

# Mar Vista Community Council Committee Appointments

FY2020 – 2021

July 14, 2020

## (01.01) Elections & Bylaws

Chair – Martin Rubin ([martin.rubin@marvista.org](mailto:martin.rubin@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

Vice-Chair – Holly Tilson ([holly.tilson@marvista.org](mailto:holly.tilson@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

## (01.02) PLUM

Chair – Stacy Shure ([stacy.shure@marvista.org](mailto:stacy.shure@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

~~Vice-Chair – Ken Alpern ([ken.alpern@marvista.org](mailto:ken.alpern@marvista.org)) [DELETED]~~

Vice-Chair – Neil Kritzinger [REDACTED] [ADDED]

### (01.02.01) Community Plan

Chair – Mary Hruska ([mary.hruska@marvista.org](mailto:mary.hruska@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

Vice-Chair – Ashley Zeldin [REDACTED] [ADDED]

### (01.02.02) Renters'

Co-Chair – Tyler Laferriere ([tyler.laferriere@marvista.org](mailto:tyler.laferriere@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

Co-Chair – Annie Bickerton ([annie.bickerton@marvista.org](mailto:annie.bickerton@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

## (01.03) Public Health & Safety

Chair – Christine Stemar ([Christine.stemar@marvista.org](mailto:Christine.stemar@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

Vice-Chair – Tim Hui [REDACTED] [ADDED]

### (01.03.01) Homeless Issues

Chair – Rob Watkins [REDACTED] [UNCHANGED]

Vice-Chair – Renee Sabshin [REDACTED] [UNCHANGED]

### (01.03.02) Emergency Preparedness

Co-Chair – Carl Ginsburg ([carl.ginsburg@marvista.org](mailto:carl.ginsburg@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

Co-Chair – Tyler Proctor – [REDACTED] [ADDED]

### (01.03.03) COVID-19 Ad Hoc

Chair – Selena Inouye ([selena.inouye@marvista.org](mailto:selena.inouye@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

Vice-Chair – Andrea Ambriz ([andrea.ambriz@marvista.org](mailto:andrea.ambriz@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

## (01.04) Education, Arts, & Culture

Chair – Gabriel Hill ([gabriel.hill@marvista.org](mailto:gabriel.hill@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

First Vice-Chair – Pamula Solar ([pamula.solar@marvista.org](mailto:pamula.solar@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

Second Vice-Chair – Dana Christensen [REDACTED] [ADDED]

## (01.05) Executive and Finance

Chair – Elliot Hanna ([elliott.hanna@marvista.org](mailto:elliott.hanna@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

Vice-Chair – Stacy Shure ([stacy.shure@marvista.org](mailto:stacy.shure@marvista.org)) [ADDED]

## (01.06) Transportation & Infrastructure

Chair – Ken Alpern ([ken.alpern@marvista.org](mailto:ken.alpern@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

~~First Vice-Chair – Selena Inouye ([selena.inouye@marvista.org](mailto:selena.inouye@marvista.org)) [DELETED]~~

~~Second Vice-Chair – Andrea Ambriz ([andrea.ambriz@marvista.org](mailto:andrea.ambriz@marvista.org)) [DELETED]~~

Vice-Chair – Michelle Krupkin [REDACTED] [ADDED]

### (01.06.01) Mobility

Chair – Rob Kadota ([rob.kadota@marvista.org](mailto:rob.kadota@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

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**(01.06.02) Great Streets**

*Chair* – Michelle Krupkin [REDACTED] [UNCHANGED]

**(01.06.03) MVCC/CD11/LADOT Transportation\***

*Chair* – Albert Olson ([albert.olson@marvista.org](mailto:albert.olson@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

**(01.07) Outreach**

*Chair* – Kathryn Wheeler ([kathryn.wheeler@marvista.org](mailto:kathryn.wheeler@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

**(01.08) WRAC\***

*Primary* – Elliot Hanna ([elliott.hanna@marvista.org](mailto:elliott.hanna@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

*Alternate* – Stacy Shure ([stacy.shure@marvista.org](mailto:stacy.shure@marvista.org)) [ADDED]

**(01.09) LUPC\***

*Primary* – Stacy Shure ([stacy.shure@marvista.org](mailto:stacy.shure@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

*Alternate* – Mary Hruska ([mary.hruska@marvista.org](mailto:mary.hruska@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

**(01.10) Budget Advocates\***

*Primary* – Christine Stemar ([christine.stemar@marvista.org](mailto:christine.stemar@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

*Alternate* – Holly Tilson ([holly.tilson@marvista.org](mailto:holly.tilson@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

