ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION

COMMITTEE: MVCC PLUM

TITLE: Landscape and Site Design Ordinance Revision

PURPOSE: To ensure that the City follows its own Ordinance that prohibits parking in the front yard, and to revise the ordinance to clearly state this intent to the understanding of DBS Code Enforcement. Planning Dept. shall notify DBS Code Enforcement that paved parking shall be removed from front yards. The only pavement allowed in front yards is for a driveway to directly access the garage (only as wide as the garage), and a circular driveway that has 2 access points to the ROW, that covers no more than 50% of the front yard. This allows more dirt to capture stormwater and percolate into the aquifers (and increase water supply), and to provide more trees to cool the city, provide habitat for our highly biodiverse biome, and reduce global heating that causes drought.

BACKGROUND: Multiple requests that the City follow its own Ordinance that prohibits parking in the front yard have been made but those requests have gone unnoticed by the City of Los Angeles Department of Building & Safety. DBS Code Enforcement refused to accept Planning Dept's intent and enforce the Ordinance, and has allowed paved front yards to proliferate.

THE MOTION: The MVCC, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC),requests that the City revise the Landscape Ordinance to clarify that pavement for extra parking is prohibited in the front yards of all parcels, except for garage driveways and circular driveways (maximum of 50% of the front yard). The Planning Dept. shall add that prohibited excess pavement shall be removed at the owner's cost, or a citation issued.

DIRECTED TO: WRAC Executive Committee

ACTION/VOTE COUNT:

MVCC PLUM Committee Meeting, November 07, 2024

Motion of support moved by _____, seconded by MVCC _____

Motion of support approved by MVCC PLUM COMMITTEE XXY-XXN-XXA

MVCC Board Meeting, _____, 2024

Motion of support moved by MVCC _____, seconded by MVCC _____

Motion of support approved by the MVCC Board XXY-XXN-XXA

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