



Mar Vista Community Council



Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Tuesday, July 12, at 7:00 P.M.

Mar Vista Recreation Center Gymnasium
11430 Woodbine Street, Mar Vista, CA 90066

MINUTES

1. **Call to order and Welcome** – Chair (1 min)

Meeting called to order at 7:05 P.M.

Quorum present: Rob Kadota, Joseph Galloway, Melissa Stoller, Robin Doyno, Sherri Akers, Michelle Krupkin, Greg Tedesco, Holly Tilson, Susan Klos, Paola Cervantes, Ken Alpern, Sarah Auerswald

2. **Presentation of flag and Pledge of Allegiance** (1 min)

3. **Approval of June 14th, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes** (public comment permitted; 1min per speaker)

Motion to approve as amended (change “AGENDA” to “MINUTES”). Motion carried: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention (Sarah Auerswald).

4. **Public Comment & Announcements** - for items not on the agenda (max 1 min each unless waived by the Chair)

Sharon Commins (via email) RE illegal fireworks in Mar Vista flats:

Two extremely large starburst types were detonated directly over my house the night of July 4th. My daughter, who still has PTSD from our house fire in 2010 thought our house had blown up. These huge fireworks belong in a professionally managed pyrotechnics show with proper clearances from buildings/landscaping as well as fire suppression support, NOT on our streets above our homes.

The Next Door comment thread I started has reached 71 replies. Only a handful of respondents believe this situation is OK and we all should either put up with it—with earmuffs—‘to celebrate America’ or ‘leave town with our pets if we don’t like it’.

There were at least 3 instances of blocking the public right of way for impromptu ‘shows’ near where I live. Whether LAPD had presence anywhere in Mar Vista while all this was going on is unclear.

A couple of things need to happen going forward, in my opinion, and MVCC can help facilitate them:

- Greater LAPD basic car presence on July 4th and New Year’s Eve to protect residents
- Encouraging stakeholders to call 311 every single time they hear/see fireworks detonated... and email the CD11, CD5 and City Attorney offices simultaneously

Bottom line: people should not have to beg their city government to enforce fireworks laws.

Selena Inouye via email (selenalcsw@aol.com) RE: illegal fireworks

I want to bring to your attention to an escalating situation in the Mar Vista, Culver City and Del Rey communities regarding the use of illegal fireworks. Over the past several years, I have noticed that the use of illegal fireworks during 4th of July and New Year's Eve has steadily increased, creating excessive noise in our neighborhoods.

Much to my frustration, no government agency or official appears to be stepping up to the plate to address the complaints of neighbors living here about the use of illegal fireworks. Specifically, I'm disappointed the LAPD Pacific station and the LAFD fire inspectors aren't doing more to enforce the LA City and County laws banning fireworks.

One of the largest illegal fireworks displays in our area is near the Mar Vista Gardens Housing Projects in Del Rey. It is common knowledge that the bike path next to and bridges over La Ballona Creek are places where illegal fireworks are being set off. [@BruinMichael](#) on Twitter posted a video on Twitter this year at 11:58 PM on July 4 showing aerial fireworks exploding over La Ballona Creek with the caption "Mar Vista

projects fireworks. Always putting out a good show:" (sic) That "good show" began Friday July 1st and lasted the entire weekend. On the 4th of July, it started at 6 PM and ended around 2 am on the 5th.

Neighbors flocked to Nextdoor.com this year with numerous complaints on 4 different threads about how the noise is impacting their lives, their children, their pets and veterans living with PTSD. We all agreed that this needs to stop before someone loses their home to fire or someone gets seriously injured. In addition, we need to be concerned about the environmental impact illegal fireworks are having on La Ballona creek. Trash and chemicals are traveling down the creek, to the wetlands and eventually out to sea.

I'd like to suggest that a working group be established to address the issue of illegal fireworks. Ideally, it would bring together neighbors from Mar Vista, Del Rey and Culver City and include representatives from Councilman Bonin's office, the Culver City Council, the LAPD and LAFD, the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, the Community Councils of Mar Vista and Del Rey, as well as non-profit organization like La Ballona Renaissance and Ballona friends. I would be interested in volunteering and being a member of any group or committee established to address this issue.

