

Policy Motions 2019 (Starting with May)

May 14, 2019:

15.1. [POLICY][Shure] Opposition to the Development at 12757, 12763, and 12767 Mitchell Avenue – Discussion and possible action regarding opposition to the development at Mitchell Avenue that would involve displacement of 27 families from rent-stabilized units. With no objection, the motion was approved.

15.3. [POLICY][Parks & Open Space] Appeal Regarding the Rancho Park Drill Site – Discussion and possible action regarding an appeal regarding inspections at the Rancho Park Drill Site.

“MVCC supports the appeal. Annual Compliance Inspections by the City are necessary for safety and public confidence.” MVCC shall submit a Secondary Submission re: ZA-1958-14560-PA1-1A to the WLA APC
Without objection the motion was approved.

15.4. [POLICY][Parks & Open Space] Coordination of Flood Protection and Mitigation – Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution requesting coordination between Los Angeles City, Los Angeles

The Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) requests that the County of Los Angeles coordinate flood protection and mitigation of existing flooding risks in the LA River area, with the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps of Engineers) and the City of Los Angeles and its various departments tasked with city planning, architecture, flood mitigation and street services, among others. We ask that all agencies study options to reduce the impact of flood, the costs of which will largely be borne by tax payers, and that these studies include taking actions such as removing sediment build-up, reducing hardscape (eg. parking lots, building footprints), expanding open spaces and increasing the size of spreading grounds, adding drywall to infiltrate stormwater into aquifers, adding swales to small medians and yards, strengthening dams and levees, and evaluating land use and zoning designations within the proximity of the river (which may result in down-zoning).

Without objection the motion was approved.

15.5. 15.5. [POLICY][Roos] Amendment to the Clean-Energy Motion - Discussion and possible action regarding an amendment to a motion passed at the 4/9/2019 Board of Directors' meeting supporting a 100% clean energy goal by 2030.

Motion as passed:

1) The Mar Vista Community Council resolves to call on Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, the Los Angeles City Council, and the LADWP to study with a goal of a 100% real, clean energy by 2030 scenario that excludes dirty and dangerous fuels like methane, biomass, biogas, nuclear energy or unbundled Renewable Energy Credits.

The Mar Vista Community Council resolves to submit a Community Impact Statement to Council File 16-0243 and to communicate support to our City Councilmember expressing support for this position.

The Mar Vista Community Council resolves to submit a Community Impact Statement to the LADWP to communicate support for this position.

2) The Mar Vista Community Council should file a Community Impact Statement as follows:

"The Mar Vista Community Council supports the motion in Council File 18-0247, and calls on the LADWP to include a 100% renewable energy case in all future annual Power Integrated Resource Plans, to switch its Green Power offering from biomass to solar and wind power.

Proposed substitute:

"The Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) resolves to call on Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, the Los Angeles City Council, and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to study a scenario of 100% clean electricity by 2030 that excludes use of coal, methane, bio-mass, bio-gas, new nuclear facilities, and unbundled renewable energy credits. The MVCC calls for such a scenario to be included in all future annual Power Integrated Resource Plans.

The MVCC resolves to express this position via three community impact statements submitted to (1) LADWP, (2) CF 16-0243 [Research Partnership / 100 Percent Energy Portfolio / Department of Water and Power] and (3) CF 18-0247 [2018 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) / Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) / Renewable Portfolio Standard]."

With 9 yes votes the amendment motion passed.

May 21 2019:

10.9. [POLICY][PLUM] Opposition to the development at Palms and Sepulveda – Discussion and possible action regarding a PLUM motion opposing the development at Palms and Sepulveda Blvds.

"Due to the developer's unwillingness to meet with the community, get stakeholders' feedback, and take their concerns into consideration, the Mar Vista Community Council OPPOSES the development at 3443 Sepulveda Boulevard."

The motion passes with 8 votes.

July 9 2019:

15.2. [POLICY][Shure] Enforcement regarding Ellis Act conversions - Discussion and possible action regarding a resolution calling upon the City Council and Department of Planning ENFORCING Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.95.2(F)(6) for Ellis Act condo conversion Permits and Entitlements.

