

Mar Vista Community Council

Town Hall & Meet and Greet
Saturday, October 3, 2026



Love, Mar Vista mural by DJ Neff (restored June 2026)



AGENDA

MVCC FAQ

- Who we are
- Neighborhood Council info
- What we can do
- Examples
- What we cannot do
- How you can be involved

COMMITTEES

Meet committee members in informal discussions

- Election & Bylaws
- Executive Finance
- Transportation & Infrastructure
- Education, Arts & Culture
- Planning Land Use Management (PLUM)

SUGGESTIONS

Please write your responses to the questions on Post It Notes. Add a star to the ones you support or want answered.

WRAP UP

Thank you!
Be sure to take our info packets and snacks with you!

Who and What is the Mar Vista Community Council?

People like you who live, work, learn, own property or worship in Mar Vista

Volunteer officials with the city of Los Angeles

Elected by you - two-year terms, 3-term limit -
Elections in spring 2027 - open for candidates!

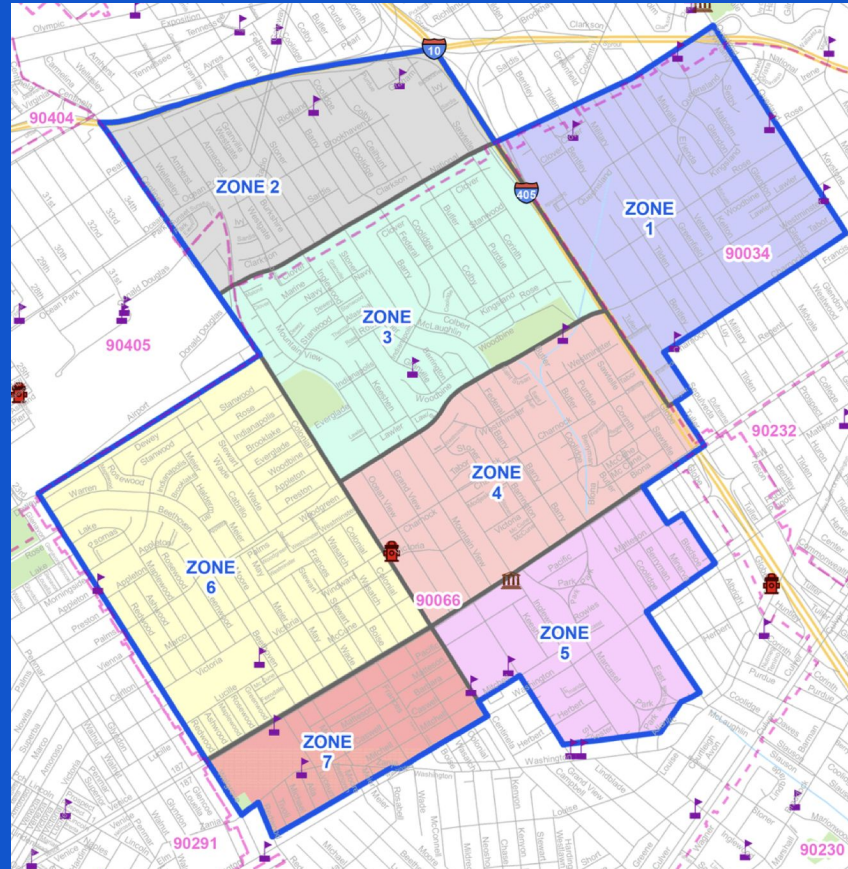
An official legislative body empowered by LA Charter in 1999; we must observe state and city laws such as the Brown Act

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Annual budget
approximately \$25,000
taxpayer dollars plus any
carryover from the previous
fiscal year



MVCC Boundaries



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Structure

Sixteen person board of directors that meets once a month at Windward School

Seven committees that usually meet once a month at Windward School (check calendar)

Most, but not all meetings are in person

Stakeholders can vote in a committee meeting and be appointed to sit on a committee (except ExFin); most board members are elected (appointments possible if a vacancy)

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Like other legislative bodies, our motions usually go through committee first and then are voted upon by the full board, but there are exceptions



What the MVCC can do



Official actions

Support or Oppose City
Actions or Proposals

Funding Initiatives

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Only to departments or officials
within the city of Los Angeles

REQUEST FOR ACTION

NEIGHBORHOOD PURPOSE GRANT

LAUSD schools
or registered
501c(3) orgs
only

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Small to
medium
community
beautification

What the MVCC can do

Soft Power

Contacts - help stakeholders get in touch with the right person or department

Advocacy - represent groups of neighbors to the city, often through official actions



Examples

NPGs awarded since July 2025



Nourish LA
\$5000



CERT
\$4000



Reducing Animal Stress
\$1000



LAPD Pacific Division
100th Anniversary
\$750

Other examples of MVCC Actions

- Conditional Use Permit (liquor license) support for Beethoven Market, Sunny Liquor, Tara's Market
- Support development of 5-unit apartment at 3252 S. Barrington
- Support change of use from a church to a school at 3655 S. Centinela
- Opposition to implementation of Flock cameras
- Section 106 consultancy for Disability Community Resource Center at 12901 Venice Blvd
- Two successful Blood Drives, with double the expected amount
- Holiday toy and candy donations to neighborhood children

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What the MVCC cannot do

Create or determine policy or legislation - we are advisory only

Campaign for candidates

Support or oppose policy created outside the city of Los Angeles, e.g., county, state, or federal actions



How you can get involved with the MVCC

Run for board election (candidacy opens in December)

Become a committee member

Attend our committee and board meetings
(check the calendar)

Sign up for our weekly newsletter
(info on MarVista.org)

Tell your neighbors about us



Let's chat! Informal Breakout Sessions

Four small group breakout sessions with committee members and zone directors

Each session lasts 15 minutes, with 5-minute breaks

Rotate to different committees or stay in one group, you decide

Please use Post-It notes to answer our questions & put a star on the notes you support - we will try to address them during the conclusion



Concluding Remarks

Address Post-It notes

Other questions or comments?

Please take and fill out our event feedback form

Take snacks or drinks home

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