Marsha Miller: 7 bedroom mansion being built next door to her tiny home; concerned will become group home.

Kalani Whittington: Limited street parking in zone 2, influx of vans & business vehicles with advertising on their sides parked for long periods of time. Neighborhood bordered by 2 recycling facilities (Ralphs & Cheviot Hills mall); people steal out of blue bins to recycle.

Martin Rubin: North Westdale Neighborhood Association meeting July 27 at St. Andrews; high ranking Frontier rep will speak, address billing issues (on spot if WiFi). NRNA fall block party/talent show on Sept. 10.

Lorena Alvarado: current resident of Del Rey, moving to Mar Vista at end of year. Grease screening at Venice High for 5th year in a row: Saturday, Sept 17. Del Rey NC has sponsored in past, would like MVCC to sponsor as well (would have table).

5. **Elected Officials and City Department Reports** (max 1 min. each unless waived by the Chair)

a. Mar Vista Recreation Center – Tracie Field, Director tracie.field@lacity.org

b. [CD 5](#) – Councilmember Paul Koretz, rep by Joseph Galloway joseph.galloway@lacity.org 323-966-1820

Working on mitigating homeless encampments on Palms & Sepulveda.

Manages clean street days – gets notification when encampment location will be cleaned up.

c. [CD 11](#) – Councilmember Mike Bonin, rep. by Field Deputy Len Nguyen Len.Nguyen@lacity.org

City Council considering a \$1.2B bond measure to tackle homeless problems Also discussing a tax assessed on property parcel value: \$17.50 per each \$100,000 of assessed value.

Pushing to increase level of affordable housing. For Martin Cadillac project, increased to 20%: 5% very low income, 15% workforce housing.

City Planning Commission considering revisions to Baseline Masonization Ordinance.

Ron Kato appointed to Health & Wellness position.

d. [LA City Board of Public Works](#) - Liaison to CD 2, 5, 11, Commissioner Joel Jacinto joel.jacinto@lacity.org

e. [Mayor of Los Angeles](#) – Eric Garcetti, rep. by Daniel Tamm Daniel.tamm@lacity.org

Clean Streets Initiative – mayor's directive issued last April. As we are coming out of recession, can bring back more services that were cut. In anticipation of a Clean Streets Challenge Grant. Clean Streets teams formed July 1. NCs can apply for a grant.

\$138M for building new housing & supportive services took effect July 1. Will be long time before see results, but effort has begun.

Mayor strongly supports move by City Council for ballot measure to provide stable stream of funding. Finally there is political will to take action.

Mayor launched Welcome Home project. It's about citizens of LA taking ownership of homelessness issue; have real discussions about realities of homelessness & bring items to fill laundry basket. MVCC is in planning stage for Saturday, July 23. Will also do collection at MVCC Farmers' Market tent. Items given to people recently moved in to supportive housing.

6:00 next Thursday: Daniel speaking at Aging In Place committee meeting.

- f. [2nd Dist. L. A. County Board of Supervisors](#) - Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas, rep. by Karly Katona Karly.Katona@bos.lacounty.gov
- g. [CA Assembly 54](#) - Assembly Member Sebastian Ridley-Thomas, rep by Scott Malsin scott.malsin@assembly.ca.gov

Sebastian Ridley-Thomas represented self (video):

<https://www.facebook.com/AssemblymemberRidleyThomas/videos/1760335020917475/>

Representative is bringing focus on homelessness. Trying to get Sacramento to understand difference between “sticks & bricks” and the expensive services needed. In LA, 70% of homeless do not have chronic mental illness, but still need services. LA County: 47,000 homeless, including 9000 children; schools have special homeless division. [LAHSA](#) (Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority) formed to absorb planning & liability associated with homelessness solutions. County is the safety net for indigent services. CA Senate President pushed sticks & bricks solution; issue debt to pay over 4 years. Governor resistant to any action on services; doesn't realize that skid row isn't what it was when he lived here in 80's. 7000 on City of LA skid row, 7000 in Lancaster/Palmdale. 2500 homeless in CA Assembly District 54. Should declare emergency at state level – could then prioritize for action, move money from any non-federal account, ignore some rules; trying to get governor to do this for ½ billion. It would help if MVCC took a position and encouraged moving the money quickly. MVCC has helped change public consciousness.

