

Planning/Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee
Tuesday, May 19th, 2009, 6:00 to 7:55 PM
Mar Vista Library (Southwest corner of Venice and Inglewood Blvds.)
12006 Venice Blvd., Mar Vista, CA 90066
Co-Chairs: Ken Alpern and Steve Wallace

(Every MVCC Stakeholder present is allowed to vote on every motion introduced at this meeting)

Minutes (**Chair: Ken Alpern**)

I. Call to Order

II. Introductions and Public Announcements/Comments

Len Nguyen reported that the Tract Map change at 3160 Barrington was accepted by Planning, but that ongoing discussions and appeals are going on with the City, Westdale Homeowners Association, and the Assils

III. Approval of Minutes for meeting on 4/21/09

IV. Report on MVCC Board Actions on Urban Planning/Land Use Committee-Related Efforts

The MVCC Board passed the following Administrative Motion at its monthly meeting last week:

The MVCC Board insists that the Livable Blvds. Planning team, enlisted by Bill Rosendahl and his Planning Staff, report to the MVCC on its progress to date

In discussing this, Len Nguyen and Ken Alpern emphasized that this was a very early process and that public input was desired to guide this procedure forward. Sharon Commins bemoaned the lack of funding available to have the Mar Vista-Palms-Del Rey Community Plan moving forward any time soon. Michelle Sorkin was involved with both this project and the West L.A. Community Plan, and would be speaking on this at the next CD11 Transportation Advisory Committee.

V. Committee/Task Force Reports

Commercial Corridors Update

Deborah Groening is opening up a "Well-Baby" Center at 10216 Venice Blvd., and she wants to play a greater role in Venice Blvd. beautification. She was advised to link up with Steve Wallace and Chris McKinnon.

Update on Concept Plan, Old Fire Station 62 and ROSE Committees, Planning Pilot Program and Correspondence from CD 11 EC Planning Committee

Sharon Commins and Rachel Swanger reported that a cleanup of the Old Fire Station 62 site was planned for the Mayor's Day of Service. Sharon also reported that she wanted more Q-conditions to create local height conditions, but that these Q-conditions would be based on input from the stakeholders. Sharon also reported on City actions and an ordinance against fraudulent mortgage modification consultants, which was something that should always be done for free.

Sober Living Housing Regulation Update and Signage-Related Update/Issues in Residential Areas
--Nothing to report

VI. Old Business

This policy motion was slightly reworded to what exists below, and was to be reworded further by next meeting to achieve the goal of an enforcing "go-to" or "lead" Planning official from the beginning to end of a project, and with less haphazard changes

Policy Motion: The MVCC recommends the Department of City Planning assign an individual planner to be responsible for each submitted case from start to finish, so that the Planning Department provides continuous review and monitoring to prevent material changes to a project by other departments during the project plan review, construction and completion.

VII. New Business

Mission Statement for PLUM Committee (for publishing on MVCC Website)

The wording of this was started, and Ken will send out an e-mail to certain PLUM Committee members to achieve a consensus that includes mention of promoting community input and involvement in land use, planning, beautification and healthy development that improves our quality of life, while continuing to include housing for a mix of all economic groups.

VIII. Adjournment

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