





# **AGENDA & MINUTES**

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors <u>http://www.marvista.org/minutes-and-agendas.php</u>

> Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 7:00pm Mar Vista Recreation Center Auditorium 11430 Woodbine Street, Mar Vista, CA 90066

# 1. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 7:08pm.

## 2. Presentation of Flag and Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge led by S Shure.

3. Roll Call – Call of the roll and certification of a quorum

*Quorum is met with 8 of 13 present: Robin Doyno, Stacy Shure, Rob Kadota, Elliot Hanna, Mary Hruska, Sara Roos, Michelle Krupkin, Holly Tilson* 

Delayed arrivals: Heather Kamins (7:17pm), Ken Alpern (7:18pm)

Not Present: Nanxi Liu, Aaron Elster, Susan Klos

## 4. Community Memorial Observations

*Hruska:* Remembering Barbara James, a longtime resident of Mar Vista, longtime member of HERO – an emergency response organization. She was a wonderful human being and the neighborhood will miss her tremendously.

Shure: ? Bar was a longtime resident of Zone 1 and the homeowner association, an original homeowner from Westside Village. She was a longtime volunteer at Clover ES for 20 years, a reading lady for 24 years. She passed away last month in her early 90s.

## 5. Announcements

~none

## 6. Public Comment for Items NOT on This Agenda

<u>Gregg Aniolek</u>: Member of Westschester-PDR NC, CERT coordinator with Battalion 4. The next basic CERT training is March 5, 2019 at Firestation 5, 7:30 pm. The class runs four consecutive weeks. While there is a waiting list, many fail to appear, so do sign up if you're interested. **gregganiolek@gmail.com** 

Also important is Mayor Garcetti's resiliency program. It's a challenge to keep 50K people safe; in an emergency you will have to keep yourself safe. The resiliency program has prepared a Basic Information Sheet, including information about what to stock and supply, how to make a plan and includes a map of local hazards. It identifies roads out of the area. Carl Ginsberg is a Zone 4 residents also ready to help; he is the West Bureau coordinator.

<u>Kalani Whittington</u>: Notes the "1 inch rule" which governs the definition of movement on a motor vehicle; having moved 1 inch protects the vehicle from removal. It is necessary to prove residency in order to remove a motor home. How to remove a parked motor home that does not violate size limits?

The homeless issue is a real problem: where is refuse from holding tanks dumped? How to halt the typhus outbreak? Neighbors should help one another and be reasonable, but these problems must be addressed by City hall and politicos.

<u>Carl Ginsberg</u>: Bureau coordinator of Battalion 9, from LAX to the Palisades, Brentwood, Hollywood. Happy to collaborate with Ken Frese and MVCC's Emergency committees.

<u>Robin Doyno</u>: Applauds Mayor Garcetti's green conversion removing three obsolete power plants from commission.

7. Ex-Parte Communications and Conflicts-of-Interest - Each board member shall declare any ex-parte communications or conflicts-of-interest pertaining to items on or related to this agenda.

*General stakeholder's communications don't need to be disclosed:* 

					Doyno – none	Elster – absent
Hanna – Discussions with CD11 about the Venice Blvd				Hruska – none	Kadota - non	e
reconfiguration, community art machine, elections preparations.						
Kamins -	amins - Klos - Krupkin – Parking restrictions due to installation of the street mural at					
nothing	absent	acific/Grand View were discussed with CD11, Sepulveda Transit Corridor team absent				
		who contacted LADO	OT. Emails exchanged with Sanitation about Venice Blvd.			
Roos – Met with Andrew Kratzner, Afriat Shure – Scheduling discussions with DCP for community						Tilson –
Consulting about Gateway/Barrington			walk, discussions with d	evelopment teams of:	Welbrook,	none
Development			Palms/Sepulveda, Gatev	way/Barrington. Also a	bout SB50.	

## 8. Adoption of the Agenda

*Motion* (Roos/Doyno) to *consider* agenda item 15.1 before the consent calendar (as item 11.4) *passes* 9/0/1 (Hanna) at 7:26pm

9. Reading and Approval of Minutes – Reading and approval of the minutes from the most recent regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

Motion (Hruska/Shure) approved without objection at 7:30pm

10. Reports

## **10.1. Elected Official and City Department Reports**

<u>Hannah Levien</u>, Field Deputy, CD11: LA Now – microtransit program discussed at last month's meeting and presented at December's meeting. The initiative opens on March 7; anyone interested in attending the press event should contact her.

