# **Regular Meeting Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**

Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 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

POLICY MOTION: The MVCC Board opposes the efforts by Lamar Central Outdoor, as well as CBS Outdoor and Clear Channel, or any other billboard operators in Los Angeles, to file suit or to attempt to force the City of Los Angeles in any other way, to allow for the conversion of Lamar's traditional billboards to digital/electronic format, or to restore operations of digital/electronic billboards already declared illegal.

## **Motion approved by Board**

- 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. Casden Sepulveda Project
- b. DWP Office of Public Accountability
- 1. POLICY MOTION (Ken Alpern): The MVCC supports the following recommendations to the Mayor and City Council for their upcoming and/or ongoing LADWP contract negotiations:
  - a) The MVCC supports a three-year freeze in pay raises.
  - b) The MVCC supports ongoing reform in LADWP policy to reduce the overall bonus/overtime amount that LADWP employees are currently receiving.
  - c) The MVCC supports a termination of the clause requiring increases in LADWP employee pay when outside private contractors are called in to perform necessary water/power infrastructure maintenance, installation, customer service or construction.
  - d) The MVCC opposes any LADWP labor action (such as a strike) that would threaten the construction, maintenance or operation of any water/power City infrastructure.
  - e) The MVCC opposes the September 1<sup>st</sup> deadline for the L.A. City Council to vote on this contract as a deadline that is too rushed, and calls for a 60-day period for Neighborhood Councils to have the opportunity to review, analyze and critique the new contract.
  - f) The MVCC supports a full disclosure of the proposed Memorandum of Understanding and all side agreements, as well as any City Budget impacts relative to the proposed contract.
  - g) The MVCC supports a full disclosure of all IBEW campaign contributions over the past ten (10) years to determine any political conflicts of interest relative to any City Council vote.

2. Discussion/Scheduling/Planning of a Joint Green and T/I Committee Effort regarding the Solar Feed-In Tariff (Melissa Stoller, James Brennan, Sherri Akers)

### c. Venice Blvd. Update

POLICY MOTION (Ken Alpern): The MVCC prioritizes the repaving and repair of the alleyway adjacent to Venice Blvd., and between Inglewood and Centinela, as the most urgent public works project for the CD11 office and MVCC to partner on for the mutual benefit of MVCC stakeholders, and requests that the CD11 office provide both a timeline and potential budget for this project to occur within the 2013-2014 budgetary year.

- d. Scattergood-Olympic Power Line Update
- e. Oversized Vehicle/Parking District Update
- 8. New Business (30 min)
- a. Overland Avenue Task Force (Eli Lipmen)

Traffic calming and walkability measures on Overland Avenue to include:

- Support the creation of a higher visibility crosswalk (zebra crossing) at the Rose Avenue traffic light with a step back for cars to stop at three feet back
- Support adding a crosswalk at Woodbine Street as a safety, traffic calming, and business improvement measure (I still need to get traffic collision statistics from West Traffic Division)
- Support improved signage and law enforcement at Overland Avenue and Rose Avenue (East side of the street) to decrease speeding on the Overland Hill and post higher visibility speed limit signs
- Support Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons, crosswalk flags, or another high visibility measure for the crosswalk at Overland Avenue and Rose Avenue (next to La Lycee Francaise de Los Angeles)
- Removal of the ficus tree at 3357 Overland Avenue (next to La Lycee Francaise de Los Angelesparking lot on the east side of the street), and repair of the sidewalk and replanting of the tree well with a native tree (the current tree is next to an abutment that has lifted the sidewalk and made non-ADA compliant)

#### b. 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.