LAPD is holding community relations dialog on Wednesday, July 13, in Exposition Park. See <http://futureofpolicing.org/events/> for additional dates/locations.

Governor's by right proposal would change authority of local governments to approve affordable housing regulations, removing authority from local officials; goal is to build more housing. One-time \$400,000 included in budget for local needs.

Question: can't affordable units be required in developments? Answer: Yes, but would be a covenant that expires at some time.

Sherri Akers: 10% tax on medical and recreational marijuana? Answer: Will be on November ballot. Probably will raise no more than \$50-70 million if passed.

- h. [CA Assembly 62](#) - Assembly Member Autumn Burke, rep by Sr. Field Rep Odysseus Bostick
- i. [US 33](#) - Ted Lieu, rep. by Joey Apodaca joey.apodaca@mail.house.gov
- j. - [US 37](#) - Karen Bass, rep by District Director Maral V. Karaccusian maral@mail.house.gov
- k. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), rep by Jasmine Elbarbary jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org 213-978-1551

Delivered oath of office to Sarah Auerswald & Ken Alpern; presented board members with certificates of election.

Ethics Training: July 20, 6-8 pm, Westchester Municipal Building.

DONE requests appointment of Homeless Services, Animal Services, Legal, and Public Works liaisons.

7. **Liaison Reports** (Public comment permitted; 1min per speaker)

- a. [Mar Vista Bi Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee](#): Linda Guagliano lindaguag@netzero.net
Next meeting is July 20; agenda closes July 16.
- b. [DWP MOU](#): Myra Boime
- c. [LANCC](#): Open
- d. DWP Recycled Water Liaison: Christopher McKinnon www.ladwp.com/recycledwater
- e. [Fall Festival](#): Albert Olson
- f. [City Budget Advocates](#): John Kuchta
- g. [Recode LA](#): Sharon Commins
- h. [Mar Vista Chamber of Commerce](#): Sarah Auerswald
Minimum wage increased July 1; employers need to be aware.
Status Kuo reopened with full bar & new menu. New yoga studio is coming.

Next monthly Coffee Time is Thursday, July 21; will have speaker from VEDC, a non-profit agency that helps small business get started.

Monthly mixers, 5-7 P.M.: July 25, Status Kuo; August 22, Rustic Kitchen

i. [Animal Services](#): Steve Boskin

8. **Officer Reports** (Action items included with public comment permitted; 1min per speaker)

a. Chair - Rob Kadota

i. Presentation of Certificates of Election and Oath of Office to Board of Directors

See 6.k above.

ii. Treasurer vacancy – nomination/election to follow under new business

See 10.a below.

iii. Update on process of filling Zone 2 Director vacancy

Town Hall scheduled on Wednesday, July 13, 7:00 P.M. at St. Andrews Lutheran Church to discuss.

iv. MVCC Committees and Liaisons

Would like to develop feedback forms (what's working, what's not) for committee attendees—seeking input for construction of form.

v. EmpowerLA required Strategic Budget Package for Fiscal Year 2016-17 documents: Strategic Plan, Outreach Survey, Budget and Self-assessment tool

Will address at upcoming Board. Past chair Bill Koontz is doing prior year evaluation.

vi. MVCC BOD Strategic Planning Retreat

August 13, 9:00 A.M.–1:00 P.M. Lunch will be served.

vii. MVCC MV Farmers Market Outreach and Green Tent

Trying out different things at MVCC outreach tent. Big Chalkboard for input. Encourages committees to provide info graphics.

viii. BOD Required trainings and certifications

Required trainings and certifications are completed.

ix. Mar Vista Celebrates 90!