*CycLAvia is coming – there will be poetry, youth arts challenge, local bands, art walk, bounce houses, silent disco (dancing with headphones). Metro bike-share will be live for the event.* 

Three LADWP natural gas-powered stations will be decommissioned. One facility is in CD11. This is in line with the green new deal; it is precedent-setting.

<u>Vanessa Serrano</u>, DONE: Save The Date: Wednesday, Feb 27, 6:30pm is "Beyond NC" event, held every 2-3 years about how the public/boardmembers can run for higher office, how to be appointed to a Commission, how to find a job in the City. RSVP at empowerla.org.

Save the date: Thursday, March 28, 2019 nominate exceptional service for recognition by 3/15/19. There are "vanguard" awards for departments, public safety. BONC selects the finalists prior to the dinner event for mingling, meeting other NC leaders.

Candidate filing for elections opens on 3/17/19, closes 3/19/19. Resources for the election include a list of NFP that received NPGs that could do outreach, guidelines for hosting a candidate forum; women's forum is a pattern.

## 10.2. Officer Reports

## 10.2.1. Chair – Elliot Hanna

There has been some incivility surrounding the street mural, artists, and potential board members. We represent the community, so we can't have incivility.

Reports at BoD meetings are intended to inform about previous months' activities. Timelimits will be enforced and board members may speak twice only on agenda items.

Committee minutes remain incomplete, though improving.

With the help of Directors Tilson and Kadota the storage unit's receipts have been collected and an insurance claim filed.

Commendation to Ms. Tilson for recovering MV Landtrust money owed to the MVCC.

# 10.2.2. 1st Vice-Chair - Rob Kadota

Concentrating on outreach at the Farmer's Market. Committees should confirm their involvement at the booth there, in particular surrounding housing and Community Plan issues. DONE will attend twice in March for elections information and at CycLAvia too.

Another tabling opportunity is March 7, 2019, the MV Artwalk.

10.2.3. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair – Mary Hruska

New meeting schedules and venues for EACC and PLUM are being created.

10.2.4. Secretary – Sara Roos

Education CIS filed

10.2.5. Treasurer – Holly Tilson

\$2K from MV Landkeepers went back to the City

Neighborhood watch signs will arrive at last in March or April.

## **10.3.** Zone Director Reports

**10.3.1. Zone 1** – Ken Alpern

Situating stations for the North-South Sepulveda Corridor Transportation project will have profound affects on Zone 1 and 2.

Annual meeting is Thursday, February 21, 2019 with the SLO; issues of homelessness, crime, planning/ transportation will be discussed.

10.3.2. Zone 2 – Heather Kamins

NWNA meeting concerned the potential mixed use Barrington/Gateway project, traffic, affordable housing, parking. Unfixed sidewalks are a continuing issue. Considerations of the Community Plan were discussed.

## **10.3.3. Zone 3** – Mary Hruska

*Community Plan presentations to Westdale and Hilltop; the plan will have profound impacts on the neighborhood.* 

A hilltop situation with disturbing noise is being worked on.

Paving for a stretch of Mountain View that has long been neglected is being attended to.

10.3.4. Zone 4 – Aaron Elster

absent

10.3.5. Zone 5 – Michelle Krupkin

*Culver City public works is being involved in fixing leaking water that is causing potholes and potential sinkholes on Grand View.* 

The rain has interfered with the Pacific/Grand View street mural, causing re-installation and extended parking woes.

The traffic control utility box could be painted and rebranded with the help of GVES students.

10.3.6. Zone 6 – Holly Tilson

*Plans were presented at WMVRA regarding the permanent supportive housing proposed for Beethoven/Venice. CD11 will present further information directly to Beethoven ES and stakeholders.* 

The single tree removal apparatus within the City leaves a stump issue unresolved.

## **10.4. Committee Reports**

**10.4.1.** Elections and Bylaws

~ report from V Serano is below. Candidates need not be present at the election, but they must receive at least one vote.

