just have to navigate this as we go forward. Beethoven Market has been given a third order to comply. This will trigger the revocation process. They have been referred for a criminal filing as well. We have been calling the neighbors to let them know the updates. We have two Dodgers watch parties at the rec center 5-9.

Katie Abrams with Supervisor Horvath: Board approved a proclamation of local emergency last week. This will allow the county to mobilize resources. We have know your rights cards if you need them. We also launched the emergency rent relief program to help people destabilized by wildfires and immigration enforcement. The County's small business resiliency fund is open for applications until the end of the month.

Kenneth Calderon with Assemblymember Isaac Bryan: Assemblymember Bryan had 13 bills pass out of the legislature. Of these, 12 were signed into law by Governor Newsom. The bills covered issues like foster youth support, higher wages for incarcerated firefighters during wildfires, eviction protections for senior tenants if their social security payment is interrupted, and increased police transparency for in custody deaths and police misconduct. Our office is the process of planning our annual holiday events – our Thanksgiving and Christmas drives. Please stay tuned as we finalize the details of the events and share flyers soon!

Charlene: We have a new NEA advocate. She will be at the meeting next month.

Janet Turner from Congressman Ted Lieu: Congressman is quite annoyed that he is going to work but the speaker will not call any votes. He has written a letter to the speaker asking him to come back and negotiate, but no response. He wrote another letter to the department of energy about clean energy project terminations. He is also pushing to extend telehealth accessibility. State and local authority over pesticides is limited now. He had a round table on the affordable

care act the other day. Rates are going to start increasing November 1. If you have an issue with any federal agency please reach out.

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 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) if we may be of service.*

Stakeholder: Beethoven market is still an issue. The intersection of Beethoven and Palms continues to be a very dangerous situation. We need your continued support to put pressure on the City to hold this owner accountable.

Kalani: I wear LED lights to make sure that drivers can see me when I walk. Tonight when I was making a right turn onto Palms, a guy was crossing the street wearing black and unlit. Do not rely on the government to create bike lanes but focus on personal responsibility.

Dorothy: I’ve worked at the YMCA for years doing the minutes. Thank you Dr. Rafeedie and Jakob for doing all the minutes.

Stakeholder: There is a dangerous intersection where the stop sign is obscured by trees at Palms and Stewart. Matt and 311 have not done anything about it, they just need to trim the tree.

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).*

Ian: Thank you Janet for being here, I know it is frustrating to not get paid during a shutdown.

Aaron: The LA sanitation fees are going up starting in November. There is an ad hoc committee to plan a board retreat, I need two more people to join me.

Carolyn: We are not getting name tags or business cards because we can’t charge anything. You will get them before your term is over!

8. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

9. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

9.1. September 18th, 2025 Meeting

Charlene: We will be limiting members of the public and board members to 1 minute each when speaking on an item. Also limiting government reports to 2 minutes per speaker.

Aaron: I am marked no and abstain on 13.6 if you could change that.

Greg/Ian move to approve the minutes

Kalani: The last Hawaiian queen was born in 1838 not 1938.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen	x			
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink	x			
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	13	0	0	3

13-0-0-0 passes with corrections noted

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 September 2025

10.2. [Administrative] [Funding] Budget Adjustments - Discussion and possible action regarding the budget adjustments for October 2025

Charlene: Items in the consent calendar cannot be discussed by the board.

April: Our budget for the year added some carryover from last term. Only changes are charges for web services and mail chimp. There is an uncashed check for the \$1500 NPG approved last month. Changes highlighted in yellow. In our last board meeting we approved business cards, name tags, street banners, blood drive and food giveaways, and Grease night NPG. We have net \$30,000 available.

Clarifying questions

Greg/Andrew move to approve

Public Comment

Kalani: Are we paying \$211 for this space every month? April: No, we are paying for webcorner and mailchimp.

Tommy: Venice High already had the event but they didn't cash the check yet? April: It will be spent later.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen	x			
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink	x			
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	13	0	0	3

Passes 13-0-0-0

11. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

12. OLD BUSINESS - PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.

13. NEW BUSINESS - PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.

- 13.1. [Administrative] [E&B] Amend the MVCC bylaws to change the quorum requirement from 8 members to 9 members. - Approval of revising MVCC bylaws to change the number of members required for quorum to 9. With the introduction of a youth director, the MVCC is now 16 members. Currently, quorum is still set at 8 members, which no longer constitutes a majority.