2017: celebration of Mar Vista's annexation to Los Angeles. Landkeepers Preservation Group has some funds.

b. First Vice Chair – Sarah Auerswald

Handling internal issues: how to write a motion, etc.

MVCC is eligible to apply for Clean Streets Challenge Grant as NC; possible T&I Committee participation.

c. Second Vice Chair – Joseph Galloway

Handling external issues. Notify Joseph if issues need attention City Council or Dept. of Public Works.

d. Secretary – Melissa Stoller

e. Treasurer – open/Robin Doyno, transitional Treasurer

NOTE: All funding motions must conform to all Empower funding guidelines and must be funded and paid in fiscal year 2016-17 or they will expire. All NPG and CIG grants approved by the Mar Vista Community Council are restricted funds according to Department of Neighborhood Empowerment regulations and must be used for the exact purpose approved by the MVCC. All Neighborhood Council Funding reports are available online at

<http://done.lacity.org/onlinefunding/ncfunding.aspx>.

i. Report on current financial status

ii. **APPROVAL** of June Monthly Expense Report (MER)

Motion to approve by Melissa Stoller, 2nd by Sherri Akers. Motion carried unanimously.

a. **POLICY MOTION: MVCC Call for Funding and Initiatives to Further Expedite Repairing our City Sidewalks Near Rail Transit Stations** (submitted by Transportation & Infrastructure Committee)

Whereas, our City Council has agreed to a thirty (30) year plan to replace and repair our City sidewalks, and

Whereas, both the Mar Vista Community Council and other Neighborhood Councils throughout the City find this thirty year plan to be entirely insufficient to meet the needs of Angelenos, and

Whereas, the poor and dangerous condition of our sidewalks particularly affects the health, wellbeing and transit access of City residents,

Therefore Mar Vista Community Council calls for a major budgetary reprioritization in our City Budget, as well as from any new tax/revenue-raising efforts, to establish a new goal of a two-year plan for all sidewalks on major thoroughfares (such as Centinela, Sepulveda, and Westwood Blvds.) within a 1/2 mile radius of all rail transit stations to better meet the true needs of Los Angeles City residents in a timely fashion.

Motion to approve by Michelle Krupkin, 2nd by Sherri Akers.

Discussion

Ken Alpern: This is supplement to last T&I motion that passed (asking for sidewalk repairs to be completed in 7-10 years); recommends expediting to 2 years

Motion carried: 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstentions (Joseph Galloway).

- b. **POLICY MOTION: Residents to Access Westwood/Rancho Park, Expo/Sepulveda, Expo/Bundy, and 26th/Bergamot Stations** (submitted by Transportation & Infrastructure Committee)

Whereas, bicycle paths and share rows are either not approved, and/or not possible, on major thoroughfares to the Westside Expo Rail Line stations, and

Whereas, safe and effective bicycle routes to Westside Expo Rail Line stations are needed for easy and convenient access of Mar Vista and Westside Village residents to the Expo Line,

Therefore MVCC requests that the appropriate departments with the governments of the City 2 and County of Los Angeles promote the availability of maps, apps, and billboards to best publicize the most convenient and safe routes to Westside Expo Line stations

Motion to approve by Michelle Krupkin, 2nd by Ken Alpern.

Motion carried: 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstentions (Joseph Galloway).

- c. **POLICY MOTION: MVCC Call for a Handicap Sidewalk Ramp at the southwest corner of Palms Blvd/Sawtelle Blvd** (submitted by Transportation & Infrastructure Committee)

Whereas there is a need for a Handicap Sidewalk Ramp at the southwest corner of Palms and Sawtelle Blvds,

Therefore MVCC requests that the Department of Public Works expedite the planning, funding, and construction of a Handicap Sidewalk Ramp at the southwest corner of Palms and Sawtelle Blvds.

Motion to approve by Ken Alpern, 2nd by Michelle Krupkin.