10.4.2. Community Outreach

~ none

**10.4.3.** Transportation and Infrastructure

 $\sim$  Alek clarified that it is permissible to walk within the zone of operations to access the new microtransit system.

Small Asphalt Repairs are back, BSS is on top of this. Send suggested locations for attentions.

# 10.4.4. Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM)

The combined PLUM and Transportation/Infrastructure meeting didn't work well with timings so the meetings will be separated again, returning to the library.

A new development at 12610 W Venice will be discussed, and SB50. Policies/Procedures amendment is on hold awaiting attorney update.

The Palms/Sepulveda development will merit a special meeting (not PLUM) on March 26 or April 2, 2019. This is a three year process.

Community Plan is preparing its report for DCP by the end of this month. Send concerns about zoning, mobility, infrastructure issues that need resolving. The public's input is justification for this report: **weigh in**! The walking tour with DCP will be February 23, 2019 with approximately 15 minutes spent in each zone. Participation can come by meeting up along the route.

# 10.4.5. Public Health and Safety

Meetings may be combined. March 3, 2019 CycLAvia information is out. The bike repair stand has been at the MV Rec Center and will return for the egg hunt there. Operation firefly handed out 20 pairs of lights to folks riding w/out lights – 5-7pm at Grand View/Venice and Centinela/Culver – the initiative creates greater visibility and outreach.

# 10.4.6. Education, Arts, and Culture

~ no report

# 11. Special Orders -

- **11.1.** <u>Discussion of the Venice Blvd. Reconfiguration</u> Eric Bruins, CD11 Transportation Deputy, will discuss\_and entertain questions regarding LADOT's recent recommendation to make permanent the Venice Blvd. reconfiguration.
  - **11.1.1.** Presentation from Mr. Bruins

This reconfiguration is along one of the City's "Great Streets". In December, LADOT determined the pilot program was "successful". Councilmember Bonin agreed on the basis of several factors driving this decision. A comprehensive, 40pp report was released and 130pp of raw data regarding the project. Questions of concern included (i) Was Venice Boulevard (VB) performing adequately as a transportation artery (ii) is VB safe, (iii) is it performing efficiently?

Data from LADOT indicated that yes, VB performed safely and yes, VB can handle the amount of traffic on the street.

Investigated was collision data one year post-implementation of the reconfiguration. Fluctuations are to be expected. Findings were that "overall" the street "performed well on collisions". However, there was a spike in collisions at Wade Street, resulting in immediate installation of a protected signal there.

Because daily traffic counts before and one year after implementation are both at 47,000, traffic is presumed to be staying on VB, a high traffic-volume street. The unchanged total daily traffic count is considered a "key indicator" that traffic is not moving off the Boulevard.

Travel time along VB is a factor of concern. There is an approximately 90 second delay in eastbound travel. For the overall course of the project this is considered a "reasonable" amount of delay. To evaluate overall benefit, it is necessary to return to first principles, and what was intended to be achieved.

The "core goal" was to make a "downtown" for Mar Vista. In terms of a variety of indicators, what does it feel like to walk through downtown Mar Vista; how does it make me feel? Is it a better or worse experience than formerly? Is the neighborhood attractive? Is it active and lively? Does the neighborhood have a strong identity?

The survey showed a positive view of VB that increased in intensity after the reconfiguration; you "know it when you see it". The core goal was to "move the dial" on these things, and that happened.

Part of this goal was to make a desirable business environment. Despite construction, there was an increase in business revenue. Backing up these findings, folks reported on the survey spending more money when visiting VB.

So the project is considered successful in part because it was found to be "efficient", and supported a sense of place.

Anxiety about traffic is City-wide from Silverlake to Sherman Oaks; this is an issue of top concern. To address it a targeted speed hump program opens tomorrow. Four new humps have been installed along Victoria/Charnock. Additional measures include enhancements to Centinela easing right-turn movement. Double turn lanes westbound at Centinela. Additional improvements that will ease movement around the neighborhood include the microtransit pilot and signals at Wade Street.

