

# Mar Vista Community Council



# Minutes

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

> Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 7:00pm Mar Vista Recreation Center Auditorium 11430 Woodbine Street, Mar Vista, CA 90066

# 1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

# 2. Presentation of flag and pledge of allegiance

Mary Hruska led the board and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

#### Attending (13):

Andrea Ambriz Elliot Hanna Gabriel Hill (arrived at 7:12 pm) Mary Hruska Selena Inouye Rob Kadota Michelle Krupkin (arrived at 7:08 pm) Martin Rubin Armond Seretti Stacy Shure Christine Stemar Holly Tilson Kathryn Wheeler

# 4. Community memorial observations: None.

5. Announcements: None.

# 6. Public comment for items NOT on this agenda

**Robin Doyno:** Said he had two brief items. First, he said he was sending two items to the Elections and Bylaws Committee, considering ranked choice voting and adding public comment at both and beginning and end of all meetings. His reasons for considering those things were listed in his remarks on the July 30<sup>th</sup> feedback meeting. He gave his remarks to the board.

# 7. Ex-parte communications and conflicts-of-interest - Each board member shall declare any exparte communications or conflicts-of-interest pertaining to items on or related to this agenda.

Rob Kadota: Said he had none.

Andrea Ambriz: Said she had none.

Selena Inouye: Said she had none.

**Kathryn Wheeler:** Said she discussed several motions on the agenda with various members of the board, especially Holly Tilson. She thanked Tilson for patience and assistance in writing a proper motion.

**Marty Rubin:** Said he had no conflicts of interest to disclose. He had conversations with 3-4 other board members regarding some of the motions and committee business.

#### Michelle Krupkin arrived at 7:08 pm.

Elliot Hanna: Said he Discussions several board members about agendizing various motions.

**Michelle Krupkin:** Said she had spoken to people about scheduling, committee meetings and some of the items on the agenda, including Transportation, Infrastructure and Great Streets.

**Mary Hruska:** Said she had spoken to board members and stakeholders regarding agenda items 15.9, 15.7, 15.3.

**Stacy Shure:** Said that regarding her motion, she'd spoken with Matt Glesne, director of policy for the Department of City Planning, staff from Councilmembers Koretz, Bonin, Martinez, Blumenfeld and Cedillo's offices, WRAC, and MVCC board members Elliot Hanna and Mary Hruska.

Christine Stemar: Said she had none.

Armond Seretti: Said he had none.

**Holly Tilson:** Said she had no conflicts, but she had spoken to multiple board members about board business and funding motions.

#### 8. Adoption of the agenda

**Wheeler:** Point of inquiry – she said on the table of contents it said 3.2.1, where it should be 3.2.10.

Without objection the agenda was adopted.

# 9. Approval of minutes – Approval of the minutes from the most recent regular meeting(s) of the Board of Directors.

Hanna: Asked if there were any corrections to the minutes.

**Wheeler:** Said 13 people attended the meeting but only 12 were listed in the minutes. Also, Rubin, Tilson and Krupkin were duplicated and Stemar, Gabriel Hill, Inouye and Wheeler herself were actually attendance but missing from that attendance list.

#### Gabriel Hill arrived at 7:12

**Shure:** Had a correction for page five, Zone Director Reports, Zone 1. She said it should read: "three more developers have applied for Overland, one of these is Othman in addition to the two they have pending. Shure also said she would review typos with Ms. Mruska later.

**Tillson:** Said in the Treasure's Report on page 4, it says "Up to 7.5K," when it should say "Approximately up to the 7.5K."

Wheeler moved to approve the minutes. Rubin seconded. Without objection the minutes were approved.

#### 10. Reports

**10.1.** Elected official and city department reports – Reports from any elected officials, their representatives, or representatives of city departments in attendance.

Hannah Levien, Field Deputy Mar Vista and Del Rey for Councilmember Mike Bonin's office: Said she had 4 subjects to discuss:

The LA City Council has voted to extend 85.02, the vehicle dwelling ordinance for oversized vehicles. There were no amendments made, it was just extended. The Palms and Sawtelle light will be installed this month. She said this was great news as the MVCC, especially the Transportation and Infrastructure committee, fought very hard to make this happen. CM Bonin and her colleague Alek Bartrosouf also worked hard to make the light happen.

The Bureau of Streets Services, now called Streets LA, has developed a stakeholder advisory council, similar to the way that the Parks and Recreation department has community advisory boards. They have asked CM Bonin's office for recommendations and she asked the MVCC to consider getting involved. Advisory council members would meet with department heads on a monthly basis, ask questions and work closely with them on local street services operations.

Lastly, she asked if the "**MVNA Shakeout**," mentioned in agenda item 12.12, had anything to do with earthquake simulations. **Hanna:** Said no. **Levian:** Said that ReadyLA is offering presentations to neighborhood councils, which she highly recommended for the MVCC. They are part of the city's Emergency Management Department and are very well done. **Hanna:** Said he would put her in touch with Mr. Frese and Mr. Ginsberg.

**Krupkin:** Asked about a townhall at St. Bede's the night before the meeting that Levien attended. **Levien:** Said that a Neighborhood Watch group from that area invited her to speak and she brought in LAPD senior lead officer Javier Ramirez, who was filling in for the regular senior lead officer. She also said that the MVCC would soon have a new senior lead officer, Jennifer Muther.

Kasey Kokenda, Field Representative for CA Assembly Member Sydney Kamlager-Dover: Introduced herself to the community. She said she would be the assembly member's new point person for the Mar Vista, Culver City and several other areas. She said she also oversees areas such as housing, education, environment, and entertainment. She said if they were interested she would love to hear from the MVCC.

**Rubin**: Asked if she had business cards. **Kokenda**: Said she did not have cards yet, but she would bring some to the next meeting and she gave out her email: <u>KASEY.KOKENDA@ASM.CA.GOV</u>

Vanessa Serrano, with DONE: Said she had a few items:

She said that DONE was adding two additional staff members to handle the West side and the Valley. She introduced one of the new staff members, Karen Hernandez. She said that the board may see Hernandez at some of their meetings or at DONE event. Hernandez is not new to DONE, she was also one of the workers doing election outreach targeting underrepresented communities.

The Board of Neighborhood Commissioners had elected new officers. The new president is Eli Lipmen, who is from the westside and had experience on neighborhood councils, having served for a few years on the Palms Neighborhood Council. The Commission wants to schedule 3 townhall style meetings in the next several months. The events will be on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm in the Valley and October 2<sup>nd</sup> at a second location TBD. You can register to receive notice of the specific locations at the City of LA's early system notification website. She said it was important for the MVCC to attend. They're going to be discussing requiring leadership and conflict resolution training for neighborhood Council board members and any candidates or decided to run for neighborhood Council and also a system-wide censure and board member removal procedures for all neighborhood councils. This would provide consistent guidelines for all the councils on how enforce these policies and procedures once they're set in place. So, the MVCC's input was very important. They could also email the commission or contact DONE for more information if they could not attend the meetings. Hanna: Asked if the systemwide removal process would take precedent over NC bylaws? Serrano: Said she believed so.

