



Mar Vista Community Council



Green Committee
Sunday, August 28, 2016 - 9:30 A.M.

Grand View Market
12210 Venice Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90066

Draft Minutes

Attendees – Susan Klos, Sherri Akers, Michael Millman, Jeanne Kuntz, Rob Kadota, Steve Fox, Christopher McKinnon, Ravi Sankaran

1. Called to order at 9:34a.m.
2. Approval of July minutes
Motion to approve by Susan Kos, 2nd by Steve Fox.. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 1 abstention.
3. Public comment
 - Noted that website shows meeting at Mar Vista Farmers Market – Sherri will correct
 - Steve – Tom Steyer will be the Temple Isaiah Albert Lewis lecture for this year speaker on 1/26/17. <http://thenextgeneration.org/about/people/tom-steyer>. He is an extraordinary pursuer of economic justice, environmental justice, voter outreach, and more. Save the date. It will be open to the public.
 - Sherri spoke about the need to recruit new members to the Green Committee and mentor fresh leadership.
 - Rob suggested that we build a resource list of environmental organizations. Ravi volunteered to create one and Sherri will add it to the Green Committee web page and the committee can use it for outreach.
4. Reports/discussion
 - Green Tent
Jeanne would like to do a presentation on public and alternative transportation. Rob requested that she collaborate with T&I and Jeanne will reach out to them. He also suggested that she recruit Damien and Sherri will connect them.
 - Gray Water Workshop (presentation by Art Lee)
Art was not at the meeting so further planning for a workshop will continue through email and phone. Steve Fox is another possible host candidate. Next step is for Art to assess Rob's house. If that works, we can schedule a workshop.
 - Fall Festival table
 - Fall Festival is on 10/22 – see blog for more info <http://marvistafallfestival.blogspot.com/> and event post for forms for booths and sponsors and silent auction donations - <http://www.marvista.org/node/3715>
 - Sherri will be out of town and Jeanne may be at the Bioneers conference. MVCC will have a tent and would like members from each committee to help cover the day and do outreach.
 - Note that we will also have MVCC tables and outreach at the Mar Vista ArtWalk the evening of 9/1 - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mar-vista-art-walk-music-edition-tickets-27152858932> and at the Venice High screening of Grease <https://www.facebook.com/GreaseVHS/> on 9/17
 - Apartment recycling
 - AB - 1826 re compost begins to implement in January 2017 2) On and after January 1, 2017, a business that generates four cubic yards or more of organic waste per week shall arrange for recycling services specifically for organic waste in the manner specified in subdivision (b). **It rolls out each year and by the**

5th year all businesses and multi-unit residential will be required to provide all 3 bins – trash, recyclables and organic waste. (text - http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201320140AB1826)

- Committee would like to request that the PLUM committee add a standing question to any presenters of multi unit residential developments to confirm that they are aware of AB-1826 and have planned space accordingly. Michael Millman will confer with PLUM leadership.
 - Outreach to address more community-specific sustainability issues –
No update.
 - Gas leaf blowers –
Reviewed MyLA311 app where it has been added to the drop down
 - Dept. of Sanitation bin recycling/top replacement
No update.
5. New business (possible motions to follow)
- a. POLICY MOTION: Resolution to Promote and Study EV Charging in Multi-Family Dwelling Units
Motion by Steve Fox, 2nd by Susan Klos. Passes as amended below – 6 ayes, 1 abstention.
- Discussion – Sherri expressed that existing multi-unit is more complex where new development is easy. Older buildings could require rewiring. Landlords may be able to offer creative solutions for access to charging. Steve mentioned that he, like some others, charge from 120v outlets without adding chargers. Michael pointed out that if charging is in a common area an owner needs to have a fair solution for allocating the electricity used. Michael suggested expanding the motion to apply to all housing (including single family homes) but the committee voted to keep this motion dedicated to multi-unit.
- WHEREAS**, the negative impacts of climate change are worsening more quickly than anyone expected, including extreme storm events, such as powerful storms, winds, floods, wildfires and drought; and
- WHEREAS**, the planet has now topped 400 parts per million (ppm) in the concentration of global carbon dioxide in the atmosphere and 350 ppm is considered the maximum threshold above which irreversible climate impacts begin to occur; and
- WHEREAS**, according to the US Environmental Protection Agency, fossil fuel production and usage is the largest emitter of greenhouse gases worldwide; and
- WHEREAS**, reducing the use of fossil fuel-powered vehicles is an effective way to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and particulate matter; and
- WHEREAS**, the spread of the use electric vehicles charged by renewable power like solar, wind and geothermal has begun in earnest; and
- WHEREAS**, wealthy communities have received by far the largest shares of state rebates to purchase electric cars; and
- WHEREAS**, low-income communities are disproportionately affected by pollution and climate change; and
- WHEREAS**, newly constructed or renovated multi-family buildings are currently required to be wired for electric vehicle chargers, but are not required to have actual chargers installed; and
- WHEREAS**, persons living in multi-family buildings find it difficult to charge their vehicles and therefore have little incentive to purchase and use electric vehicles; and
- WHEREAS**, according to the National Multifamily Housing Council in 2015, apartments in the City are 41% of all housing. Since multifamily housing is much more population dense than single family homes, an enormous percentage of the City’s population does not have reliable access to electric vehicle chargers; and
- WHEREAS**, to reach a goal of 100% of multifamily parking spaces having access to electric vehicle chargers by 2025, setting annual benchmarks would be an effective approach – for example 20% by 2017, 30% by 2018, 40%

by 2019, 50% by 2020, 60% by 2021, 70% by 2022, 80% by 2023, 90% by 2024 and 100% by 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Mar Vista Community Council has been a strong leader in promoting Citywide sustainability policies and aims to continue its tradition into the future;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the Mar Vista Community Council hereby supports and encourages any legislation promoting a fair plan that provides EV charging capability to existing and new multi-family housing parking for electric vehicle by 2025.

b. POLICY MOTION: Local Oil/Gas Facility Inspection

Motion by Sherri Akers, 2nd by Christopher McKinnon. Will be sent to our CM and So Cal Gas (Christopher will send list with addresses). Sherri will forward to T&I for their consideration for input or referral.

Motion passed as amended below after discussion – 4 ayes, 1 abstention.

Policy motion –

The natural gas storage facility for SoCalGas - Sempra Energy in Playa del Rey area are the oldest repurposed oil wells in the entire Gas Company system. If there are recent safety inspection and tests for methane and other gas leaks in the air above and surrounding these storage facilities, we request that they be made available to the Mar Vista Community Council and the general public and be easily searchable online, simple to read, chartable and interpreted for the lay person to see and understand the baseline and any increases and decreases in methane levels over time. We also request searchable online access to the status of safety valves for effective shut down on all storage facilities.

If no recent safety inspections or ongoing tests for methane and other gas leaks have been made, we request that they be scheduled as soon as possible and the results be released to this Council and the general public in the manner described above. Further we request these safety inspections be frequent and air quality tests be monitored and completed and made public daily.

Also, Air Quality Notifications must be available online and a method be made available for Playa del Rey and surrounding area stakeholders to sign up and be notified of Reportable Releases, as they are now being done for the Aliso Canyon Storage Facility neighbors.

6. Public comment –

Non

7. Meeting Adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

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