



## *Mar Vista Community Council*



### **Homeless Issues Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, April 17, 2019 6:30-7:45PM**

Mar Vista Branch Library

12006 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90066

### **AGENDA**

1. Call to order and welcome.
2. Approval of last meeting's Minutes.
3. Public Comment (1-1/2 minutes per person).
4. Presentation by LA-Mas about the Backyard Homes Project - a new incentive program that offers homeowners an affordable "one-stop-shop" for the design, finance, construction, and leasing of a backyard home in the City of Los Angeles in exchange for homeowners commitment to rent the new unit to a Section 8 tenant for at least 5 years.
5. Discuss the various homeless encampments now located within MVCC boundaries and the current concerns and considerations to improve conditions for those that are affected by these displaced individuals.
6. Update on formation of a Neighborhood Watch group for the Globe, Tuller and Sawtelle neighborhood (the GTS Crime and Grime Busters) to better communicate and coordinate efforts between the stake-holders and LAPD to mitigate homeless related issues and concerns.
  - a. Compilation of neighborhood family and business contact information for organizing and communication for Neighborhood Watch.
  - b. Circulation of a petition to LAPD for stepped up enforcement of misdemeanor crimes, including, but not limited to stolen property, threatening behavior, drug use, possession and/or sale of controlled substances (amphetamines, cocaine, crack, heroin, opiates, ketamine, ecstasy, etc.) that result in the arrest of the offending individual for prosecution under California health and Safety Codes 11350, 11351, 11377, 11378.
  - c. Discussion of feasibility and process to create a "rock garden" along the underpass on Venice Blvd. similar to the rock areas along Culver Blvd. near the 405 Fwy. to narrow the pedestrian right-of-way. Appeal for volunteer(s) to research and design.
7. Discuss Homelessness 101 and Homelessness 102 presentations scheduled for April 28 and May 5, respectively, at 2:00PM at the LAPD Pacific Division (this location may change). Review of proposed outline and questions for the presenters.

8. Request MVCC to provide 8-10 Neighborhood Watch signs for the streets of Globe (2), Tuller (2), Regent (2) and Charnock (2) (maybe Venice Blvd. 2) in the vicinity of the Venice/405 homeless encampment.
9. Discussion of creation of an Incident Report website (and app) for stakeholders to log into when they witness objectionable behavior, unsafe conditions, or crime in the community. Appeal for person(s) capable of helping to design and implement this project.
10. Discussion of updating information and reformatting needed for the MVCC Homeless Resource Guide.
11. Discussion of identifying potential properties for Venice Community Housing Permanent Supportive Housing, Safe Parking and motel conversions in the Mar Vista community.
12. Appeal for a volunteer to be digital coordinator/information officer for the HIC to assist with agendas, postings, social media, outreach, etc. including an update of the MVCC HIC Homeless Resource Guide.
13. Appeal for a volunteer to take notes and prepare minutes for the HIC meetings.
14. Adjournment - (7:45 - library closes at 8:00)

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