Delaram: The purpose is to amend the bylaws to increase the quorum requirement from 8 members to 9 members due to the addition of the Youth Director.

Greg/Aaron move to approve

Clarifying questions

Public Comment

Kalani: Some NCs have a 15 minute clause where if you do not make quorum in 15 minutes the meeting is canceled. Consider adding that.

Board Comment

Aaron: I believe this might automatically change out committee rules to avoid having committee over

Jakob: This needs to pass by 2/3 majority and this change won't be implemented until the board amendment.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen	x			
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink	x			
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	13	0	0	3

Passes 13-0-0-0

- 13.2. [Policy] [PLUM] [WRAC] Support for CF 25-1083 (Study impacts of SB-79)** – Discussion and possible action regarding motion to support Council File 25-1083 (Park), which calls for a report back on the impacts of SB 79 on the City of Los Angeles, including an analysis of the costs to update the City's infrastructure and utility systems to support projected density from SB 79, and a confidential report to City Council on potential legal challenges and bases for cost-recovery from the state.

Steven Hedge: At the PLUM meeting we strongly supported this motion and council file. This calls for a report back on the impacts of SB79 and a confidential report to the City Council about potential legal challenges and the bases for cost recovery from the state. Motion was moved by Curry, seconded by Hedge. It passed 6-0-1.

Clarifying questions

Carolyn/Greg move to approve

Dorothy: I abstained by accident at this meeting. I like things to come from the bottom and go up to the state, so I am in favor of this motion.

Kalani: This bill was sponsored by Scott Weiner. He is not a favorite to many people in SoCal. This bill allows high buildings to be built next to single family homes. These people have bought into the failed belief that if you build more it will trickle down. Investors hang on to their investments here instead of dropping rental prices. The graffitied towers are still empty.

Board Comment

Ian: SB79 has now been signed into law. Regardless of any personal views, I think our community needs clarity and this calls for a report by the city so we can analyze the impacts.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen	x			
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink	x			
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	13	0	0	3

Passes 13-0-0-0

- 13.3. [Policy] [PS&H] Request for City Action Regarding Nuisance Conditions at 13107 Venice Blvd.** - Discussion and possible action regarding a motion for the MVCC to request action by City agencies to address public safety and nuisance conditions at the vacant property located at 13107 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90066.

Aaron recused

Charlene: This is a request for city action regarding nuisance conditions.

Andrew: We had several stakeholders show up at our meeting regarding this property. It is constantly being broken into and creates a safety and fire risk. There have been several attempts to deal with it and there is not a lot happening. It looks like it is boarded up right now. This would ask the City to enforce code violations, support LADBS's ability to secure the property, and pursuing civil enforcement.

Clarifying questions

Carolyn: Is this across from Venice High School? Yes.

Ian/Greg move to approve

Public Comment

Stakeholder: I've been impacted at this location. This has been going on for 2 years. Even though the place is boarded up people are still trying to break in. Sometimes people still come back. The back is securely fenced but the front is vulnerable to entry. The squatters are determined to keep living there.

Kalani: I support this, but I would like to see stuff with more teeth. It should include that this house is less than 50 feet from a highschool. This should implicate 41.18. This should state the percentage of fires that are caused by homeless people. This is in a densely populated part of Mar Vista.

Board comment

Andrew: 41.18 doesn't apply to this because it is private property. This motion was well considered and had input from stakeholders.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen		x		
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink			x	
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek				recusal

Total	10	1	1	4
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Passes 10-1-1-4

- 13.4. [Funding] [DIRECTOR] NPG Application for Pacific Area Boosters Association - LAPD Pacific Division 100 Year Anniversary** – Discussion and possible action regarding an NPG application for the amount of \$750 to help support the free public community celebration event

being held on 11/15/2025 for the LAPD Pacific Division's 100th anniversary of service to the community.

Andrew: This is to help fund the LAPD pacific division 100th anniversary party. It is a public community event. This division services our neighborhood. The booster association is organizing and is a nonprofit. The event is on November 15. Approximately 500 people will attend. The event will be large and our \$750 would be contributing to the food costs.