**(01.11) Sustainability Alliance\***

*Primary* – Stacy Shure ([stacy.shure@marvista.org](mailto:stacy.shure@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

*Alternate* – Mary Hruska ([mary.hruska@marvista.org](mailto:mary.hruska@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

**(01.12) StreetsLA Advisory Council\***

*Primary* – Selena Inouye ([selena.inouye@marvista.org](mailto:selena.inouye@marvista.org)) [UNCHANGED]

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**From:** Annie Bickerton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 29, 2020 4:25 PM  
**To:** Elliot Hanna  
**Cc:** Tyler Laferriere  
**Subject:** Leadership Application

Hi Elliot,

Please consider this email my official request to be considered for cochair of RES again.

I believe Tyler has sent you a longer email about this, but after discussion about some of the challenges this year and important opportunities to create more value for renters in the community in light of the pandemic, we both agreed that we will be more successful if RES could operate independently as its own committee rather than as a subcommittee to outreach. I hope you will consider that option as we plan for the year ahead.

Best,

Annie Bickerton

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**From:** Ashley Zeldin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 1, 2020 1:22 PM  
**To:** elliot.hanna@marvista.org  
**Subject:** MVCC Committees

Hi Elliot,

I saw in an email last week from Martin Rubin to the North Westdale Neighborhood Association that the Mar Vista Community Council is reconfiguring its committees for the coming year.

I've thought long and hard about whether I should attempt to get involved again with MVCC committees in a leadership capacity. I hope you're aware that I've remained a present and engaged stakeholder, attending not only MVCC Board of Directors meetings but also meetings of various MVCC committees and subcommittees (by my count I've attended meetings of Community Plan, Education, Arts and Culture, Elections & Bylaws, Great Streets, Planning & Land Use Management, Outreach, Renters' Engagement, Transportation & Infrastructure, and I'm sorry I wasn't able to get to more). I've appreciated the opportunity to learn a good deal about the various issues in our community as well as to observe the way committees collectively work with the MVCC to enact positive change.

Admittedly, I had reached out to some MVCC board members to gauge their opinion as to whether I'd be well-received in trying to get involved more formally on a committee again. All encouraged me to give it a go. That said, I still didn't email you about a committee appointment as I don't quite know where I fit in and I don't want to step on any toes. That is, 'til now; I received a phone call asking why I hadn't, urging me to reconsider. So, I hope it's not too late.

To refresh your memory as to who I am: I'm a project manager, web developer, event organizer and writer/editor.

Last year I worked with the tech nonprofit Write/Speak/Code to organize their annual professional development conference bringing 500+ women, nonbinary and trans technologists together for three days of content, coding and community. I was responsible for organizational partnerships and communication as well as day-to-day operations, vendor relations, volunteer management, even emceeding the main stage at the event. Unfortunately COVID-19 has disrupted plans for this year's W/S/C conference.

So, since April I've been working with Annie Bickerton and Cristin Lim of Westside Friends, writing and designing content for their newsletter.

Before that I led event coordination and relationship management for the Los Angeles chapter of the International Game Developers Association--the second-largest chapter worldwide--for 5 years.

I'm dedicated to community-building in all my endeavors.

As a renter, it might make sense for me to get involved with the Renters' Engagement Subcommittee, though I've noticed that committee has met only sporadically (and been dormant for the duration of the COVID-19 shutdown).

While I still think I have valuable insight and enthusiasm to bring to the MVCC, I completely understand if you think it's best to look elsewhere in the community. I remain eager and willing to devote my energy to whatever committee might benefit from my involvement, as a stakeholder or otherwise.

Cheers,  
Ashley Zeldin

**mvcc.director.hanna@gmail.com**

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**From:** Solar, Pamula [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2020 10:49 AM  
**To:** Elliot.Hanna@marvista.org  
**Subject:** EACC

Hi Elliot,  
I would be interested in Vice Chair of the EACC.(Not Co-Chair) Thanks!

Pamula Solar

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**From:** lotzofknotz [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:16 AM  
**To:** elliot.hanna@marvista.org  
**Subject:** Leadership Application

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**From:** Tyler Proctor [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 30, 2020 11:57 AM  
**To:** elliot.hanna@marvista.org  
**Subject:** Committee Position

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Hi Elliot,

I, Tyler Proctor, intend to apply for the office of Public Health and Safety for the Mar Vista Community Council.