Serrano also said that DONE and the Mayor's office were hosting census information workshops. The census is primarily done online so these workshops are intended to help communities who may not have access to computers. She said the MVCC could contact

her to arrange a workshop. **Ambriz:** Asked if the census workshops would be held in multiple languages? **Serrano**: Said she believed so.

**Ambriz:** asked if MVCC could be included in the Census "conversation". Serrano thanked MVCC board members for attending DONE's election feedback sessions, even though they were not held in the MVCC's area. At all three workshops someone from the MVCC was in attendance. Their feedback will be included in the report to the city clerk, as will be any feedback submitted by email.

**Krupkin:** Said that she knew in the month after the election that DONE had hosted a leadership academy for brown act training. She said she knew a lot of those material were online but she asked if there would be any more leadership sessions planned for August or September. **Serrano:** Said that none were planned, but that she would be happy to meet with board members to share and go over all the specific material from those sessions. DONE could also give a 30-miunte presentation on a MVCC board retreat. She said, right now DONE was moving onto other topics such as committee training sessions.

**Hill**: Asked about the challenge process. He said the MVCC had received a letter that day from a stakeholder that verified and solidified people who did get reprimand letters. He asked what would be the best course of action. **Serrano**: Advised the MVCC to always reply to the individual stakeholder and not to reply via email to the entire board to avoid violating the Brown Act. If they want the item to be discussed and decided on by the board they would have to set it on the agenda. As for next steps, the MVCC and DONE would have to talk to the City Clerk NC Election. She has already reached out to a few people from that department to see what can be done on their side.

**Hanna:** Asked Serrano to explain what a certified election result meant. **Serrano**: She said, that to her understanding, it meant that if there were any challenges to NC elections then the City Clerk has already done diligent work to certify those candidates. **Krupkin:** Asked if there would be any activities new board members could participate in at the Congress of Neighborhoods next month. **Serrano**: Said the Congress would be on September 28<sup>th</sup>. It is a large event with 11-15 specialty workshops that can be split among board members. It starts with a breakfast and an opening session. The workshops will include President's Roundtable, How to Increase Participation in your Neighborhood Council, and Transportation Public Safety and several other topics. She believed registration would open online in the next couple weeks, which you can check on the Congress's website, www.nccongressla.com. Parking will be made available and it will be from 7:30 am to 3 pm. She encouraged the MVCC to attend.

#### **10.2.** Officer Reports

#### 10.2.1. Chair – Elliot Hanna

**Hanna:** Said he had received written reports from Krupkin and Hruska. He was also submitting a written report but wanted to speak on two points from it. First, there has been a great deal of confusion regarding the public's ability to comment. He said the Public Comment item on the agenda was specifically reserved for comments not related to an item on the agenda. He also said the right of the public to comment on any agenda item is absolute, and he as chair could not and would not stop that. Just because the public comment item comes

before particular item or after does not preclude the public's ability to comment on any item on the agenda. Second, he said for logistical reasons the September 10th meeting would be moved to September 3<sup>rd</sup>. **Ambriz:** Asked if the change was due to space or scheduling issues. **Hanna:** Said it was a scheduling issue. He would be out of town on the 10<sup>th</sup> and it was his understanding that neither Mr. Rubin nor Ms. Hruska preferred to run the meeting. Shure: Said rescheduling for the 3<sup>rd</sup> would put the board in conflict with committee meetings at which multiple presentations were already scheduled. **Rubin:** Said he would be run the meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup>. **Hanna:** Said then the meeting would not be rescheduled and would remain on the 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### 10.2.2. 1st Vice-Chair – Marty Rubin

Let his written report stand.

# 10.2.3. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair – Michelle Krupkin

Let her written report stand.

#### 10.2.4. Secretary – Mary Hruska

Let her written report stand.

**Wheeler**: Asked if director Hruska be willing to work with outreach chair to rewrite the report in a more neutral and abbreviated form for dissemination to the entire MVCC email list. **Hruska:** Said yes, she would be willing to do so.

# 10.2.5. Treasurer – Holly Tilson

Tilson: Asked if they would like her to explained the MER and budget changes so that they did not need to pulling it. Hanna: Said yes. Tilson: Said that everyone on the board was sent the MER, and it was in the agenda package. It is a record of the spending they did the last month. She asked if anyone had any questions and handed out a 3-page sheet on the budget; which was submitted as their budget administrative packet. She also added all the motions that are on the agenda into the various categories where they belong. The actual rollover funds are \$7335.59 instead of the originally estimated \$7,500. One of the motions under Operational is for storage unit organization, which she put under the miscellaneous category, so she didn't add any funds. There is a new motion for \$50 per meeting for hospitality, so she put that under the hospitality category that they already had budgeted for \$1,200. This would decrease that amount, but she did not budget it because she did not know whether it would pass. There's another motion for board equipment storage, setup and breakdown at \$150 per month. She added that to operational at \$1,500 and then adjusted the total. There was already \$3,000 budgeted for miscellaneous outreach. She put the extra \$535 into miscellaneous, which is why miscellaneous has gone up a bit. There was a

motion for a Town Hall and mobile outreach that she put in miscellaneous outreach. And there was a motion from 7 neighborhood associations – the max any of those associations would get would be up to \$300, so she put the whole \$2,100 in and adjusted the total. The budget for Neighborhood Purpose grants was originally \$10,000. She took \$1,500 out of that to make up for the two motions in outreach and operations. There's a motion on the agenda for \$1,500 a NPG, which would come out of the remaining \$8,500. She decreased the community improvement project's budget from \$4,000 to \$2,000 and then adjusted all the numbers in the total budget allocation. All the numbers will change as people request and spend funds. She said she did her best to rearrange all the funds to where people have requested it.

#### 10.3. Zone Director Reports -

#### 10.3.1. Zone 1 – Stacy Shure

Said she would yield her time, as she had nothing to report.

#### 10.3.2. Zone 2 – Marty Rubin

**Rubin:** Said he had a monthly newsletter from North Westdale Neighborhood Association which is in Zone 2. The NWNA will host its 6<sup>th</sup> annual fall block party on September 21<sup>st</sup>. The public is invited, and there will free food and live music. It will be in the parking lot at St Andrews Lutheran Church from 3 pm to 6:30 pm. The Santa Monica Airport has been shortening its runway from 5,000 to 3,500. The airport had already been officially shortened but the hardscape was still in place and the community insisted that it be ripped up. Work will continue for another month. They will plant soft grassy areas and the airport's first safety runoff areas. The airport was completely closed down for four days at one point and then another 4 days. They worked on the west side first and then on the east side. There noise was ridiculous during construction but there was also less noise with the airport closed down.

