



# Mar Vista Community Council



## AGENDA

### Homeless Issues Committee Meeting

<http://www.marvista.org/homeless-committee.php>

Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at 6:00pm

Mar Vista Public Library, Public Meeting Room  
12006 Venice Boulevard | Mar Vista, CA 90066

1. Call to order and welcome **AT 6:00 PM** **\*\*\*MEETING MINUTES\*\*\***
2. Approval of June 20, 2018 and July 18, 2018 Minutes **APPROVED**
3. Public Comment (2 minutes per person)

R.D. MENTIONS VENICE COMMUNITY HOUSING CORPORATION (VCHC) AS POTENTIAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING SITE TO TOUR.

S.K. DISCUSSED INVOLVEMENT IN HOMELESS ISSUES AS AN ADVOCATE FOR BOTH HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS AND FOR HER HOUSED NEIGHBORS.

S.D. DISCUSSED NEEDING TO HIRE PRIVATE SECURITY AROUND NEW CONSTRUCTION NEAR GLOBE/TULLER ENCAMPMENT.

SEVERAL PEOPLE DISCUSSED CRIME, DRUGS AND POOR SANITATION AT ENCAMPMENT, SURROUNDING NEIGHBORS ARE FEARFUL, DO NOT WALK NEAR ENCAMPMENT. DRUG PARAPHANALIA, GARBAGE, FECES ON STREETS, BLATANT HEROIN DEALING.

4. Consideration and vote on the H.I.C. Mission Statement to adopt with changes after committee input  
*The Mar Vista Community Council's Homeless Issues Committee seeks to mitigate homelessness through an informed and collaborative effort among stakeholders, service providers, local government and law enforcement. Our goals are to assist individuals in obtaining appropriate services and suitable housing, reduce homeless-related crime and sanitation concerns, and foster empathy and understanding among our sheltered and unsheltered neighbors.*

**NEW MISSION STATEMENT AMMENDED AND APPROVED:**

**"THE MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S HOMELESS ISSUES COMMITTEE SEEKS TO MITIGATE HOMELESSNESS THROUGH AN INFORMED AND COLLABORATIVE EFFORT AMONG STAKEHOLDERS, SERVICE PROVIDERS, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. OUR GOALS ARE TO ADVOCATE FOR APPROPRIATE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOLUTIONS, IMPROVE PUBLIC SANITATION, REDUCE HOMELESS-RELATED CRIME, AND FOSTER EMPATHY AND UNDERSTANDING AMONG OUR SHELTERED AND UNSHELTERED NEIGHBORS."**

4.1. "Presiding co-chair" determination for HIC Committee from existing co-chairs.

5. Follow-up report from August 13 Globe, Tuller, and Sawtelle neighborhood meeting - regarding the homeless encampment at Venice Blvd. under the 405. Discussion of survey responses and responses from City officials.
  - 5.1. Homeless Rights to sleep on the streets - Jones v. City of L.A.
  - 5.2. Guidelines for clean-up of homeless encampments. How to request an encampment clean-up.
    - 5.2.1. 311
    - 5.2.2. MyLA311 mobile app
  - 5.3. How can H.I.C. foster better coordination with service providers (LAHSA, etc.) and LAPD and BOS (Bureau of Sanitation) to effect pre-clean up outreach and proper procedures are followed?
  - 5.4. Call for Block Captains for each of Globe, Tuller, Sawtelle streets to communicate and coordinate efforts to mitigate homeless related issues and concerns. Discussion of creation of Neighborhood Watch for this community.

5.5. Discussion of public health issues - rodent problems, trash, syringes, feces, etc. and how to report to the LA County Dept. of Public Health.

H. LEVIEN (REPRESENTING COUNCIL PERSON BONIN) REPORTED ADDITIONAL LIGHTING INSTALLED YETSERDAY UNDER FREEWAY, SIGNS BEING INSTALLED EXPLAIN CODE ENFORCMENT, HOPE TEAMS ENGAGING WEEKLY - ALSO LAHSA, ST JOSEPH'S, BOS REPORTS 13 TONS OF TRASH REMOVED OVER 14 WEEKS, SPOT CLEANS, MULTIPLE DUMPSTERS (CANOT LEAVE FOR LONG OR BECOMES DUMPING SITE), HARDSCAPING IS POSSIBLE BUT REQUIRES COMMUNITY TO ORGANIZE, MULTIPLE AGENCIES, PERMITS.

C.F. MENTIONS HANDING OUT BACKPACKS AS A WAY TO ORGANIZE BELONGINGS.

S.K, REPORTS AT LEAST ONE MAN AT THE ENCAMPMENT MAKES USE OF DONATED GARBAGE BAGS TO GATHER TRASH AND CLEAN AREA.

N.H. DISCUSSED LIMITED CITY RESOURCES TO BRING TO BIG ISSUENEED FOR WEEKLY CLEANING

S.C. ASKS HOW THE ENCAMPMENT IS CONSITENT WITH CITY HOMELESS STRATEGIES.

R.SAB DISCUSSED MENTAL ILLNESS, DIFFICULTY HOSPITALIZING PERSONS REFUSING CARE UNLESS VERY SPECIFIC CRITERIA ARE MET, HOSPITAIZATIONS ARE SHORT-TERM, SAFETY FOCUSED, NOT AN EASY PATH TO TREATMENT NOR HOUSING.

K.W. DISCUSSED HEPATITIS A OUTBREAKS AT HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS.

6. Discussion to identify potential locations for permanent supportive housing (Bridge Housing) and Safe Park (for vehicle dwellers) in the Mar Vista Community - as requested by the Mar Vista Community Council and Mike Bonin's office.

6.1. Instructions and suggestions for Zone Directors in surveying their Zones for a location

7. MOTION:

The Homeless Issues Committee requests that the Mar Vista Community Council grant \$150 per month for a period of 6 months (\$750 total) **CORRECTED TO \$900 TOTAL** to the Friends of the Library to support activities of the LA Public Library Source Program. This shall be in the form of either a N.P.G. (Neighborhood Purpose Grant) or a C.I.P. (Community Improvement Project) to be determined by the MVCC Treasurer. APPROVED.

8. Appeal for a volunteers

8.1. Acquire artwork (from the City) for Healthy Streets and 85.02 posters and arrange printing and distribution/posting to encampment and vehicle dwelling areas around Mar Vista.

8.2. Locate a digital coordinator/information officer for the H.I.C. to assist with agendas, postings, social media, outreach, etc.

8.3. Take notes and prepare minutes for the H.I.C. meetings **NO VOLUNTEERS**

9. Second round of public comment H.I.C.

10. Adjourn - (7:45 - library closes at 8:00) **ADJOURNED 7:45 PM.**

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