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Thursday, September 17th, 2026 from 7:00pm - 9:00pm

PUBLIC WELCOME

Windward School, 11350 Palms Blvd, Los Angeles, Ca 90066

Room 20

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1. CALL TO ORDER 7:03 PM

2. **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 arrived late no/no

Derl Clausen no/no

Steven Hedge no/no

Carolyn Honda no/COI with item 13.7

Greg Kopelow no/no

Emily Lin no/no

Andrew Marton no/no

Jakob Meuser no/no

Steve Paddock no/no

April Peterson no/no

Deborah Poppink no/no

Jennifer Rafeedie no/no

Charlene Samiley no/COI with 13.7

Spencer Reisner no/no

Aaron Vanek no/no

3. WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNITY MEMORIALS

- 3.1. Announcement & Invitation for MVCC Town Hall & Meet-and-Greet** - To be held on Saturday, October 3rd, 2pm-5pm, at Mar Vista Branch Library Community Room, 12006 Venice Blvd 90066

4. ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE, GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Paige from LA County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath: County is preparing for the big El Nino this season. Sign up for city and county alerts, especially if near a hillside or canyon. Prepare your home by cleaning gutters and storm drains. If you are in an unincorporated part of LA county you can call our office to get help with mud and debris flow. We have a townhall coming up, virtual, 6PM on Monday 9/28. LA County is suing State Farm for unfair business practices. Supervisor was on site in Chatsworth when the crash happened, our hearts go out to the victims.

Karen from State Assembly Member Isaac Bryan: Legislative session is officially over. 14 of his bills passed this year. Governor has the chance to sign or veto these bills by the end of the month. We were able to secure a \$2.5 million grant for kitchen LA for unhoused neighbor hot meals. Another grant was secured for the YMCA. We will be partnering with CD5 to do a community cleanup in the Pico Robertson neighborhood on 10/11.

Vicky for Traci Park from CD11: SM airport community event is happening on 10/17. The plan will illustrate how the site will be organized and where amenities will be located. Speed humps on the 3900 block of Beethoven have been tough to get because of the high demand and DOT backlog. We made a direct request to LADOT executives. Warren Ave. has been partially paved this week and we are advocating for the whole community to get repaving. On 11/14 we will be having a pet resource fair at the MV park.

Erica for DONE: Next Saturday is congress of Neighborhoods from 8AM to 5PM. LA28 is hosting its first Fridays webinars regarding the Olympics starting 10/2 from 10/11 AM weekly. Our department is collaborating with LA sanitation to share best practices related to community cleanups. Last budget cycle, there was a mandate to update our websites to be ADA compliant. We had asked for help from the city since there were 99 websites. The city asked for a report. A CIS might be helpful asking for help on this since it would cut into the budget of each NC. I am expecting! I will be out in October and someone else will be supporting you next month, a DONE director will be supporting you.

- 5. 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.

None

- 6. 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).

Aaron: We have mural maps up on the main MarVista.org website. There is a self guided tour map of all the murals on Venice with artist information.

7. SPECIAL ORDERS

- 7.1. UFLAC Informational Presentation – State of the LAFD (Discussion Only)** - Representatives of UFLAC will provide information regarding LAFD staffing, resources, service demands, emergency preparedness, and related community concerns. Discussion only; no Board action will be taken.

Charlene: No board action will be taken on this, but full disclosure my daughter Melissa works with the group.