Lastly, he felt it was his responsibility to report that Zone 2 residents are mostly telling him about how terrible traffic is and how developments are making it worse. They see it as a major problem.

#### 10.3.3. Zone 3 – Mary Hruska

Said her report was in the packet.

#### 10.3.4. Zone 4 – Armond Seretti

Yielded his time.

#### 10.3.5. Zone 5 – Michelle Krupkin

**Hanna:** Said he had received her report via email but had not put in the packet but he would make sure it got into the minutes.

**Krupkin** Said she would let her written report stand with a note that the board had just received an email through the website that day from a stakeholder that was very upset about homeless encampment and finding needles in the preschool yard on Pacific Ave. She asked that the email be added to her report. **Hanna:** Said he would add it to the minutes.

#### 10.3.6. Zone 6 – Holly Tilson

**Tillson:** She said there was a motion for sidewalk in Zone 6. She brought photos of the sidewalk to show the board.

#### 10.4. Committee Reports –

#### 10.4.1. Elections & Bylaws

**Rubin:** Said they had a couple motions on the agenda. At the next meeting they planned to take a look at the bylaws, giving them a review.

#### 10.4.2. Planning and Land-Use Management

**Shure**: Said they had a productive meeting. They will be scheduling and noticing a second meeting of PLUM every month. They are going to start developing design guidelines for apartments that are constructed in the community with the stakeholders' input and, with assistance from another committee, renters' feedback. Two on Venice Blvd developments will be presenting in September. One of which is known as the Pamela Day Development. She encouraged all stakeholders to come and share their opinions and watch the presentations. Shure said she did not even have the plans yet, so she would be waiting to see what the developers would show. She had a motion on the meeting current agenda. She also said that on the last board meeting agenda that the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils unanimously voted in support of Councilmember Bonin's motion to have a vacancy tax in the city of Los Angeles. She thanked Councilmember Bonin for his efforts in that regard.

- **10.4.3.** Public Health & Safety No report.
- **10.4.4.** Education, Arts, and Culture *No report.*
- **10.4.5.** Transportation & Infrastructure

**Ken Alpern:** Said that T&I had several motions on the agenda and they have been having good productive meetings. He yielded to Ms. Inouye. **Inouye**: Said there were flyers for the upcoming pothole blitz in Mar Vista, which is scheduled for Friday, September 6th. She asked the community to get their tips on potholes in the area to Ken Alpen by August 28<sup>th</sup> and hopefully they would get fixed. The

flyer included an FAQ sheet. **Alpen:** Said that since the blitz would take place between MVCC meetings he asked if it was alright for T&I to submit the tips without the board's approval. **Hanna:** Said he had no objection and asked if anyone else did. No one objected.

#### 11. Special Orders

Airport Modernization Project – Brief presentation from JKH Consulting Services for the purpose of providing an update on the Automated People Mover and associated efforts getting underway at the Los Angeles International Airport.

**Hanna:** Asked if they could do the presentation in 10 minutes, as they had a very full agenda. The presenters said they could do it in 15. Hanna agreed to 15 minutes, but there was not a lot he could do if there was no time for questions at the end of 15 minutes. He asked if they would be willing to attend the MVCC's Transportation and Infrastructure committee to talk about this in more detail. They said they would be

**Ambriz:** Asked if in the future they could add a section in the agenda for at-large directors to give an update so they could share in the conversation. **Hanna:** Said he was not opposed to the idea, but was not sure if there would be time. He said he would give it some thought. **Ambriz:** Said she wanted folks to be aware that at-large directors are also significantly working to engage the community. **Hanna:** Said he understood that.

#### Stephanie Sampson, Director of Communications for LAX Landside Access Modernization

**Program (LAMP):** Introduced herself and *Anna Kozma, Senior Community Liaison for LINXS (LAX Integrated Express Solutions),* the developer building the automated people mover at LAX. They handed out fact sheets and she led a power point presentation on the Airport Modernization project:

LAX has 87.5 million passengers last year and tourism numbers continue to rise to over 50 million. Because of this growth LAX wants to make sure they have the infrastructure in place to receive visitors and enhance the guest experience. They are in the midst of a \$14.3 billion capital improvement program, which will go through 2028 and is focused on improving all of LAX's infrastructure. The LAMP project is \$5 ½ billion, which is 1/3 of the overall capital Improvement project spending.

She showed a map of the automated people moving system. It will go down the center of airport on Center Way, crosses Sepulveda and Century, loops around 96th Street and goes down to the consolidated rental car facility, which is located in area the formerly known as Manchester Square. There are three stations outside of the terminal area – one at the rental car facility, one above Aviation that connects to the metro connector station, and one at the Intermodal Transportation facility West, which is a large parking structure.

There will be roadway improvements, including Jetway Blvd, a new four-lane road that will connect Westchester Parkway to Century and provide a different access point into the airport. 98<sup>th</sup> Street currently Bellanca Ave, but they will build it under the metro line and connect itto the 405 freeway, providing access to the rental car facility and the access point off Century Boulevard.

She showed slides with images of the People Mover. It will be a 2 1/25 mile elevated guideway system. End to end, from the rental car facility to the west station, will take 10 minutes total, which is time guaranteed access into the terminal area. A train will arrive every two minutes at the station during peak travel time, which is about 9 a.m. To 11 p.m. It will be completely free to ride and will operate 365 days a year, 24/7.

The project is a private/public partnership between LAX and LINXS. LINXS will design, build, finance, operate and maintain the facility for a 30-year period. It is the largest contract ever awarded in LA's history.

Terminal Vertical Cores – in order to connect People Mover stations to the terminals they have to build pedestrian walkways, and those walkways need to connect to something. So, they are building new "front doors" to several terminals to allow the walkways to connect and improve circulation in the terminal areas. They will have elevators and escalators. Work is already ongoing on this, there are several barricades already up at Tom Bradley and more barriers will go up soon. This will impact the curbside area for the next 2 years; they will lose 30% of their current curbside area during that construction. This part of the project will be done in 2021.

She showed slides with images of the span of construction over the next few years. They will start with the guideway foundation and the columns of the system later this year into early next year. Then they will build the platform for the station, then the station on top, then the base to the pedestrian walkways. Construction will be complete in 2022, then they will test the system for six months to a year and it will open in 2023.

