

Mar Vista Community Council  
**Executive and Budget Committee**  
MVCC Booth at the Mar Vista Farmers Market,  
Grand View at Venice Boulevard, Los Angeles CA 90066  
Sunday, May 30, 2010 10:30 am

**Minutes**

1. Meeting Called to order at 10:35 am by Chair Albert Olson. Present were Sharon Commins, Bob Fitzpatrick, Alex Thompson, Marty Rubin, Chris McKinnon, Rob Kadota, and Tara Mulski.

2. The minutes from the April 5 meeting were unanimously approved.

**3. Treasurers Report**

a. Alex Thompson presented a budget proposal for the new fiscal year 2010-2011. A discussion of line items took place. It was pointed out that the budget included "approved rollover allocations", but these were 'zeroed out' as each item was listed separately with the exact amount designated for each funding purpose. The budget was approved as presented.

b. Bill Scheduling had requested that an invoice he had submitted be brought to the Board for consideration, so it was first discussed at this committee meeting. The invoice was for website hosting and Scantron counting. It was discussed that a. DONE has reiterated that it was not proper to pay Board members for activities associated with the Council, b. the new website was launched in February; thus at most one month of old website payments should be made, and c. no request for payment had been made to the MVCC, or approved by the MVCC, for any services associated with the Scantron balloting. The committee voted unanimously to reject the invoice,

**4. Committee Administrative Items**

**5. Quarterly Newsletter**

**6. Website business**

a. There was no update given on website issues

b. Lori Gilders of OWLS had submitted a request that the MVCC place their Mar Vista WISE Connections Survey on our website. It was agreed that the survey be placed on a OWLS page to be placed in the Community Organizations section of the site.

**7. Old Business**

a. A discussion took place to create a new stakeholder survey to be incorporated into the MVCC website. Sharon Commins and Tara Mulski agreed to create a new survey, using the recent stakeholder survey from the election, as the starting point, and bring it to a future Exec. And Finance committee meeting for discussion.

b. Final planning for Candidate Forum on June 1: A discussion of how to choose questions took place, and the committee recommended that the final list of questions be submitted to candidates 24 hours in advance, with each candidate allowed to choose two questions to answer during the forum.

c. Discussion of DONE reorganization proposals, and MVCC position on reorganization: It was agreed to revise the previously passed Board motion, from February 2010, as follows:

The Mar Vista Community Council recognizes the L.A. City budget crisis and the need to find efficient ways of reducing the City's expenditures. The MVCC also recognizes the responsibility of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to be a part of these reductions.

The MVCC recommends that funding oversight remain a City function, but be simplified and streamlined to include the following:

[items 2 a,b,c,d relisted as 1, 2, 3, 4]

In the event that DONE is consolidated under CDD, MVCC recommends the following guidelines in pursuit of consolidation:

[items 1, 3, 4 as items 1,2,3]

**8. New Business** (possible motions)

a. Discussion of future of Neighborhood Traffic Management committee. Bill Pope addressed the issues, progress (and lack thereof) and concerns of the NTM committee. He stated that the members of the committee had no interest in continuing with the committee, and he did not want to continue chairing it at the moment. It was agreed that there would not be an appointment for an NTM Chair, and that the committee would be reactivated when stakeholders felt there was a need for it.

**9. Outreach Committee Items** (Rob Kadota, Stephen Boskin, with possible motions)

a. The committee unanimously voted to renew the previous year's motion of allocation of up to \$6,000 for funding of ads in neighborhood association newsletters, but changing the amount to be funded from \$6,000 to \$2,000.

b. The committee unanimously voted to re-affirm support for the previous year's motion for block party allocations.

c. Keeshen Block Party Funding/Sarah Auerswald - \$300. The committee unanimously approved allocating \$300 for the Keeshan Block Party, to be paid from funds in the upcoming fiscal year.

**11.** The meeting adjourned at 12:15