Gary and Tony: We are members of the LAFD. We are here on behalf of our union. The 1960's fire department had the same number of firefighters as today, but we now have 5x the calls. LAPD has increased by 80% comparably. Paramedics were introduced in the 1970s so we now provide EMS services as well which has increased call volume a lot. The number of fire stations has gone down since the 1960s. Response times have risen to almost 8 minutes, when the standard should be 4. When we have to start jumping to different districts, the response time can get very long. A lot of DHS policies have made us stay on scene and do the entire cardiac incident on scene. Because of this horrible ratios of calls and firefighters, we are having problems with retention. You should have approximately 1.81 firefighters per 1000 residents whereas we are at 0.87. We have begged and pleaded with the city about how we are struggling. Our members are getting burnt out. The city has failed to prepare for staffing shortages, so sometimes the city is telling us we can't go home. We have a lot of fire engines that are not working because we don't have enough mechanics. An engine got in an accident at

one point and it took 3 years to get it back in service. We need 62 fire stations, 4000 firefighters, dozens of new dispatchers, 7 new battalions, and new EMS substations.

Jakob: How have you been funded versus the LAPD? A: Not entirely sure, but after Palisades we lost 42 fighters. We respond to most of the calls concerning homelessness. FundLAfire.com lets you know if we have the resources to respond to you.

7. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Charlene: We are pulling 13.5 because the BAC could not be accepted after approval because I signed it to certify it.

Ian: I am disappointed to learn that the city attorney opposed our NPG after following all written instructions from the city. After we passed it they told us there were new instructions we didn't know about. After we followed those they told us there were additional issues they had not told us about and said the NPG was tainted.

April: They have not provided additional comments or suggestions on the BAC.

Ian: I will continue to work with the booster program on this.

Charlene: This happened in a prior NPG that was never raised and there was a recusal where the person signed the form and it was never raised by the city.

Ian: One of our only abilities is to give money to community organizations, so I am not sure what we are doing here.

Charlene: The most disappointing part is that the applicant did everything right and was patient.

Carolyn: With the Venice event, because it is in the system, if the next meeting is past the date can we still vote on giving the money afterwards? A: No. Carolyn: Could we have a special meeting before the end of the month with quorum? A: Yes.

Jakob: Sorry about not letting the Mar Vista Arbor group about the lack of quorum tonight, I did not realize how many absences there would be.

Erica: When you recuse yourself, you are no longer a member of that meeting.

Ian: Can we continue if we just don't call a quorum?

Delaram: If you are outside the room you are absent, but not an abstention?

April: Does our quorum change because of an illegible member? A: He counts.

Ian: You cannot decide on your own to recuse yourself from something.

Charlene: If we do a special meeting we can make sure it gets approved, but if we pass it and they deny it they can't come back.

Jakob: How sick is Jennifer?

Carolyn: We could do a special zoom meeting later in the month.

Jakob: In summary, we are pulling 13.5, 13.6, 13.7, and 13.11.

Ian/April move to approve the agenda with 13.5, 13.6, 13.7, and 13.11 pulled

Stakeholder: Where is the money being held when these things aren't approved? A: We can explain that with the funding report.

Stakeholder: This seems extremely complicated and bureaucratic. Are there any resources? A: There are the NC funding guidelines and training.

9. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

9.1. August 20th, 2026 Meeting

Charlene: I hope everyone has had a chance to review.

Greg/Aaron move to approve

Clarifying Questions

Public Comment

Board Comment

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recused	Ineligible
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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner	x					
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	10	0	0	6		

Passes 10-0-0-6-0-0

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] Budget Adjustments - Discussion and possible action regarding the budget adjustments for September 2026

April: This spreadsheet highlights the budget for the year. Each council gets \$25,000 a year. We have \$10,000 allocated this year for NPGs when people bring things forward to the board. Every other year we need to budget for election expenditures because the City does not fund them. We plan on putting up banners and other things to try and increase turnout. If we have money leftover at the end of the year it can be carried over to next year.

Clarifying Questions

Charlene/Greg move to approve

Public Comment

Rick: Why can't the board comment? A: Because it is on the consent calendar.

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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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner	x					
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	10	0	0	6		

Passes 10-0-0-6-0-0

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] [Funding] Monthly Expenditure Report - Discussion and possible action regarding the Monthly Expenditure Report [MER] for August 2026

April: This is a city form. You can see that we spent some money on monthly administrative expenses for our website and email. It also includes the invoices.