Clarifying questions

Carolyn: Where will this be? Ron: Culver closed between Santa Monica and Overland.

Aaron: Do they have the right paperwork? Charlene: Yes.

Delaram: Is this an annual event? Andrew: No this is just the 100 year.

Charlene: Can the funds be received afterwards? Ron: The funds can be received afterwards as long as they are approved before.

Greg/Ian move to approve

Public Comment

Ron: This division covers the 5 neighborhood councils. They will be giving tours of the station. A great opportunity to get to know your officers. We would like to have a booth for your council there too. Annually Del Rey celebrates the formation of the neighborhood council from 11am-4pm.

Tommy: This association is civilians? Ron: The boosters are comprised of civilians and hold the 501c3 organization. The booster has been around for 30 years.

Kalani: Del Rey day is this Sunday. I encourage all of you to see what a good community day is like. Be careful in the park though because there are a lot of gopher holes. I support this funding but last night the chief didn't mention this at the Venice NC meeting. Attach strings to this: we'll give you money if officers attend our meetings!

Board Comment

Charlene: Officers have come to committee meetings in the past, we can start asking them again.

Darl: I am opposing this because LAPD has a 3.3 billion dollar budget and if they want to throw this event it should come out of that. As we face a budget shortfall from many police misconduct lawsuits, think about that.

Andrew: This is our money to use for the good of the community, think about crime victims.

Jennifer: I have been a victim of two crimes, if it weren't for police I might have died. It is good to honor them. I would like to honor the police.

Jakob: I agree that the police budget should be lowered, but I am in favor of community parties.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen		x		
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink	x			
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	12	1	0	3

Passes 12-1-0-3

- 13.5. [Policy] [TI&S] Left-turn Signal Installation at the Intersection of Centinela Ave. and Ocean Park Blvd.** - Discussion and possible action regarding a motion that the MVCC communicate with LADOT and Councilwoman Traci Park about supporting a traffic study regarding the installation of left turn signals at the intersection of Centinela Ave. and Ocean Park Blvd. going every direction, to prevent unprotected left turns and illegal u-turns that has caused many car accidents.

Jakob: A stakeholder brought to our attention a traffic danger issue at this intersection. The lack of a protected left turn lane headed north or south has led to numerous accidents and with traffic backlog at rush hour encourages drivers to make illegal left and right turns. We would like to ask the city to do a study about adding signals.

Clarifying questions

Greg: This isn't Bundy right? No.

Carolyn: Is that where the business park and homes are? Yes.

Jennifer: Do we ask for a study or for that? April: This is the first step of what we need to ask for. We don't necessarily understand the traffic patterns enough to say that's what we want.

Aaron: Jurisdiction? Jakob: This is within our jurisdiction.

Delaram: If it is not in our jurisdiction, we still have the right to request it right? Charlene: We couldn't as a group vote on this if it involved Santa Monica.

Greg/Jakob move to approve

Public Comment

Spencer: I was at this meeting and I've long believed that unclear situations are asking for trouble. The lack of traffic lights is creating an unclear situation and resulting in trouble and crashes.

Kalani: I support this motion. I would have gone for the double ask, the study and then please move forward with installing.

Stakeholder: I only support a study, I don't know if adding left turn signals would solve this.

Board Comment

Jakob: Lots of accidents happen here, up to 2 a month.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen	x			
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink	x			
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	13	0	0	3

Passes 13-0-0-3

- 13.6. [Policy] [TI&S] Sidewalk Installation on National Pl. -** Discussion and possible action regarding a motion for the MVCC to communicate to the LA Department of Public Works and Councilwoman Yaroslavsky that it supports the installation of a contiguous sidewalk on National Place between Overland Ave. and Westwood Blvd.

April Peterson: This would encourage the addition of sidewalks to National Place across from the Trader Joes. On both sides of the street there is some sidewalk, but it is not contiguous. People use this street to get to Trader Joes from Palms and a lot of people are walking in the bike lane. This is a short section and it would just take a little bit of sidewalk addition to make a complete walkway.

Jakob: We recognize that there are some difficulties here with private property.