**11.1.2.** Public Comment with regard to Mr. Bruins' presentation.

<u>Kalani Whittington</u>: the route to Manhattan Beach through PDR saw their lane share removed immediately upon threat of a lawsuit. VB is a tidal evacuation route. It is illogical to remove a lane from such a throughfare; cars cannot simply be towed away. These data do not address a recent increase in scooter injuries. Safety regulations are not laws; they do not mandate licensure, registration or safety.

<u>Selena Inouye</u>: Concerns have been (1) Community engagement (2) Transparency (3) Accountability. Councilmember Bonin should be present himself to announce the reconfiguration is permanent. That he is not here, that there has been no town hall – this is shameful; he needs to listen to feedback. The community is not at the decision-making table. People in this community have many concerns and this 40pp report of promotional messages does not address these concerns. The business data used was from 2017. But many of the businesses began closing in 2018. So data used to claim success misses the critical period when stores first started going out of business. When folks said it was too hard to park, these folks are not coming back.

This report is incomplete at best. LADOT promised to come out and discuss it; they have been no-shows.

<u>Sheri Odere</u>: Why won't councilmember Bonin come out and talk to stakeholders? We should have some say. He has forced this project down stakeholder's throats. The left turn lanes at Wade haven't helped. VB is a freeway as is Grand View and other side streets. There's no way out of MV. No way out of Santa Monica. This is not a safe thing. This is a disaster. Why is Mr. Bonin not here? The situation is frustrating and annoying.

<u>Kathryn Wheeler</u>: According to the American Lung Association and transportation studies, an idling car uses the same amount of gas as one that is driving. This is not a great project; Road Diets should all be cancelled and removed. They endanger the health of children. County studies show higher risk of early low birth weight babies associated with increased gas emissions. Other management plans could reduce  $CO_2$  emissions; this Road Diet increases emissions and pollution. The additional 90 seconds idling translates to more than a [onehalf a] mile's worth of additional gas needed. It is not correct to state that traffic has returned to former levels.

Dennis Mogerman: Daily mail trips to the corner of Centinela and VB reveal patterns over time. Cyclists and pedestrians are confused; cars drive down the bike lane; cyclists travel the wrong direction. This daily trip

feels dangerous. Crossing the intersection requires hyper-alertness. Too much is going on between scooters, wrong-way cyclists. Some changes have resulted in improvements, but there is no community support for the change and it happened overnight, without enough input. The community should hear from Councilman Bonin himself, and not from a deputy. And he needs to hear from the community. He is a no-show.

**11.1.3.** Board discussion and possible action regarding Mr. Bruins' presentation.

<u>Alpern</u>: For many years councilmember Bonin has been known as fair, credible and honorable; that's the hallmark of his leadership. But this whole process by which he fought for downtown Mar Vista and sponsored a 6-month pilot project with feedback saw the community overnight trashed and thrown away. The people of Mar Vista wonder whether councilmember Bonin was fair, credible and honorable? Did he treat those with concerns about the development at 12444 VB with transparency? People would like councilmember Bonin to attend the next MVCC meeting.

<u>Tilson</u>: Speed humps are not the answer to calming neighborhoods. It is a problem of traffic volume. The same cut-thru traffic is everywhere in the City. In Zone6, mostly traffic backs up at Beethoven, which has been F-rated. Walgrove has as well since [before] Santa Monica put in their road diet. Sometimes it takes an hour to travel down Walgrove. The left turn lane on wade won't address the problem of sideswiped cars. Wade Street is not design for that volume of traffic. Redirecting traffic thru R1 neighborhoods is wrong. Sandwiched between two ES her street was formerly quiet but now morning traffic on Greenwood is horrendous. It is shameful that councilmember Bonin has not shown up. He made promises, and hasn't come back. We're the voters, he's working for us, he needs to show up and talk to us.

<u>*Hruska*</u>: If the volume of traffic on VB has returned to its former level, and its capacity has been reduced by 33%, how can the reduction in time be as claimed? How does this math work out?

Washington Boulevard should be part of the evaluation of collateral traffic, but since it is in Culver City it is missing. WLA TIMP EIR shows that Washington would show the largest increase in traffic if the region were modeled without VB present; this should be investigated.