Clarifying Questions

Charlene/Greg move to approve

Public Comment

Board Comment

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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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner	x					
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	10	0	0	6		

Passes 10-0-0-6-0-0

13.2. [Administrative] [Funding] FY 2026-27 Administrative Packet – Discussion and possible action regarding budget adjustments (incorporation of rollover funds) to the MVCC Administrative Packet for Fiscal Year 2026-27

April: The admin packet is the overall packet we need to submit each year. We have been bringing this up each month because there have been changes to the budget. We are changing the budget now because the city released our carryover money from last year. The biggest change is in our election expenditures because

Clarifying Questions

Charlene/Ian move to approve

Public Comment

Stakeholder: What are the community improvement projects? A: One example is the lights on Venice Blvd.

Board Comment

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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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner	x					
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	10	0	0	6		

Passes 10-0-0-6-0-0

- 13.3. [Funding] [DIRECTOR] Zoom License** – Discussion and possible action to approve \$255.61 to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment for one (1) Zoom license renewal in the 2026-2027 fiscal year. *(This item was previously approved by the Board for the 2026-2027 fiscal year; however, City requirements require the approval to occur during the fiscal year in which the expense will be incurred.)*

Charlene: Because this was approved in the previous fiscal year, it was not accepted. So now we need to get an approval in this year. We have to do it twice to approve the contract and then a separate approval.

Clarifying Questions

Charlene/Ian move to approve

Public Comment

Board Comment

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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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner						x
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	9	0	0	6	0	1

Passes 9-0-0-6-0-1

- 13.4. [Administrative] [DIRECTOR] MVCC Inventory Certification** – Discussion and possible action to review and approve the MVCC's inventory list and certify completion of the inventory in accordance with Los Angeles City Clerk Neighborhood Council requirements.

April: We went to the storage room in the MV Rec center and took photos and updated the inventory.

Clarifying Questions

Aaron: Some of this is different from the previous inventory? A: I could not compare the previous inventory since it was so old.

Aaron: I would like to find and match the item numbers from the previous one.

Carolyn: They only wanted the inventory up to so many years.

Charlene: The motion is to approve the inventory list that you have.

Greg/Carolyn move to approve

Public Comment

Board Comment

Ian: Is there a deadline? A: We are past it.

Charlene: I would like to comply and turn something in, if they have an issue with it we can go in and check.

Greg: Some of the people who bought these things are long gone.

Jakob: One potential upside of having meetings at the MV rec center would be that we could use the equipment at the MV rec center to have microphones and hybrid meetings at full board meetings.

Aaron: I think it is important to have an accurate inventory because it is not ours. We need to keep track of the taxpayer money that was used. I would love to see something matching that. I would like to be a good custodian of these materials.

Charlene: If this motion fails, what can we do?

Ian: If this passes we would still submit a new inventory.

Carolyn: Aaron you should bring other people.

Jakob: I would be open to join the inventory process. Is there a consequence to us not submitting yet?

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recused	Ineligible
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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					

Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner	x					
Aaron Vanek		x				
Total	9	1	0	6	0	0

Passes 9-1-0-6-0-0

- 13.5. ~~[Funding] [DIRECTOR] Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) Application for Clover Avenue Elementary School Booster Club to support the school's Modern Band Music Program~~** — Discussion and possible action to reconsider and re-approve the previously approved NPG application for the amount of \$2,298.75 to fund the purchase of remaining equipment needed to launch a Modern Band program at Clover Avenue Elementary School for the 2026-27 school year, including authorization for the Treasurer/authorized signer to execute the Board Action Certification.
- 13.6. ~~[Funding] [TI&S] Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) Application for Mar Vista Arbor Group to plant trees on National Blvd.~~** — Discussion and possible action regarding an NPG application for the amount of \$4,296 to fund the planting of trees on National Blvd.
- 13.7. ~~[Funding] [DIRECTOR] Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) Application for Venice High School's Annual Movie Event~~** — Discussion and possible action regarding an NPG application for the amount of \$1,000 for the Grease movie screening being held at Venice High School on 10/3/2026.
- 13.8. [Policy] [DIRECTOR] Support for ZA-2026-1347-CUB for the existing Sunny Market & Liquor (12815-12817 WEST VENICE BLVD)** – Discussion and possible action regarding motion for MVCC to support a conditional-use permit to allow the sale of a full line of alcoholic beverages for off-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 1,440 sq. ft. market.