WHEREAS, according to the Los Angeles Municipal Code, Section 12.95.2(F)(6), the Los Angeles City Planning Department has the ability to deny a condominium conversion (and small-lot subdivision application) if the vacancy rate is below 5% in a local Planning Area, and the cumulative effect of such a conversion in the rental-housing market in a Planning Area is significant;

AND WHEREAS, the current vacancy rate in the local Planning Area for Mar Vista is 2.84% pursuant to the Los Angeles City Department of Planning;

AND WHEREAS, the homeless population has increased dramatically in the local Planning Area of Mar Vista and the loss of any Rent-Stabilized-Ordinance units is significant and will displace residents that have no alternative rental units available at this time in the local Planning Area.

THEREFORE, the Mar Vista Community Council moves that based upon the existing vacancy rate data, the planning department immediately enforce Los Angeles Municipal Code, Section 12.95.2(F)(6) with regard to the vacancy rate and the cumulative effect of the rental housing market in the Mar Vista area. Enforcement will include developing procedures during the application of the tentative map or preliminary parcel map that will include: requiring the

information necessary under this section of the Code, denying the application of the tentative map or preliminary parcel map, and notifying the respective Council Office of either CD5 or CD11 - depending on location of the parcel - that denial will be made based on Code Section 12.95.2(F)(6).

L.A.M.C. 12.95.2 can be found at

http://library.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll?f=templates&fn=default.htm&vid=amlegal:la_all_mc

Motion is approved without objection

15.3. [ADMINISTRATIVE][Shure] Participation in the Neighborhood Council Alliance for Sustainability – Discussion and possible action regarding joining the Neighborhood Council Alliance for Sustainability and making appointments thereto.

The Mar Vista Community Council moves to join the Neighborhood Council Alliance for Sustainability and selects Stacy Shure and Mary Hruska as primary and alternate representatives, respectively

Motion is approved without objection

11.3 Vote to remand the Standing Rules to Elections & by-Laws with to amendment to include report back date of Sept

11Y/2 A The motion passes

15.1. [POLICY][Hanna] Stepped up enforcement for possession and/or sale of controlled substances – Discussion and possible action regarding a request to the Los Angeles Police Department for stepped up enforcement for possession and/or sale of controlled substances (amphetamines, cocaine, crack, heroin, opiates, ketamine, ecstasy, etc.) that result in the arrest of the offending individual for prosecution under California health and Safety Codes 11350, 11351, 11377, 11378 in our community at, but not limited to, the Venice/405 encampment area.

Los Angeles Police Department Pacific Division
12312 Culver Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90066

Dear Captain Setzer, Captain Morrison, Officer Acosta and Officer Ceja -

By unanimous motion of the Mar Vista Community Council's Homeless Issues Committee (MVCC HIC), as representatives of its stakeholders, **we request stepped up enforcement for possession and/or sale of controlled substances** (amphetamines, cocaine, crack, heroin, opiates, ketamine, ecstasy, etc.) that result in the arrest of the offending individual for prosecution under California health and Safety Codes 11350, 11351, 11377, 11378 in our community at, but not limited to, the Venice/405 encampment area.

We also request for officers to walk Venice Blvd. and nearby streets (Globe and Tuller) at least twice daily, not only to observe and familiarize LAPD with the individuals living in the encampment, but also **engagement with local residents regarding their concerns.**

There has been a notable absence of LAPD presence at the Mar Vista Community Council and MVCC Homeless Issues Committee meetings. **We request LAPD representation at the MVCC HIC monthly meeting** (third Wednesday of each month, 6:30-7:45 at the MV Library) **and/or the MVCC meeting** (second Tuesday of each month at Mar Vista

Motion is remanded to the Homeless Issues Committee to be discussed and reworded.
Motion is passed without objections

Aug 13, 2019:

15.5[POLICY][Transportation & Infrastructure] Dockless Scooter and Bicycle Providers - Discussion and possible action regarding a joint Great Streets/T&I motion (based on a WRAC resolution model) regarding dockless mobility providers cooperating fully with law enforcement in the event of reckless and unlawful conduct by mobility product users.

