



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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Meeting Agenda

Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability (TI&S) with the Board of Directors

Tuesday, September 2, 2025 From 6:30 to 8:00pm

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

Public Welcome

1. CALL TO ORDER 6:35 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

April Peterson no/no

Derl Clausen absent

Spencer Reisner no/no

3. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fred: NCSA meeting 8/10/2025 was related to SB 79. Energy committee included Tim Oconnor as LADWP ratepayer advocate speaker. He was talking about how to replace the LA ordinance for electrification of buildings with something that will not run afoul of the Berkeley decision. Discussion about LA100 versus other plans for LADWP. PSA: because of the one big beautiful bill, energy subsidies are ending at the end of September so get your electric vehicles while you can. Plugin hybrids may or may not receive subsidies. Rebates and subsidies for home electrification are good until the end of December.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - [SEE MEETING MINUTES UPLOADED HERE FOR DETAILS](#)

4.1. Approval of the August 5, 2025 Minutes

April/Jakob move to approve

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Jakob Meuser	X		
April Peterson	X		
Fred Kuhns	X		
Spencer Reisner	X		
Megan	X		
Diana	X		
Natasha	X		
Tommy	X		

Total	8	0	0
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Passes 8-0-0

5. REPRESENTATIVE, GOVERNMENT AGENCY, AND CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

6. CHAIR REPORTS

- a) CHAIR – Jakob Meuser

Metro is going great.

- b) VICE-CHAIR – April Peterson

- c) MEMBER – Derl Clausen

- d) MEMBER – Spencer Reisner

7. SPECIAL ORDERS – NONE

8. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - NEW - SEE [SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS](#) FOR DETAILS

- 8.1. **[POLICY] 3900 Block of Beethoven Street: Traffic and Safety Issues:** Discussion and possible action regarding traffic and safety issues on a particular section of Beethoven Street.

April: Ask for CD11 support as well, there is a likelihood of success for getting rid of one side of street parking. Generally in support the proposal.

Jakob: Today we could take a vote in support of moving this forward as a director's motion.

April: Removing parking on only one side would solve the road size issue without fully taking away potential guest parking.

Jakob/April move to approve

Public/Board Comment

Tommy: This should be more specific about the side of the street. Considering the curb cut and don't think that the city is going to do the right thing.

April: The city could choose which side to get rid of.

Diana: I suggest we highly recommend they choose a certain side.

Fred: Agree that we should recommend the side but let the City choose in the end.

Spencer: Assuming we know which side is getting the parking spaces removed I would say we include that as a recommendation but I'm also inclined to inform the city of the circumstances and give them a recommendation.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Jakob Meuser	X		
April Peterson	X		
Fred Kuhns	X		
Spencer Reisner	X		
Megan	X		
Diana	X		
Natasha	X		
Tommy	X		

Nonny	X		
Total	9	0	0

Passes 9-0-0

- 8.2. **[POLICY][WRAC] Oppose RFP for IKE Sidewalk Kiosk Program:** Discussion and possible action regarding motion proposed in WRAC in opposition to Council File 22-1154-S1 and the issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the interactive digital kiosk program.

Jakob/Tommy move to approve

Public/Board Comment

Nonny: What are the intended locations?

Tommy: The locations would be bus stops.

Diana: These would be how big? 8x9 feet, mini billboards.

Nonny: Is there a time when they turn off or are they touch sensitive?

Fred: I oppose this because I've seen these in other cities and I think they are useful. These are different from the giant digital billboards because they are interactive and provide a service to people. There is an emergency call button if you need police. The proposal says that it would be 8 or 9 feet high, not wide.

April: One of the other NC's is saying that there is data harvesting happening through tracking the locations of people walking by through wifi. There is no specifics on where they would put them. This could provide light pollution into apartment buildings close to the sidewalk. We have a lot of advertising already and the bus kiosks are already helpful.

Nonny: I live nearby by Butler and bike to the train. I use the Eline 2-3 days a week and I find that there is a lot of people asking me for help on where to go, this could be a solution. Since we know that the metro stops running at midnight, could we not just limit the time?

Spencer: How do these impede bus shelters and other transport amenities. I would like to know how these are interacting with other bus shelters, more advertising is a bad thing.

Diana: Where is this in the level of development? Some of this may be valuable, but I'm not sure if it should be done in the way it is currently described.

