

1-13-04	DWP Substation	<p><i>Because of this, Maritza moved that the Mar Vista Community Council support the Urban Planning Committee's motion to review and re-open the Environmental Clearance process for DWP Substation 145 (located adjacent to MVCC boundaries) to allow further public discussion of the project design. A Friendly Amendment was added that the committee chair be allowed to change any language of this motion so that the proper wording can be submitted. The motion was seconded by Ken and passed.</i></p>
2-10-04	Mass transit	<p>Ken passed out a motion regarding mass transit asking that the board support the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1) A complete Exposition Light Rail Line connecting Downtown Los Angeles to the Westside to Downtown Santa Monica;</i></li> <li><i>2) Support Bus (including DASH) or Rail projects to improve mobility throughout the Westside. Of special significance is improvement of north-south transit options (with an emphasis on the Lincoln and 405 Freeway Corridors) due to the dearth of major north-south streets and limits to improvements which could be done to those streets in the Mar Vista area;</i></li> <li><i>3) Mass transit initiatives, be they bus (including DASH) or rail, that serve to beautify, enhance the livability and facilitate the transportation needs of Mar Vista's major commercial corridors (such as Venice, Sepulveda, Centinela, and National Blvds)</i></li> </ul> <p><i>The motion was called to a vote and passed. Bill moved that a fourth stipulation of the motion be that the line had to pass through the already existing Exposition line. This motion was tabled.</i></p>
2-10-04	Zoning variance	<p><i>Maritza moved that the board support the recommendation of the Urban Planning Committee for a zone change from M1-1 to R3-1 for the property located at 3966-3968 Grandview Boulevard. The motion was called to a vote and passed with opposition by Bryan Gordon and Bill Scheduling.</i></p>

2-10-04	Ballona Development	<p>Under the aegis of the Urban Planning Committee, Ken read a motion regarding the Ballona West Bluff Development as follows:</p> <p><i>Whereas, there is an urgent and fundamental need for the entire Westside region to unite to maintain public open spaces, access to and views of the last undeveloped coastal bluff in the Westchester/Playa del Rey area, and</i></p> <p><i>Whereas, there is a moral imperative to protect and preserve the sacred burial area and Native American village, Sa'angna, of the Gabrieliño/Tongva Indians who were the first known people to dwell in the Westside region, and</i></p> <p><i>Whereas, there is an urgent and fundamental need to provide a necessary upland habitat and buffer zone to support the restoration of the Ballona Wetlands ecosystem, and</i></p> <p><i>Whereas, there is a moral imperative to appropriately reimburse developers for land they legally own in any efforts to prevent development on that land,</i></p> <p><i>Therefore, the Mar Vista Community Council endorses the preservation, restoration, and public acquisition from Catellus and/or any current or future developers of the Ballona West Bluff (a State-registered sacred site for the Gabrieliño/Tongva Indians), with the ultimate goals of both preventing any current or future development on that site and maintaining public access and enjoyment of this region.</i> The motion was seconded by Andy Shrader. <b>The motion was called to a vote and passed</b></p>
4-20-04	Taco Bell	<p>Maritza made the following motion: <i>The UPC of the Mar Vista Community Council recommends that the MVCC board oppose the Taco Bell appeal and that the recommendation be transmitted to the West LA Area Planning Commission on April 21, 2004.</i> This was seconded by Bill. <i>The motion was called to a vote and passed.</i></p>
4-20-04	Boys and Girls Club of Venice	<p><i>Maritza moved that the board support the Boys and Girls Club variance subject to the three conditions of the UPC and the sixteen other conditions listed, and that the recommended by transmitted to the West LA Area Planning Commission on April 21, 2004. The motion passed with the amended conditions (the corrections have already been added to the attachment).</i></p>
4-20-04	Website	<p><i>Ken A. moved that the board restore the link to the MVCC website. This was seconded by Rob and passed.</i></p>