Steven: This was passed in the PLUM meeting.

Jacqueline: I am representing Sunny Market and Liquor. We recently filed a CUP for their store. We would like to allow the sale of full line of alcoholic beverages for offsite consumption M-R from 10AM to 11 and 10AM to 1AM on the weekend. Business was purchased in 2013. Later on demand went up and so she expanded the business by purchasing the unit next door. She expanded the liquor store business. At the time, she only got a building permit. But now that she is thinking of selling the property, her Alcoholic beverages license does not include the expanded part of the building so she can sell

the building. It has been a liquor store forever. The city administrator wanted to hear your feedback before making the final determination.

Clarifying Questions

Ian: Sorry I was not able to attend the PLUM meeting. There is no operational change? A: Yes.

Carolyn: Are they asking for a full on liquor license? A: No, she has the ABC license, she needs to update it.

Greg/Aaron move to approve

Public Comment

Stakeholder: Are the hours remaining the same? A: Yes.

Board Comment

Aaron: This is just correcting a mistake from ABC. She is thinking of selling the store and whoever the next owner is would be able to sell the hard liquor on the other side of the store.

Ian: I support this motion so they can sell.

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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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner	x					
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	10	0	0	6	0	0

Passes 10-0-0-6-0-0

- 13.9. [Funding] [DIRECTOR] Purchase of 200 door hangers for the 10/02/2026 PLUM meeting –**
Discussion and possible action regarding an expenditure not to exceed \$300.00 for the purchase of 200 door hangers for the 10/02/2026 PLUM meeting to promote the presentation of the proposed project “Good Standing” located at 12906 W Venice Boulevard.
(ZA-2026-3205-ZV-CUB).

Charlene: This would allow for the purchase of door hangers for the upcoming PLUM meeting.

Clarifying Questions

Aaron: Is there as standard about what the door hanger will say? A: It just has a link and information about the meeting.

Spencer: What is “good standing?” A: The name of the business.

Ian/Aaron move to approve

Public Comment

Stakeholder: Is this a typical process? A: Yes, when there is a big new development we want the community to know about it so they can come to the meeting.

Board Comment

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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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner						x
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	9	0	0	6	0	1

Passes 9-0-0-6-0-1

- 13.10. [Funding] [OUTREACH] Purchase of pre-packaged candy and branded party favors –**
Discussion and possible action regarding an expenditure not to exceed \$400.00 for the purchase of pre-packaged candy and branded party favors to be used as giveaways to neighborhood kids attending the Mar Vista Rec Center Halloween Festival being held on Oct. 31st..

Carolyn: We are going to be at the Mar Vista Rec Halloween Festival with a booth. You should all come and donate blood. There will also be a cheap veterinarian vaccine booth. I am asking for \$400 to give out goodie bags with candy to the kids. There will be a branded coloring book.

Clarifying Questions

April: Will it be the same blood bank as before? A: Yes.

Spencer: This doesn't seem to clarify what even the motion is for.

April: We are amending the motion to say that it is for the Halloween festival.

April/Ian move to approve with the amendment that it is for the Halloween Festival at Mar Vista Rec Center on October 31

Public Comment

Stakeholder: How far away is the MV rec center? A: Across the street.

