

Mar Vista Community Council



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

- 1. Call to Order Ken Alpern presiding
- 2. Introductions and Discussion of Items Not on Agenda
- 3. Approval of minutes of previous meetings
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. Transportation & Infrastructure and Great Streets Related Reports
 - a. MVCC Liaison to Bi-Monthly CD11/LADOT/LAPD Traffic Committee (Albert Olson) (10 min)
 - b. LA DWP NC MOU Committee and Reform Efforts/Goals
 - c. MVCC Parking Study Update Discussion and Update from Howard Weisberg. Goals of City-Wide "best practices" to ensure proper outreach, analyses, and outcomes of studies.
 - d. CD11 Mobility Deputy Alek Bartrosouf shares Mar Vista related mobility issues
- 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, including arrival boards.
 - Discussion and possible policy motion(s) of where we want our next "Smart Bus Shelters" to be, and status of our most recent "Smart Bus Shelter" at Venice/Centinela
 - b. Policy Motion: MVCC Support for the restoration of the "Opt-out" clause in the City of Los Angeles Sidewalk Vending Program Council File No: 13-1493, Related Legislation: SB 946 STATUS: Postponed for discussion no later than January 2019 at 8.31.18 Special Meeting of the BoD.
 - c. Dockless Scooters Motion

WHEREAS, the Mar Vista Community Council supports dockless scooters as an affordable mode of transportation that integrates well with existing public transit options; and

WHEREAS, MVCC recognizes the primacy of public safety of ALL residents and visitors over other worthy neighborhood goals like improved transportation, accommodating new technology, or equal access to multimodal transportation for low income neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the majority of dockless scooter riders in Mar Vista and Venice violate traffic laws such as avoiding sidewalks and Class I bike paths or riding with a valid driver's license, and scooter companies have not taken necessary steps to mitigate illegal behavior; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and LADOT developed a regulatory framework and pilot program for shareable dockless vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the pilot regulations drew from a traffic study limited to one council district and did not include usage patterns or accident rates in areas where dockless scooter usage is highest; and WHEREAS, the regulations emphasized equity and sidewalk safety of parked vehicles, but ignored safety of vehicles in operation; and

WHEREAS, the regulations do not provide LAPD with specific guidance on enforcement, allocate resources from fees to mitigate the costs of enforcement, or require dockless scooter operators to self-enforce by geofencing prohibited areas;

THEREFORE, MVCC censures the approval of the LADOT regulations and opposes issuing permits to companies to operate scooters at this time. MVCC will support these actions once the city council and LADOT immediately take the following steps to improve the regulations:

• require permitted companies to disable scooter usage or parking via geofencing on all Class I bike

paths, city parks (excluding roads and bicycle lanes, and including the Venice Beach Boardwalk), and LAUSD primary and secondary schools; and

• provide LAPD with adequate resources to deploy two extra officers for fulltime traffic enforcement, to focus on scooter usage in high-impact areas; and

• develop, in consultation with LAPD, signage informing scooter users of relevant traffic laws, and deploy signage in areas with the highest illegal usage (as determined by LAPD) including on the Braude Bike Path.

Additionally, MVCC requests that LA City Council and LADOT act during the pilot program to: • study scooter traffic patterns, law violations, and injury rates in areas of the city with the highest scooter usage, and

• use the results of that study to determine, with LAPD, the extra long-term resources needed to enforce traffic laws for scooters and cover the cost of these resources with changes to the permitting fee structure, and

• approve enforcement mechanisms to accept reports of illegal scooter usage and disable accounts of identify users that illegally operate scooters, using ride data provided by the scooter companies. STATUS -PASSED at 10/09/18 BoD meeting. Community Impact Statement submitted to City Council 10/16/18.

7. New Business

- a. Discussion and potential motion: Future funding of pedestrian crosswalks in Mar Vista.
 \$5000 for funding of pedestrian crosswalks in Mar Vista
 Beethoven, Zanja, and Caswell
 Zanja and Alla
- b. Discussion and possible motion for protected left turn late at intersection of Barrington and Gateway.
- c. Possible Outreach/discussion with Bird and/or Lime and/or other electric scooter representatives
- d. Discussion and potential motion: Future funding of \$1000 for signage for Outreach committee to print that MVCC supports use of helmets, obeying the laws of scooters, underage usage of scooters are illegal, and other related issues.
- e. Discussion and potential motion: City Controller Ron Galpern looking into how and where the Road Diet funds were spent, and with Citywide implications for any other similar plans.
- f. Discussion and possible motion of support for stakeholder motion from Great Streets Committee asking for data of Venice Blvd. Reconfiguration from LADOT and CD11.
- 8. Public Comment
- 9. Future Agenda Items
- 10. Adjournment

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