I was born in 1985 in Pittsburgh, PA, and raised in the suburbs of Latrobe. Immediately following high school graduation, I immigrated to Sydney, Australia, earning a Bachelor in Music with a Major in Audio from the Australian Institute of Music. Upon graduation, I was hired to work in the mailroom at Network Ten (one of Australia's "big four" networks), where I was able to climb the corporate and creative ladder, working my way up to senior audio director by the age of 25.

I've now been an audio engineer for 15 years. To learn more about my business, please follow this link to my site [REDACTED]

After 10 years, I became a dual citizen of Australia, and two years later moved back to the US to enjoy fresh opportunities and advance my career as a post-production sound engineer. Returning with me Stateside was my Aussie wife Nikki, a dual citizen of New Zealand and the daughter of a Holocaust refugee, who is also an amazingly accomplished editor now working for Disney/ABC.

After some serious health issues and a spinal cord injury sustained in a car accident three years ago, I now spend much of my free time trying to better myself and heal naturally. Mind, body and spirit optimization is my hobby. This includes regular yoga practice, working out, saunas, cold therapy, meditation and breath work, sun worship, grounding, concocting healthy recipes, studying supplementation, gardening, and listening to great thinkers, comedians, philosophers and stoics.

My wife and I also love nothing more than a date night at the Comedy Store.

Living in Los Angeles for the past five years, my wife and I bought our first home in Mar Vista four years ago, on Venice Blvd.

At our location, there has been an ongoing tent and homeless situation for almost two years, which has been dubbed the Wasatch encampment. This encampment eventually started to spread and take over several blocks, with drug dealers and human traffickers stationed on almost every corner of our neighborhood.

Our community was no longer safe.

Before COVID, it was bad. During COVID, it got way worse and the police are now hands-off.

This issue has been put right on my front lawn.

For this reason, leading up to and during the pandemic, I successfully helped to unit my neighborhood to look out for each other.

And we have.

Our neighborhood is a lot quieter now, a whole lot safer, the drug dealers are gone — with zero thanks to our tax dollars.

It's been sad to see the government let us down so much.

Many people in the neighborhood have been telling me to run for office.

Never having imagined a career in politics, but seeing the flagrant corruption and inaction that surrounds me, I'm finding myself traveling down a path that I feel compelled to trek.

Everyone at all societal levels is being squeezed out. Those who show no virtue are being given the most freedom, while those who need the help aren't receiving it.

The so-called left and right continue to bicker and battle, while the politically correct over-liberalization allows the city of Los Angeles to turn to squalor.

Now is the time to move beyond the long-held typical constraints of partisan politics. I value real debate and nuanced conversation to find virtuous solutions that are often found in the political gray areas. Spending my 20s in Australia, I experienced how another country and government can work for its people, while allowing me to spend meaningful time seeing how America is perceived from the outside.

While we continue to slip into a new great depression, we need to find real solutions that benefit the greater good, rather than the privileged few, in this new post-pandemic world.

I look forward to hearing from you and discussing the opportunity further.

Sincerely,

Tyler

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[Redacted signature block]

*"Go back to the Valley, man!" – Point Break*

**From:** Alex Pappas [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 30, 2020 12:13 PM  
**To:** Elliot.Hanna@marvista.org  
**Subject:** Re: MVCC

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Hi Elliot,

Just wanted to follow up and make sure you got my email since today is the deadline according to the website.Thanks!

On Fri, Jun 26, 2020 at 8:57 AM Alex Pappas [REDACTED] wrote:

Hello Elliot,

My name is Alexander (Alex) Pappas. I've been living in Mar Vista since May 2018. I love it here but I see a need to help, especially when it comes to safety, homelessness, and a few other issues. MV is a great micro-community with friendly people and has some great mom and pop businesses. I've made a lot of wonderful friends in MV over the past 2 years including a couple of community leaders, namely Mitch from the Art Walk and Monique also from the art walk.

I lived in Miami previously where I was very active in the community with efforts including leadership programs with the city to local activism groups, young professionals groups associated with Miami cultural landmarks, and also by using budget dollars from the companies I worked for to help fund local non profits and grassroots arts and cultural projects.

- Graduate of Leadership Miami, a program designed for young professionals to learn about city and county departments and their function while creating a community project to benefit an underserved or at-risk group
- former member of TrAC- Miami's Transportation Action Committee which pushed for better public transportation
- former member of the young professional's groups associated with MOCA Miami, ICA, Arsht Center, New World Center, and History Miami
- Helped fund non-profit ventures including O-Cinema and Borcht Film Festival

On a personal note, I have an MBA from NSU, i am a child of an immigrant father with dual citizenship, and i really enjoyed the local music scene in mar vista until there was a clampdown on it and then covid19 happened.