“Whereas, on or about April 13, 2019, the pastor of a church located in Pacific Palisades was seriously injured in a hit-and-run accident caused by the user of a dockless electric scooter, who fled the scene (on the sidewalk outside of the church rectory) and could not be immediately apprehended at the time of the accident;

Whereas, any of us in any neighborhood of the City could be victims of such future reckless and unlawful conduct;

Whereas, the business providing the dockless electric scooter involved in the above accident refused to provide information to law enforcement about the user or to reasonably assist in law enforcement's investigation of the accident, resulting in an inability to bring the user to justice or a significant delay in justice;

Whereas, in the interest of public safety, every business providing dockless scooters and/or bicycles (Dockless Mobility Devices) operating in the City of Los Angeles (City) should reasonably be required to cooperate fully with law enforcement under the circumstances described above as a condition of being granted a business license or Dockless Mobility Permit;

Whereas, such requirement of provider cooperation with law enforcement is necessary to protect the safety of the public and does not unreasonably infringe on the privacy rights of users of Dockless Mobility Devices;

Whereas it is the responsibility of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) and the City to "promote safety...and improve the quality of life for the people of Los Angeles.

Whereas, prominent Dockless Mobility Device providers all publicly proclaim that the safety of riders and the community is their "obsession" (Bird) or their "top priority" (Lyft) or "#1 priority" (Lime);

Whereas, Dockless Mobility Devices providers can provide notice to users in the "Terms of Use" of their rental agreements that user information will be provided to law enforcement, upon request by law enforcement, in the event of an accident involving injury to another person caused or claimed to be caused by the operation of the Dockless Mobility Device;

Now, therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) urges the City to:

(1) Deny a business license and/or Dockless Mobility Permit, or suspend and/or revoke any previously- issued business license and/or Dockless Mobility Permit, to any provider of Dockless Mobility Devices operating in the City that fails or refuses to cooperate fully with law enforcement in providing information about the user of its Dockless Mobility Device involved in an accident causing injury to another person; and

(2) If and as necessary, immediately enact additional regulations amending existing rules and/or data protection policies in the City's Dockless Mobility Pilot Program to provide for issuance of business licenses and/or Dockless Mobility Permits only upon condition that providers cooperate fully with law enforcement under the circumstances set forth above; and

(3) Provide for suspensions, followed by revocation hearings, of any such licenses and/or permits issued to Dockless Mobility Device providers that fail or refuse to comply fully with law enforcement under the circumstances set forth above.”

Contact/Council File Info:

CF: 17-1125

Motion was approved (12 Y/0N/1A)

15.6 [POLICY][Transportation and Infrastructure] Parking Demand Study - Discussion and possible action regarding a T&I motion requesting CD 11 to reconsider action on the parking demand study which was passed as an MVCC Policy on July 11, 2017.

“The MVCC requests that CD 11 reconsider action on the parking demand study for two reasons: 1) To meet the needs of CD 11 constituents who have a strong need for this information in light of increased development throughout Mar Vista and the surrounding area, and 2) Because there is a need for a data-driven, evidence-based approach to parking policies. The MVCC would like to receive a formal update on this matter from CD 11 so we can take further action on it at our September 4, 2019 Transportation and Infrastructure Committee meeting.”

Without objection, the motion was approved.

15.8 [POLICY][T&I] Rose Ave. Sidewalk Installation (Zone 6) - Discussion and possible action regarding a T&I motion asking the Board of the MVCC to state its support for the installation of a sidewalk on the South side of Rose Ave. between S. Centinela Ave and Colonial Ave in Zone 6.

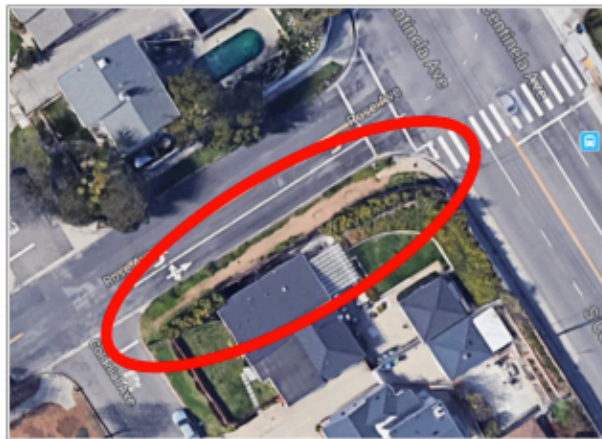
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

August 7, 2019

Motion PASSED 6-0-2.