Clarifying questions

Carolyn: Was this brought by an individual?

Ian/Greg move to approve

Public Comment

Spencer: This is a major thoroughfare. Without a sidewalk there is no path for pedestrians, so we need one.

Kalani: I don't support this motion. People don't walk sidewalks here because they don't want people walking through this neighborhood.

Tommy: With the condition of the sidewalks in Mar Vista I oppose adding any more sidewalks.

Megan: I use this trader joes and the parking lot is terrible so a lot of other people park along Westwood which adds more pedestrian traffic.

Board Comment

Ian: I represent Zone 1 which is part of Westside village and we are proudly in the MVCC. I run on this road a lot and use this Trader Joes. It is a horrible road to run on, it is good to look at this and at least see if it is possible.

Aaron: I used to teach at Adopt Shalom. It gets very busy in that parking lot. A lot of people park along Westwood and then you are opening your door into traffic and there is a hill. This is an extremely dangerous street.

Carolyn: I would not want the City to come to my house and telling me a sidewalk has to go there.

Charlene: I'm very familiar with this street, my kids used to go to daycare there. Because it's a major street with no sidewalks it is very dangerous. I think this particular street should have sidewalks for safety reasons.

Andrew: There must be some city liability here with not having a sidewalk. It would be cheaper to try and come up with a solution to provide a safe pedestrian passage rather than having someone get hit.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen	x			
Steven Hedge	X			

Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink	x			
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	13	0	0	3

Passes 13-0-0-0

13.7. [Policy] [DIRECTOR] Request to Strengthen Protections Against Unlawful Immigration Enforcement in Los Angeles - Discussion and possible action regarding concern of inadequate enforcement of the City of Los Angeles's sanctuary policy, including Ordinance No. 188441, in the face of overreach by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Jakob: I have been very disturbed by the immigration enforcement actions in our community. As discussed in the motion, the government is using racial profiling to arrest people on suspicion of immigration status violations, leading to the arrest of noncitizens and citizens alike. As a neighborhood council we should be invested in protecting all members of our community, and should encourage the City to take as decisive action as possible to combat this overreach.

Clarifying questions:

Andrew: My understanding is that the ordinance is being questioned federally, is it legal? The motion itself and what's in the letter are disconnected, you are asking for more than what the ordinance requires? There is so much here and it is such an overreach that I am uncomfortable with going along with it. Jakob: The ordinance is currently challenged and this is asking for more than the ordinance.

Carolyn: The city has said that we are going against what ICE is doing? Yes.

Deboarh: What are we voting on? Jakob: Sending this letter.

Jakob/Delaram move to approve

Spencer: I think it is a moral imperative that we do everything in our power to prevent people from being detained for their race or language. This would be helpful in getting the City to protect the people of Los Angeles from getting detained for racial reasons.

Kalani: I agree with Andrew. This is too broad. It would be easier to say that the MVCC supports LA doing everything they can to fight against ICE. I am against the designation of sanctuary cities. Many people here are migrating legally.

Tommy: I think we can all agree that what the federal government is doing is critical. But this is a rant, not a motion. Kudos to Jakob for giving it a shot.

Stakeholder: Thank you for raising the voices of our neighbors in our community. I am in support of this letter.

Board Comment

Delaram: I hear and agree with people that the ask is going above and beyond. But I think that going above and beyond is necessary to match the actions of the federal government. I support this motion because when the City council voted for this sanctuary city ordinance, they were on record with supporting people. Many people who voted for that policy are not now speaking up on behalf of immigrants.

Jennifer: I like the intent of the letter but I think it is too far reaching. On July 11 Mayor Bass did instruct every city department to develop and implement plans for the things in the letter. I would like a more narrow statement about how we care about the needs of our residents. I would like to see this reconstructed to a shorter statement.

Andrew: It is not the concept that's the issue, it's the execution. I would never want to put my name to this without double checking everything and fact checking. This reads like something from DSA.

April: I understand a lot of the concepts behind it, but at the same time, I feel like this is too much.

Greg: I agree with the intent but that this is too much.

Greg/Andrew move to table for next meeting

Public comment

Kalani: I support tabling, but tabling is normally used to kill a motion. It probably should go to committee.

