

Mar Vista Community Council  
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee  
Co-Chairs: Ken Alpern and Chuck Ray  
Tuesday, February 23, 2010, 7-9:30 PM  
Santa Monica College, Bundy Campus, 3171 S. Bundy Drive, Room 240

**Minutes**

- 1) The meeting was called to order by CoChair Chuck Ray
- 2) Introductions and Public Comments on topics not on the agenda  
Present at the meeting were Albert Olsen, Nate Wyne, Linda Gagliano, Dorothy Garven, Sharon Commins, Bill Pope, Steve Wallace, Chuck Ray, and Ken Alpern.  
Albert stated that the MVCC has a digital recorder that may be used to record meetings. It appeared that most attendees believed that the best use of the recorder for this committee would be to record any special presentations.  
Linda Gagliano mentioned that Steve Lopez had an article in the Los Angeles Time that mentioned the situation at Mar Vista Park. The Park Director is being promoted to another park and the athletic league coordinator is being laid off.
- 3) The minutes of the last meeting were approved
- 4) Report on Recent MVCC Board Actions relating to T & I motions  
There were no T & I Committee motions at the last MVCC meeting.
- 5) T & I Related Committee Reports
  - a. MVCC Liaison LADOT/CD11/LAPD Bi-Monthly Traffic Committee Meeting – Linda Guagliano  
The next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. At the last meeting on January 13<sup>th</sup>, the LAPD was represented by two officers. They had coordinated with Officer Pollack who was ill. A number of the LAPD items on the agenda were cleared up.
  - b. Neighborhood Traffic Management Committee – Bill Pope  
This item was deferred since Bill Pope hadn't arrived at the meeting.  
Albert Olson reported that the NTM Department of the LADOT was now defunct due to budget cuts, but that they were following through on their previous obligation to present their Mar Vista NTM conclusions to the MVCC BOD at its March 16th meeting. Because Playa Vista Phase 2 had not yet begun, there was no mitigation money for any NTM projects for Mar Vista yet.
  - c. LA DWP – NC MOU Committee – Chuck Ray  
The MOU Committee has passed two resolutions at its last meeting on January 30<sup>th</sup>. The first asking that there be public input on the selection of the next permanent General Manager for the DWP similar to the process used to select the new Chief of Police.  
The second declares the DWP's role in economic development a Major Customer Program, for which NCs request notice if the extent and plans for such a program and the sources and amounts of funding for it.  
Mr. Freeman, the interim General Manager, offered to provide the full complement of seven liaison persons for NCs as stipulated in the MOU.  
Mr. Freeman announced that he expects to retire in two months.
  - d. CD 11 Transportation Committee – Ken Alpern  
Ken Alpern suggested that there be more coordination with the WRAC and CD5 Transportation Groups.
  - e. New CD 11 Scattergood Olympic Line 1 Project Environmental Impact Report (EIR) Oversight Team– Chuck Ray  
The SOL1 EIR Oversight Team hasn't met since its initial meeting. We are awaiting some action from the LADWP. The initial scoping meetings should take place in late Spring or early Summer. The Team has requested that there be at least three community meeting on scoping, one in Mar Vista and one in Westchester, with a third meeting to be announced somewhere else. Ken Alpern suggested Del Rey.

6) Old Business

- a. Scattergood Olympic Line 1 project  
No new information
- b. Bundy – Olympic Village Medical Center  
Sharon Commins reported that on February 11<sup>th</sup> the Planning Commission delayed their decision on the project for 30 days pending downsizing of project. They requested that the developer drop the traffic impact by 30%. The developer is not willing to work with the community.
- c. CASDEN 11115 Exposition Bl. Project
- d. Red Mountain 3115 Sepulveda Blvd Project  
No new news. Eric Nelson is no longer working on this project. The key contact is Jan Hochhauser.

7) New Business (with potential motions)

- a. Policy motion on AGF's  
The committee passed the following policy motion by a vote of four for, 1 against and 2 abstentions.

**The MVCC requests the rewriting and implementation of any changes to the Los Angeles Municipal Code Sec. 62.03.2. that are necessary to have all new and existing above ground equipment boxes within the boundaries of the Mar Vista Community Council:**

- 1) Be elevated high enough or placed underground to avoid any potential safety hazards involving collisions with pedestrians and bicyclists,**
- 2) Be elevated or placed underground, located and designed in such a way so as to minimize the likelihood of graffiti and vandalism, and to minimize any potential of urban blight, and**
- 3) Be consistently and effectively cleaned of all graffiti, damage and vandalism by the entities that utilize them, so as to minimize any potential for urban blight.**

- b. Suggestion by Stakeholder Nate Wyne to beautify the intersection of Grand View Blvd and Herbert St.

Mr. Wyne offered a motion (his research suggested a cost of \$7-10,000) to have the traffic on Herbert street cutoff from turning onto Grand View Blvd.:

**Motion to block Grand View Blvd. at intersection of Herbert Streets and Grand View Blvd. with a small bollard traffic block that would allow passage of emergency vehicles only.**

The motion was tabled because the item was poorly described in the agenda. Stakeholders who might object to street closures need to have adequate notice on this committee's deliberations on the issue before any motion can be considered. Furthermore, objections from Culver City through which Herbert Street runs has to be taken into account. Mr. Wyne was encouraged to continue discussions with his neighbors and to return to this committee when he had more neighborhood support.

8) Public Comment

9) Future Agenda Items

Ken Alpern suggested that the committee consider the options for the Expo Line crossing over Sepulveda Blvd. He noted that the crossing at Sawtelle Blvd will be elevated with Sawtelle lowered by six feet **to** allow the Expo Line to fit underneath the 405 freeway while remaining elevated

10) Adjournment