

CATEGORY: Policy

COMMITTEE: Election and Bylaws

PURPOSE: Standing Rules - 6. Western Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC)

BACKGROUND:

MVCC Directors appearing in their representative capacity on any other organization or alliance should vote consistent with the MVCC Board policies, motions, and Community Impact Statements. Otherwise, the vote of a sole MVCC representative can be misinterpreted as the position of the MVCC. These suggested changes are consistent with the Bylaws of the Mar Vista Community Council, Section 5: Duties and Powers which states, in its pertinent part, "Only the MVCC Chair, or his/her designee, shall speak on behalf of the MVCC. (See the Standing Rules of the MVCC, Section 2. Communications)

Additionally, as NCs have opportunities to join more organizations and alliances and expand our voice, these proposed amendments cover any current or future participation including non-board members as representatives.

Proposed changes heard at the January 10, 2023 Elections and Bylaws meeting.
Moved by Martin Rubin, second by Holly Tilson passed without objection or abstentions,
6 yes, 0 no

THE MOTION: **PROPOSED CHANGES in red**

CURRENT LANGUAGE in black:

Standing Rules of the Mar Vista Community Council Approved by MVCC Board of Directors on March 16, 2022

6. Western Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC)

6.1. The serving Chair of Board shall be the MVCC representative to WRAC.

6.2. The current First Vice-Chair of the Board shall be the MVCC alternate representative to WRAC.

6.3. The Chair shall appoint as WRAC Committee Members, the chair or co-chair of the MVCC committee that most closely reflects the subject matter of other WRAC committees. Each appointment shall be subject to approval by majority vote of the Board.

6.4. In the event that a standing appointee to WRAC does not wish to represent the MVCC, then the Chair of the Board shall appoint an alternate representative for that position, subject to the approval by majority vote of the board.

6.5. All MVCC representatives to WRAC shall vote on any policy issue before WRAC in accordance with the existing policies and actions taken by MVCC on that issue.

6.6. MVCC representatives to WRAC shall abstain from all votes where the Board has not previously taken a position.

6.7. MVCC representatives to WRAC shall vote on WRAC administrative items in accordance with their best judgment and in accordance with the best interests of the MVCC.

PROPOSED LANGUAGE:

6. Western Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) **Representation and Participation on Other Organizations and Alliances.**

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6.5. All MVCC representatives to WRAC **or any person appearing as an MVCC Representative on any other organization or alliance** shall vote on any policy issue before **the various organizations** in accordance with the existing policies and actions taken by MVCC on that issue.

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