



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA - MINUTES

Board of Directors

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Wednesday, Aug 16th, 2023 from 6:30pm - 9:00pm

PUBLIC WELCOME

Mar Vista Recreation Center Auditorium

11430 Woodbine Street, Mar Vista, CA 90066

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1. CALL TO ORDER - 6:41 pm

2. SPECIAL ORDERS

2.1. Installation and selection of newly-appointed At-Large Director – Installation of the remaining newly-elected At-Large Director.

Chair Ruesch nominated Mr. Stephen Paddock, it was confirmed by an 11-0 vote.

3. ROLL CALL WITH EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - *Roll Call shall include each 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: Ruesch, Rafeedie, Marton, Kopelow, Honda, Samiley, Wheeler, Rubin, Doyno

No ex-parte, no conflict for those present.

Absent: Greenwald, Clausen, Peterson, Figone, Fischer

Recused: Honda recuse from vote on 13.1 NPG, Fischer will also recuse from vote on 13.1 NPG

4. WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNITY MEMORIALS

5. ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE, GOVERNMENT AGENCY AND CITY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Greenwald arrived at 6:44pm, Clausen arrived at 6:49pm; no ex-parte or conflicts

Ted Lieu's office - bills introduced by Ted Lieu

- Program for products re: cyber security
- Space systems service and technology as critical
- Backbone trail renamed Anthony Bealson trailhead.
- Long-term improvement of public education facilities
- Lunch program
- Zachary Gaidzik from LA county supervisor Lindsey Horvath's office:
 - Measure W - parcel tax increase for water sustainability - improvement of measure
 - Strikes SAG-AFTRA and WGA - how to support those impacted by strikes
 - Homelessness - Halfway home, new program in unincorporated portion of LA county and 87 other cities within the county
 - Appointed herself to Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) board, she is chair of LAHSA now, first elected official to sit as chair of LAHSA.
 - 405 encampment and policy on public safety questions raised by Chair Ruesch - due to the spike in crime, this is a high priority.
 - Care Court will be implemented in December 2023
- Michelle Persoff -Senior Field Rep for Isaac Bryan
 - Bills are going through appropriation committee
 - Majority leader presented a 500k check for Vende museum for community center and housing for at-risk artists. This was obtained through the budget.
 - Court upheld Measure J to keep people from incarceration, bill 8745 to help those leaving incarceration.
 - Youth to the Front Summit - 18-24 year olds who have experienced homelessness
 - SB411 update - not heard today in appropriations, but will be heard next week. Allowing NPGs to go virtual. 2/3 vote at NPG to have flexibility to go virtual.
 - Venice and Globe -Culver City is putting up a safe sleeping site. Culver city side will be invited to go to a safe sleeping site. They are doing regular Care-Plus visits. Lahsa is going to get people document-ready. Partnership between cd 11 and cd 5 to make it a Inside Safe Initiative. Safe-Sleep site will have mental health services from Hims and Hers.
- Prabhjot Chamber
 - On Boarding Training on August 24, 2023
 - Networking events on Congress of Neighborhoods, Sept 23, NC members to network
 - Meet and Greet on August 31 at City Hall in Tom Bradley Center - Department-Hosted Meet and Greet.
 - By-laws amendment period opened April 1, 2024.
 - ncsupport@lacity.org.

- **Kay Hartman - Budget Advocates**

- **City and police protective league agree on increasing compensation, and this will increase the deficit. Operating deficits will likely be funded by a reserve fund. We should be leery of elected officials dipping into it.**
- **Lower valuation of office buildings is a concern**
- **Solid waste fees may go up.**
- **Zoo's expansion plans ensued without discussion; it costs 650 million dollars**
- **Unsheltered housing are estimated to be between 15 and 20 billion dollars**
- **Budget advocates appreciate the support of neighborhood councils - Labudgetadvocates@gmail.com**

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA - 1 minute per speaker, if time permits, more time will be given. The MVCC is built on Stakeholder participation and input; especially through our committees (see MarVista.org > Council > Committees). 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 and on matters that the MVCC may act upon in future meetings. Thank you for your involvement with the MVCC. Please feel free to contact us (info@MarVista.org) if we may be of service.

Comments Taken from Public

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS - 2 minutes per speaker, if time permits, more time will be given. board members may make very limited comments and briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights (no action may be taken on matters brought up during general public comment).

