



Mar Vista Community Council



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MEETING MINUTES

Transportation, Infrastructure, and Sustainability (TI&S) with the Board of Directors

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Wednesday, May 3, 2023 from 6pm - 8pm

PUBLIC WELCOME

Windward School, 11350 Palms Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90066

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1. **CALL TO ORDER - 6:05pm**
2. **ROLL CALL AND EX-PARTE COMMUNICATIONS/CONFLICTS-OF-INTEREST** - *Roll Call shall include each attending board member declaring any ex parte communications outside of their duties and conflicts of interest pertaining to items on or related to this agenda. Committee Chair Paul present, no ex parte, no conflict. Vice Chair Myhra present, no ex parte, no conflict.*
3. **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**
 - 4.1. March 1, 2023 - *Moved by Director Myhra, seconded by Director Paul. Approved 4 to 1 with 0 abstention.*
5. **SPECIAL ORDERS**
 - 5.1. **[POLICY] SEPULVEDA CREEK BIKE PATH.** Discussion and possible action in support of creating a bike path along Sepulveda Creek.
 - Rob Kadota gave a presentation that included an explanation of the Ballona Creek bike path history, the opportunity, and the potential green infrastructure. The Ballona Creek bike path was built in the 1970's. It runs from the ocean to Syd Kronenthal Park in Culver City and

connects Culver City to the Ocean. This project would connect the Ballona Creek bike path to Sepulveda and Centinela creeks. There are already existing unpaved maintenance roads, ramps already at major streets, grading mostly consistent throughout. With some traffic signals, paving, lighting, and minor improvements, creek space can become people space. The potential green infrastructure enhanced flood control, groundwater augmentation, beautification, heat island mitigation, habitat restoration, environmental education.

- Public comment on this included: Concern with crossing streets, concern that it will go through the school, about easy access to homes, and proper lighting. One person had concerns about street project but support bike lanes and would like to make sure it is put in on the side near schools and parks for easy commuting. Another feels like it is a great ideas as there is more visibility.
- Amendment "The MVCC is for conducting feasibility study" Moved by Director Paul, seconded by Director Myhra. Amendment approved 4 to 1, with 0 abstention.
- Motion moved by Director Myhra, seconded by Kalani Whittington. Motion approved 6 to 3, with 1 abstention.

5.2. **[POLICY] MURPHY DRILL SITE.** Discussion and possible action in support of February 28 Letter of Determination on Case No. ZA-1959-15227-O-PA6.

- Director Myhra moved to change the order so this motion would be heard after LA Sanitation's presentation. This was Seconded by Kevin W.
- Motion moved by Director Myhra, seconded by Kevin W. Motion approved 7 to 0, with 1 abstention.

6. CHAIR REPORTS

- Chair – Jordan Paul -

- Vice-Chair – Faith Myhra - Committees request for a All Way stop on Wade at Matteson Ave and at Mitchell Ave was denied by the city. Director Myhra will be asking the city for more solutions for safety at these intersections.

LA Sanitation: Organics LA - City curbside organics recycling program mandated by Senate Bill 1383 re: organic waste

- Jocelyn Valencia, an environmental engineering associate with LA Sanitation and Environment, gave a presentation on the new OrganicsLA program. The State of California has a new program that requires all municipalities to reduce organic waste by 75% by 2025. Angelenos can use a city provided kitchen counter bucket (our bucket of your choice) to collect your food scraps and then should put food scraps in our green bin. If you do not yet have a green bin you can request one from LA Sanitation. If you live in an apartment that does not yet have a green bin know that it will soon be a requirement for apartment buildings to have green bins for residents.
 - Things that can go in the green bin: Fish, bones, meat, egg shells, dairy, shrimp shells, pasta, beans, bread, cereal, grains, rice, coffee grounds and filters, fruits and

vegetables. Flowers, yard waste and clean wood. Food-stained paper; paper egg carton; paper napkins & kitchen paper towels; pizza boxes; paper plates; paper to-go boxes (no coating); and wooden & fiber-based utensils (Must be 100% fiber-based)

- Things that can not go in the green bin: Regular and compostable plastics, glass, produce stickers, rubber bands, twist ties, and petroleum based materials and products. Put them in the black bin. In accordance with State Regulations organic waste can not be placed in the black bin.
- Tips for your compost bucket: Use a paper towel to line your kitchen pail. Sprinkle baking soda in your kitchen pail to reduce odors. Wash your kitchen pail regularly. It is dishwasher friendly. Empty your kitchen pail into your Green Bin regularly and just before collection day. Wrap smellier items and store in your refrigerator or freezer until pickup day.
- Marjorie Phan, an environmental supervisor with LA Sanitation and Environment, gave a presentation on the new LA Single-use plastics Reduction Ordinances.
 - Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Ban Ordinance: Prohibits the distribution, offer, provision, rental, or sale of certain EPS to any person. These include: EPS products intended primarily for food services, EPS egg cartons and food trays, EPS coolers and ice chests that are not incased in more durable material, EPS shipping materials including shipping boxes, loose fill packing materials (e.g. packing peanuts) molded packaging materials. Deadline April 23, 2023 for for large food or beverage facilities and retail establishments (more than 26 employes). April 23, 2024 for all other food or beverage facilities and retail.
 - Single-Use Carryout Bag Expansion Ordinance: Expands the types of businesses that are prohibited from distributing or offering single use carryout bags to customers at these shops. This includes: Apparel stores, farmers markets, Food or beverage facilities, hardware stores, and open air markets.
- LA Sanitation kitchen counter compost buckets were passed out to meeting attendees and Director Myhra will bring the rest to the next board meeting so more community members have the opportunity to get one.
- Stakeholders can also pick up their buckets and drop off food scraps (if your home or apartment building do not yet have the green bins) at select Farmers Markets listed on the [website](#).

- WRAC Report – Andy - N/A

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA - *The Brown Act provides for a “part of the meeting where the public can comment on any item of interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the local agency.” The MVCC is an advisory board to the Los Angeles City council and, as such, its jurisdiction is restricted within Los Angeles and most importantly, the Mar Vista Community. Therefore, please keep public comments within the MVCC jurisdiction. Thank you.*

- Public comment was made about Metro Safety concerns.

- Public comment was made regarding Safety of traffic on Barrington. Stakeholder was totalled on Barrington while parked.

8. ADJOURNMENT - 7:37pm

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