The People Mover will be an automated train with no drivers that will be operated from maintenance facility. The Facility will be under 24/7 operations and surveillance and it will house test tracks, a train wash and storage tracks. It will be a sustainable LEED Gold rated building with drought tolerant landscaping, solar panels roofing materials, reclaimed water and employee bike storage. It will be at 96<sup>th</sup> and Airport.

the Intermodal Transportation facility West (parking structure) will be the first part of the project that will be completed and will open in 2021. They will be at the height of construction in 2021, so they want to make sure their guests have an opportunity to park and drop off off-site and not have to drive in the terminal during heavy work on the roadways. It will add approximately 4,500 parking spaces to the airport and will include short and long-term parking, valet, meet and greet areas, and the People Mover station in 2023. Until the People Mover is complete, from 2021 to 2023, they will have shuttle buses transporting to the terminals.

Connection to Metro Regional Transportation – they will be connecting to Crenshaw/LAX and the green line in 2023. Those will be complete next year. The People Mover will be just above those stations. They will use the G-Shuttle bus until the people mover is done.

Consolidated Rent-A-Car Facility – All rental shuttles will be removed from the terminals area by 2023 and all car rentals will be consolidated to one 5.3 million sq. ft. facility right next to the 405 freeway. The facility will be connected to the People Mover. The facility is so large because the market it there; LA is the #2 rental car market in the US, behind Orlando. However, they building the facility in such a way that the layout can be adjusted over time depending on the rental market. Backspace could be turned into commercial space if need be.

**Hill:** Asked her to clarify how people would get from the Green Line and Crenshaw Line up to the people mover. **Sampson:** Said there would be elevators and escalators from the train stations to the people mover, it would all be ADA accessible.

**Ken Alpern:** Commented that it took a lot of work to get to this point. He also said the community had been promised several hundred yards of the pedestrian walkways would have moving sidewalks. **Sampson:** Said that 65% of pedestrian walkways would have moving sidewalks. It is not 100% because certain areas do not have enough clearance to allow them. **Sampson:** This year there will be a lot of utility investigations in preparation for building the foundation. This work has been going on already for several months and in Sept/Oct they will start putting in the foundation work. A lot of demolition has already been going on within and outside the terminal area.

You can learn more and subscribe to get updates, construction advisory notices and press releases on their website: flylax.com/connectinglax

**Anna Kozma:** Said they were currently on a "roadshow" with this presentation to keep all the communities informed. She said she had given the MVCC their contact information and she encouraged the MVCC and to give their contact information to local community groups who may be interested.

**Hanna:** Asked Ken Alpern to consider scheduling a longer presentation for MVCC's T&I Committee. **Alpern:** Said he would. He added that this was one of the most vetted projects in the nation for 15 years by multiple government agencies.

# 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.

Hanna: Asked the board if they would like to pull any of the items.

**Kadota:** Said Hannah Levien had an update on an item. **Hanna:** Said the board would hear the update if there was no objection. There was no objection. **Levien:** Said that, regarding item 12.9, the MVCC, Venice NC and Del Rey NC Town Hall Meeting had been pushed back, new date TBD. **Shure:** Asked how far back they had been pushed. **Levian:** Said it the date was still to be determined, but their office had a good relationship with Culver City and she could keep asking them. The Del Rey NC has also been very vocal about this. She said she would do her best to give them updates when she had them.

Ambriz: Pulled items 12.9 and 12.10. She also said she had questions about 12.8 and 12.14 but did not think she would need to pull them. Hanna: Said she could ask her 12.8/12.14 questions.
Ambriz: Per 12.8, she asked if the website host was going to have an option for another language to be made available for the MVCC website. Tilson: Said that 12.6, 12.7 and 12.8 originally should have been under operation so that they didn't have to have a specific motion. But since they were put in outreach they have to have an individual motion so they can pay the bills. Ambriz's request for different languages was that something that can be considered in Outreach, but the 12.6, 12.7 and 12.7 items were just formalities so the MVCC could pay their bills. Ambriz: Thanked Tilson. Regarding 12.14, she asked if it would authorize appropriation for

storage items to be kept at the publicly available or accessible (at least to MVCC members) location. **Hanna:** Said no, only the executive board had access to the space.

**Shure:** Pulled 12.10. She said the item should be sent back to PLUM for discussion.

**Krupkin:** Pulled 12.17. Regarding 12.13, she asked if the renter's subcommittee approved of it being renamed. **Hanna:** Asked if a renter's subcommittee member had a quick answer to that.

**Renters' Sub-Committee Co-Chair, Tyler La Ferriere:** Said there was no objection to renaming the subcommittee, to their knowledge.

Items 12.9, 12.10 and 12.17 were pulled.

Wheeler moved to approve the remaining Consent Calendar items. Hruska seconded.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>YES:</u> Ambriz, Hill, Hruska, Inouye, Kadota, Krupkin, Rubin, Shure, Seretti, Stemar, Tilson, Wheeler (12)

#### ABSTAIN: Hanna (1)

With 12 yes votes, the remaining Consent Calendar items were approved.

- 12.1. [FUNDING][Tilson] FY2019-2020 Budget Revisions Action regarding revisions to the FY2019-2020 budget to support the funding items below and for other purposes.
- 12.2. [FUNDING][Tilson] July Monthly Expenditure Report Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for July, 2019
- 12.3. [FUNDING][Hanna] Board Member Reimbursement Approval of a reimbursement in the amount of \$52.51 to Elliot Hanna for a storage container and spare batteries for MVCC's audio equipment.
- 12.4. [FUNDING][ExFin] Board Member Reimbursements Approval of a reimbursement in the amount of \$30.59 to Elliot Hanna for copies for the July, 2019 ExFin Meeting and for name tents for Board-of-Directors' meetings.
- 12.5. [FUNDING][ExFin] Neighborhood Purposes Grant for Friends of the Mar Vista Library Approval of a Neighborhood Purposes Grant in the amount of \$1,500 for Friends of the Mar Vista Library for the purpose of supporting a one-day, lima-bean-themed arts-andcrafts festival.
- 12.6. [FUNDING][ExFin] Mar Vista Farmers' Market Rental Fee Approval of an appropriation not to exceed \$1,200 for FY2019-2020 booth rental at the Mar Vista Farmers' Market.
- 12.7. [FUNDING][ExFin] E-mail Marketing Service Fee Approval of an appropriation not to exceed \$360 for an e-mail marketing subscription for FY2019-2020.
- 12.8. [FUNDING][ExFin] Website Hosting Fee Discussion and possible action regarding an appropriation not to exceed \$1,926 for website hosting services for FY2019-2020.

12.9. [FUNDING][T&I] Joint MVCC, Venice NC and Del Rey NC Town Hall Meeting re: Culver <u>City Stormwater Project</u> – Approval of an appropriation not to exceed \$500 for venue fees, outreach and refreshments for a T&I sponsored and jointly organized MVCC, Venice NC and Del Rey NC stakeholder town hall on the Culver City Stormwater Project "in late <u>September/early October 2019."</u>

**Ambriz:** Said in light of the meeting being pushed back, that the MVCC now had the more opportunity to work with the city or work with Culver City to ensure that they do sufficient outreach, separate from MVCC using some of its funding to host a separate meeting. In the T&I committee it came up in conversation that they wanted to give Culver City an opportunity to come to the MVCC and other NCs to present.