4-20-04	Signage	<p>Tony Navarro, the chair of the Commercial Corridors Subcommittee, passed out a Proposal for Gateway Signs and Waste Containers in Mar Vista. <i>Tony moved that the board set aside funding in the amount of \$12,385 to implement the first project. The motion passed.</i></p>
4-27-04	Playa Vista	<p><i>Bill moved that the board assert the fact that it believes the MVCC and other NCs will be severely impacted by Playa Vista. The motion was seconded by Ken A. and passed. Tom suggested that the board authorize the UPC to draft this rebuttal pursuant to the discussion and points raised today, and make the draft available for the board to approve at a special Board Meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup>. Rob made this into a motion and Bill seconded it. John Beilock asked that the draft be posted for public review by May 1<sup>st</sup>. The motion passed.</i></p>
5-04-04	Playa Vista	<p><b>Pertaining to the Playa Vista FEIR:</b></p> <p>Maritza presented the draft rebuttal. She noted that 200+ comment letters had been sent in regarding the draft EIR, and Playa Vista made only one change in response to the Department of Recreation and Park’s comment. Tom noted that some communities were requesting an extension on the deadline to turn in rebuttals to the response.</p> <p><i>Bill moved that the MVCC accept the draft document as presented, allowing for any technical changes (non-material changes) as needed. This was seconded by Rob.</i></p> <p><i>Tom added a friendly amendment that the rebuttal make it clear that we are requesting a 45' height level limit. The motion passed with the Friendly Amendment.</i></p>

5-04-04	Playa Vista EIR	<p><i>Ken A. moved that the MVCC strongly oppose the current deadline for a response to the EIR, and that it request a minimum of two weeks' extension. This was seconded by Rob and passed.</i></p> <p><i>Ken A. also made the following motion, initially suggested by Tom:</i></p> <p><i>The MVCC Board of Directors authorizes and encourages each of the 13 MVCC Directors to speak at the May 6<sup>th</sup> LA City Planning Department Hearing, pertaining to approval of the FEIR and other related approvals for the Playa Vista Phase II Development Project. Directors may state that they are speaking on behalf of our neighborhood council, and on behalf of our community, provided their comments refer to the official position of the MVCC as stated in the MVCC comments as forwarded to the LA City Planning Department. Directors wishing to define opposing or minority positions to those stated in the MVCC official comments may do so, but shall clearly point out that they are speaking on their own behalf, and not reporting the position of the MVCC.</i></p> <p><i>The motion was seconded by Bill and passed.</i></p>
5-11-04	Education	<p><i>Amy moved that the board accept Clover Avenue as its first choice and Mar Vista Elementary as its back-up choice for a school project. This was seconded by Bill Scheduling and passed.</i></p>
5-11-04	Playa Vista EIR	<p>Maritza passed out the MVCC comments on Playa Vista's FEIR and thanked all of the people who had helped with the preparation of it. Tom noted that the document was substantially the same as the board saw the previous week. <i>Bill moved that the MVCC approve the document as revised. Ken Alpern seconded this. A Friendly Amendment was added to the motion to allow the UPC to continue editing the document to make the language clearer and more precise. The motion passed.</i></p>
5-11-04	LAX	<p><i>Motion to oppose LAX Reconfiguration Plan Alternative D, and support an improved plan: See minutes for detailed motion. The motion was called to a vote and passed with one abstention. Ken A. also moved that all federal and local entities, including the FAA, state, county, and city, be notified of this motion. This was seconded by Maritza and passed.</i></p>
6-08-04	Light Rail	<p>Regarding light rail, Ken Alpern made the following motion:</p> <p><i>The MVCC Transportation/Infrastructure Committee approves a complete Exposition Light Rail Line connecting Downtown Los Angeles to the Westside and Downtown Santa Monica using the existing MTA right of way along Exposition Blvd. and the MVCC urges the MTA to immediately fund a new draft EIR for the completion of Phase II.</i> The motion was seconded by George Chung and passed.</p>

