



## Mar Vista Community Council



**MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Tuesday, March 10th, 2015, at 7:00 P.M.  
Mar Vista Recreation Center Auditorium  
11430 Woodbine Street, Mar Vista, CA  
90066

### AGENDA

1. **Call to order and Welcome** – Chair (1 min)
2. **Presentation of flag and Pledge of Allegiance** (1 min)
3. **Approval of January 2014 Minutes** (public comment permitted) (1 min)
4. **Public Comment & Announcements** - for items not on the agenda (max 1 min each unless waived by the Chair)
5. **Elected Officials and City Department Reports** (max 1 min. each unless waived by the Chair)
  - a. CD 11 – CM Mike Bonin, rep. by Field Deputy Len Nguyen [Len.Nguyen@lacity.org](mailto:Len.Nguyen@lacity.org)
  - b. Mar Vista Recreation Center – Jason Kitahara, Director
  - c. CD 5 – Paul Koretz, rep by Joseph Galloway [joejdg92@gmail.com](mailto:joejdg92@gmail.com)
  - d. US 36 – Janice Hahn
  - e. CA Assembly 54-Sebastian Ridley-Thomas, rep by Scott Malsin [scott.malsin@assembly.ca.gov](mailto:scott.malsin@assembly.ca.gov)
  - f. Congressman – Ted Lieu, rep. by Robert Pullen-Miles [Robert.Pullen-Miles@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Robert.Pullen-Miles@sen.ca.gov)
  - g. CA Assembly 47
  - h. CA Assembly 62
  - i. 2nd Dist. L. A. County Board Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas, rep. by KarlyKatona, [Karly.Katona@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:Karly.Katona@bos.lacounty.gov)
  - j. Mayor of Los Angeles – Eric Garcetti, rep. by Daniel Tamm [Daniel.tamm@lacity.org](mailto:Daniel.tamm@lacity.org)
6. **Presentations**
  - a. The Hub on Venice – Spencer Gross (3 min)
  - b. Big Blue Bus – Tim McCormack (15 min)
7. **Officers and Liaison Reports** (Action items included with public comment permitted, 1 min per speaker)
  - a. Chair-Bill Koontz
    - i. Appointment of Sherri Akers as Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance Liaison
    - ii. Appointment of Myra Boime as DWP MOU Liaison
    - iii. Search for LANCC Liaison
    - iv. Follow-up on ethics/funding training, possible motion to follow
    - v. **Director’s motion RE: City Hall Parking Permits**  
Mar Vista Community Council approves of obtaining City Hall parking permits for the MVCC Chair and Treasurer.
  - b. First Vice Chair – Mitchell Rishe
  - c. Second Vice Chair – John Kuchta
  - d. Secretary –Melissa Stoller
  - e. Treasurer-William Scheduling: NOTE: All funding motions must conform to all Empower funding guidelines and must be funded and paid in fiscal year 2014-15 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. **APPROVAL** of February MER
    - ii. **Funding Motion: Spring GGS Newsletter, creation of Green Garden Showcase map**  
Tickled Plum, not to exceed \$500 (20 hours at \$25 per hour)
    - i. **Funding Motion: MVCC Speed Trailer battery replacement**  
DEKA model 8A27M, Sealed maintenance free deep cycle battery, not to exceed \$350.00 (see Addendum A).
  - f. Mar Vista Bi Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Liaison - Linda Guagliano
  - g. DWP MOU/LANCC Liaison-Open
  - h. DWP Recycled Water Liaison-Christopher McKinnon [www.ladwp.com/recycledwater](http://www.ladwp.com/recycledwater)
  - i. Fall Festival Liaison-Albert Olson/Yvette Molinaro
  - j. City Budget: John Kuchta
  - k. Recode LA: Sharon Commins
  - l. Mar Vista Chamber of Commerce: Sarah Auerswald
  - j. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance: Sherri Akers
8. **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
  - b. Zone 2 – Brad Wilhite
  - c. Zone 3 – Bill Scheduling
  - d. Zone 4 - Michael Millman
  - e. Zone 5 – Michelle Krupkin
  - f. Zone 6 – Valerie Davidson
9. **Committee Reports & Consent Calendar** - Action items included, 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. **Executive & Finance Committee** - Bill Koontz, Chair
  - b. **GGS 2015 AD HOC Committee** - Shelley Wiseman, Chair
  - c. **Recreation Open Space Enhancement Committee** – Jerry Hornof & Tom Ponton, Co-Chairs
  - d. **Green Committee** – Melissa Stoller, Jeanne Kuntz and Sherri Akers, Co-Chairs
    - i. **Motion to ban leaf blowers at City and DWP facilities**

All leaf blowers—whether powered by gas, electricity or battery—blow a mixture of fine particles into the air, particles that can go deep into the lungs. This mixture includes dust, fecal matter, pesticides, fungi, chemicals, fertilizers, spores, street dirt which can contain lead and gasoline, and anything else that happens to be in the vicinity of their use. Gas-fueled leaf blowers spew out additional air pollution in the form of unburned fossil fuel; one hour of use can create as much air pollution as a car driven for 100 miles.

