



Mar Vista Community Council



Homeless Issues Committee Meeting
Wednesday, July 18, 2018 6:30-7:45PM
Mar Vista Branch Library
12006 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90066

AGENDA – AMENDED

*****MEETING MINUTES*****

1. Call to order and welcome. **AT 6:30 PM**
2. Approval of last meeting's Minutes. **APPROVED**
3. Public Comment (2 minutes per person).
R.D. MENTIONED L.A. WORKS ON AUG 9, WESTSIDE COALITION MEETING THURSDAY AM, LAUNDRY LOVE (FREE EVENING LAUNDRY SERVICES FOR HOMELESS AT AREA LAUNDRY MATS.
4. Introduction of new H.I.C. co-chairs - Dr. Renee Sabshin & Dr. Roman Samiley.
5. Call for nominations and vote for position of vice chair of the H.I.C. **TABLED**
6. Consideration and vote on the H.I.C. Mission Statement to adopt with or without any possible changes or modifications after committee input. **DISCUSSED MISSION, VOTE POSTPONED TO NEXT MEETING, COMMENTS INVITED.**
“Mar Vista Community Council's Homeless Issues Committee seeks to protect the community from the impacts of homelessness by its commitment to helping homeless individuals who are willing to receive compassionate services, with the objective of (assisting the homeless) obtaining permanent housing and a more hopeful future away from the streets.”
7. Committee Discussions:
 - a. Updated MVCC “Homeless Resource Guide” and distribution within the community including to LAPD Pacific Division, Mar Vista Library (including The Source program), events where homeless gather such as free meals and special programs, fast food restaurants, etc.) (Funding motion item 7.)
 - b. Recruitment of volunteer(s) to compile information and create a “Volunteer Opportunities to Assist the Homeless” pamphlet patterned after Santa Monica City’s volunteer opportunities pamphlet with consideration to print. (Funding motion item 7.) **NO VOLUNTEERS TONIGHT**
 - c. Consideration to print “Healthy Streets” information sheets (copied from L.A. City handout) to post at homeless encampment locations to inform homeless individuals and the community of L.A. City rules and restrictions regarding sleeping on public streets. (Funding motion item 7.)
 - d. Homeless Rights to sleep on the streets - Jones v. City of L.A.

e. Guidelines for clean-up of homeless encampments. How to request an encampment clean-up - 311, MyLA311 mobile app. How can H.I.C. foster better coordination with service providers (LAHSA, etc.) and LAPD and BOS (Bureau of Sanitation) to effect pre-clean up outreach and proper procedures are followed.

0Explanation of and search for potential locations for the Safe Park Park program. Updates on LAMC 85.02 to help reduce the proliferation of vehicle dwelling on Mar Vista Streets.

f. Affordable housing measures including the Affordable Housing Initiative.

g. The Source - Service Providers offer assistance to the homeless the third Thursday of every month at the Mar Vista library. Their next event is on Thursday, July 19 from 12:00-3:00.

h. DMH (Department of Mental Health) HOME (Homeless Outreach and Engagement) team.

DISCUSSED HOMELESS SERVICES GUIDE, VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP HOMELESS, HEALTHY STREETS AND SAFEPARK INFORMATION, AFFORDABLE HOUSING, LAWS REGARDING ENCAMPMENTS. R.SAM MENTIONED GLOBE/TULLER ENCAMPMENT (UNDER FREEWAY), SANITATION, CRIME, DRUG CONCERNS. COMMITTEE DISCUSSED WAYS TO ADDRESS, ENCOURAGE A COORDINATED CITY RESPONSE (BOS, LAPD, HOME).

8. MOTION: The Homeless Issues Committee requests that the Mar Vista Community Council grant \$750 from the 2018-19 Council budget for printing costs for the MVCC Homeless Resource Guide, proposed Homeless Volunteer Opportunities brochure and Healthy Streets posters. **MOTION PASSES**

9. Appeal for a volunteer to be digital coordinator/information officer for the H.I.C. to assist with agendas, postings, social media outreach, etc. **NO VOLUNTEER**

10. Second round of public comment H.I.C.

11. Adjournment - (7:45 - library closes at 8:00) **ADJOURNED 7:45 PM**

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