Background: This issue was discussed at the July 17, 2019 Mar Vista Bi-Monthly LADOT/CD11/LAPD Traffic Committee Meeting. Per the meeting minutes:

Request for installation of a sidewalk on Rose Ave. between South Centinela Ave. and Colonial Ave. At this time there doesn't seem to be any regular path through City channels to create an additional sidewalk on Rose Ave. The street in question does have a sidewalk on one side, and the City seems to think that if there is at least a sidewalk on one side, then there is not a priority to justify construction of a sidewalk on the other side as well. Many streets in the City have this situation. Including one street a couple blocks over from Rose, also between Colonial and Centinela. Mr. Guevera discussed the possibility of adding crosswalk markings at the intersection, but that is not feasible if there are no curb ramps cutouts, and if there is not a stop sign to support the crosswalk. And installing a stop sign so close to the intersection of Rose and Centinela seems problematic. If the stakeholders who made the request want to continue the pursuit of a sidewalk it would probably be best to do so through the advocacy approach of a Neighborhood Council resolution, etc.



Motion: The Board of the MVCC supports the installation of a sidewalk on the South side of Rose Ave. between S. Centinela Ave and Colonial Ave in Zone 6.

Without objection, the motion was approved.

15.9 [POLICY][PLUM] Support of a WRAC Motion Extending Protections Under L.A.M.C. 12.95.2(f)(6) – Discussion and possible action regarding a WRAC-passed motion requesting an extension of protections under L.A.M.C. 12.95.2(f)(6) to development/demolition permits for construction of new condominiums and construction of new apartments.

Since 2011 the number of demolitions for construction of new condominiums and apartments have increased, particularly in areas that are Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) under new TOC incentives. Those incentives are creating a net loss of affordable housing because RSO units are not replaced on a 1:1 basis.

The cumulative effect is a loss of more than 630 Rent Stabilized Units (RSO) in Los Angeles in the first quarter of 2019 and a loss of more than 23,000 units since 2001.

The current vacancy rate in Los Angeles is far below 5% (currently 3.74% in Mar Vista’s planning area per Matt Glesne of the Department of Planning) and as such, protections under 12.95.2(f)(6) are in place for conversion of RSO apartments to condominiums.

The shortage of a diverse and plentiful housing stock in the City of Los Angeles has been well documented over the last decade. At this time we are in a “housing emergency” regarding affordable housing stock. The high occupancy rates throughout the City of Los Angeles ensures that rents continue to increase, and the ability to find adequate, affordable housing continues to be scarce or non-existent.

According to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.95.2(F)(6) the Planning Department has the ability to deny a condominium conversion if the Vacancy Rate is lower than 5 percent for a Planning area, and the cumulative effect of the rental housing market in a Planning area is significant.

THEREFORE, Mar Vista Community Council moves that the Planning Department, with the assistance from the City Attorney’s Office, and adoption of the City Council, include the same protections provided under 12.95.2(F)(6) as follows:

1. deny all demolition permits of RSO units for small lot subdivision and creation of condominiums; and
2. deny all demolition permits of RSO units for construction of apartment housing unless all current RSO tenants are rehomed on a 1:1 basis as provided for under AB 2222.
3. Notify the local Council Office and Neighborhood Council when a permit for development has been filed that will specifically affect RSO housing and that such permit will be denied because of the additional protections provided under LAMC 12.95.2(F)(6).

FURTHER, it is requested that the Los Angeles City Council reconsider such protections as originally requested by Council Member Koretz in Council File 17-0480.

Without objection the motion was approved.

Sept 10, 2019:

15.1.

[POLICY][Seretti] Support for proposed changes to L.A.M.C. 41.18 – Discussion and possible action regarding support of Los Angeles City Councilperson Mitch O’Farrell’s (CD13) proposed changes to Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 41.18 as defined in Los Angeles City Council File No. 19-0602-S1.

