

January

### **FAA Cease and Desist Order**

The Mar Vista Community Council appreciates and supports Councilmember Mike Bonin's letter to the FAA (see Addendum B) protesting their interim cease and desist order against Santa Monica and encourages FAA representatives to accept Councilmember Bonin's invitation to come and experience firsthand Santa Monica Airport's negative impact on quality of life in North Westdale as well as other Mar Vista neighborhoods.

### **Proposed development at 12444 Venice Blvd**

The Mar Vista Community Council strongly requests that after the appeal is heard by the Citywide Planning Commission, Councilmember Mike Bonin have the full City Council assert jurisdiction over the matter, and

Therefore, the Mar Vista Community Council strongly supports any and all efforts on the part of Councilmember Mike Bonin to deny this project as it currently is proposed, and requests that the developer reduce the size of the development to a more reasonable height of maximum of 1 level of commercial and 4 levels of lining, or 60 feet (whichever is lower), and

The Mar Vista Community Council strongly supports any and all efforts on the part of Councilmember Mike Bonin to ensure sufficient infrastructure/traffic/parking mitigation for this development because the development is, as currently planned is totally out of character for both that region of Venice Blvd. and the Mar Vista greater community, and does not fit into the long term plans of the Venice Blvd. Great Street Project.

### **Proposed Small Lot Subdivision at 3230-3238 S Barrington Ave.**

MVCC does not support of the project as currently conceived ("DEMOLISHMENT OF TWO (2) SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF TEN (10) NEW SMALL LOT HOMES WITH EXPEDITED PROCESSING."). MVCC wishes to ask the developer to consider reducing the number of units from 10 to 8 which could allow for the removal of roof decks, more ground level open space, increased guest parking, and a full mitigation plan for the alley.

MVCC also asks the city to complete a circulation study for the corridor.

### **Access to Children's Playgrounds**

The Mar Vista Community Council opposes the following motion by Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell that would limit adult access to children's playgrounds in Los Angeles Parks.

*"In order to provide for a safe environment in our children's playgrounds, the City should limit access to children and parents or guardians accompanying a child. Other municipalities have adopted similar laws to enhance child safety and provide law enforcement officers and the public with clear regulations as to who may be present in a children's playground. I THEREFORE MOVE that the Office of the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Department of Recreation and Parks, be requested to prepare and present a draft ordinance that limits access to a children's playground within a City park to children and parents or guardians accompanying a child. I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Recreation and Parks post signage at children's playgrounds subject to the new law. I FURTHER MOVE that the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners be requested to consider and act on the proposed ordinance."*

We respectfully request that:

- The City Council provide evidence that this policy has improved park safety in municipalities that have adopted similar laws.
- The City Council provide a budget showing the cost of implementing signage for this ordinance
- Advise how the Police Department would support this policy
- An assessment of the security currently provided in our City Parks

Other communities are expanding park playground areas to support our senior community, and we encourage the City of Los Angeles to do the same

### **Proposed LADWP Customer Bill of Rights**

With regard to the proposed LADWP Customer Bill of Rights (see Addendum A), the Mar Vista Community Council

- Strongly objects to the impossibly short time allowed for deliberation and comment by Neighborhood Councils and urges extension well beyond the current comment deadline of January 17. NCs need three months to respond to issues like this that arrive out of nowhere.
- Urges inclusion of no-cost access to a robust dispute resolution service, like the Better Business Bureau, in the "DWP Stakeholder Bill of Rights." by The INDEPENDENT DWP Office of Public

Accountability should administer this service and its cost should be covered by the DWP but NOT as part of the minimum funding for the OPA in the City Charter.