

Mar Vista Community Council
Executive and Budget Committee
3547 Federal Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90066
7:00 pm, October 5, 2009

Draft Minutes

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:10 by Chair Albert Olson

2. Treasurer's Report

It was noted that: According to DONE, "Within the next two weeks, each Neighborhood Council will be receiving notification of the funds available to be rolled over to the current fiscal year. In order to access the roll over funds, we will be requiring each Neighborhood Council Board to approve a new budget based on their roll over amounts and the \$45,000 current year allocation. Neighborhood Councils will be able to use the roll over funds once the revised budget has been received by the Department. "

3. Committee Administrative Items

a. Discussion of Agenda for October 5th Board of Directors Meeting, and Controller Greuel attendance. Olson stated that Controller Greuel's office had asked for input on topics of interest to our community. The following were discussed:

1. performance audit of LADBS
2. QUIMBY fees, collection and appropriate disbursement
3. LADOT and their process for creating traffic counts that are used in their traffic studies to approve Development projects. Also, how accurate are the methods used by LADOT to create Levels Of Service (LOS) gradings for City intersections.

4. Quarterly Newsletter

It was discussed that the next newsletter would come out some time in January, and hopefully would emphasize any upcoming stakeholder meeting (possibly Safety and Security).

5. Stakeholder Meetings

- a. Safety & Security
- b. Mar Vista history
- c. Education

6. Old Business (possible motions)

a. Pacific Graffiti Solutions quarterly report: a report is still needed, per the requirements of the funding motion passed by the Board.

- b. Mar Vista Community Fall Festival review

It was noted that the Festival was a great success. Particular praise went to Laura Island for her leadership in making it all happen, and a motion was passed recommending that the Board officially commend Ms. Island at the upcoming Board meeting. Laura Bodensteiner is creating a certificate. Additional mention was made of the valuable work of Sandy Ray, both setting up before the festival and her work on the day of the festival.

- c. Ethics training requirements for board members

12 Board members have completed the training: Rob Kadota, Sharon Commins, Marilyn Marble, Christopher McKinnon, Albert Olson, Laura Bodensteiner, Kate Anderson, Bob Fitzpatrick, Bill Koontz, Ken Alpern, Bob Fitzpatrick, Stephen Boskin

Link to the online training:

<http://ethics.lacity.org/education/ethics2007/?audience=done>

It was noted that only one Board member has not completed the training. A discussion took place on how to convince that Board member to take the training. No solutions were forthcoming.

d. The MVCC has been offered free office space at the Municipal Building on Corinth, and a funding motion was passed to allocate up to \$300 for the purchase of office furniture, specifically a filing cabinet, storage cabinet, and desk. It was noted that every attempt should be made to find used furniture at nominal cost or free.

e. Discussion and possible funding motion for storage space rental. No proposals were brought forward for permanent storage space, but Laura Bodensteiner offered the temporary use of her garage for the items currently being stored in Rob Kadota's van.

f. Website development update and discussion of how to move forward to completion, with possible motion to recommend Board approval of website design and establishing the required 30 period of beta testing prior to final Board approval. A motion was unanimously approved to present the completed new website to the Board at the October meeting, at which time the 30-day testing period would begin, with the goal of obtaining Board approval for the site at the following meeting. This motion is contingent on UI completing all agreed-upon fixes and resolving all agreed-upon issues prior to the meeting on October 13th.

g. Community Improvement Grants: there have been three submissions to date.

7. New Business (possible motions)

a. Discussion of letter to General Manager of Dept. of Rec. and Parks Jon Kirk Mukri requesting update and possible resolution of MVCC transfer of \$900 to the Dept. of Rec. and Parks to pay for fencing materials for the Mar Vista Rec Center roller hockey rink. (Tom Ponton) it was agreed to recommend that the Board send a letter to Mr. Mukri regarding this issue.

b. Policy Motion: The Mar Vista Community Council hereby adopts the creation of a CERT and Community Center at the site of Historic Fire Station 62, 3631 Centinela, as an official MVCC community benefit project. (Sharon Commins). This motion was unanimously approved.

8. Public Comment

Sharon Commins commented on a new notification procedure being setting up by the MVCC PLUM Committee.

9. Meeting adjourned at 9 pm.