



# MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL



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Meeting Agenda

## Elections and Bylaws Committee with the Board of Directors

Tuesday, August 5, 2025 From 8:00pm to 8:30pm

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82105948995>

Remote Conferencing by Phone: 669-900-6833 | Meeting ID: (Webinar) 821 0594 8995

Public Welcome

### 1. CALL TO ORDER 8:06 PM

2. ROLL CALL AND EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS/CONFLICTS-OF-INTEREST - *roll call shall include each attending board member declaring any ex parte communications outside of their duties and conflicts of interest pertaining to items on or related to this agenda.*

Jakob Meuser no/no

Delaram Ahmadhyvesi no/no

Charlene Samiley no/no

### 3. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 4. CHAIR REPORTS

- a) CHAIR – Jakob Meuser
- b) VICE-CHAIR – Unoccupied

### 5. SPECIAL ORDERS – NONE

### 6. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - NEW - SEE [SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS](#) FOR DETAILS

6.1 **Approval of the Minutes:** May 6, 2025

Jakob / Delaram move to approve, no objection Jakob, Delaram, Charlene, Emily, Tommy

6.2 **[ADMINISTRATIVE] Goal Setting.** Discussion regarding potential bylaw amendments this calendar year.

Jakob: Bring forth election bylaw amendments again to hopefully increase turnout.

Tommy: In person voting is the best way to get people to vote. Lobby to allow for in person voting again. The council itself could pay for voting.

Delaram: Build a coalition to bring in person voting back with neighboring councils. That might be a stronger influence on the city. Increase stakeholder participation and awareness about our community council and this committee.

Tommy: WRAC could take up the in person voting issue too.

Charlene: Also suggesting WRAC as a path forward. We are not the only neighborhood council that struggled with engagement. Who are we really representing?

Tommy: You have to go all the way with one or the other. It has to be either all in person or all vbm. It is too confusing right now.

Delaram: This election should be aligned with other elections so we don't have to pay out of our budget to advertise about the election. Why can they not be on the regular ballot for a primary or general election.

Jakob: Potential redistricting. Talk with a city clerk representative about options for voting and registration, maybe as guest speaker. More specific requirements about using the project completion report form for NPGs. Review committee structure. Maybe elections and bylaws should be an ad hoc committee like in other councils.

Charlene: Do we want to increase quorum to majority instead of half?

## **7. STANDARD ORDER OF BUSINESS - OLD**

**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA** - *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. Thank you.*

## **9. ADJOURNMENT Jakob/Charlene 8:42 PM**

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(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

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