Los Angeles currently bans the use of gas leaf blowers within 500 feet of a residence due to noise—and not air—pollution. Many other cities have enacted leaf blower bans. Like Los Angeles, they have found the bans difficult to enforce. The Mar Vista Community Council requests enactment of a ban on the use of all types of leaf blowers at all City and Department of Water and Power controlled properties. In addition to being enforceable, this ban will

      - Reduce noise and air pollution.
      - Eliminate a health risk for anyone at or near the property—especially for those performing the landscape maintenance.
      - Allow the City and DWP to illustrate best practices and, thus, lead by example.

MVCC further points out that grass clippings and fallen leaves are a source of soil-building organic matter and also help retain moisture, reducing the landscape's watering requirements.

ii. **Motion supporting Green Streets Initiative** (see Addendum B)

The Mar Vista Community Council supports the Green Sustainable Streets Motion (Council File 14-0748) by council members Filipe Fuentes and Mike Bonin requiring all new street projects in the public right of way to incorporate storm water management elements. By adding green street elements, we can remove pollutants from water—and keep them out of the LA River, Ballona Creek and Santa Monica Bay—and capture water for groundwater recharge.

e. **Transportation & Infrastructure Committee** – Ken Alpern & Michelle Krupkin, Co-Chairs

i. **Director's request policy motion (has not been passed by T&I Committee) RE: MetroRail station for the Crenshaw/LAX Light Rail Line (to be forwarded to, if approved by the MVCC Board, to Metro and the offices of Councilmember Mike Bonin and Mayor Eric Garcetti):**

The Mar Vista Community Council supports:

- a) Naming the recently-approved and planned MetroRail station for the Crenshaw/LAX Light Rail Line at 96th/Aviation as "LAX Transit Center"
- b) Exploring any artistic/station design efforts to include pylons, consistent with the iconic pylons already located at LAX, at the future 96th/Aviation MetroRail station to establish this center as the rail/transit "Gateway to LAX" for commuters, visitors and tourists travelling to/from LAX.
- c) Any efforts to facilitate bus and rail access to the future station at 96th and Aviation, and to facilitate transfer to the future LAX People Mover Line.
- d) Construction of moving sidewalks with sufficient capacity (or sufficient for two passenger lanes on each walkway for both standing and walking pedestrians, on conveniently-designed, properly-located, and covered pedestrian bridges) from People Mover stations to each and every terminal, with a configuration to best encourage usage of the People Mover to access LAX airline terminals
- e) Whenever possible, construction of moving sidewalks whenever possible and with sufficient capacity on conveniently-designed, properly-located, and covered pedestrian bridges) between airline terminals on opposite sides of the Central Terminal Area.
- f) Consistent with Mayor Garcetti's vision of City-wide free wi-fi and commercial development favorable to business and tourism, construction and implementation of more cell-phone and laptop plug-in stations, free wi-fi, and commercial development within LAX, as well as on those regions adjacent to the LAX People Mover and on Century Blvd.
- g) Consideration and, if possible, implementation of ramps at all vertical circulation and connections between levels, in addition to escalators and elevators at the future Metro station at 96th/Aviation and at the LAX People Mover stations

f. **Planning and Land Use Management Committee** - Steve Wallace & Mitchell Rishe, Co-Chairs, Michael Millman Vice-Chair

i. **Motion approving planned development at 3351-3361 Overland Ave** (see Addendum C)

WHEREAS, the owner of the property located at 3351-3361 S. Overland Avenue has submitted plans to the City Planning Department (Case No. DIR 2014-4846) to construct 38-unit apartment building including a 32.5% Density Bonus, including 10% Very Low Income Housing Units with 2 on-menu incentives,

NOW THEREFORE, the Mar Vista Community Council recommends that the City approve the plans as submitted to the City, with the request that the developer consult with the Mar Vista Community Council on a landscape plan.

g. **Education, Arts and Culture Committee** – Brad Wilhite, Co-chair Sara Roos, Co-Chair

h. **Santa Monica Airport Committee** – Valerie Davidson, co-chair Martin Rubin, Co-Chair

i. **Safety and Security Committee** – Rob Kadota, Chair

j. **Historic FS 62 Ad Hoc Committee** – Rachel Swanger & Roy Persinko, Co-Chairs

i. **Policy motion RE: Historic Fire Station 62**

Whereas, the Mar Vista Community Council fully supports and affirms the preservation and repurposing of Historic Fire Station 62 [3631 Centinela Avenue, Mar Vista, CA 90066) for public use as a multipurpose community center as witnessed by numerous resolutions and stakeholder polls [see Addendum D]

Whereas, the opportunity for CD 11 to establish a constituent services center onsite is consistent with the goals and objectives for public uses of the property to benefit all stakeholders in Mar Vista

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Mar Vista Community Council offers its full support for including a CD 11 constituent services center as part of the community uses for the site.

k. **Community Outreach Committee** – Sarah Auerswald, Co-Chair, John Kuchta, Co-Chair

l. **Elections and By-laws**- Bill Scheduling, chair

m. **Great Streets Ad Hoc Committee** – Michelle Krupkin, chair

n. **Aging in Place Ad Hoc**- Sherri Akers, Co-chair, Robin Doyno Co-Chair

10. **Discussion Calendar**

11. **Unfinished Business** - Action items held over from previous meeting (Public comment permitted)

12. **New Business** -(Public comment permitted)

13. **Grievances**, if any, received

14. **Future agenda items**

15. **Public Comment**

16. **Adjournment**

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