Let me know what else you want to know and what the next steps are to potentially join the CC.

Thank you,

Alex Pappas  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tyler Laferriere [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 24, 2020 2:16 PM  
**To:** Elliot Hanna  
**Subject:** Renters' committee co-chairship

Good afternoon, Elliot.

I hope this email finds you well.

Since we have arrived at that time of year for committee appointments, I wanted to express my interest in renewing my co-chairship of the renters' committee. I own up to the fact that Annie and I have struggled to find our footing with this committee. However, for my part, I am ready to go into this year with renewed vigor and purpose in addition to new ideas.

I do want to discuss something that has been alluded to in the past but that I think should be revisited. I would really like to see the committee become its own full committee and not under the aegis of another standing committee (Outreach, PLUM, etc.). First, I think the mandate of the committee needs to extend beyond mere engagement and outreach. As you are no doubt aware, there is a lot of renter-related legislation taking place at the state and local level which the Board could consider at least weighing in on, and a renters' committee could be the workshop for those motions. Second, I think our constituents could be best served if renters' issues did not require a bureaucratic two-step with regard to committee motions i.e. having to go from the sub-committee to the full committee and finally to the Board. In some cases, at least according to my understanding, motions would have to go to ExFin for consideration if they are spending motions. Thirdly, I think a full renters' committee would be better empowered to work with other committees, including PLUM and Outreach, when we have areas of collaboration. However, independence would allow a renters' committee to not be bound by the mandate of a parent committee.

That said, I am happy to discuss all of this and more (as necessary) further. In closing, thank you for your time and consideration, sir, and I look forward to communicating further with regard to your thoughts and next steps.

Kind regards,  
Tyler

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**Tyler W. Laferriere**  
Associate Economist, Institute of Applied Economics  
Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation

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**From:** Tim Hui [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 30, 2020 8:54 PM  
**To:** elliot.hanna@marvista.org  
**Subject:** Mar vista community council

Hello Elliot! I am interested in being part of Th e council. As a resident of Mar Vista for 5 years, I've been active in building and participating in the neighborhood, such as performing for the art walk. I would love to be involved in organizing and helping out our neighborhood with the resources available.

I am a software engineer who is active in planning and organizing events in Mar Vista. Lately I've started a weekly walking group that meets every Friday and walks around mar vista, Venice and the west side. I am concerned about the homelessness issue and is interested in finding practical, sensible solutions. With my experience in organizing and getting people together, I believe I can be a great asset to the community.

My phone number is [REDACTED]. Let's talk soon!

Thank you!

Tim

**From:** Dana Christensen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 28, 2020 7:37 AM  
**To:** elliot.hanna@marvista.org  
**Subject:** Re: Committee Position

Hi Elliot,

The phone number below is not correct, I apologize for that confusion!

My phone number is [REDACTED]. Please let me know if you need any other information from me and I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,  
Dana

On Sat, Jun 20, 2020 at 5:54 PM Dana Christensen [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Elliot,

My name is Dana Christensen and I live in Zone 5 of Mar Vista. I am interested in applying for a committee position.

I am hoping this is an opportunity to share my commitment to community support with my neighbors. Currently, I work in philanthropy with a focus on child welfare. Previously, I worked in the nonprofit field focusing on educational equity with the AmeriCorps program City Year and at the Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles. While working at the Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles, I organized community resource fairs for families and created a county-wide reading guide for families of young children through the LA County and LA City Library Systems. Through this work, I came to see the importance of direct community advocacy and the influence of neighborhood councils on shaping our city.

I would like to take a more active role in Mar Vista to support its growth and continued betterment.

I would love the opportunity to speak with you more about this application process, the qualifications, and the responsibilities of the committees. My phone number is [REDACTED]. I look forward to connecting.

Thank you,  
Dana

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DANA CHRISTENSEN

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**From:** vianney boutry [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2020 11:53 AM  
**To:** elliot.hanna@marvista.org  
**Subject:** Leadership Application

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Good Morning,

I am a French architect. I have 3 children and have been living in mar vista for the last 10 years. I have always been interested in improving the walkability of the city, making it more friendly to bicycles, developing public transportation and decreasing the amount of concrete and asphalt and bring nature back to the city. Los Angeles was build on a car's scale and it is time to change it to a people's scale. I do not have a lot of free time but I can always find some for a worthy cause. I would be happy to contribute, to the extent of my abilities, to my community.

Thank you.  
Best regards,

Vianney Boutry  
Principal

re, Interior & Landscape