**Inouye:** Said that the meeting had been in the works since April of 2018. Her concern was that is that if they do not approve the funds, the meeting will happen whether they participate or not. And she believed it was important for the MVCC participate in the meeting.

**Hanna:** Suggested amending the motion to remove "in late September/early October 2019."

*Krupkin* moved to amend the motion by removing "in late September/early October 2019." *Wheeler* seconded.

Ambriz objected to the amendment.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT:**

YES: Hruska, Inouye, Kadota, Krupkin, Rubin, Shure, Seretti, Stemar, Tilson, Wheeler (10)

**ABSTAIN:** Ambriz, Hill, Hanna (3)

With 10 yes votes, the amendment stood approved.

#### **Board Comment:**

**Hill**: Said that he agreed with Ambriz, in that Culver City should be doing more outreach rather than have the MVCC spend \$500 on something Culver City is doing.

**Krupkin:** Said she appreciated that this was Culver City's project and it would be nice for them to foot the bill. But she attended a Culver City meeting, with Hannah Levien and the president of the Del Rey NC, at which the Culver City reps said they would not come to other NCs and they felt that their outreach was fine. But the project will have great impact on Venice High School. Culver City Has already broken ground on Market Sq. project at Centinela and Washington. When construction starts, there will only be one westbound lane open, which many people in the area are not aware of, meaning Culver City's outreach

has not gone far enough. They are asking for up to \$500 for a townhall, but she had spoken LAUSD and she believed could get a venue for a lower cost.

**Seretti:** Said that, in his opinion, leaving the outreach to Culver City and not doing their due diligence to let people know what's going on would be a mistake.

**Tilson:** Asked Hannah if CD 11 was going to do outreach to Mar Vista, Venice and Del Rey on this. **Levien**: She said she not have an answer at that point because it was a Culver City project and they had not given them any details. At Culver City's meeting, she advised them that they needed to do more outreach local communities and that they would need to talk to departments in the City of Los Angeles. She thought maybe all that feedback is what pushed back the project meeting. She said she would update the board when she had more details.

**Hruska:** Said she wanted to confirm that funding this particular town hall was not precluding any subsequent or additional ones. **Hanna:** Said it was not.

**Krupkin:** Said she wanted to clarify that the money would not be spent until if/when a town hall actually takes place. At this point, it is a placeholder.

**Hill:** Asked if they did this for this project, would they do this for other projects. He thought they were setting a precedent. **Hanna:** Said not necessarily, the board was free to fund things at their discretion.

**Rubin:** Said he thought getting together with other NCs on issues of common interest was a good thing and that is could be a good precedent to set.

**Tilson:** As Treasurer, she said this was a placeholder for the money. Last year they had \$600 for three townhalls that no one held. She said she had been hesitant and thought Culver City should come present to the MVCC. But if Culver City isn't even giving CD 11 much details, then the MVCC may have to step up. But, either way, these funds were a placeholder. The money does not get spent, the board gets an update from T&I if it's going forward next spring.

**Rubin:** Said the townhalls are not just for the MVCC's benefit, the constituents could give their views and call on Culver City to a better job of releasing information.

**Ambriz**: Said she wanted to point out that they are also proposing to add a line item to the budget of \$1000 for future community town hall meetings. She also pointed out that in agenda item 15.7 they were voting on writing a letter to the City of Culver City, requesting that they come present to the MVCC so that they could appropriately determine what type of outreach they will need to do.

Krupkin moved to approve the item as amended. Seretti seconded.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

YES: Hill, Hruska, Inouye, Kadota, Krupkin, Rubin, Shure, Seretti, Stemar, Tilson, Wheeler (11)

**ABSTAIN:** Ambriz, Hanna (2)

With 11 yes votes, the amended motion was approved.

# 12.10. [FUNDING][Shure/Wheeler] Outreach to Stakeholders Regarding Proposed Construction – Approval of an appropriation not to exceed \$1,000 for door hangers – including distribution costs - to inform stakeholders of proposed construction projects.

**Shure:** Said she had concerns and she requested that the item be sent back to the PLUM committee for review. Outreach in Planning and Land Use is required by statute of the developers within a certain range of the development. It is a MVCC policy that a member of the PLUM committee does the outreach with the developers and does canvassing in excess of the area required. The only concerns that was raised by one of a MVCC members was that they not want the appearance that the developers are relieved of their statutory duty to do outreach.

Shure moved to commit the item to PLUM for further consideration. Seretti seconded.

### Public Comment:

**Wayne Wheeler:** Said he was at the PLUM meeting and this was forwarded to a vote here with no objections. It was affirmatively voted, so he did not understand why it had to go back to committee

**Shure:** Point of clarification – it was not agendize for that PLUM meeting therefore it was not voted on because that would not be in accordance with the brown act. **Kathryn Wheeler:** Said she attended the PLUM meeting, she brought the idea up and everyone liked the idea including, Ms. Shure. She talked to Treasurer Holly Tilson about how to do it. Tilson recommended that it become a joint directors' motion. She emailed the motion with the example of what it would look like to Ms. Shure and Ken Alpern. It was sent back with approval with one change from Ms. Shure. Wheeler said she made that change and that's this motion. She did not understand why it would be pulled at this last minute and she was concerned that there's something going on that Ms. Shure was not talking to her about that she didn't understand. She thought it was important to share this information with the public. The door hangers were meant to encourage people to come to a PLUM meeting to learn about all the developments happening.

Adriana De La Cruz: Said it was her understanding that these developers have an obligation to pay for outreach. She was at the PLUM meeting and thought the hangers were a good idea. But her concern was that they would end up doing this do this for every developer with MVCC's funds. She would prefer to spend that money on the kids' crafts fair and other things in the community.

**Alpern:** Said he understood people's concerns about how this sort of outreach should not be the MVCC's responsibility. Culver City should be better with outreach and the developers are supposed to their own outreach as well. But sometimes, the MVCC has to be the bottom line when others fall back on their responsibilities unfortunately. The MVCC is the safety net.

#### **Board Comment:**

**Wheeler:** Said that this was experiment to see if they could get people to come into PLUM and participate. She had an example of what it would look like which she showed to the board. She said it would be Inexpensive as the total \$1,000 was for several distributions, not one. They could just do it once and it didn't work, they could scrap it and keep the remaining money. As outreach chair she was trying to figure out how to get people more involved. This is timely and she asks that it be passed. Trying to get people involved as outreach chair.