Comments Taken

8. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Marton, Seconded: Rubin, no objections

9. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

9.1. July 12th, 2023 Meeting

Motion: Rubin; Seconded: Kopelow, 12-0-1, approved

10. CONSENT CALENDAR - Items deemed to be routine, non-controversial. Any officer may ask a clarifying question instead of or before pulling item(s). - PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS

10.1. [Administrative] [Funding] Monthly Expenditure Report - Discussion and possible action regarding the Monthly Expenditure Report [MER] for June 2023

- 10.2. **[Administrative] [Funding] Monthly Expenditure Report** - Discussion and possible action regarding the Monthly Expenditure Report [MER] for July 2023
- 10.3. **[Administrative] [Funding] Budget Adjustments** - Discussion and possible action regarding the budget adjustments for August 2023 - **pulled from consent calendar**
After approval of the Consent Calendar , Amendment was made by Ruesch to add a line item to the Budget for \$800 for business cards and name tags and a locksmith to open the locked cabinet for \$300.
Vote on amendment: Motion: Ruesch Second: Marton, Vote: 13-0
Vote on 10.3 Motion: Ruesch, Second: Marton, Vote: 12-0-1
- 10.4. **[Administrative] [Funding] FY 2023-24 Administrative Packet** - Discussion and possible action regarding the MVCC Administrative Packet for Fiscal Year 2023-24 - **pulled from consent calendar.**
Motion: Ruesch Second: Marton Vote: 12-0-1
- 10.5. **[Funding] [PLUM] Development Door Hangers** - Discussion and possible action regarding an expenditure not to exceed \$3,500 for the costs (e.g., designing, proofing, printing, and distribution) to produce PLUM door hangers.

Consent Calendar Motion (items 1, 2, 5): Marton Seconded: Rubin; Vote: 12-0-1

11. **EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

12. **OLD BUSINESS** - *PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.*

13. **NEW BUSINESS** - *PLEASE SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR DETAILS.*

- 13.1. **[Funding - NPG] [PH&S] Hilltop Emergency Response Organization (HERO)** - Discussion and possible action regarding a Neighborhood Purpose Grant not to exceed \$4,900 for HERO to acquire Life Support equipment and supplies for use by HERO's EMTs, RNs and MD to provide pre-hospital care for injured Hilltop residents.

Motion: Marton Seconded: Kopelow; Vote:

April Peterson joined at 8:32pm, no ex-parte, no conflicts

Motion to extend to 9:30pm: Ruesch, Second: Kopelow, Vote: no opposition

Motion to postpone: Rubin; Second: Greenwald; Vote: 12-0-1

- 13.2. **[Policy] [PLUM] Convenience Store/Gas Station Application to sell beer and wine** - Discussion and possible action regarding an application for a Conditional Use Permit at 2876 S. Bundy Dr. Los Angeles, CA 90064 to allow the sale of beer and wine for off-site consumption only; with the hours of operation being 24 hours per day, seven days a week, and alcohol sales from 6:00 am to 12:00 am, seven days a week. Expand the existing convenience store by remodeling the existing auto repair shop single story building, addition of a new mezzanine. upgrade exterior of building with new storefront and finishes. remodel interior for new

convenience store layout. (e) parking, trash enclosure, fuel stations, canopy, driveway entries, and landscaping to remain.

13.3. [Policy] [PLUM] [WRAC] Request for RSO Housing - Discussion and possible action regarding a motion requesting that the Los Angeles Housing Department presume that 100% of RSO units slated for demolition per the Ellis Act are inhabited by low-income households, and 100% of the replacement units shall be rented at the corresponding low-income rent.

13.4. [Policy] [PLUM] [WRAC] - Request for City Council Action on Light Pollution - Discussion and possible action regarding a motion requesting the City implements the Five Principles of Responsible Outdoor Lighting that minimize light pollution by following these specific guidelines.

14. REPORTS

Officer Reports

- Drew Ruesch - Chair
- Andrew Marton - 1st Vice Chair
- Carolyn Honda - 2nd Vice Chair - [Mar Vista to be at Farmer's Market on August 27](#)
- Jennifer Rafeedie - Secretary
- Greg Kopelow - Treasurer

Zone Reports

- Zone 1 - Kelsey Figone
- Zone 2 - Martin Rubin
- Zone 3 - Andrew Marton
- Zone 4 - Jennifer Rafeedie
- Zone 5 - Drew Ruesch
- Zone 6 - Kevin Wheeler
- Zone 7 - Derl Clausen

Committee Reports

- Elections and Bylaws
- Outreach
- Public Health, Safety and Homelessness
- Planning and Land Use Management
- Transportation, Infrastructure and Sustainability
- Education Arts and Culture
- WRAC, WRAC Committees and Other Liaisons

15. ADJOURNMENT: 9:23 Motion to Adjourn: Ruesch Seconded: Kopelow Vote: no opposition.

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