

Regular Meeting Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

Thursday, April 25th, 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—Ken Alpern presiding.
2. Introductions and Public Announcements/Comments on topics not on the agenda.
3. Approval of the minutes of the last meetings
4. Public Comment
5. Report on Recent MVCC Board Actions relating to T & I motions

POLICY MOTION: ALCOHOL ADS ON CITY PROPERTY: Whereas the City has passed a motion directing the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance prohibiting alcohol advertising on city-owned and controlled property, Therefore the MVCC supports such an ordinance and directs that the following community Impact Statement be placed in Council File 11-1429: Community Impact Statement: The Mar Vista Community Council supports an ordinance prohibiting alcohol advertising on city owned and controlled property. Exposure to alcohol advertising has been shown to be a factor in drinking and alcohol abuse, especially among youth and the under aged.

Motion approved by Board.

POLICY MOTION: REMOVAL OF ILLEGAL DIGITAL BILLBOARDS: The MVCC Board urges the City of Los Angeles to fully implement the appeals court ruling in the Summit Media LLC v. City of Los Angeles and to remove the 103 illegal digital billboards blanketing our city. We further request that the City refrain from making any changes to the zoning laws relative to digital billboards until the illegal boards are removed and any such proposed change has been subjected to an open and transparent outreach process to community stakeholders.

Motion approved by Board.

POLICY MOTION: WESTSIDE MEETINGS LOCATION: The MVCC Board strongly supports a Westside City Hall to be established for Planning, Transportation and other related City issues to be held in a location that provides reasonable and appropriate access for Westside residents to have input on issues affecting their region.

Motion approved by Board.

POLICY MOTION: BOARD MEMBER REQUEST: KEN ALPERN: The MVCC Board requests that the City Attorney and the CD11 and CD5 Council offices investigate any and all potential violations of the Los Angeles City Charter, the Brown Act, and CEQA law with regards to the lack of proper notification before the 2/28/2013 meeting of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission hearing, lack of open communications prior to, during and after that meeting between the Planning Department and the Casden developers, and conversations between the Planning Department and the Casden developers during and after that meeting, as pertains to the and Case # CPC-2008-4604-GPA-ZC-HD-CUB-DB-SPR (Casden Sepulveda project)

Motion approved by Board.

POLICY MOTION – MARTIN CADILLAC PROJECT [TIME SENSITIVE-scoping comments due April 19, 2013]: The Project is out-of-scale and out-of-character with the current Community Plan and will cause excessive cumulative negative impact on the health, safety, traffic and infrastructure of West Los Angeles and the neighboring communities like Mar Vista. We request that prior to the City Planning Commission, Planning Department or their Advisory Agencies issuing any approvals or recommendation of approvals regarding the Martin Project (and its proposed Tract Map adjustments and zoning variances) that the Planning Department reconsider the proposed Project's impacts to the surrounding West Los Angeles and Mar Vista area and adjacent communities in relation to CEQA; Community Redevelopment Agency guidelines; and the Community Plan for the area

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 –(10 min)
- c. CD 11 Transportation Committee – Ken Alpern (10 min)

--Bicycle Lanes and MVCC (See Attachment/Table A)

POLICY MOTION: The MVCC supports a Citywide Bicycle Lane Network that is both effective and safe in promoting alternative methods of mobility, and supports a partial EIR and any mitigating measures possible for all bicycle lanes within the geographic boundaries of the MVCC.

- d. April 21st CicLAvia and Venice Blvd.

7. Old Business/Open Issues: Committee/Task Force/Updates, with potential motions, receive and file by consent if no report

- a. Casden Sepulveda Project
- b. DWP Office of Public Accountability
- b. Illegally Parked RV's/Campers in Mar Vista

POLICY MOTION (postponed from last meeting): The MVCC opposes all illegally-parked RV's and Campers within its geographical borders, and exhorts the LAPD and CD11 office to work with all parties necessary to enforce current laws (such LAMC 85.02), and to prevent proliferation of these vehicles within its borders.

