Regular Meeting Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

Tuesday, October 22nd, 2013, 7:30 PM -9:00 PM WINDWARD SCHOOL, Tom Hunter Board Room, Room 800 11350 Palms Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90066 (SW corner of Palms and Sawtelle Blvds.)

Co-Chairs: Mitchell Rishe and Ken Alpern

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order—Mitchell Rishe presiding.
- 2. Introductions and Public Announcements/Comments on topics not on the agenda.
- 3. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. Report on Recent MVCC Board Actions relating to T & I motions

No Motions. T&I did not hold a regularly scheduled meeting last month. Instead, T&I joined the SoRo Neighborhood Council's T&I meeting, along with representatives of other Westside NC's, including Venice NC and Palms NC.

- 6. T & I Related Committee Reports
- a. MVCC Liaison to Bi-Monthly CD11/LADOT/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting Linda Guagliano (10 min)
- b. LA DWP NC MOU Committee-(5 min)
- c. CD 11 Transportation Committee Ken Alpern (10 min)
- 7. Old Business/Open Issues: Committee/Task Force/Updates, with potential motions, receive and file by consent if no report (30 minutes)
- a. DWP Office of Public Accountability Discussion/Scheduling/Planning of a Joint Green and T/I Committee Effort regarding the Solar Feed-In Tariff (Melissa Stoller, James Brennan, Sherri Akers)
- b. Street Blitz Update
- c. Venice Blvd. Update (Pothole at Bus Pad at Venice and Beethoven)
- d. Scattergood-Olympic Power Line Update
- e. Oversized Vehicle/Parking District Update
- 8. New Business (30 min)

a. MOTIONS

- 1. **POLICY MOTION: LAX INTERMODAL TRANSIT FACILITY** Resolved, The MVCC supports a Metro rail station on the Crenshaw Line (that could also serve as an additional station for the Green Line) at the Intermodal Transit Facility (ITF) proposed for LAX.
- 2. **POLICY MOTION: DIGITAL BILLBOARDS** MVCC moves to advise the elected officials that any potential settlement agreement by and between the City of Los Angeles and any and all outdoor media companies with regards to any type of billboards should be vetted for a minimum of 90 days to all neighborhood councils, Alliances and HOA's prior to council taking action.
- 3. **POLICY MOTION: CONSOLIDATION OF CITY DEPARTMENTS:** MVCC supports the consolidation of departments, per Council File 13-0046. MVCC believes that to fully implement the consolidation, it is necessary to establish a financing mechanism (or fee) to grow the Condition Compliance and Code Enforcement units.
- 4. **POLICY MOTION: CEQA:** MVCC urges that Traffic and Parking requirements continue to receive consideration in the discussion and presentation of new building projects, including all projects required to produce any environmental studies under CEQA
- 5. POLICY MOTION: EXPO LINE ACCESS

Passed by Palms Neighborhood Council:

1. Whereas the lack of MTA parking in the design for the Expo Line Phase Two Palms and Westwood Stations will discourage use of the line and increase congestion and parking scarcity in Palms. Therefore, the Palms Neighborhood Council requests that the Transit Neighborhood Plan being developed by the City of Los Angeles investigate and pursue incentives to develop devoted Expo Line rider parking as part of a redevelopment plan for the shopping center at 9860 National Blvd. (currently anchored by Vons) in a manner that would preserve the

character and services in this development.

2. Whereas the Motor/National section of Palms has a budding nightlife and would benefit greatly from easy pedestrian access from riders on the coming Palms Station on the Expo Line Phase Two. And, whereas, more Palms residents would take advantage of the Expo Line if a well-lit, welcoming pedestrian corridor connected the Motor/National area to the station. Therefore, the Palms Neighborhood Council requests that the Transit Neighborhood Plan being developed by the City of Los Angeles investigate and pursue incentives to develop a vibrant pedestrian corridor connecting Palms Station with the Motor Avenue and National Blvd. intersection in Palms.

Alternative Motion Proposed for MVCC:

- Whereas the lack of MTA parking in the design for the Expo Line Phase Two Westwood and Sepulveda (Casden) stations will discourage use of the line and increase congestion and parking scarcity in Mar Vista and the Westside. Therefore, the Mar Vista Community Council requests that the Transit Neighborhood Plan being developed by the City of Los Angeles investigate and pursue incentives to develop devoted Expo Line rider parking at these stations.
- 2. Whereas Mar Vista Community Council supports the use of alternative modes of transportation to access the two Mar Vista-adjacent Expo Line Phase Two stations at Westwood and Sepulveda (Casden) to reduce traffic congestion, including the use of bicycles. However, unless there are clearly marked bike lanes along Sepulveda/Sawtelle and Westood Boulevards, potential users of the Expo Line will either be discouraged from using the Expo Line, or they will place themselves and drivers at risk by biking along unmarked congested thoroughfares. Therefore, the Mar Vista Community Council requests that the Transit Neighborhood Plan being developed by the City of Los Angeles provide for safe, reliable bike lanes to and from the Westwood and Sepulveda (Casden) stations.

d. POLICY MOTION: OPEN SPACE/INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPERS

The MVCC board has remanded to the T&I Committee for revision, clarification and expansion the following Policy Motion approved at the April 2013 T&I Committee meeting:

"The MVCC Board supports the requirement of all developments and redevelopments to provide a higher square footage of ground-level open space, water, parking and electricity requirements before any variance or overriding consideration can be approved by the City of Los Angeles."

- 9. Public Comment
- 10. Future Agenda Items
- 11. Adjournment.