

Mar Vista Community Council



Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
Wednesday, May 2, 2018 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Windward School Boardroom 1030, Building C (by baseball diamond)
11350 Palms Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90066 (SW corner of Palms and Sawtelle Blvds.)
Co-Chairs: Ken Alpern and Michelle Krupkin

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order—Ken Alpern and Michelle Krupkin presiding
- 2. Introductions and Discussion of Items Not on Agenda
- 3. Approval of minutes of previous meetings
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. T & I Related (Great Streets) and Other Reports
 - a. MVCC Liaison to Bi-Monthly CD11/LADOT/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting Linda Guagliano (10 min)
 - b. LA DWP NC MOU Committee and Reform Efforts/Goals
- 6. Old Business/Open Issues: Committee/Task Force/Updates
 - a. Update of bus shelter info (from Hannah Levien, Joseph Galloway, and Francois Nion) to add, improve, replace and upgrade key bus locations.
 - **STATUS: No New information.**
 - b. "Support Of Mar Vista Stakeholder's Great Streets Venice Boulevard California Public Records Act Request" (submitted by Great Streets ad hoc Committee)
 - WHEREAS the Great Streets Venice Blvd pilot project was implemented on May 20, 2017; and
 - WHEREAS Mar Vista and Venice Blvd. stakeholders have voiced ongoing concerns about the planning, implementation and evaluation of said pilot project; and
 - WHEREAS the Mar Vista Community Council had passed 3 different motions in July, September and October calling for the pilot project data from LADOT, Councilman Bonin's office and the Great Streets Initiative in Mayor Garcetti's office;
 - NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Mar Vista Community Council will submit a letter in support of the stakeholder's August 8, 2017, California Public Records Act request for pilot project data, to be furnished, immediately and without further delay.
 - STATUS: Not voted on at the Board of Directors Meeting 4/17/18; on 5/8/2018 agenda
 - c. Funding Motion: Funding for Community Projects for Joint MVCC/CD11/LADOT Safety and Mobility Enhancement.
 - Whereas, the MVCC has a strong interest in enhancing the safety and mobility of pedestrians, bicyclists, bus riders and car commuters for the benefit of all parties, and
 - Whereas, the MVCC budget has approximately \$5000 \$10,000 to dedicate for potential safety and mobility enhancements, and
 - WHEREAS, in the past, the mistaken categorization has allowed out of character developments to be approved inappropriately due to the City of Los Angeles Planning Department and Planning Commission using incorrect information, and
 - THEREFORE, the Centinela Ave. and Venice Blvd. junction should not continue to be categorized

as a Major Transit Stop,

Whereas, the Joint CoPS and T/I Committee meeting held with both LAPD and CHP members derived a preliminary consensus of how to spend these funds as potential "seed money" for the CD11 and LADOT to fund and prioritize for several such projects,

Therefore, the MVCC supports the following funding priorities:

- a) High Visibility Crosswalks at McLaughlin Avenue and Charnock Road, and/or McLaughlin Avenue and Victoria Ave., and/or Grand View Blvd. and Pacific Avenue, and/or Colonial Ave. and Victoria Ave., and/or Colonial Ave. and McCune Ave., and/or Beethoven St., Zanja St. and Caswell Ave., and/or Moore St. and Pacific Ave. and/or Grand View Blvd. and Victoria Ave., or
- b) Reconstruction and restoration of the Venice Blvd-adjacent alleys (which serve a vital function to that thoroughfare's commercial corridor) north of Venice Blvd. and east of Centinela Blvd, as well as any repairs to the alley south of Venice Blvd. due to last winter's storm damage.
- c) Repair of Pacific Avenue adjacent to the Farmer's Market, and any potential strengthening of that street due to the higher volume of trucks associated with the Farmer's Market.