<u>Hanna</u>: This project has been a disaster socially even if technologically it is a great idea, which is unbelievable anyway. It has left neighbors not talking, friends now as bitter enemies; people are frustrated because of this road diet. If traffic didn't increase on the side streets, then where did it go? There are no new transit lines.... VB may be safe but the correct question should be: is it safer than before? The change is the real question. The report was misleading.

<u>Krupkin</u>: It's disappointing that the councilman Bonin supported via door-to-door canvassing, won't come to any Great Streets meetings. The deputy in charge of murals hasn't been to a committee meeting. This data includes the high collision, anomalous year of 2015-16 on p 44, and yet still traffic accidents are going up. There's still cut through traffic. If there were not then why implement and expedite speed humps? As of Sunday the four promised new stop signs were no installed. If they're needed, why aren't they installed? To state these conditions don't exist is disingenuous. It's disingenuous to not care about people in Mar Vista. It's' disingenuous and councilmember Bonin should be here. Transparency requires funding a traffic study.

Kamins: Reiterates that it's embarrassing that councilmember Bonin is not here. What are we tell stakeholders? Everyone has asked for his presence in a myriad of ways. This issue has gone on as a problem for too long. It's confusing and the worse part is how it's torn apart the community apart and created disharmony.

<u>Roos</u>: Lives closer to the road diet than any and does hear some folks literally whisper approval for it; louder voices are not comfortable in this climate. But there is a difference between approval of the concept and approval for its implementation or analysis. Some of the support is theoretical, but that doesn't mean the process has been acceptable, or that it is not a problem even among its supporters for fomenting animus. Formerly VB was a major artery so having reduced that, the cars must have gone somewhere else. They demonstrably now are on side streets; there are now long lines of traffic on Mountain View turning west where formally there was none at all.

<u>Shure</u>: What will go back to councilmember Bonin from tonight's meeting? Will a response result? A response would assure this time is not wasted.

Bruins – there was extensive design and redesign of the pilot from the beginning, at the 3-month mark and 6-month mark; including fielding inquiries and comments. A decision about the re-configuration has

now been made. There are ways to continue fine-tuning the project. But in all honesty, community input has been taken, data has been looked at and an opinion has been formed.

**Motion** (Alpern/Hruska) **passes** to request councilmember Bonin speak to this board at the next MVCC meeting 7/1 (Doyno)/2 (Hanna, Kadota) at 8:38pm

**11.2.** <u>Presentation from Community Art Machine</u> – Short presentation from Kimberly Karukoh regarding the Community Art Machine's ongoing projects.

Community Art Machine is located in San Pedro, based at a machine arts studio. We are a NFP, trying to create safe, legal venues for graffiti art. Some believe this is "not art it's vandalism". The purpose is to educate people about the past, present, and future of graffiti. It has roots in vandalism. We are hoping its future will be more related to a mainstream arts community. This popup yard is a safe, legal venue. It can be used to create interactive exhibits, and used as an interactive platform. The idea came from a studio project that was expandable and configurable. The idea now is to put five panels up at the MV Farmer's Market for an interactive demonstration. It is used as an educational tool. The idea is to create community engagement with paint by numbers. The plan is to have in mind a fresh FM theme but to incorporate CD11 or MV or another word or phrase that captures a message trying to be conveyed. A local artist could design something that could be implemented. One to two artists would fill in the details. This is not a permanent piece of artwork, it will be taken down.

<u>Kathryn Wheeler</u>: Does graffiti appearance go down because, say, artists are "getting it out of their system", etc? KK: Yes. This turns taggers into entrepreneurs. Engagement in graffiti has gone down. Younger artists with an interest in graffiti are drawn and funneled into safe legal venues. This platform is an entré to a creative economy. It provides mentoring to find a good outlet.

Spray paint could be a problem near FM; we can provide different media.

<u>Denis Mogerman</u>: How are you funded? KK: A partnership with PV Arts Center funded the first ten panels. We are under fiscal management by Fulcrum Arts.

<u>Kalani Whittington</u>: Are materials repurposed? KK: Yes, we use the same panels over and over.. made of steel and plywood.

<u>Shure</u>: Do you come into the community and paint or conduct outreach to engage the community in participating? KK: There are two options, the panels can be rented to stand-along for a community artist to use, or we will alternatively design programs. We can furnish graffiti artists if desired. So this is interactive.