Motion carried: 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstentions (Joseph Galloway).

- d. **POLICY MOTION: MVCC Call for Modern Bus Shelters at Intersections of National/Sawtelle, National/Sepulveda, National/Westwood, and Palms/Sepulveda** (submitted by Transportation & Infrastructure Committee)

Whereas, National/Sawtelle, National/Sepulveda, National/Westwood, *Centinela/Venice, Barrington/National* and Palms/Sepulveda are key bus access points to north/south buses along Sepulveda Blvd. and Westwood Blvd., and

Whereas bus access and ridership are particularly critical to accessing the new Expo Light Rail Line at the Exposition/Sepulveda and Westwood/Rancho Park stations,

Therefore MVCC calls upon the City of Los Angeles, in cooperation with the MVCC, gather data, to plan, *investigate funding*, and construct modern bus shelters, with benches, canopies, USB ports for phone charging, and signage/lighting to identify arrival of north/south buses at National/Sepulveda, ~~and~~ Palms/Sepulveda *and other key access points to be identified.*

Motion to approve by Ken Alpern, 2nd by Michelle Krupkin.

Discussion

Sarah Auerswald: MVCC funding? Ken: Yes, possibly \$5000 per shelter.

Sarah Auerswald & Rob Kadota: Then seems like should have funding motion. This is policy motion, doesn't have numbers. Ken Alpern: Change to "investigate funding."

Sherri Akers: What about Centinella? SE corner of Centinela & Venice.

Melissa Stoller: Add Barrington & National.

Rob Kadota: Ask Metro for ridership information to help determine locations.

Bill Koontz: Make partnerships with companies that do advertising on benches. Sarah: J.C. Decaux (outdoor advertising firm) is already planning benches in some areas.

Motion carried: 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstentions (Joseph Galloway).

10. **New Business** - Action items, which may include motions to refer items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable. Public comment permitted, 1 min per speaker unless waived by the Chair). Items may be received and filed by consent if no discussion or public comment.

a. **ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION: Nomination and Election of an MVCC Treasurer** – Bill Koontz, Chair Election Committee

Nomination of Holly Tilson by Rob Kadota. Nomination accepted by Holly. Election unanimously approved.

b. **ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION(s): Nominations by MVCC Chair to Committees and Liaisons** and review/approval by MVCC Board of Directors

Nominations by Rob Kadota, 2nd by Sherri Akers.

Standing Committees

| <u>Committee</u> | <u>Nominee(s)</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Exec Support</u> |
|--|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Aging in Place | Sherri Akers, Tajana Luethi, Birgitta Kastenbaum | Co-chairs | Rob Kadota |
| Community Outreach | Sarah Auerswald Joseph Galloway Sherri Akers | Chair Vice-chair Social Media Maven | Sarah Auerswald |
| Education, Arts and Culture | Robin Doyno, Paola Cervantes Lenore French | Co-chairs Vice-chair | Rob Kadota/ Sarah Auerswald |
| Elections and By-laws | Rob Kadota Holly Tilson | Chair Vice-chair | Rob Kadota |
| Green | Melissa Stoller Jeanne Kunta Sherri Akers | Co-chairs | TBD |
| Planning and Land Use Management | Mitchell Rische Michael Millman, Latrice Williams | Chair Vice-chairs | Rotating support |
| Recreation and Open Space Enhancement | Jerry Hornoff, Tom Ponton | Vice-chairs | TBD |
| Safety and Security | Bill Koontz Elliot Hanna | Chair Vice-chair | Rob Kadota |
| Santa Monica Airport | Holly Tilson, Martin Rubin | Co-chairs | Joseph Galloway |
| Transportation and Infrastructure | Ken Alpern, Michelle Krupkin | Co-chairs | TBD |

Ad-hoc Committees

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| <u>Committee</u> | <u>Nominee(s)</u> | <u>Position</u> | <u>Exec Support</u> |
|--------------------|---|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Historic FS 62 | Rachel Swager, Roy Persinko | Co-chairs | Rob Kadota |
| Homeless Solutions | Robin Doyno, Susan Klos | Co-chairs | Rob Kadota |
| Great Streets | Joe Cuanan Michelle Krupkin, Greg Castelnuovo- Tedesco | Vice chair Co-chairs | Sarah Auerwsald |