6-08-04	SMC Bundy Campus	See minutes for full motion
6-08-04	Taco Bell	<i>The MVCC supports the Taco Bell proposal as previously presented to the board and members of the UPC. The motion was approved with five votes in favor, four against, and two abstentions</i>
6-08-04	Gregory Ain Tract	<i>Candidate for Gregory Ain Tract Board: Amy moved that the board accept Hans Adamson as its designated nominee to the position. This was seconded by Ken A. and passed.</i>
6-08-04	Cable	See minutes for full motion
6-29-04	Playa Vista	<i>Ken A. moved that the MVCC oppose the Playa Vista project as it is currently planned on the basis of the aforementioned issues/insufficiencies and that it direct all appropriate agencies not limited to Councilwoman Cindy Miscikowski, the city council, and the West Los Angeles Planning Office to address these issues. The motion passed with no opposing votes. Ken moved that the board include the letter from Bryan Gordon and the letter from Bill Pope in its transmittal to the appropriate city agencies. This was seconded by Ken M. Bill proposed a Friendly Amendment that the board accept these two requests as presented by Bill Pope. The motion passed without any opposing votes.</i>
6-29-04		<p><i>With the intentions of setting the record straight and clarifying misunderstandings that may have arisen from actions taken in the past on the matter of Taco Bell's plan to replace its outlet at the intersection of Venice Blvd. and Inglewood Blvd. the following is moved:</i></p> <p><i>Mar Vista Community Council Board of Directors, conscious of its role to represent the stakeholders of the council area and to also support appropriate development in the community, resolves now to declare that it rescinds its previous position on the Taco Bell development plan; and that it will not adopt a position until it has a thorough and clear understanding of all issues related to the plan; and further, not until it has substantiated that Taco Bell and those in the community most affected by the plan have met in an attempt to work out a plan acceptable to both; and finally, that the board retains its prerogative to withhold passing on the matter altogether if that best serves the public interest it represents. The motion passed with opposition by Rob, George, and Ken A.</i></p>

7-18-04	Playa Vista	<p><b>Bill Scheduling moved that the board accept Maritza's first three motions as revised as follows:</b></p> <p><b>(1) The MVCC requests consideration of additional Traffic Mitigation Measures directly benefitting the Mar Vista Community and directs the Transportation Committee to summarize and prepare additional Traffic Mitigation Measures to be adopted during the Board's next meeting on August 10, 2004 to support the MVCC request to the City Council.</b></p> <p><b>(2) The MVCC requests that additional height and side yard setbacks be imposed on the project to protect views of the Westchester Bluffs and the LMU sign and directs the Urban Planning Committee to prepare View Mitigation Measures to be adopted during the Board's next meeting on August 10, 2004 to support the MVCC request to City Council.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed with no opposition.</b></p> <p><b>Ken Alpern moved that the board accept Maritza's fourth motion as edited below and that it also review the issue at the August 10 meeting:</b></p> <p><b>(3) The MVCC directs the Transportation/Infrastructure Committee and Urban Planning Committee to prepare an impact statement and directs the board to solicit signatures as evidence of broader community consensus to support the MVCC request to City Council.</b></p> <p><b>The motion was seconded by Bill and passed with no opposition.</b></p> <p><b>Bill then moved that the board accept Maritza's fifth motion as revised below to indicate that the Executive Committee would deal with the issue instead of an ad hoc committee:</b></p> <p><b>(4) The Executive Committee will address the MVCC's concerns directly with Councilwoman Cindy Miscikowski, Chief of Staff, Chief Planning Deputy and Field Representative of CD-11 and with any other individuals or governmental agencies and that the Executive Committee report be prepared to be considered as part of future Board Actions.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed with no opposition.</b></p> <p><b>Bill moved that the board file an appeal as a Neighborhood Council.</b></p> <p><b>The motion passed with no opposition.</b></p>
8-10-04	Playa Vista	<p>Maritza announced that the UPC had prepared a mitigation statement, as directed by the city, and she passed this out to the board and the public. The handout showed a picture of Mar Vista's view of the Westchester Bluffs with areas blacked out where the development would obstruct our view. Maritza also pointed out the various height restrictions that are currently being placed on the buildings at Playa Vista. <b>Maritza moved that the MVCC accept this package as part of its view mitigation statement for submittal. This motion passed with no objections.</b></p>