Board Comment

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recused	Ineligible
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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner						x

Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	9	0	0	6	0	1

Passes 9-0-0-6-0-1

- 13.11. ~~[Funding] [DIRECTOR] Purchase of MVCC name badge and business cards~~** — Discussion and possible action regarding an expenditure not to exceed \$50.00 for the purchase of MVCC name badge and business cards for MVCC new Youth Director.
- 13.12. [Policy] [TI&S] Extending No Parking Zones on Sawtelle Blvd.** – Discussion and possible action regarding a motion for the MVCC to advocate with LADOT for the red curb to be extended near side street entrances on Sawtelle and Centinela between National and Venice by at least 15 feet past the legal parking limit, to improve safety for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists coming from the side streets.

April: This is a motion to look at Sawtelle and the streets that intersect it between National and Venice. At rush hour, cars are trying to inch out of side streets and cannot see because of large vehicles parked on the street. This would extend the no parking red line slightly to let people be able to see better as they were pulling out.

Clarifying Questions

Ian: I recall there being a law passed last year requiring that the no parking zone be extended. A: This would be above that.

Aaron: So this would end up being more than the new maximum? A: Yes. The next thing would be to consider a width restriction on vehicles but I'm not sure if that's an option.

Greg/Jakob move to approve

Public Comment

Stakeholder: Where would this be? A: On Sawtelle between National and Venice.

Board Comment

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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					

Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner	x					
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	10	0	0	6		

Passes 10-0-0-6-0-0

- 13.13. [Administrative] [EAC] Neighborhood Flag Project Structure** – Discussion and possible action regarding review and approval of the neighborhood flag project structure for a CFP, judging, and selecting the neighborhood flag designs.

Aaron: The board approved a neighborhood flag project proposed by Leo. We talked to the city a little bit and they kicked it to us to run the whole project. We have been talking in meetings about how to run a neighborhood flag program that would be designed by students.

Leo: Students from grades 4-12 in public and private schools would be eligible to participate. See motion under year with a month of submissions and month of advertising. In terms of merchandise, that would be handled by the city and we are not proposing a money or profit system. The main question is whether this should remain with the EACC or whether it should become an ad hoc committee.

Clarifying Questions

Aaron: Tell me about what your school said. A: The assistant principal and teachers were in favor of the idea. I plan to go to Venice high to propose the idea there next.

Spencer: So if someone lived in Mar Vista but went to school outside the neighborhood, they could not submit? A: Yes if they were living in Mar Vista, they would have a chance to do that neighborhood's flag instead. It gets really difficult to start vetting where someone lives to determine what flag they can submit.

Carolyn: Would it be up to the school to decide how many submissions there would be? A: The school would decide how many to submit. We weren't going to set a certain limit. We are considering whether to set up an adhoc committee. It isn't just the MVCC that would be voting, it would include the public.

Carolyn: How often will the flag be changed in Mar vista? A: It would be one time making the flag, and then it would go around to other neighborhoods to allow them to make their flag.

Carolyn: I feel like there is a giant leap from the 4th to 12th grade? A: That is the competition.

April: Who will do the review to make sure it doesn't impinge on religious, cultural, or copyright issues. A: There are guidelines on restricted content.

April: Will there be any verbiage going with the submission explaining it? A: Yes.

Jakob/April move to extend the meeting to 9:15PM, no objections

Carolyn: Will there be a standard size of submissions?

Aaron/Jakob move to approve

Public Comment

Franky: This would be just for Mar Vista right? A: Yes. There is a list of all schools that will be eligible. The idea is that Mar Vista would be the template and lay the groundwork which would allow other neighborhood councils to run this thing. DONE and the Mayor's office are interested in this, especially before the Olympics.

Board Comment

April: Does WRAC have a committee for this type of thing? A: No.

Ian: Did you include the three LAUSD schools on the other side of the 405? A: Not sure.

Carolyn: Will you include homeschooled people with this? A: No, it would be too complicated.