Liaisons

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Nominee</u> | <u>Exec Support</u> |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| DWP MOU | Open | |
| LANC | Joseph Galloway | Rob Kadota |
| DWP Recycled Water | Christopher McKinnon | |
| Mar Vista Fall Festival | Albert Olsen | |
| City Budget | Holly Tilson | Joseph Galloway |
| Recode LA | Sharon Cummins | |
| WRAC | Rob Kadota/ Joseph Galloway | Rob Kadota/ Joseph Galloway |
| WRAC LUPC | Sharon Cummins | Mitchell Rishe |
| MV Chamber of Commerce | Sarah Auerwald | |
| Animal Services Liaison | Tom Ponton | |
| LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee | Linda Guagliano | |
| Historic FS 62 Non Profit | Albert Olsen | Rob Kadota |
| Mar Vista Celebrates 90 | Open | |

Motion amended to consider Michael Millman’s appointment separately. Appointments as amended carried unanimously.

Motion by Rob Kadota to approve appointment of Michael Millman as PLUM vice-chair, 2nd by Sherri Akers.

Rob Kadota: Recommends having as Vice Chair, comported self well at last PLUM meeting.

Michelle Krupkin: Requires monitoring for Brown Act.

Ken Alpern: Won’t deny shortcomings, but also his dedication. Wide support in community

Robin Doyno: Would not support because of numerous ethics violations. Continues to roil water in this community.

Sherri Akers: Shares concern. Problem isn’t what happens in meetings, but inflaming communication. Everyone should take ethics training.

Melissa Stoller: Michael has taken ethics training.

Holly Tilson: Unaware of what went on, but have attended several PLUM meetings. Steve Williams & Michael Millman do good job..

Jasmine Elbarbary: focus on what we do want, not what we don’t want.

Motion carries: 5 ayes, 4 nays, 2 abstentions (Greg Castlenuoso-Tedesco & Joseph Galloway)

- c. **ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION: Proposed Outreach Budget** (submitted by Outreach Committee)

Whereas in 1999, the Los Angeles City Charter established the Neighborhood Council System and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment “to promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs...” (Charter Section 900). The Mar Vista Community Council recognizes that we must prioritize community outreach and approves the attached budget of \$20,400 to create a more effective website, a Facebook ad campaign, continued use of printed newsletter, continued support of neighborhood block parties, creation of zone specific and multi-unit residential outreach tools, adoption of electronic email service, banners and flyers to promote MVCC events, supplies for in-person outreach events “coffee time with the board members” and printed material for committee and BOD meetings. (See slide below from Empower Budget Training - audio states: "keep in mind that the NC is not a foundation for granting public funds".)

Annual Budget (cont.)

Recommended Budget Breakdown

| Budget Category | Recommended % |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| 100 Operations | ~15% |
| 200 Outreach | ~40% |
| 300 Community Imprv Prjct | ~20% |
| 400 N. P. G. | ~15% |
| 500 Elections | ~10% |
| | 100% |

200 Outreach

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| ADV | Advertising | |
| | Banners, signs & biz cards | 3,000 |
| | Facebook Ads (\$100/month) | 1,200 |
| | Community give aways (ex:bags, cups etc) | 1,000 |
| EVE | Event Expense / Food & Refreshments | |
| | NA Block Parties (\$300 X 7) | 2,100 |
| | Coffee Time events within each Zone (\$100/month) | 1,200 |
| | Eco Car Expo | 600 |
| MEE | Meeting Expense - moved to operations photocopies (agendas, minutes, etc.) | |
| NEW | Newsletter Expense | |
| | 2 newsletters (\$4k each) (Printing, design & distro) | 8,800 |
| | New email service (like constant contact) Annual | 1,500 |
| WEB | Website Maintenance/Enhancement/Creation | |
| | New website design | 5,000 |
| | Monthly retainer for maintenance - TBD | |
| | Sub Total | \$24,400 |

Motion to approve by Sarah Auerswald, 2nd by Sherri Akers.