**Shure:** Said she did not have an objection to doing this, but it was not agendized with PLUM. She would like to see it agendized because the issues, as Ms. De La Cruz raised, is that they are not going to do this in every instance. There are 17 developments coming to PLUM. She said that since this is an extraordinary amount of money, it needs to be sent back to PLUM so that they can have guidelines of how to appropriately expend the funds. They do have developers that canvas themselves and do more than the law requires, so they need guidelines so that they are not spending this money on every single development.

**Tilson:** Said this all sounded like it is a procedural issue. She helped Wheeler write the motion and because it was both PLUM and Outreach she thought it should be a joint directors' motion. But, if it was never agendized with PLUM than she thought it may be out of order.

**Ambriz:** Said she agreed with Shure's reasoning, but that she initially pulled this item because did see value in door hangers for entirety of the MVCC but perhaps not specifically for a proposed construction project because she agreed that developers should do the outreach they are required to. She said she would offer an amendment, or a consideration of a different kind, for the MVCC to explore how to use this model to encourage stakeholders to attend the meeting - whether it be MVCC board meetings or committee meetings. **Hanna:** Said he agreed with her but what Ambriz was suggesting was, in his view, not really an amendment to this particular motion. But he agreed that they had work to do in the way of outreach overall and that this could be a good model.

**Rubin:** Thanked Wheeler for her work as chair of outreach. She had been doing quite a bit to try to get outreach going. He got the sense this is more outreach program than a PLUM program. He though the logistics can be worked out easily enough. The key was to get outreach moving, not to put it off.

**Krupkin:** Said that after it gets send back to PLUM and then gets sent back to the board she would like to see it in Spanish.

**Wheeler:** Said she would have done this as an outreach motion. She was hoping to do this with the homelessness, education and arts, and mobility committees as well. Everyone at the PLUM meeting seemed excited about the idea, if they weren't she would have found someone else from another committee to do this with. She said if anyone else on the committee wanted to do it, she was ready to do it.

**Krupkin:** Said that maybe the board needed more Brown Act training, in regards to agenda issues. She said she was going to put together a packet. She did not think the Ms. Shure expressed any distaste to this idea, it is a procedural issue.

**Hill:** Asked for clarification as whether this vote would send the item back to PLUM and where it could then be sent back to the board. **Hanna:** Said that was correct.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

<u>YES:</u> Ambriz, Hill, Hruska, Inouye, Kadota, Krupkin, Rubin, Shure, Seretti, Stemar, Tilson, Wheeler (10)

NO: Rubin, Wheeler (2)

#### ABSTAIN: Hanna (1)

With 10 yes votes, the motion to commit the item to PLUM for further consideration was approved.

**Andrea:** Made the recommendation that the outreach committee consider how this model could be used for a broader purpose, because it is a great idea.

- 12.11. [FUNDING][Wheeler] Support of NWNA Block Party Approval of an appropriation not to exceed\$150 for booth/tent rental at the NWNA 6th Annual Block Party held on Saturday, September 21, 2019. And, an additional expenditure not to exceed \$150 to purchase ad space in its newsletter.
- 12.12. [FUNDING][Wheeler] Support of MVNA Shakeout Event Approval of an expenditure not to exceed \$150 for booth/tent rental at the MVNA Shake-Out event to be held on Saturday, October 19, 2019. And, an additional expenditure not to exceed \$150 to purchase ad space in its newsletter.
- 12.13. [ADMINISTRATIVE][Wheeler] Revision to Name of Renters' Subcommittee Approval of a renaming the Renters' Subcommittee to Renters' Engagement Subcommittee (RES) for clarity of the subcommittee's purpose and ease of use.
- 12.14. [FUNDING][Wheeler] Storage Unit Supplies Approval of an appropriation not to exceed \$500 for storage items including shelving, containers, and other products necessary to organize and provide easy access to current and future MVCC materials and supplies.

- 12.15. [FUNDING][Wheeler] Mobile Outreach Supplies Approval of an appropriation not to exceed \$500 for mobile outreach supplies (e.g. a banner, tablecloths, photo frames, clipboards, pens) necessary for travel to promote and generate interest in MVCC.
- 12.16. [FUNDING][Wheeler] Hospitality Items for Board of Directors' Meetings Approval of an appropriation not to exceed \$50 for hospitality items purchased and provided at Board of Directors' meetings.
- 12.17. [FUNDING][Wheeler] Rental of a more accessible location for Equipment Approval of an appropriation not to exceed \$150/month for storage space to hold the equipment and supplies necessary for the MVCC Board of Directors' meetings, including labor costs for set-up and tear-down.

**Krupkin:** Asked for clarification on the motion. She asked if they were seeking appropriation in addition to what the MVCC was already paying for storage or to make it more accessible. **Wheeler:** Said that because of theft, the storage unit with all of the MVCC's items in it has shortened its hours. So, now they have to pick up all the item for board meetings the day before and put them back the day after. But, they learned that they could possibly rent space at the Mar Vista Rec Center to hold just the items for the board meetings.

**Kadota:** Asked if they had asked the storage unit manager to reverse to their unit's original hours, because that was once granted for a month. **Hanna:** Said they had not, but the point of the motion was also to make it easier to securely store the audio equipment and so forth on location. **Kadota:** Said he would also encourage the board to also ask the storage unit manager to restore the hours to 6 to 9.

Kadota moved to approve the item. Rubin seconded.

# ROLL CALL VOTE:

<u>YES:</u> Ambriz, Hill, Hruska, Inouye, Kadota, Krupkin, Rubin, Shure, Seretti, Stemar, Tilson, Wheeler (12)

#### **ABSTAIN:** Hanna (1)

With 12 yes votes, the item was approved.

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

Consent Calendar Items 12.9, 12.10 and 12.17 were pulled, discussed and voted upon. See Above.

# **14.** Unfinished Business and General Orders – *None*.

#### 15. New Business

# 15.1. [ADMINISTRATIVE][Elections & Bylaws] Updates and Revisions to MVCC Standing Rules and Policies – Discussion and possible action regarding updates and revisions to the MVCC standing rules and related policies.

**Rubin:** Said that standing rules, all the policies and the code of conduct were all separated. This update would put them together in one document which would allow them to make edits more conveniently and expeditiously. There was no objection to the changes at the committee meeting.

#### **Clarifying Questions:**

**Wheeler:** Said it was her understanding is they are passing the updates and revisions as they are but that they can be amended at any time as long as it goes before the election by was committee. **Hanna:** Said it did not need to go through the committee, they could make amendments in board meetings. He said changing bylaws was a very specific process and they are not easy to change, but standing rules can be changed at any point. **Wheeler:** Asked if one would just bring a motion before the board. **Hanna:** Said it was preferable to go before the committee first, but not required.