STATUS: Passed at the Board of Directors Meeting 3/13/18

d. "Reform and Enhance City Process and Program Efficiencies" (submitted by the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee)

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles is the only one of the top ten cities (by population) in the United States that has separate oversight between Public Works and Transportation Programs, and

WHEREAS, the City of LA has a dysfunctional and cost-ineffective organization of multiple, overlapping departments for Transportation and Infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, reforming transportation and infrastructure is consistent with Mayor Garcetti's "Back to Basics" initiatives,

THEREFORE, the Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) strongly supports the recommendations described in CF17-1311 for Systems Improvements (Tier 1), Tools/Activities to Support System Improvements (Tier 2), and Process and Program Efficiencies (Tier 3) as recommended by the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) of Los Angeles.

STATUS: Not voted on at the Board of Directors Meeting 4/17/18; on 5/8/2018 agenda

7. New Business

 Policy Motion: Extension of L.A.M.C. 85.02
 WHEREAS, Los Angeles Municipal Code (L.A.M.C.) Section 85.02, "Use of Vehicles as Living Quarters." went into effect on July 7, 2017, and

WHEREAS L.A.M.C. Section 85.02 shall expire on July 1, 2018 unless extended by ordinance,

THEREFORE, the Mar Vista Community Council moves to advise Councilman Bonin and Councilman Koretz to immediately introduce an ordinance making the provisions of L.A.M.C. 85.02 permanent.

STATUS: Tabled from the last MVCC T/I Committee Meeting 4/4/2018

b. Policy Motion: Opposition to Westside Mobility's Livable Boulevards Streetscape Plan

WHEREAS, Venice Blvd. changes within the boundaries of the Mar Vista Community Council have been created that have had profound impacts on traffic, and potentially with profound economic and quality of life impacts, on the adjacent community and throughout the greater Westside region, and

WHEREAS, there are many who are directly affiliated with the Mar Vista Community Council, and

who live in and commute through a transformed Venice Blvd., and who are both impacted by the Venice Blvd. changes and concerned about the lack of transparency, opportunity to provide relevant feedback, and other routine legal obligations on the part of the City, and

WHEREAS, commuters of all modalities (including buses, carpools, and others accessing the Expo Line) have been negatively impacted with respect to their mobility,

THEREFORE, the Mar Vista Community Council calls for:

- a) The source of, and the amount of, public funding for past and present changes and operations associated with Venice Blvd. transformation and reconfiguration
- b) The source of, and the amount of, public funding for any future changes associated with the Westside Mobility's Livable Boulevards Streetscape Plan for Venice Blvd.
- c) The City of Los Angeles to cease and desist any future changes to Venice Blvd. until proper accounting can be established for the financial and transportation/infrastructure impacts to both Mar Vista and the greater Westside region
- c. Policy Motion: Recommendation for Continental Crosswalks and Curb Cuts in Zone 2

WHEREAS: Cut through traffic is a significant and growing danger in Zone 2 of Mar Vista, aka North Westdale

WHEREAS: Richland Elementary School does not have and ADA Compliant intersection at the corner of Federal and Brookhaven, the most popular intersection for students to access the school on foot, bicycle and automobile.

WHEREAS: Modern designed crosswalks installed by the city known as Continental or Zebra Crosswalks have been shown to reduce vehicle speed and pedestrian safety.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: That the MVCC encourages the city to paint Continental Crosswalks at the intersection of Brookhaven and Federal Avenue, Richland and Federal Avenue, Barrington and Sardis, and Sawtelle and Graham Place.

THEREFORE, LET IT ALSO BE RESOLVED: That the MVCC encourages the city to install curb cuts at the intersection of Federal and Brookhaven Avenues.

- 8. Discussion of how to fund and implement reconstruction/repair of critical streets/alleys, and construct highvisibility crosswalks with joint MVCC, CD11 and other sources of City funding (Hannah Levien, CD11 Mar Vista deputy).
- 9. Public Comment
- 10. Future Agenda Items
- 11. Adjournment
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