Motion to consider budget (10.d) first by Rob Kadota..Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion

Sarah: Meant to reflect a priority to do much more outreach.

d. ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION: Review and finalization of MVCC 2016-2017 Budget Worksheet

Motion to approve by , 2nd by .

Discussion

Jasmine Elbarary: Everything should provide outreach.

Melissa Stoller: Note that budget doesn't specifically include Newsletter (costs about \$4400 each). Perhaps should not put school NPG in budget, will set expectation that might not be met.

Motion carried unanimously.

- e. **ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION: Treasurer's Report** (submitted by Outreach Committee)
MVCC approves a motion amending the Treasurer's report at MVCC Board of Directors meeting. Treasurer will provide

- Current bank account statement that includes the account balance
- A recap of pending approved expenses and the amount in ongoing operating expenses
- Report on available funds currently available
- Show that the account reconciles with what has been reported to DONE in the MER's motion

Motion to approve by Sarah, 2nd by Sherri Akers

Motion carried unanimously,

- f. **ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION: On-line Voting** (submitted by Community Outreach Committee)

Whereas 40% of the LA Neighborhood Councils have already implemented on line voting; Whereas the 2016 election provided will have provided the opportunity for Empower to identify and improve any procedural problems; Whereas many stakeholder felt they were denied an opportunity to vote due to the narrow four hour window and in person requirement; The Mar Vista Community Council hereby moves to adopt the Empower system of On Line Voting starting with the 2018 election.

Motion to approve by Sarah Auerswald, 2nd by Sherri Akers.

Discussion

Martin Rubin: Loves idea, need to ensure have security.

Jasmine Elbarbary: 35 NCs did on-line voting last election.

Sherri Akers & Sarah Auerswad: Lack of on-line voting for MVCC was huge issue.

Melissa Stoller: Don't judge online voting just by this year; DONE has two years to improve the process.

Motion by Rob Kadota to table for up to 4 months and let Election & By-laws Committee study, 2nd by Sherri Akers.

Motion to table carried unanimously.

- g. **FUNDING MOTION:** Reimbursement for Green Tent supplies (Directors motion submitted by Melissa Stoller)

MVCC approves reimbursing \$18.50 Melissa Stoller for the purchase of the following Green Tent supplies: push pins, white board markers.

Motion to approve by Greg Castelnuovo-Tedesco, 2nd by Michelle Krupkin.

Motion carried: 11 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstentions (Melissa Stoller).

11. **Committee Reports** - (may include motions to refer action items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable; public comment permitted)

- a. **FEATURED COMMITTEE: Aging in Place** - Sherri Akers, Tatjana Luethi & Birgitta Kastenbaum, Co-Chairs

Purposeful Aging Los Angeles: As of 2018, mayor has asked all NCs to do something like MVCC.

Having 3 co-chairs works well for AIP. Have branded AIP with logo. Early on, committee meeting turned in to speakers series—starting when Laura Trejo from [Department of Aging](#) came in and had robust Q&A. Usually have about 20 attendees, composition rotates depending on topic: some seniors, a lot of adult children of seniors, professionals in field. Presentations become part of reference library. Booked with presenters thru January. See <http://marvistacc.org/files/AIP-Board-presentation.pdf> for more info.

WLA NC is hoping to start similar committee; will start distributing MVCC's AIP speaker announcements.

Rob Kadota: Would like video. SherriAkers: Have thought about; is privacy issue.

Time Bank will do Repair Café during Fall Festival.

Developing relationships with elected officials.

Part of goal: everything that comes before board, consider implications for seniors.