#### **Board comment:**

**Kadota:** Asked Rubin if the committee had discussed potential consequences to violating the code of conduct. **Rubin:** Said they had not. **Kadota:** Suggested considering doing that. **Hanna:** Said they should but they need to check with the City Attorney about what exactly they are allowed to do. **Ambriz:** Recalled at anther E&B meeting that Ms. Inouye had referred to a document that discussed other principles and standards on conducting oneself appropriately in the MVCC.

Wheeler moved to approve the item. Inouye seconded.

Hanna abstained, the motion was otherwise approved unanimously.

15.2. [ADMINISTRATIVE][Elections & Bylaws] Election Workshop in CD11 – Discussion and possible action regarding a letter from the MVCC Board of Directors requesting that "Empower Los Angeles" schedule a workshop as soon as possible within Council District 5 and or 11 in order that all the West Area Region Neighborhood Councils are afforded the same opportunity as the other Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils to provide candidate and stakeholder, in-person election feedback regarding the 2019 Neighborhood Council Elections.

**Rubin:** Said this was brought to the committee by Inouye. The three workshops that Empower LA has run recently were in locations that were not easy for Westside NCs to get to. The motion asks the chair to write a letter requesting that a workshop be held in a convenient location for Westside NCs. At the meeting it was pointed out that there was an increase in voter turnout on the westside. There was record increase in voter turnout in Venice, for examples. So, there is a need to accommodate the Westside NCs.

#### Public Comment:

**Kalani Whittington**: Said she agree that the meeting should be moved to a closer location, especially considering that typhus, hepatitis A and other outbreaks downtown. Palms also had a record increase in voter turnout.

#### **Board Comment:**

*Ambriz* made a friendly amendment to change the language of the motion from "within Council District 11" to "within Council District 5 and/or 11". *Shure* seconded.

#### Without objection, the amendment was approved.

**Tilson:** Said the other reason this motion came about was because this area of the westside – Palms, Mar Vista, Venice - had the highest number of grievances, which one would think would warrant having a workshop in the area.

**Hanna:** Said that generally speaking, with a motion like this, the chair would expect a draft of the letter and a distribution list. It does not need to be too elaborate, just a jumping off point for the chair.

Ambriz moved to approve the motion as amended. Hruska seconded.

Without objection, the motion as amended was approved.

# 15.3. [ADMINISTRATIVE][Stakeholder] Motion Regarding 6/22/2019 Community Plan Workshop – Discussion and possible action regarding a stakeholder motion for a letter to the Los Angeles Department of City Planning requesting that department representatives meet with the Community Plan Subcommittee.

**Wayne Wheeler**: Said the City of LA is in a re-plan/rezone process that will define characters of neighborhoods, what and where things can be built or torn down, what open spaces are, how tall things can be, how many apartments are allowed etc. The new zoning/community plans are supposed to be more flexible to allow one to tailor things to specific neighborhoods and have a sort of micro implementation. One major thing is that there will be a rewrite of the community plans for Mar Vista, Marina Del Rey, and Venice. The planning subcommittee under MVCC's PLUM created an initial planning document to provide as input to City Planning. It was over 200 pages and many hours of hard work went into it. The MVCC got good a lot of feedback on the document and the City said it would consider it. They had walking tour in February with the department to go show some of the issues. But in June, City Planning had a sharing event where they were supposed to give feedback in terms of what they had been hearing from the community. He and several board members in attendance were disturbed that almost all of the people

they spoke to had either never heard of the inputs that MVCC provided or if they had just not read them. There was no sign of any consideration of that. City Planning has agreed to come meet with the committee. But, from the stakeholder's stand point, via the letter, they felt it needs to be documented with the city that there was a failure for them to engage. The city has thousands of people working on these plans and if the MVCC does not get very serious engagement between the community and City Planning now, in six months from now a year it will be too late and changes will have been made and set in stone without their engagement. He also believed it was important to start documenting a paper trail with City Planning on this issue.

#### Public Comment:

Whittington: Said she agreed with the motion. The City has a reputation of passing many bills and plans with the intention of fooling the public into believing they are acting in the community's best interest, when they do not. A lot of work was put into the input document and it was very disheartening that that document was ignored. It shows that they had no intention of listening to the community. This had happened before with Great Streets, the road diet, the homeless issue and affordable housing. She said they should stake their claim and show that they won't be pushed around.

**Ashley Zeldin:** Said she took the minutes at the administrative meeting and she believed there were a couple edits to the letter that were not documented. She thought the letter should be revisited. **Wayne Wheeler:** Said there were a couple suggested edits from the meeting but because it was essentially tabled he and other stakeholders considered it unacceptable decided to do it this way.

**Ken Alpern:** Said it is easy to understand City Planning when you realize they hold contempt for the average Angelino. The Mayor and City council are doing everything they can to take away power from NCs. When they offer people the ability to weigh in it is less input and more ventilation. He agrees that the MVCC needed to be on record saying that is insufficient.

#### **Board comment:**

#### Rubin moved to approve the item. Wheeler seconded.

**Ambriz**: Recalled that when it came up in committee they wanted to make sure that City Planning had the chance to come back to talk with the community plan subcommittee. She said the Senior City Planner Indicated that they would meet with the subcommittee on August 27<sup>th</sup>. That meeting was intended to be a precursor to the MVCC sending this letter so they could make sure that the he was reminded of all the work that went into the collection of feedback and comments. She thought it was important speak with him first.

**Hruska:** Said she attended the City Planning Workshop on 6/22. The workshop was designed to be part of the "Did we get it right?" phase of process. They had worked with the MVCC since August 2018 on the input project. So they had heard from the MVCC and

they were going to hear more, as the MVCC was still submitting input. But, she supported the stakeholders behind the motion in wanting to get a letter on the official record as they engage with City Planning, especially during this "Did we get it right?" phase.

**Shure:** Said she was not at this meeting and will defer to Hruska's opinion. But she added that these were the MVCC's stakeholders that were voicing their opinion and their feedback on how their initial feedback was interpreted and presented at this meeting. Shure said she stands behind the stakeholders.

**Rubin:** Agreed that a paper trail should be made.

Ambriz and Hanna abstained. The motion was otherwise approved unanimously.

# 15.4. <u>[ADMINISTRATIVE][Outreach] Approval of Outreach Committee Mission Statement</u> – Discussion and possible action regarding the approval of Outreach Committee's mission statement.

**Wheeler:** Said that they made an official mission statement at a meeting. At a subsequent meeting it was noted that "mediums" was grammatically incorrect so they are changing that to "media." They are also changing "social media" to "traditional social an electronic media".

#### **Clarifying Board Questions:**

**Shure:** Asked if this was the mission statement of the outreach committee and if there was also renters' subcommittee that had its own mission statement. **Wheeler:** Yes, to both.