8-10-04	Good Hurt	Maritza noted that even without the conditional use permit, Good Hurt would still be able to have its music and a restaurant. <i>She moved that the MVCC not take a position on the issue while respecting the concerns of the adjoining neighbors, Councilwoman Cindy Miscikowski's office, the LAPD, and supporters of the club. Ken Alpern suggested a Friendly Amendment: that the MVCC encourage both sides to continue a dialogue on the controversial issues. The motion passed with six votes in favor and one vote against.</i>
8-10-04	Playa Vista	Tom passed out the Petition to oppose the Playa Vista Phase Two Development. <i>Bill moved that the board approve the Petition. This passed with no objections.</i> Tom passed out the MVCC Community Impact Statement regarding Playa Vista Phase II. He noted that the board cannot submit this yet, but should approve it now to be ready. <i>Bill moved that the board approve the document. This passed with no objections.</i>
8-10-04	Playa Vista/ Tongva Indians	Ken M. moved that the board adopt the following resolution: <i>Whereas the immoral and illegal destruction of thus far over 400 Native American Gabrielino/Tongva Indian burial sites by the Playa Vista developers must be stopped, and the ancient sacred burial grounds be preserved as an invaluable pre-historic and historic site of human habitation located in our local area of the North American continent: The Mar Vista Community Council endorses the preservation and restoration of this State-registered sacred site for the Gabrielino/Tongva Indians, for the following reasons:</i> <i>1. To restore, protect and preserve this sacred burial area and Native American village, Sa'angna, estimated to be 8000 years old and inhabited by Gabrielino/Tongva descendants into the 1900s; and</i> <i>2. To maintain the site and provide access to the surrounding open space with views of the coastal wetland and bluff, as a cultural link to the human habitation of the area, preceding and well into recorded history.</i> This motion passed with no objections.
8-10-04	Tax Reform	<i>The Mar Vista Community Council wholeheartedly endorses the Greuel/Garcetti Tax Reform Package and recommends the Los Angeles City Council approve this measure.</i> <i>The motion passed with two objections.</i> See minutes for full motion
9-14-04	Playa Vista	<i>Bill Scheduling moved that board re-affirm its support for sponsoring the Town Hall about Playa Vista. This was seconded by Maritza and passed without any opposition.</i>

9-14-04	Traffic	Ken Alpern made a motion that was later revised to read as follows: <i>(1) The MVCC Board hereby empowers the Traffic Management Sub-Committee of the MVCC Transportation/Infrastructure Committee to enumerate and present traffic issues in its monthly meetings with Los Angeles City Council District 11 deputies and other entities of the City of Los Angeles without direct MVCC Board approval, and that (2) the MVCC Board reserves its right to present and vote on motions that represent the will of that Board. The vote passed with opposition by Ken Marsh. Rob Kadota, George Chung and Maritza Przekop abstained.</i>
9-14-04	Mayoral budget survey	<i>Bill moved that the board pass out surveys, collect them, tabulate, and send them with our representative to the Mayor's Budget Survey meeting, without holding a special meeting of the board to approve the results. This was seconded by Maritza. The following voted in favor of the motion: Ken Alpern, Maritza Przekop, and Bill Scheduling. The following voted against it, George Chung, Ken Marsh, Vanessa Solomon, Amy Lawrence, Rob Kadota, and Robert Mednick. Bahaa abstained. The motion failed. Robert Mednick moved that the board send a letter expressing Ken Marsh's sentiments that the process was flawed and a waste of time. The motion passed with two oppositions.</i>
10-05-04	LAX	<i>Motion to approve LAX Community Impact Statement: Ken A. passed out a draft "MVCC Community Impact Statement on LAX Reconfiguration Plan Alternative D." The statement was revised and modified by the board and now reads as follows: See minutes for full motion.</i>
11-09-04	DWP Substation	<i>Bill moved that the board approve the design of the exterior of the DWP Substation and the letter to Jack Weiss. This was seconded by Maritza. The motion was called to a vote and passed.</i>
11-09-04	Website	<i>Whereas the Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) maintains a website and a sub-committee of the Outreach Committee designated to address related issues; The MVCC board resolves: 1) To empower the Website Sub-Committee to make and act on decisions addressing design, construction, reconstruction, operation, maintenance, hosting, etc., of the website; and 2) To empower the Website Sub-Committee to manage operations of the website and to establish a budget and spend funds for that purpose. The motion was called to a vote and passed with 7 in favor and 3 abstaining.</i>

12-14-04	Landscape Contest	<i>Maritza moved that the board approve the MVCC Sponsored Landscape Design Competition Invitation for Venice Boulevard Median. This was passed by the board.</i>
1-11-05	SMC Bundy Campus	See full minutes
1-11-05	Budget	The board approves the next fiscal quarter's budget.
1-11-05	Expo	<i>The MVCC approves a complete Exposition Light Rail Line connecting Downtown Los Angeles to the Westside and Downtown Santa Monica using the existing MTA right of way along Exposition Blvd., and the MVCC urges the MTA to immediately fund a new draft EIR for the completion of Phase II.. See minutes for full motion.</i>
2-08-05	National Courtyard Apartments	<i>Maritza moved that the board not approve the National Courtyard Apartments project and request that a new environmental notice be issued for the project due to the error made in the description and also respectfully request for the advisory agency and the environmental division to reconsider impacts of the project as a result of loss of affordable housing and potentially significant resources. The motion was called to a vote and passed with six votes, one opposition, and two abstentions.</i>
4-12-05	LADWP Memo of Understanding	<i>George moved that the MVCC adopt the LA DWP's MOU. The motion was passed. George moved that the board appoint a representative to the LADWP Neighborhood Council Oversight Committee. The motion passed. Tom appointed George Chung to be our delegate to the Oversight Committee, and this was approved by the board.</i>