Hruska: Applauds the effort, and welcomes them to MV.

Hanna: Looks forward to working together, partly due to the enthusiasm of Cigdem's support.

<u>Roos</u>: where to redirect efforts when the panels leave? KK: This popup redirects tagging of walls. There is the San Pedro studio – they use black books there, which are always available. In Venice there are some art walls; it is easy to get a painting permit. It should be possible to find more legal safe venues. For example, there is one business that allows people to spray-paint behind their store. There should be more opportunities to identify.

**11.3.** <u>Preparations for MVCC Election</u> – Discussion and possible action regarding preparations for the 2019 MVCC election including a change of venue to the Mar Vista Recreation Center.

The Elections & Bylaws Committee recommends switching the election venue from the Farmer's Market to the Recreation Center.

**Motion** (Hruska/Tilson) to **change** the MVCC elections venue from the MV Farmer's Market to the MV Recreation Center.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

<u>Selena Inouye:</u> supports the recommendation.

<u>Vanessa</u> ??: notes concerns in general regarding (i) traffic, (ii) a newcomer's familiarity with neighborhood venues, (iii) likelihood of a long-time stakeholder switching old patterns

BOARD COMMENT:

<u>Shure</u>: Alpern, also of Zone 1, would agree that this venue is closer and has more convenient parking beneficial for Zone 1 residents. This change could improve turnout; it is a good idea.

<u>Alpern</u>: confirms agreement.

<u>Doyno</u>: The goal is to increase turnout; this is a more central location.

<u>Kadota</u>: Observes that weekends are very busy at the park, all facilities are full so this could be a wrong location. It isn't "down time" there, parking and access are no less impacted than at the Farmer's Market. Several thousand people are accommodated well by the FM every week. The FM location is more central. Three locations have been tried over the years: MVES, MV Rec Center and the FM. The FM has been the best.

<u>Hanna</u>: Suggests changing the venue (again) is a good idea. The Rec Center is more central, accommodates a different set of people than those who frequent the FM so this will capture a different crowd without losing the old. It's a good idea.

<u>Tilson</u>: These points were all discussed in committee. The school was too expensive. The Fm is \$1100 for tents and stands. The Park has not given a cost estimate but tables are here already, so they do not need renting. This suggestion is partly practical, partly simply changing-it-up. With staging in a different community, new people are attracted.

<u>Alpern</u>: The FM outreach is great; it would be good if it were possible to stage the election in both places. If the location is changed, communicating the new location will be very important.

<u>Doyno</u>: Confirms the Rec Center is available, and is persuaded by concerns that the Park will be too busy and unable to accommodate the increased traffic.

Roos: Considers the Park less chaotic.

Dennis Mogerman: suggests a church, another date?

This date is fixed by DONE. Outreach and Bylaws committees are both working on outreach for the election.

Motion **passes** 6 (Tilson, Alpern, Krupkin, Roos, Hruska, Shure)/3 (Kamins, Doyno, Kadota)/1 (Hanna) at 9:00pm.

**11.4.** AGENDA ITEM 15.1 CONSIDERED OUT OF ORDER. [POLICY] [Roos] Community Impact Statement regarding public education funding - Discussion and possible action regarding a community impact statement supporting funding California public schools at a level at or above the national average.

Introduced at 9:01pm: attached in the meeting packet please find a copy of a resolution entered into City Council on Jan. 16, 2019 by Buscaino, seconded by Bonin & Harris-Dawson. The text of the resolution is very clear; it calls for "Full and Fair Funding of Education in California". In sum:

BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2019-20 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for any legislative or administrative action that would fund California public schools at the national average or higher by the year 2020, and at a level that is equal to or above the average of the top 10 states nationally by 2025 and to maintain, at a minimum, this level of funding until otherwise decreed. ..."

We've been asked by the California School Boards Association to weigh in with a CIS.

The matter arose too quickly to be agendized at EACC but informal support for the following resolution was approved there unanimously (6/0/0): "The MVCC shall submit the following CIS into CoLA Council File system:

"The Mar Vista Community Council SUPPORTS CoLA CF #19-0002-S12, "California Public Schools Funding".