MOTION:

- i Whereas there is a housing and homelessness crisis in our city and our neighborhood. in which thousands have been forced to live on the streets; and
- i Whereas the City of Los Angeles adopted section 41.18 into the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) that outlaws sitting, lying or sleeping upon any street, sidewalk or other public way; and
- i Whereas the City of Los Angeles can no longer enforce that law due to the United States Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit ruling on Martin v. The City of Boise, which determined that unhoused persons may sleep in public spaces until there is sufficient shelter to house them; and

- ï Whereas the City of Los Angeles must therefore update LAMC Section 41.18 to allow for enforcement in a manner that is consistent with the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruling, which suggested that some very limited restrictions on sitting, lying, or sleeping on a public right of way might be acceptable to the Court; and
- ï Whereas Councilmember Mike Bonin has vocalized his support for housing, in accordance with the 9th circuit ruling, while also proposing sensible changes to 41.18 that may meet the requirements laid out by the Boise decision. including restrictions around sensitive use areas like schools, daycares and homeless shelter facilities; and
- ï Whereas allowing for such sensible restrictions without violating the central principle of the Boise decision is the best way to address the concerns of local residents about impacts on schools and other sensitive uses without risking another legal decision against the City that again stops enforcement of 41.18

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Mar Vista Community Council supports changes to LAMC 41.18 to bring it into compliance with the Boise decision while allowing for restrictions against sitting, lying, or sleeping on streets, sidewalks, and other public right of ways around sensitive uses that include schools, daycares, and homeless shelter facilities

Approved: 11Y/ 2 Absent

15.2. [POLICY] Stakeholder motion in opposition to development at 11700 Charnock Rd. – Discussion and possible action regarding a stakeholder motion in opposition to the development at 11700 Charnock Rd.

Whereas a motion to approve a request for a Vesting Tract Map #82166 change in order to subdivide a small lot into 6 tiny lots at 11700-11760 Charnock Rd, SW corner of McLaughlin, was narrowly approved by the MVCC Board on 7/10/18, Item 10 (Agenda item 14.2)

Whereas the project was originally described as a three-story, six unit development on 11700 Charnock Rd, but is actually 4 stories, plus rooftop decks

Whereas more recent, extensive outreach and a community meeting within the developer on 6/11/19 has uncovered 150 nearby neighbors who strongly object to the project as documented by letters to the Planning department

Whereas, due to insufficient setbacks, the planned driveways for all 6 units would face Charnock, and would be shorter than the length of a car, causing a dangerous traffic situation at that busy corner, including potential obstruction of pedestrian walkway and visibility

Whereas the minimal setbacks would also allow very little open space and parkway on Charnock

Whereas the height and massing as shown in renderings as a single tall structure, is grossly out of context with the surrounding neighborhood and provides no height transitions from adjacent homes and no varied rooflines as suggested in the LA City Guidelines for Small Lot Subdivisions

The MVCC does, NOT recommend approval of the Small Lot Subdivision at 11700 Charnock Rd and now recommends the developer consider other options for the property, which are more in context with the neighborhood.

Approved 11 Y/2 Absent

Oct 15, 2019:

15.1 [POLICY][PLUM]- Presentation Regarding 3577 Overland Avenue Development- Discussion and possible action regarding the development at 3577 Overland Avenue-

Motion to approve (Shure/Stemar)
Motion passes (7Y/1N/4 Abstentions/1 Absent)

15.2 [POLICY][OUTREACH] Mission Statement for Renters' Engagement Subcommittee-Discussion
And possible action regarding the mission statement for the Renters' Subcommittee

Mission Statement, as amended, is approved without objection (Abstention-Tilson):

"The mission of the Renter's Engagement Subcommittee of the Outreach Committee is to best encourage and promote outreach to and engagement with the rental community in the Mar Vista Community Council and it's committees"

15.6 [POLICY][Krupkin and Inouye] LADOT and Bike Count in October and November 2019-

Discussion and possible motion regarding concerns about LADOT's upcoming Walk and Bike Count scheduled on Venice Blvd between Grand View and Ocean View Ave in Oct/Nov 2019

MOTION: The Mar Vista Community Council is concerned about the upcoming LADOT Walk and Bike Count in October and November 2019 and requests that LADOT:

- 1) Provide an explanation of what the purpose of this exercise is, the data collection methodologies to be employed and how specifically the data collected will be used.
- 2) Conduct this as a traffic engineering project utilizing cameras and other technology using professionally trained staff, not community volunteers.
- 3) Conduct the count throughout the week, not just on the weekends.
- 4) Refrain from posting the locations of the count to avoid skewing the data.
- 5) Make the data collected publicly available.