# **Board comment:**

**Ambriz:** Said it seemed to her that "mediums" was actually broader and allowed, for example, the inclusion of the door hangers.

**Seretti:** Said he was concerned specifically with the language: "informs Mar Vista residents of all aspects of the MVCC and its committees." His concern stemmed from a conversation he with Wheeler, about media that the homelessness committee already has. He asked if a committee wanted to generate its own literature, would it have to go through outreach. **Hanna:** Said no, they would not. **Seretti:** Said the mission statement implied that it must go through outreach. **Hanna:** Said the outreach committee could not exert authority over any other committee. **Wheeler:** Said the intent of the mission statement was for the outreach committee to inform stakeholders of what's going on with MVCC. She said it would be great for other committees to work with outreach, but they could do whatever they wanted.

Kadota moved to amend the mission statement by striking "all aspects." Seretti seconded.

#### **Board Comment:**

Rubin: Said he thought the statement was fine and the board did not need to be nitpicky.

**Wheeler:** Said there was nothing nefarious about "all aspects" and she did not understand what everyone was concerned about.

Wheeler objected to the amendment.

#### **VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT:**

YES: Ambriz, Hill, Hruska, Inouye, Kadota, Krupkin, Shure, Seretti, Stemar, Tilson (10)

NO: Rubin, Wheeler (2)

ABSTAIN: Hanna (1)

With 10 yes votes, the amendment stood approved.

#### Public Comment:

**Alpern:** Said that every time someone tries to do something with outreach it always upsets someone. Outreach is always doing too much or too little. He was not taking sides, he was just happy there was a debate because it means they actually have an outreach committee.

Whittington: Said that despite the increase in voter turnout, less than 1% of eligible voters of the total population of eligible voters did vote. So, she encourages any effort from the outreach committee to engage the community.

**Zeldin:** Said she was the 1<sup>st</sup> vice chair of this committee. She said that she is a former copy editor and "mediums" is academically correct, but it does not matter too much.

Rubin moved to approve the item as amended. Wheeler Seconded.

Without objection, the motion as amended was approved.

15.5. [POLICY][Transportation & Infrastructure] Dockless Scooter and Bicycle Providers -Discussion and possible action regarding a joint Great Streets/T&I motion (based on a WRAC resolution model) regarding dockless mobility providers cooperating fully with law enforcement in the event of reckless and unlawful conduct by mobility product users.

Rubin moved to approve the item. Krupkin seconded.

Ambriz abstained. The motion was otherwise approved unanimously.

15.6. [POLICY][Transportation and Infrastructure] Parking Demand Study - Discussion and possible action regarding a T&I motion requesting CD 11 to reconsider action on the parking demand study which was passed as an MVCC Policy on July 11, 2017.

**Inouye:** She her background document did not make it into the packet, but she handed out hard copies.

Rubin moved to approve the item. Inouye seconded.

#### Public Comment:

**Howard (Last Name?):** Said he was a worried that the motion needs stronger language. **Hanna:** Said T&I could provide the letter to the chair and they could move forward with strengthening the language.

Without objection, the motion was approved.

- 15.7. [ADMINISTRATIVE][T&I] Culver City Stormwater Project Discussion and possible action regarding a T&I motion requesting a letter to the City of Culver City, on behalf of the Board, asking that Project Manager Lee Torres in the Public Works Environmental Programs and Operations Division give a presentation about the Culver City Stormwater Project at the September 2019 Board of Directors meeting.
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  - Ambriz: Said they were making a motion to request a letter be sent to the city of Culver City to ensure that the project manager of the Stormwater project comes to present at a MVCC meeting, in light of delays on their projects.
  - - **Rubin** moved to approve the item. **Ambriz** seconded.
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  - Without objection, the motion was approved.
- 15.8. <u>[POLICY][T&I] Rose Ave. Sidewalk Installation (Zone 6)</u> Discussion and possible action regarding a T&I motion asking the Board of the MVCC to state its support for the installation of a sidewalk on the South side of Rose Ave. between S. Centinela Ave and Colonial Ave in Zone 6.

**Tilson:** Said This is a request from a sidewalk on a fairly steep hill. A stakeholder started the process a year and a half ago. He has contacted everyone he could possibly contact and hey have gone through CD 11. The LADOT CD 11 LAPD Traffic Committee said there was nothing they could do but recommended that they get MVCC's support behind it and go from there.

#### **Board Comment:**

**Rubin:** Said he knew the hill was very unsafe during rain, so this was a safety issue as well. He supported the motion.

Hruska: Suggested starting a petition to go with the letter.

Ambriz: Suggested contacting the property owner nearby to get their feedback.

*Inouye* moved to approve the item. *Krupkin* seconded.

Without objection, the motion was approved.

15.9. [POLICY][PLUM] Support of a WRAC Motion Extending Protections Under L.A.M.C. <u>12.95.2(f)(6)</u> – Discussion and possible action regarding a WRAC-passed motion requesting an extension of protections under L.A.M.C. 12.95.2(f)(6) to development/demolition permits for construction of new condominiums and construction of new apartments.

**Shure:** Said the previous policy motion that the MVCC passed to support RSO tenants that are in rent stabilized apartments is in accordance with the currently existing ordinance of the city council that only applies in case of condo conversions. The ordinance as proposed by Councilmember Koretz passed with an amendment. So, there is currently no protections for demolition for creation of new apartments or demolition for construction of condos, which is what Mar Vista is primarily facing. WRAC unanimously passed an identical motion. They are asking the City File reconsider Councilmember Koretz motion and planning departments report, which she said she would be uploading to the MVCC's PLUM links. It is a 40-page report for DCP recommending that city meet these protections, that they we use the current LA Municipal Code, and extend protections by mandating that the Department of City Planning deny any requests for demolitions for creation of condos that would remove RSO apartments. One by one Mar Vista is losing their RSO tenants, so she asked the board for their support to protect them.

#### Public Comment:

**Howard:** Said that the assumption here was that rent control is a good thing, even though there is a lot of economic analysis that show that rent control is one of the reasons for the housing crisis. He asked the board to keep that in mind.

**Whittington:** Said a lot of data states that rent control is the reason for housing problems, but it is not, it is greed. When people needed housing after WWII no one hesitated to make them for white people but when brown people need it there is always an issue. A lot of young people are saddled with college date and low wages and they do not need to saddle them with more economic hardship. So she supported rent control.

**Alpern:** He has problems with rent control in that in can be abused, but the City of LA has provided no other answer so pragmatically this is the only option they have to protect those renters. He said to do nothing would be worse.

**De La Cruz:** Said that homelessness is an issue in the community. If these people are displaced it could lead to more homelessness.

Wheeler moved to approve the item. Hruska seconded.

Without objection the motion was approved.

# 16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 pm.