Spencer: I really wish there was some way for homeschooled kids and others who go to school outside their neighborhood to participate in their neighborhood's flag.

Jakob: Could we just have a separate option for people who live in the neighborhood but don't go to school here to submit directly to us? A: Probably yes, we would like to deal with these problems on a case by case basis.

Jakob: Do you want an ad hoc committee? A: Not sure.

April: I would keep it in the EAC committee for now, and only move it if it became too heavy of a lift.

Delaram: For youth who are not in schools in Mar Vista, it might be worth including submissions from the library or recreational art classes. We could use public places as hubs for people who are homeschooled or don't go to school in the neighborhood.

Carolyn: What if kids could submit one from the library and one from the school? A: That would not be allowed.

Delaram: What would the timeline be? A: We would hope to have it done by the end of this school year so we could advertise and market the project to other schools for the next school year before the Olympics.

Aaron: We are not messing around with marketing and merchandise because of the hornets nest that it is, the design would be public domain.

Ian: What is the motion? A: This was mainly just looking for feedback, if there isn't a need for one we can just table this.

Aaron/Ian move to table this motion

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recused	Ineligible
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					
Steve Paddock				x		
April Peterson	x					
Deborah Poppink				x		
Jennifer Rafeedie				x		
Charlene Samiley	x					
Spencer Reisner	x					
Aaron Vanek	x					
Total	10	0	0	6		

Passes 10-0-0-6-0-0

Charlene/Ian move to extend to 9:20 PM

- 13.14. [Administrative] [DIRECTOR] MVCC Board Meeting Location** – Discussion regarding the current location of MVCC Board meetings at Windward School and consideration of whether to return Board meetings to Mar Vista Recreation Center, where meetings were previously held. Discussion will include accessibility, availability, meeting space, and other considerations relevant to selecting a public meeting location. No action is proposed at this time.

Greg: I think this is a much better space. We have had very few times where we were unable to seat everyone.

Carolyn: What were you thinking in terms of having a screen or projector? There is a lot more labor in setup and takedown. A: I have a projector personally.

Aaron: The rec center doesn't have an internet connection. This place has a lot more resources. I think the parking is pretty good here. There were issues with the rec center. Could we go to a bigger room in Windward?

Charlene: I never really got an answer. I would love to know that we have the option to go to a bigger room. When we have a more contentious meeting we have angry people.

Ian: Is this space free? A: Yes.

Carolyn: We did a lot of our committee meetings on zoom before.

Ian: The park has advantages in being more open to the public. If we have a larger meeting with more people, we could consider moving for that.

Ian/Charlene move to extend to 9:25 PM, no objections

Delaram: Historically, NCs should be more accessible and let people just walk in. Windward makes these meetings more exclusive bringing luxury to those who do show up, but I think it should be more accessible to the public. Walking into Windward feels a bit weird. Thanks for bringing this to discussion.

Spencer: Should we get public comment.

Franky: This is a nice room and feels safe. At the park you would have random people wandering in and people who don't know that it is happening. It is a good way of reaching out to the community. Even if you could just do this occasionally, it might be worth trying.

Erica: The board can approve an alternate meeting location. The MV rec center is a good option because it is a city owned location, very easy to use.

April: This might be good to discuss at the townhall.

Ian: Our next month's meeting might be a higher attendance.

Carolyn: I used to be the one to request that room and it was a little hard to reserve.

Erica: Dedicated board members can get equipment and setup. A lot of NCs with equipment do meet at that location.

April: I think you can check out equipment and identify who is holding it.

Aaron/Jakob move to extend to 9:30 PM, no objections

Delaram: It might be worth asking Windward if they have other equipment we could use.

Stakeholder: I loved the park and rec meeting at penmar because there were people just walking by. It feels frightening for people to come onto this campus I think.

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 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

15. ADJOURNMENT

Charlene/Ian move to adjourn at 9:26 no objections

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