

MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Education, Arts, and Culture Committee

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER - 6:34 PM

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.*

Present: Ahmadyveasi, Mack, Vanek, R Kadota (stakeholder)

No ex parte or conflicts declared by any committee member

3. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS

4.1. APPROVAL OF JANUARY 9, 2024 MINUTES

APPROVED - Motioned by Mack, Seconded by Vanek. 3-0-0 (Ahmadyveasi yes, Mack yes, Vanek yes)

5. CHAIR REPORTS

a) CHAIR – Delaram Ahmadyveasi

b) MEMBER – Yulie Mack

c) MEMBER – Aaron Vanek

Comments Discussed:

- Ahmadyveasi - will be sworn-in as At-Large Director on Thursday; ad hoc committee approved for the Walking Tour; another ad hoc committee is requested for Community Fair; Clover Booster NPG was fully approved

6. SPECIAL ORDERS – NONE

7. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - NEW

7.1 [FUNDING] Discussion and potential action regarding a Neighborhood Purpose Grant in the amount of \$5000 for North Venice Little League - SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS

Comments Discussed:

- Vanek - wanted clarification on what's left in the NPG budget (\$15K remaining that needs to be spent by June 2024); some due diligence questions were raised but no one from NVLL was present to address them
- Ahmadyveasi - NPG applicants are not required to provide project quotes

Our Questions:

- supporting paperwork for the project bid
- when was it last done?
- how often is this needed?
- have we given to them in the past?

Action Items:

- Ahmadyveasi to look into historic NPG funding requests from the past few years

Ahmadyveasi motioned to approve, Seconded by Vanek. Motion passed. 3-0-0 (Ahmadyveasi yes, Mack yes, Vanek yes)

7.2 [ADMINISTRATIVE] Discussion and potential action regarding council involvement with upcoming Los Angeles national event

Comments Discussed:

- Ahmadyveasi - would like to put together a coalition of neighborhood/community councils that will hold the committees planning these events accountable
- Vanek - it is important to look at how our communities are impacted by these events, to review what mitigation measures are being put in place by the City
- Mack - if the primary concern is traffic conditions in our neighborhood, we can partner with the Transportation, Infrastructure & Sustainability Committee on drafting a Community Impact Statement
- Kadota - Traci Park is on an ad hoc committee for the Olympics; Peter Ueberroth was instrumental in generating years worth of art programming for the city following the '84 Olympics; Jeff Millman is a point of contact worth reaching out to

Action Items:

- Ahmadyveasi to review the Olympics ad hoc committee meeting notes

Ahmadyveasi motioned to table with Action Items, Mack seconded. Motion passed. 3-0-0 (Ahmadyveasi yes, Mack yes, Vanek yes)

8. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS – OLD

8.1 [ADMINISTRATIVE] Discussion and potential action on Discover Mar Vista Tour

Comments Discussed:

- Ahmadyveasi - we're waiting for the Outreach Committee to send out our survey in the MVCC newsletter
- Kadota - although it is now defunct, previous members of the Mar Vista Historical Society would be a great resource for a project like this

Action Items:

- Ahmadyveasi - start an email chain for the Walking Tour ad hoc committee
- Mack - connect with M Crawford

Ahmadyveasi motioned to table with Action Items, Vanek seconded. Motion passed. 3-0-0 (Ahmadyveasi yes, Mack yes, Vanek yes)

8.2 [ADMINISTRATIVE] Discussion and potential action on possible proposal ideas I for seeking federal grant for community programming or renovations.

Comments Discussed:

- Kadota - federal grant money will likely go to needier communities than ours
- Vanek - it doesn't feel like our Committee is the right place to be initiating this

Action Items:

- Ahmadyveasi to do additional due diligence; ask Outreach Committee to circulate the grant flyer to MVCC newsletter readers

8.3 [ADMINISTRATIVE] Discussion and potential action on possibility for Spring Community Fair

Comments Discussed:

- Ahmadyveasi - formation of an ad hoc committee is on the agenda for Thursday's meeting
- Kadota - proposed we draft a motion for a funding request to have an outreach table at CicLAvia Venice Blvd on Sunday, April 21; we could look into partnering with someone to offer goods or services to CicLAvia participants (local bike shops to provide repair services or Farmers Market vendors for food/drinks)

Ahmadyveasi motioned to approve the funding request, Seconded by Vanek. Motion passed. 3-0-0 (Ahmadyveasi yes, Mack yes, Vanek yes)

9. 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 Comments Made:

- Kadota - Historic Fire Station 62 is being turned into a Community Center with half of the space leased to CRASH Space; the Mar Vista Farmers Market has great cultural programming; Mar Vista Music Project (led by the Mar Vista Neighborhood Association - Zone 4) is getting spun up and is something the EACC could be involved in

10. ADJOURNMENT - 8:18 PM

Ahmadyveasi motioned to adjourn, Vanek seconded. No objections. 3-0-0 (Ahmadyveasi yes, Mack yes, Vanek yes)