



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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Meeting Minutes

Planning & Land Use Management (PLUM) with the Board of Directors

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Thursday, August 13, 2026 From 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Public Welcome

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2026, ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (DURAZO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114. THE MAR VISTA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(3).

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California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(4).

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California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(A),

A 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 paragraph (5), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.
California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 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.*

Stephen Paddock – MVCC-PLUM Chair- **No/No**

Ian Blue – MVCC-PLUM 2nd Vice Chair- **No/No**

Chris Curry – MVCC-PLUM Member – **No/No**

Steven Hedge – MVCC- PLUM Vice Chair-**No/No**

3. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS

4.1. Approval of May 14, 2026, Minutes

MOVED BY CURRY, SECOND BY BLUE

5. CHAIR REPORTS

a) CHAIR – Stephen Paddock

Status report on Beethoven Market: The Matter was heard by Planning and no decision has been made, anticipate that any decision will ultimately be appealed.

Status of Keenan Drive Parking Permits: City has reported decision not to accept preferred parking assignments at this time. Members questioned the reason for the policy and whether a moratorium or other Citywide policy was responsible. The discussion focused on potential parking impacts from additional housing, including ADUs, and the effect on existing residents.

b) VICE-CHAIR – Steven Hedge

c) 2nd VICE-CHAIR – Ian Blue

d) MEMBER – Chris Curry

6. SPECIAL ORDERS

7. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - OLD – None

8. 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.*

9. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - NEW - SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS

9.1. [Policy] MVCC endorsement of Council file 26-0386

Abandoned Structures Demolition / Fire Risk / Due Process Protocols / Owner Notification / Final Opportunity to Abate.

The PLUM Committee discussed a City Council motion concerning abandoned structures. The proposed Council position supported requiring the Fire Department to have properties reviewed by the Office of Historic Resources before taking action.

Motion by Hedge, second by Blue.

- Motion approved.
 - Yes-Hedge, Blue Curry, Paddock, Constituent
 - No's- None
 - Abstentions None

9.2. **[Policy] MVCC endorsement of Council file 24-1399**

Landscape and Site Design Ordinance / Landscape Ordinance No. 170978 Rescission / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment

The PLUM Committee discussed proposed changes to the City's landscape ordinance and zoning requirements, including:

- Requirements related to trees and tree sizes.
- Allowing smaller, more readily available trees.
- Native-plant requirements.
- The percentage of native versus non-native plants.
- When the requirements would be triggered by remodeling or new construction.
- Concerns about the complexity of the proposed regulations.

Chair Paddock explained that the proposal was being considered because it falls within the Council's planning and land-use responsibilities. He noted that other neighborhood councils had also considered or commented on the proposal. Members expressed reservations about taking a position without having sufficient information about the practical effects of the ordinance.

Public commenter Tommy also expressed reservations about the proposal.

A vote was taken. Chris Curry, Ian Blue, and Steven Hedge abstained. Chair Paddock voted in favor.

Motion Failed , no further action

9.3. **[Policy] MVCC endorsement of Council file 26-0987**

Zoning Code / Maintenance Ordinance / Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) / Amendment

The PLUM Committee discussed proposed technical corrections and clarifications to Chapter 1A of the City's new zoning code, including multifamily development standards, pedestrian considerations, neighborhood character, and related zoning provisions.

The Committee discussed whether the changes would substantially increase allowable density or height. Chair Paddock reported that the proposal did not appear to constitute a major up-zoning and primarily involved clarification and cleanup of existing zoning provisions.

No Public comment

Motion by Curry, second by Paddock.

- Motion approved By Unanimous consent.
 - No objections or abstentions

9.4. (ADMINISTRATIVE) In person meeting

Discuss possibility to have next meeting in person.

Discussion to have next meeting in person to present proposed small craft-cocktail/restaurant establishment on Venice Boulevard

Blue mentioned he would be out of town next week and unable to attend.

The next meeting will be held in person at Winward High on Sept 10.

10. ADJOURNMENT 7:45PM

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