- c. Venice Blvd. Update

8. New Business (45 min)

i. POLICY MOTION: Infrastructure Bond Proposal

The MVCC Board currently OPPOSES, but will work with Councilmembers Englander and Buscaino road repair bond measure for the following reasons:

- a) **Only the homeowners and landowners of Los Angeles are being asked to pay for this bond measure through property taxes, when the entire population of those using the roads should be held fiscally accountable for their upkeep and repair.**
- b) **There is a lack of transparency as to how and where the money shall be spent, and a lack of assurance that those streets in greatest need of repair will be funded and prioritized first for that repair.**
- c) **There is a lack of developer responsibility to significantly pay for the increased wear and tear of the roads that their projects are affecting**
- d) **There is a lack of inclusion to repair the sidewalks, alleys and medians of the streets in Los Angeles.**

ii. POLICY MOTION: Cell Tower Resolution

The MVCC Board supports the opposition of the City Council of Los Angeles to AB 162 (Holden), which would require local government to approve a request to modify wireless telecommunications facilities within 45 days of receipt, inasmuch as it undermines local land use control, and ultimately, the principle of home rule.

iii. POLICY MOTION: Restriction of Residential Construction Within 500 feet of a Freeway

The MVCC Board opposes, and strongly encourages the Los Angeles City Council to restrict, all new residential property construction less than 500 feet from a freeway in order to protect the health (due to inhalation of particulate matter from nearby freeways) of those who would potentially reside at such a location, and to protect the legal liability of the City of Los Angeles.

iv. POLICY MOTION: Open Space/Infrastructure Requirements for Developers

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.

Attachment/Table A:

TABLE 3-1: PROPOSED BICYCLE LANES - STREET SEGMENTS

Street	Limits	Length (miles)	Area/Connection
Venice Blvd.	San Vicente Blvd. to Main St.	4.5	City Center South
Lankershim Blvd.	Cahuenga Blvd. to Chandler Blvd.	2.4	Universal
Cahuenga Blvd. W	Lankershim Blvd. to Pilgrimage Bridge	2.3	Universal
Cahuenga Blvd. E	Pilgrimage Bridge to Odin St	0.3	Universal
Caesar E Chavez Ave.	Figueroa St. to Mission Rd.	1.3	City Center to Alhambra
7 th St.	Figueroa St. to Main St.	0.6	City Center South
Vermont Ave.	Venice Blvd. to Wilshire Blvd.	1.2	City Center South
Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	Marlton Ave. to Figueroa St.	3.2	City Center South
N. Figueroa St.	San Fernando Rd. to Colorado Blvd.	5.1	Northeast
S. Figueroa St.	7 th St to Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	3.0	Southeast
Westwood Blvd.	Santa Monica Blvd. to National Blvd.	1.6	Westside
Bundy Dr.	San Vicente Blvd. to Stanwood Dr.	3.2	Westside
Centinela Ave.	Stanwood Dr. to Culver City limit at Washington Place	1.3	Westside
Sepulveda Blvd.	National Blvd. to City/County limit (N/O Ohio Ave.)	2.1	Westside
Ave. of the Stars	Pico Blvd. to Santa Monica Blvd.	1.0	Westside
Colorado Blvd.	Glendale City limit (200' e/o Lincoln Ave.) to Ave 64	3.0	Northeast
Woodley Ave.	Stagg Street to Chase St.	0.8	Valley
Devonshire St.	Haskell Ave. to Sepulveda Blvd.	0.4	Valley
2 nd St.	Beverly Blvd./Glendale Blvd. to Broadway	1.0	Central City
Grand Ave.	Washington Blvd. to 30 th St.	0.7	South
Virgil Ave.	Santa Monica Blvd. to Melrose Ave	0.5	Hollywood
Total		39.5	