Motion approved (7Y/1N-Kadota/3 Abstentions-Hanna, Ambriz, Shure/1 absent-Hill)

Nov 12, 2019:

- 14.2** 14.2 [POLICY][T&I] Centinela Ave. and National Blvd. Street-Sweeping Services in Zones 2, 3, and 6 – Discussion and possible motion requesting that CD11 assign the "Clean and Green Team" to clean up Centinela Ave. between Palms Blvd. and National Blvd. in Zones 3 and 6, as well as National Blvd. from Bundy Dr. to Federal Ave. in Zones 2 and 3 until regular street-sweeping service can be established.

Motion approved as amended

- 14.3** [POLICY][T&I] Rose Ave. Sidewalk Installation in Zone 6 – Discussion and possible amendment to a previously-passed motion regarding the installation of a sidewalk on the South side of Rose Ave. between S. Centinela Ave. and Colonial Ave. in Zone 6. *Amendment: The MVCC also supports CD11 using WLA TIMP funds for this project.*

Motion approved without objection

- 14.4** [POLICY][T&I][Great Streets] Timely Updates from Mar Vista Art Walk/Green Communications Initiative – Discussion and possible motion requesting regular and timely updates from a staff member of the Mar Vista Art Walk/Green Communications Initiative regarding MVCC-funded items and all related events taking place on Great Streets Venice Blvd.

Motion approved 10Y/1N/2 Abstentions

- 15.6 [POLICY][PLUM] – Construction of a Gas-Fired Power Plant in Utah** – Discussion and possible action regarding MVCC sign-on to a letter to the Mayor asking that he pause plans for construction of a gas-fired power plant in Utah.
Motion approved (6Y/1N/6Abstentions)
- 15.7 [POLICY][PLUM] – CIS in Support of RSO Tenants**– Discussion and possible action regarding a CIS in support of a motion by Councilmembers Bonin & Koretz supporting L.A.M.C. 12.95.2 (f)(6) protections for RSO tenants when the vacancy rate is below 5%.
Motion approved without objection
- 15.8 [POLICY][PLUM] – CIS in Support of Report on Statewide Tenant Protections** – Discussion and possible action regarding a CIS in support of a City Council motion to report back on statewide tenant protections in non-RSO units constructed post-1978.
Motion approved without objection
- 15.9 [POLICY][PLUM] – CIS in Support of Tenant Relocation Assistance, etc.** – Discussion and possible action regarding a CIS in support of a City Council motion regarding tenant relocation assistance, cost of comparable housing, and increased affordable housing replacement.
Motion approved without objection
- 15.10 [POLICY][PLUM] – CIS in Support of Tenant Displacement**– Discussion and possible action regarding a CIS in support of a City Council motion to create and maintain a tracking system concerning TIC/RSO displacement of tenants.
Motion approved without objection

November 25, 2019:

- 9.5 [POLICY][PLUM][COMMUNITY PLAN]- Venice Blvd Survey-** Discussion and possible action regarding a survey to be distributed regarding Venice Blvd as part of the Plan update process.
Motion approved without objection

December 10, 2019:

- 15.4 [POLICY][T&I] Transportation Survey-**Discussion and possible action regarding an MVCC Transportation Survey for input to the Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey Community Plan Update.
Motion approved (10Y/0N/3Abstentions)
- 15.5 [POLICY][T&I][COMMUNITY PLAN] Combined Venice Blvd and Transportation Survey-** Discussion and possible action regarding combining the Venice Blvd and Transportation Surveys, for input to the Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey Community Plan Update.
Motion approved (9Y/3N/1Abstention)