Tommy: Everyone has a cell phone, all the city has to do is make an app for transportation and that would solve it.

April: There already is a digital bus stop program called STAP and they already have ad revenues.

Diana: Why are they doing a totally different program? This one isn't necessarily at bus stops.

Spencer: Should we support WRAC or do a separate motion? We already have an alternative program providing information, so we should support the WRAC motion here.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Jakob Meuser	X		
April Peterson	X		
Fred Kuhns		X	
Spencer Reisner	X		

Megan	X		
Diana		X	
Natasha			X
Tommy	X		
Nonny		X	
Marvin	x		
Total	6	3	1

Passes 6-3-1

- 8.3. **[POLICY] CF 18-0244-S10 DASH Fare Collection:** Discussion and possible action regarding a motion instructing LADOT to report an analysis of the costs associated with collecting fares on DASH buses.

Spencer: It seems like they have been charging a nominal fee which could cost more to implement than they would actually make money.

Tommy: Are these dash buses little ones? No they are purple and mostly downtown.

April: They circle around different streets downtown and bring people to many locations.

Fred: I think this is worth preserving because it encourages ridership generally.

Spencer: If it is a nominally small fee then there are questions as to what the point of that fee, perhaps exclusionary. This is more a method of excluding everyone without a credit card or tap card from the buses. The motion appears as it's currently written to just oppose without any reasons why. I suggest that we bring the exclusionary effect up in the CIS.

Diana: It sounds like there will be extra police costs too. They will be taking time enforcing fares instead of doing actual security.

Spencer/Jakob move to amend

"The MVCC opposes the resumption of fare collection on DASH buses. The nominal fee to be charged is not worth the extra costs of enforcement and potential for excluding riders of limited means or without electronic payment methods readily available. Additional fee enforcement would lead the LAPD to spend time on DASH buses enforcing the payment of fees rather than addressing safety issues. This could also lead to a reduction in ridership across metro because of the loss of convenience for all riders."

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Jakob Meuser	X		
April Peterson			X
Fred Kuhns	X		
Spencer Reisner	X		
Megan	X		
Diana	X		
Natasha	X		
Tommy		X	

Nonny	X		
Marvin	X		
Total	8	1	1

Amended 8-1-1

Spencer/Jakob move to approve

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Jakob Meuser	X		
April Peterson			X
Fred Kuhns	X		
Spencer Reisner	X		
Megan	X		
Diana	X		
Natasha	X		
Tommy		X	
Nonny	X		
Marvin	X		
Total	8	1	1

Pass as amended 8-1-1

9. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - OLD -

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA - *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. Thank you.*

April: In the prior year, this committee voted for a neighborhood purpose grant to donate money to a nonprofit. For every NPG, we are supposed to collect a project completion report. It is time to get the report so let's follow up. I can show you the form and what we can do.

Natasha: We are concerned about the removal of three stone pine trees. They are beautiful trees but they have messed up the street. Is there any way to fix the street without removing the trees. Several trees have been removed but never replaced and the sidewalk has never been fixed. It takes years to grow a new trees. This is from Palms to Walgrove on Warren street.

Marvin: I've been in this neighborhood for a long time and when they cut down trees it looks like desert. Streets have been destroyed and they have never fixed it, so what is the point in cutting down the trees. There should be a plan to fix the pavement before cutting the trees. They don't put any trees in to regrow and they would need to have an irrigation system in there to let it grow.

Nonny: We have a friend who owns a home there but is in London. We oppose the trees being cut down. NYT put together a neighborhood map where you can see CO2 and the patch where you have cut down trees has become noticeably hotter.

April: Currently, there are three addresses where they have trees in the bureau of street services under the bureau of street services review. We would want the resurfacing to be planned and scheduled prior to any movement on the trees.

Nonny: If all three neighbors agree, they won't cut the trees.

Spencer: I live on that street and the roots can get to a point where they can be considered too much.

Diana: You can trim some roots without damaging the whole tree. The bigger trees have a much better CO2 capture rate.

April: We should bring a director's motion on this issue to retain the trees, directed to Traci Park's office.

Nonny: They should have to redress replanting where they cut the trees down too.

Spencer: Living on that street, people who come to our house are advised to go up a different street because of the prevalence of roots. I suggest we replace the trees with ones less likely to damage the street.

Diana: There is a struggle right now with trees dying because of the roots.

11. ADJOURNMENT Jakob/April 7:56

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