Tommy: We could always form an anti-ICE committee.

Deborah: I have a problem with director's motions, I don't think anyone had enough time to go to your zones to get a feel on this. It would be nice if it went to committee, such as an ad hoc committee. I really just hear personal opinions.

Board Comment

Aaron: I want to thank Jakob for bringing this. I was at the Venice NC meeting and stakeholders were asking why aren't we doing something about this? Things are changing so fast that we need to do something quickly.

Jakob: Should we just cut the background information.

Jennifer: Since the mayor already did something in July, it could just be an accountability on that.

Jakob: I am against tabling because people are upset and this is an ok way to feel in this moment of uncertainty. I'm not bothered by the background section of the motion feeling like a "rant" because we are a mouthpiece for our community and from discussions with stakeholders this is how the community feels about this issue.

Jennifer: There are many things here that make it so complex. We don't know enough about how these things are operating to make these demands. I don't want to assume what has happened or not happened under the mayor's order. I know people who are undocumented that have all kinds of resources. I don't want to make complicated requests and that's why I don't want to put my name on it at this point.

Carolyn: I'm getting a vibe here that there might be some judgment on whether we are going to vote yes or no on this. I don't want people to judge me if I vote no on this. I have two sons who are half Hispanic and have them carry their birth certificates. We have another duty to be presentable to the city council.

Deborah: I appreciate what you just said Carolyn and I appreciate the letter. If we were voting on sending the letter I would vote to send it.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi		x		
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen		x		
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser		x		
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink		x		
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek		x		
Total	8	5	0	3

Tabled 8-5-0-3

Aaron/Andrew move to create ad hoc committee on workshopping this motion

Public comment

Spencer: If we are not going ahead with the motion, I am in support of the committee. Seeing how other issues like this are going to probably crop up in the future, maybe consider a permanent committee.

Kalani: I don't see the harm in having an Ad hoc committee. The only incident I'm aware of in Mar Vista is the car wash. Another NC spent \$1000 to print up red cards but now can't dispense them because that would require racial profiling. Barack Obama was called the deporter in chief because he deported a lot of people.

Board Comment

Aaron: Ad hoc committees don't need to comply with the Brown Act and need to be appointed. The committee would be to draft the letter.

Greg: Isn't it easier for him to just rewrite it?

Charlene: I am really angry about what's going on right now. I really want our council to make a statement about where we stand with this issue. Ideally, I would want the ad hoc committee to be formed immediately and present what they wrote in the next meeting.

Jakob: I don't think the committee would be necessary because I have heard the comments of everyone tonight and can act on those.

Delaram: I think the committee would lose Director Meuser's original purpose.

Andrew: I would hate to see a battle over this the next time it comes up. I think there is some merit in having other eyes look at it and craft something that could get majority support.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi		x		
Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen		x		
Steven Hedge		x		
Carolyn Honda			x	
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser		x		
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson	X			
Deborah Poppink		x		
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x

Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	7	5	1	3

Passed 7-5-1-3 to create ad hoc committee

Charlene moves to extend 15 minutes, no objections

13.8. [Policy] [PLUM] Support for CF 25-1036 – Maximum Interior temperature Threshold -

Discussion and possible action to support Council File #25-1036, a motion to direct the City Attorney, with assistance from the Departments of City Planning and Building & Safety, to report back on creating an ordinance under Los Angeles County Code Chapter 11.20 to establish a maximum indoor temperature threshold for all rental housing units, with the amendment of MVCC recommending that the Committee direct staff to include options to support small rental properties (1-6 units) owned by individuals rather than large corporations or institutional investors.

April recuses herself as a landlord

Ian: This council file is in support of an indoor heat safety standard. This would be challenging to implement for landlords of small buildings that don't have corporate resources to outfit their buildings. We would support the council file with an amendment to give options to small rental properties of 1-6 units owned by individuals.

Greg/Ian move to approve

Public comment

Tommy: These costs would be passed along to the tenant. I rent below market because my tenants are like my friends, and if I have to put AC in all the units I am going to have to raise rents significantly.

Dorothy: I think this is already enforced but this motion is asking for help for the Mom and Pop landlords. I also rent below market but it will cost me a lot of money to put in 4 AC units. At some point you just evict the people and move back in.

