

Notice: The meeting place is changed for this month.

Mar Vista Community Council
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee
Co-Chairs: Ken Alpern and Chuck Ray
Tuesday, August 25, 7-9:30 PM
St. John's Presbyterian Church
11000 National Blvd.
Westminster Room

Agenda

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Introductions and Public Comments on topics not on the agenda
- 3) Approval of minutes
- 4) Report on Recent MVCC Board Actions relating to T & I motions
 - Motion concerning Bicycle Master Plan.
- 5) T & I Related Committee Reports
 - LA DOT Bi-Monthly Meeting - Linda Guagliano
 - Neighborhood Traffic Management Committee - Bill Pope
- 6) Old Business
 - A. 3115 Sepulveda Red Mountain Project

--Motion Passed last week by MVCC PLUM Committee:

Proposed MVCC Motion for Proposed Zoning Change and Mitigated Negative Declaration at 3115 Sepulveda Blvd. site (ENV-2008-1461-MND, Case # VTT-70440-CN, CPC-2008-1800(ZC)(HD)(ZAA)(SPR))

Whereas, the MVCC concludes that the proposed mixed-use project at this site (163 residential units with a commercial ground floor component, five stories in height) is an example of "spot-zoning" that is entirely out of character with respect to the adjacent neighborhood and region, is too tall, too dense, lacking in transit-oriented development and affordable housing, and lacking in features that would prevent overreliance on automobile access and egress to a site that is too close to a busy intersection (National/Sepulveda) and would require difficult if not dangerous left-turns to/from Sepulveda Blvd., and which would dramatically increase arterial and residential/cut-through traffic in Mar Vista and Westside Village for freeway access/egress,

The MVCC Board therefore:

- 1) Recognizes the need to establish a quality project at the old Circuit City/Shoe Pavilion site (3115 Sepulveda Blvd.) that would benefit the neighborhood and region, and*
- 2) Opposes the requested variance for a zoning change (RAS 4-1) there for this project, and*
- 3) Opposes any Mitigated Negative Declaration in favor of a full Environmental Impact Report for this or any other project at this site*
- 4) Urges all grassroots, neighborhood and governmental entities in the region (in particular, the MVCC, the Westside Neighborhood Council, the Palms Neighborhood Council, any local neighborhood and/or homeowners associations, as well as representatives from both CD5 and CD11) to create a committee representing these entities to work with Red Mountain and/or any future developers to establish a consensus/plan as to which type and/or size of a project is best suited for that site.*

--Discussion of zoning change to RAS3-VL1 to accommodate traffic, density and other infrastructure issues

--Discussion of placing traffic signal at south end of property (Sepulveda/Clover)

- 7) New Business
 - A. **Los Angeles Solar Energy Implementation Plan**

At a meeting of the DWP Committee on Saturday, August 15th, all Neighborhood Councils were asked to consider motions to support the Committee's positions on the Los Angeles Solar Energy Implementation Plan currently being drafted by the Department of Water and Power. Possible motions for MVCC are below.

Policy Motion A:

Whereas,

- a. *to meet the state directive for 20% green energy, the Mayor proclaimed his 40% goal without consultation and approval by the Community,*
- b. *the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LA DWP) has delayed writing a Solar Energy Implementation Plan since February 2008,*

- c. *the LA DWP must reduce its reliance on carbon based power production, and*
- d. *to encourage all interested parties to engage in the manufacture and installation of renewable energy systems as soon as possible,*

The Mar Vista Community Council requests that the LA DWP define the Solar Energy Implementation Plan with full transparency and with the participation of Neighborhood Councils and interested Stakeholders.

Policy Motion B:

The Mar Vista Community Council calls on the LA DWP to:

- a. *Include in the Solar Energy Implementation Plan a significant private buildings component with appropriate incentives for private construction. The private buildings' plan shall begin at the same time as the plan for public buildings. At least 50% of the work on public and private buildings shall be put out for open competitive bidding with a minimum of 30% of workforce used coming from the local community.*
- b. *Maintain a solar training program for their own employees and the union workers from IBE W #18 which does not burden the capabilities of the Los Angeles Unified School District to the point where local students cannot be accommodated in Vocational Training Photo Voltaic classes.*
- c. *Provide full disclosure by the LA DWP Board of Commissioners on money and "in-kind" contributions from the unions, businesses and other entities which deal with the Department made to the DWP Administration and to elected officials since 2004 and to disclose their relationship to LA DWP.*

B. Shifting of City responsibility for sidewalk repair to Homeowners

C. Half Marathon Event January 10, 2010

Tom Manning of ACE Ride Productions has notified the MVCC that a Half Marathon Event (13+ miles) is planned for Sunday, January 10, 2010. The runners will leave from Barnard way after 7 AM, go to Culver City and return. Most of the race will be in the East bound lanes of Venice Blvd. This will impact the Mar Vista Farmers' Market.

7) Adjourn