



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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Meeting Agenda

[Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability \(TI&S\) with the Board of Directors](#)

Tuesday, March 3, 2026 From 7:00 to 8:30pm

In Person at the Windward School, 11350 Palms Blvd., Room 410.

Public Welcome

1. **CALL TO ORDER 7:03 PM**
2. **ROLL CALL AND EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS/CONFLICTS-OF-INTEREST** - *roll call shall include each attending board member declaring any ex parte communications outside of their duties and conflicts of interest pertaining to items on or related to this agenda.*

Jakob Meuser no/no

Derl Calusen no/no

Spencer Reisner no/no

Fred Kuhns no/no

April Peterson no/no

3. **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** – Viewable under supporting documents

4.1. Approval of the February 3, 2026 Minutes

[Jakob/Derl move to approve](#)

[Passes 11y, no objections](#)

5. **REPRESENTATIVE, GOVERNMENT AGENCY, AND CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

6. **CHAIR REPORTS**

a) CHAIR – Jakob Meuser

b) VICE-CHAIR – April Peterson: [At WRAC there was a lot of discussion about the Ohio bike lane and it being a double bike lane, concerns about left turns being eliminated under that plan. There were also some ADA concerns.](#)

[Stakeholder: Would that affect Beloit? A: Unsure.](#)

c) MEMBER – Derl Clausen

d) MEMBER – Spencer Reisner

e) MEMBER – Fred Kuhns: [NCSA updates: The City attorney candidates forum with a sustainability focus has been rescheduled to March 22 6:30-8:30PM on zoom. Will include Heidi, Marissa, and Ida. LANCSA is sponsoring another lawn to habitat workshop. If you want to participate in transforming a traditional grass lawn into a native plant landscape, that is happening in Exposition Park. Free snacks](#)

included! On the Energy committee we talked about the polluters pay program before the state legislature. CalEPA would do a cost study about total damages related to fossil fuel emissions and companies that produced fossil fuels in the state would be assessed fees related to those damages. The bills failed last year but have been reintroduced this year. LANCSA is supporting Katy Yaroslavsky's resolution supporting the polluter's pay climate superfund act. The new electrification ordinance requires research on how some of the laws in NYC work because those were structured to try and get around the 9th circuit ruling that struck down the Berkeley law. Fred is researching those laws.

7. SPECIAL ORDERS – NONE

8. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - NEW

- 8.1. **[POLICY] CD11 Flock Cameras:** Discussion and possible action regarding the drafting of a letter to Councilmember Park of CD11 requesting the immediate cessation of Flock Camera installations and removal of those cameras already installed.

Derl: Flock is a hardware and software manufacturer with a lot of compute. They are designed to take images from their cameras and process them. They also create software that stores the data and allows search. Usually, ALPRs turn on during an Amber alert and check for the specific license plate and notifies if it finds it. Flock is always on and takes images around the clock of every license plate. They snap license plates and the type of car and number of people in the vehicle. These images are stored for 30 days no matter what, and if it is flagged by a municipality they can be stored for longer. These ALPRs also have facial recognition technology which is according to them not included in their license plate reader. They have been flagged as potential civil rights abuses by many different independent journalists. Municipalities can cross-check each other's data.

Spencer: Did the Texas police use Washington records or California to find the woman who got an abortion? A: They used Washington.

Derl: I could not specifically find Los Angeles or Santa Monica data on which municipalities they were sharing with. They have been caught giving data to ICE or CBP. They were installed in our neighborhood without much feedback and they should be taken down.

April: Can we find out exactly what LA has agreed to with these? If they are willing to share the data that is different than if they weren't willing to. Spencer: There was at least one case of Flock giving data to federal people without the consent of the people who ran the cameras. Just because the city agrees to something doesn't mean that that agreement will be followed by the city.

Tripp: It is very easy to get the data off these cameras with a little bit of technological know how. With one google search, you can find the admin dashboard of a flock camera if you plug your computer into it. A few weeks ago using a computer someone found a bunch of administrative information by plugging in. None of this data is encrypted.