MVCC supports "...legislative or administrative action that would fund California public schools at the national average or higher by the year 2020, and at a level that is equal to or above the average of the top 10 states nationally by 2025 and to maintain, at a minimum, this level of funding until otherwise decreed."

MVCC recesses at 9:08pm in order to email board members the text of this CIS

# MVCC reconvenes order at 9:10pm

## Motion (Kamins/Doyno) passes to approve the CIS as written 7/2 (Alpern, Tilson)/1 (Hanna)

**12.** Consent Calendar – The Consent Calendar is reserved for items deemed to be routine and non-controversial. Any board member may pull an item or items for further discussion.

Krupkin: Inquires whether all first aid kits were distributed? Kadota ~ plenty of supplies remain.

## Motion (Hruska/Roos) passes 8/0/2 (Hanna, Krupkin).

- **12.1.** [ADMINISTRATIVE] Monthly Expenditure Report Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for January, 2019
- **12.2.** [FUNDING] [ExFin] Board Member Reimbursement The Mar Vista Community Council approves a reimbursement in the amount of \$53.73 to Elliot Hanna for copies made for the December 11, 2018 Board of Directors' meeting.
- 12.3. [FUNDING] [ExFin] Board Member Reimbursement The Mar Vista Community Council approves a reimbursement in the amount of \$3.22 to Elliot Hanna for copies made for the December 11, 2018 Board of Directors' meeting.
- **12.4.** [FUNDING] [ExFin] Minutes Writer The Mar Vista Community Council approves an expenditure not to exceed \$500.00 for the services of a minutes writer for Board of Directors' meetings.

13. Excluded Consent Items – Discussion and further action on items excluded from the Consent Calendar.

~ none; single question incorporated above as technical clarification.

#### 14. Unfinished Business and General Orders -

14.1. [POLICY] Stakeholder Petition Regarding Venice Blvd. – Discussion and possible action regarding a stakeholder petition pertaining to the "Venice Blvd. Great Street."

Introduced by Selena Inouye. Stakeholders were asking that LADOT, Great Streets and councilmember Bonin fulfill the promise to stage an open Town Hall regarding the Venice Boulevard (VB) reconfiguration. This motion was to remind these entities of the promise.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

<u>Selena Inouye</u>: given the earlier presentation, it seems none of this will happen. The motions' last paragraph asks MVCC to withdraw support of the pilot. MVCC is now encouraged to consider a resolution of disapproval.

Councilmember Bonin's actions violate LAMC [charter?] section 9.07 with regard to early warning for Neighborhood Councils. Thus there are two promises broken; the other regards promise of a public process prior to deciding to make the project permanent. On December 21, 2018 CoLA (LADOT?) filed a CEQA exemption, with no public notice, and no public hearings; the public wont' be involved.

<u>Kathryn Wheeler</u>: Agrees that councilmember Bonin has not done what he's promised. Many are shocked and dismayed. The board should consider how to protect stakeholders since we are ignored – a letter? Another action? What else can be done?

<u>Sheri Odere</u>: Considers it disgraceful, shameful, disgusting that councilmember Bonin will not interface. Supports the motion.

<u>Kalani Whitington</u>: Supports the amendment. Is saddened that the only way that councilmember Bonin, who most of us really like, will listen to the community is when there is such harsh action as the threat of a lawsuit. He needs to listen to the community. MDR's sandblasted stripings remain visible.

<u>Vanessa ??</u>: Reminds the board that not everyone disapproves of the VB reconfiguration or parts of it. Others may be intimidated or less vocal. The prevailing attitude expressed at MVCC meetings lacks recognition of other generations. The intimidation and the fighting is tiresome.

BOARD COMMENT:

<u>Hruska</u>: Notes there will be a Director's motion relating to CD11 violation of charter section 9.07 and LAMC 22.810.1, section f at a future meeting.

<u>Roos</u>: MVCC requested just earlier tonight that councilmember Bonin attend MVCC. Should this motion be delayed to allow time for a response?

<u>Hanna</u>: If we pass this and then invite councilmember Bonin, how can he agree to attend? While he may never attend, a month's delay would not change anything at this point.

Kadota: Has an amendment been presented? The motion is as written so... Motion (Kadota/Alpern) to table.

<u>Selena Inouye</u>: Agrees to table the motion until March.