Kalani: Once again DTLA caved to the special interests. Like Tommy, I wasn't raised with AC and I survived. I survived serial killers also. I don't know why they didn't allow tenants to put in AC units at cost. We are coddling everyone, bike lanes, AC, etc.

Board Comment

Andrew: I support this, the council file is misguided and this is a nice protection for small landlords.

Aaron: I support this too, the council file addresses climate change as the issue here, and it is true that the heat is a big problem for people.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Delaram Ahmadyveasi	x			

Ian Blue	x			
Derl Clausen	x			
Steven Hedge	X			
Carolyn Honda	X			
Greg Kopelow	X			
Emily Lin				x
Andrew Marton	X			
Jakob Meuser	X			
Stephen Paddock				x
April Peterson				recusal
Deborah Poppink	x			
Jennifer Rafeedie	X			
Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				x
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	12	0	0	4

Passes 12-0-0-4

Move to extend meeting by 10 minutes Charlene/Andrew no objections

13.9. [Policy] [PLUM] Support for CF 25-0247 – Single-Stairway at Multifamily Buildings –

Discussion and possible action to support Council File #25-0247 allowing Single Stair buildings across the city to decrease the cost and increase housing supply in Southern California.

Ian: This would direct building code updates allowing for single stair buildings across the city. There would be limits on floorplan size and there are considerations for fire safety. This would allow for lower construction costs in a lot of projects. This motion supports the council file and directs the committee to convene an advisory panel.

Clarifying questions

April: Is this a study or dictating a certain policy? Ian: This is a study. April: Would these buildings be required to have elevators? Ian: No elevators required.

Carolyn: Does it make sense to have one stairwell? Ian: There are LAFD requirements to ensure safety.

Delaram: Is the current requirement 2 stairwells? Ian: Yes.

Greg: Is there any handicap consideration? Ian: ADA and Fair Housing Act apply the same as normal.

Carolyn: Why have this? Ian: It creates more flexibility allowing for larger apartments or other airflow. Some people who have studied this have determined that airflow is better during a fire.

Aaron: Have you seen any opposition? Ian: No one at the Plum committee.

Greg/Ian move to approve

Public Comment

Kalani: I oppose this. I don't know how many of you remember the 1911 Triangle Shirtwaits fire. People died because they didn't have proper exits. Our kids are obese and our population is fatter. One fat person will block a stairwell. Try getting down stairs in an emergency.

Tommy: Up to six stories they would allow just one stairwell?

April: There would be a maximum of four units per floor for safety reasons.

Stakeholder: Is this only for new buildings? Because we recently added a roof deck and had to add two stairwells.

Board comment

Greg: People don't just leave during a fire, it's chaotic.

Jennifer/Charlene move to extend 5 minutes, no objection

Aaron: Many firefighters object to this. They are arguing that this will reduce the cost of building an apartment, but the firefighters are concerned that they are trading the reduction in costs for safety.

Ian: The safety requirements are built in to the motion, these apartments would be safer than two staircase apartments. Allowing for cheaper building is important to increase housing supply.

Jakob: Ian informed that there are specific fire safety standards for these buildings above and beyond the normal.

Aaron: West Los Angeles NC supported this.

Charlene: This is what I used to do. There is heavy code involvement here. There is something to be said for trying to get more housing. This motion is safe because it asks for expert help.

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

Charlene Samiley	X			
Chloe Samiley				X
Aaron Vanek	x			
Total	13	0	0	3

Passes 13-0-0-0

14. REPORTS

Officer Reports

- Charlene Samiley - Chair
- Jennifer Rafeedie - 1st Vice Chair
- Andrew Marton - 2nd Vice Chair
- Jakob Meuser - Secretary
- April Peterson - Treasurer

Zone Reports

- Zone 1 - Ian Blue
- Zone 2 – Emily Lin
- Zone 3 - Andrew Marton
- Zone 4 - Deborah Poppink
- Zone 5 – Delaram Ahmadyveasi
- Zone 6 - Aaron Vanek (*Zone Report posted under Supporting Docs*)
- 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

Delaram and Andrew appointed to the Ad hoc committee with Jakob for immigration motion

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