Derl: Traci Park's \$400,000 discretionary fund spending got us 3 years of subscription service to the cloud services and installation of 40 cameras in Mar Vista. Also, if Amazon or another company gets enough pressure they can just hand over the data.

Fred: I am curious about this memo from Matt Halden. How did this come about? A: This was sent to the chair and vice chair of this committee and the chair of the council.

Tripp: I read this statement a few hours ago and thought it was just a bunch of Flock marketing. We have uncovered some serious flaws with how Flock works and these statements are not backed by evidence.

Jakob: Yes the anecdote about the Venice Canal's attack was an odd inclusion because Flock cameras were not involved in that incident, rather other ALPR tech. That seems like a different discussion from this cloud services.

Megan: Today the LA times reported that the LA police commission requested an audit of how the data is being stored because there are being leaks to the federal government.

Tripp: The LAPD audits are only capturing what the LAPD does and not Flock.

April: How secure is Ring data? A: Ring data was going to be sent to Flock but then that contract was canceled.

Tripp: There are probably a few cameras on every block, it would be insane if they got access. We have five at one house now.

April: We are lacking in LAPD patrols on the Westside and so I do know that we have an opportunity to scale differently. A: This doesn't provide a patrol like police and so it has less of a deterrent effect. April: Having real time data might still help catch people in daytime robbery type situations. A: If you are an actual systematic crook you know how to change out a license plate. If I'm going to rob a place then I'll steal a car first.

Derl: We have a serious street light problem as well. This \$400,000 could have provided street light safety as well instead of cloud storage.

Fred: The argument about using this to augment LAPD has some validity but it seems like this system has some problems. We should look into it more before we commit.

Derl/Spencer move to approve

Public/Board Comment

MB: I came specifically to support this motion. People coming to California for abortion care are endangered by this. Immigrants in our community are already under threat and don't need more surveillance.

Julia: I would agree with all of that and add that these resources could be put to better use even involving crime. I feel comfortable in the amount of cameras around. I would care more about having people around to respond when I am in danger instead of having it caught on camera. I haven't seen any real reasoning of why this is necessary from Traci Park.

Eric: I came just to support this motion. I don't think we need more surveillance. Flock has worked with ICE and DHS and I don't support that. This money could be better spent elsewhere.

Tripp: Did they ask Mar Vista at all? A: There was no community input about doing this.

Stakeholder: Even if ALPR is a good thing, Flock is definitely not the best way to do that.

Fred: I would support a motion to pause the installation of any additional Flock cameras pending the findings of the police commission but I don't think I could support removing all installed cameras.

Spencer: I believe that Flock is not a trustworthy company right now and that makes these cameras not trustworthy. These will be used by the administration against what they think is a crime.

Megan: I support this as written, and multiple cities across the US are cancelling their contracts right now so this is not an unprecedented thing to do.

Fred move to amend the motion to read: "The MVCC does not support the installation of additional Flock cameras in Mar Vista and supports a moratorium on the use of Flock cameras pending findings by the police commission and attorney general." -No second

April/Spencer moves to amend to add: "If Flock cameras remain, there should be a report back about specific metrics of crime rate reduction and law enforcement uses. The evaluation of effectiveness and potential misuses of this technology should be completed semiannually and shared with the local community. These audit results should be publicly available."

Public/Board comment

Megan: I think this is too little too late. We know that there are violations already happening and an audit won't stop that.

Stakeholder: I feel like appending that makes it sound like if you are going to use them then we are ok with it.

Stakeholder: It feels wishy-washy and like a failsafe.

Spencer: I have the same concerns that other members have voiced. I don't want to be cynical and would like to remove the contingency. If there is one thing that history teaches it is to not capitulate in advance.

Julia: No need to water it down.

April withdraws the amendment

Derl: Come to the board meeting if you are passionate about this.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Not Counted but Present
Jakob	X			Delaram
Derl	X			
Tripp	X			
Eric	X			
MB Blakey	X			
Julia	X			
April			X	
Spencer	X			
Megan Purdome	X			
Franky	X			
Fred		X		

Passes 9-1-1

9. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - OLD -

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11. ADJOURNMENT 7:49 seconded by multiple, no objection

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