BOARD COMMENT:

<u>Alpern?</u>: We have to show courtesy. But this pilot project, with a named co-sponsor, was a pilot in name alone. We were handed something else. While there are a lot of people who supported it, most opposed the project. And having just a few people supporting the project does not justify violating environmental law; this is not acceptable. Given that councilmember Bonin is not here, we have no choice but to seriously revisit MVCC's approval of the project.

Motion (Kadota/Alpern) to postpone the agenda item passes 9/0/1 (Hanna) at 9:26pm

14.2. [POLICY] [Great Streets] Independent Traffic Study – Discussion and possible action regarding an item - requesting a community panel and an independent traffic study of the Venice Boulevard Great Street project - amended at the 11/13/2018 BoD meeting and committed to the Great Streets Subcommittee.

*Hruska suggests to postpone this motion as well. Notes this is the second month posting guidelines regarding an independent transportation impact study - links are in the meeting packet.* 

**Motion** (Tilson/Alpern) to postpone **passes** without objection or public or board comment 9/0/1 (Hanna) at 9:28pm

## 15. New Business

**15.1.** CONSIDERED ABOVE AS ITEM 11.4 [POLICY] [Roos] Community Impact Statement regarding public education funding - Discussion and possible action regarding a community impact statement supporting funding California public schools at a level at or above the national average.

Introduced at 9:01pm as item 11.4; see above.

**15.2.** [POLICY] [Great Streets] ADA Evaluation of Venice Blvd. - The Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) supports an independent Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) evaluation of the Great Street Venice Boulevard Pilot Project.

<u>Hanna</u>: Suggests this is the same situation as the preceding motions and should therefore similarly be postponed.

<u>Krupkin</u>: Clarifies this is different because it's a policy motion with no action. This motion requests theoretical support of the ADA evaluation only. If there is agreement, then a funding motion would be submitted subsequently.

*Motion* (Krupkin/Alpern) to **approve** the resolution as written.

## PUBLIC COMMENT:

<u>Selena Inouye</u>: Supports the motion as a person with disabilities. Any vendor hired should receive no funding and be without contracts or interaction with the City. During the outreach phase for the pilot there was never mention of removing a lane of travel; the community was denied opportunity to participate in the pilot's planning.

BOARD COMMENT:

Doyno: who would the vendor be? Restrictions would have to be written into a funding motion

*<u>Hruska</u>*: No funds are requested in this motion.

<u>Kadota</u>: We should ask the CD11 field deputy: what consideration for ADA access was given to the pilot implementation?

<u>Hannah Levien</u>: has no immediate specific answer, but the Department of Disability would be the appropriate Department to respond to this board inquiry, and she will bring this forward to them.

<u>Krupkin</u>: The head of the Department On Disability and four of his employees stated they were not involved in the design of this project. No ADA consultant was hired independently during its design.

<u>Kadota</u>: Given incomplete information it would be prudent for MVCC to hear from the City before taking further action.

Krupkin: That is the purpose of this motion.

Kadota: We have yet to hear what considerations were addressed by the <u>City</u>.

**Motion** (Kadota/Roos) to table the resolution until receiving an answer from the City regarding what ADA considerations were part of the pilot design.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kathryn Wheeler: The original resolution should be supported.

Selena Inoye: The resolution should not be tabled; it should be voted on tonight.

<u>Sheri Odere</u>: This is disgraceful. We are stakeholders with skin in the game, we don't need to be addressed in a condescending manner.

<u>Kalani Whitington</u>: There was a meeting where disabled members of the community discussed difficulties with opening the [car] door [under the road reconfiguration?].

BOARD COMMENT:

Hanna: With time passing the motion will pass by default....

<u>Alpern</u> calls the question to postpone the resolution.

**Motion** (Kadota/Roos) to **table** the resolution until receiving an answer from the City regarding what ADA considerations were part of the pilot design **fails** (3 (Kadota, Roos, Doyno)/6 (Tilson, Krupkin, Hruska, Shure, Kamins, Alpern)/1 (Hanna)

Hanna: the motion is postponed for time and will be considered in March as unfinished business.

16. Adjournment

Motion (Hanna/Roos) to adjourn at 9:38pm

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