4-12-05	Westside Village—maintaining current boundaries	<p><i>Whereas, the MVCC is composed of an allied and cooperative collection of neighborhoods and the associations and individuals within them, and</i></p> <p><i>Whereas, the MVCC supports all appropriate and respectful dialogue on issues relating to boundary changes and other issues affecting adjacent neighborhood councils, and</i></p> <p><i>Whereas, the City of Los Angeles established and has maintained the current MVCC boundaries,</i></p> <p><i>Be it resolved that the MVCC Board:</i></p> <p><i>1) Does not support any boundary change at this time and urges all of its Zones to work with each other and with its neighbors in adjacent neighborhood councils on all pertinent regional and local issues.</i></p> <p><i>2) Supports and encourages the development of newly-established, adjacent neighborhood councils, and looks forward to cooperative and friendly relations with all of its neighbors.</i></p> <p><i>3) Will not consider a border change until the matter has been appropriately and thoroughly discussed and a true consensus is reached by the stakeholders of any affected individual Zone. The motion passed with one abstention.</i></p>
4-12-05	Council file #05-057	<p><i>Ken Marsh moved that the MVCC support the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council's request for the LA City Council to establish a method for neighborhood councils to proactively give advice, or recommendations to the LA City Council, and to further direct to the MVCC Chairperson to submit a Community Impact Statement to the LA City Council communicating this recommendation pertaining to Council File # 05-057. The board approved the motion.</i></p>
4-12-05	Budget	<p>The board approves its budget for the next quarter.</p>
5-05-05	Zone 5 Director	<p><i>Bill moved that Amy Lawrence be appointed the Zone 5 Director. The motion passed.</i></p>

6-14-05	New secondary fence at the Mar Vista Park	<i>Bill proposed a motion directing the MVCC Chair to send a letter to the LA City Council Office, Mayor's Office, and LA City Department of Recreation and Parks, requesting immediate removal of the new secondary fence which now subdivides the open space area on the west end of the park. The MVCC further proposes that any further fencing changes at the park be discussed with and approved by the park advisory board in advance. The motion was passed with two oppositions. Rob moved that Tom ask City Controller Laura Chick's office to investigate that appropriate use of funds occurred in this purchase and provide a response to the issue within 30 days of having received our letter. This motion passed with four oppositions.</i>
7-12-05	Montessori School	<i>Rob moved that the board send a letter indicating the MVCC's reservations and concerns regarding the project and requesting that the planning department withhold its approval of the project until the MVCC Transportation Committee can review the issue. The motion passed.</i>
08-09-05	US Postal Service at Jefferson	<i>Ken A. presented a motion for the MVCC to endorse the efforts of the Del Rey Park Task Force to have the US Postal Service Processing and Distribution Center Property at Jefferson Boulevard and Alla Road, in the Del Rey community, converted to active, open space with a community center. The Westside communities are especially lacking in playing fields and other recreational opportunities for area youth and families. A major venue of the size of the USPS site would also benefit adjoining cities and communities in all directions, by alleviating some of the demand on their park facilities. The board approved the motion. The motion will now be forwarded to Chris Nevil so that he can distribute it as necessary.</i>
08-09-05	Budget	The board approved the next quarter's budget.
9-13-05	Grandview Parkway Revitalization Project	<i>Rob moved that the MVCC approve \$10,000 in MVCC Matching Funds for the Grand View Parkway Revitalization Project, incumbent on the success of the Project applicants in achieving matching funds of the same amount (Los Angeles Community Beautification Matching Funds) from the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Public Works. Bahaa suggested as a Friendly Amendment that the board approve \$5000 for the project and consider another \$5000 at a later point, subject to the success of the project in achieving matching funds. The motion passed with the friendly amendment.</i>

9-13-05	USC Collaborative Learning Project.	<i>Ken Marsh moved that the MVCC participate in the USC Collaborative Learning Project program to create an MOU between neighborhood councils and the LADOT. The motion passed.</i>
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