- b. **Homeless Solutions Ad Hoc Committee** – Robin Doyno, Chair
 - Approved idea of joining support of 1% tax for homeless.
 - Published Homelessness Resource Pamphlet
 - Welcome Home Project event on Saturday, July 23, 4-6 P.M.
 - Next meeting is Wednesday, July 28.
 - c. **Community Outreach Committee** – Sarah Auerswald & John Kuchta, Co-Chairs
 - MVCC Tent: Making available to committees to let everyone know about you. Standing dates with fire station and Chamber of Commerce.
 - d. **Green Committee** – Melissa Stoller, Jeanne Kuntz & Sherri Akers, Co-Chairs
 - e. **Great Streets Ad Hoc Committee** – Michelle Krupkin, chair
 - f. **Transportation & Infrastructure Committee** – Ken Alpern & Michelle Krupkin, Co-Chairs
 - g. **Planning and Land Use Management Committee** – Steve Wallace & Mitchell Rische, Co-Chairs; Michael Millman, Vice-Chair
 - Met with Ezra Gayle,
 - 12444 Venice, 2 blocks west of Centinela – 85’ tall, 75 parking spaces, 7 stories, 77 residential units, 2000 sq. ft. of retail, applicant has no intention to have public hearing. Another property owned by same developer on other side of street (55 ft high) got approved without PLUM even knowing about Technically doesn’t require hearing because offering low income housing. Requesting community engagement and transparency. PLUM will propose motion at next meeting asking city planner to set public hearing.
 - Marsha Miller: Heard on NPR that developers are changing whole character of neighborhoods with mansionization.
 - Sarah Auerswald: Have been public hearings, perhaps not recently; not legally required. People who moved because of it made a profit and values went up.
 - Holly Tilson: issue for people living around there (12444 Venice Blvd) is height & parking. Cars will spill over into surrounding neighborhood.
 - Sherri Akers: developer presented other project at PLUM. Was on PLUM agenda and then taken off at last minute because we had not done our work.
 - Ken Alpern: Developer’s negative reputation in community is well earned.
 - Michelle Krupkin: Oliver Building next to Pay Less; has more ample, subterranean parking, and neighbors still very upset.
 - h. **Education, Arts and Culture Committee** – Brad Wilhite, Robin Doyno & Sara Roos, Co-Chairs
 - i. **Santa Monica Airport Committee** – Valerie Davidson & Martin Rubin, Co-Chairs
 - j. **Safety and Security Committee** – Rob Kadota, Chair
 - k. **Recreation Open Space Enhancement Committee** – Jerry Hornof & Tom Ponton, Co-Chairs
 - l. **Historic FS 62 Ad Hoc Committee** – Rachel Swanger & Roy Persinko, Co-Chairs
 - m. **Elections and By-laws** – Bill Koontz, chair
9. **Zone Director Reports** – (may include motions to refer action items to the appropriate MVCC committee where desirable; public comment permitted)
- a. Zone 1 – Ken Alpern
 - Westside Village Homeowners Association board: wants to do more with earthquake preparedness. Wants to meet with Joseph Galloway.
 - Karen Matthews: wants to meet with Joseph Galloway re: Co-op apartments on Sepulveda.
 - b. Zone 2 – open
 - Rob: drove every section of Zone 2 to get familiar.

- c. Zone 3 – Melissa Stoller
- d. Zone 4 – Greg Tedesco
Proposal on Victoria: trying to set up meeting with developer, see if can work out compromise
- e. Zone 5 – Michelle Krupkin
Great Streets: Discussion of draft sidewalk condition document.
- f. Zone 6 – Holly Tilson
Traffic issues, RV issues, dog poo, trash in alleys. Talking with Len Nguyen & Officer Acosta.

12. **Grievances**, if any, received

13. **Future agenda items**

14. **Public Comment**

Martin Rubin: NWNA doing great job looking at cut-thru traffic issues; will share ideas.

Joseph Galloway: City Planning Commission will address Baseline Masonization Ordinance at July 14 meeting. 5-step plan for emergency management – will introduce in next BOD.

Ken Alpern: [LAX Green Line Metro Connector](#) public hearing on July 13.

15. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 9:39 P.M.

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