



MID CITY WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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**Board of Directors
Agenda**

October 12, 2010 (7:00 p.m.)
MCW Headquarters-Main Auditorium
543 N. Fairfax Avenue

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OPENING ITEMS

1. Call to Order; Roll Call
2. Opening Remarks from the Chair (2 min)
3. Approval of July, August and September 2010 Minutes (5 min)
4. Public Comment Period (10 min)
Comments from the Public on matters within Board jurisdiction.
Under Mid City West Bylaws, comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker.
5. Report from LAPD Wilshire Division (5min)
6. Announcements from City Representatives (10 min)
 - a. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment; Mayor; Council Offices; Assemblymembers; other elected officials
7. Zone 3 Representative Election (10 min)
 - a. Any stakeholder who resides in Zone 3 (see www.midcitywest.org for map) may run for vacant seat on Board of Directors. Board of Directors votes to elect new member.

ITEMS OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

8. **Update re Fairfax High Development Initiative** (5 min)
9. **Announcement re October 27 Fall Prevention Workshop:** (5 min)
 - a. Fall Prevention Coalition-LA (sponsored by Kaiser Foundation) and USC's Fall Prevention Center will be holding a Walkability Workshop, in part because zip code 90036 has the 5th highest fall-related hospitalization rate in Los Angeles County.
10. **Public Policy Committee:**
 - a. Motion re Westside Subway Extension: Motion to support: (30 min)
 - i. Alternative 4 (Wilshire Subway to west of 405 Freeway (VA Hospital or Barrington) with West Hollywood Extension
 - ii. Support Wilshire/Fairfax Station on east side of Fairfax
 - iii. Not support Wilshire/Crenshaw Station
 - iv. Support Century City Station on Constellation rather than Santa Monica Blvd.
 - v. If Alternative 1 or 2 (no West Hollywood Extension) selected, construct connecting structure at Wilshire/La Cienega station
 - vi. Require good pedestrian and bicycle access to all new stations; and high-quality waiting areas for bus transit connections.
 - b. Motion to support Shop LA initiative to encourage Los Angelenos to shop in Los Angeles and keep their sales tax revenue for Los Angeles city services (5 min)
 - c. Motion to support municipal pension reform in Los Angeles and support proposal by League of Women Voters of Los Angeles (5 min)
11. **Public Safety Committee:** (10 min)
 - a. Announcement re CERT Course in Mid City West Area
 - b. Announcement re Neighborhood Watch Groups
 - c. Announcement re Marijuana Stores
12. **Arts & Recreation Committee:**
 - a. Announcement of the Oct. 16 Miracle Mile Art Walk.
13. **Budget Committee:** (10 min)
 - a. Monthly Financial Report, including Review and Approval of Purchasing Card transactions and bank statements.
 - b. Appoint two representatives for Mayor's Budget Day: October 16, 2010
14. **Bylaws Committee:** (5min)
 - a. Report
15. **Land Use:** (20min)
 - a. Motion re Urban Design Guidelines: Ratify letter sent to Planning Department regarding design guidelines that would apply to all "discretionary" projects. Guidelines are intended to ensure that buildings relate to their surroundings and are more pedestrian-oriented.
 - b. Motion re Community Design Overlay Streamlining Ordinance: Support ordinance that would allow projects that comply with applicable CDO standards and guidelines to obtain "over the counter" approval.

- c. Motion Neighborhood Notification Policy for Land Use Applicants: Adopt policy regarding notice that applicants must provide regarding Mid City West meetings.
- d. Motion re Core Findings: Motion to ask for more time for review/comment and that all code simplification ordinances be released and considered at the same time.
- e. Announcement re 3rd Street Walk and Neighborhood Plan

16. **Transportation, Parking & Streetscape:**

- a. Motion re Bicycle Plan Update, to urge more rapid implementation of Bike Plan and 5 specific proposals re bikeway designations in Mid City West area.

17. **Chair’s Motion re Community Care Facility Ordinance:**

- a. The City has proposed an ordinance to address concerns about proliferation of “sober living” and other group homes. The City Planning Commission will take up this ordinance on October 14, 2010.
- b. The Chairs of the Public Safety and Planning and Land Use Committees have requested that Mid City West take a position on this issue, which must be heard by the City Council.
- c. Mid City West could take a position to be presented to the Planning Commission on October 14, or do nothing at this meeting and hold committee hearings to recommend a board position before any ordinance is adopted by the City Council.

18. **Executive Council:**

(5min)

- a. Announcement of possible removal of John Ahn, Minorities Rep., due to absences.

CLOSING ITEMS

19. Public Comment Period

Comments from the public on matters within Board jurisdiction.

Per MCWCC Bylaws, comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker.

20. Board Member Comments/Announcements

21. Adjourn

Next MCWCC Regular Board Meeting: August 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Reminder: MCWCC Board Meetings are held at the MCWCC Offices, NCJW Auditorium, 1st Floor, 543 N. Fairfax Avenue

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