



Board of Directors Agenda

March 8, 2011 (6:30 p.m.)

Pan Pacific Park – Multi Purpose Room
7600 Beverly Blvd.

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OPENING ITEMS

1. Call to Order; Roll Call (2 min)
2. Opening Remarks from Chair (5 min)
3. Public Comment Period (10min)
Comments from the Public on matters within Board jurisdiction.
Under Mid City West Bylaws, comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker.
4. Announcements from City Representatives (10 min)
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment; Mayor; Council Offices;
Assemblymembers; other elected officials.

ADMINISTRATIVE & ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

5. Approval of February 8, 2011 Minutes (2 min)
6. Executive Council: (2 min)
 - a. Motion to Accept the Resignation of Flavia Mosci (Government Rep)
 - b. Announcement re: Appointment of new committee chairs:
Billy Baughman as Chair of Public Policy
David Weiner as Chair of Education
7. Election to Fill Board Vacancies: Homeowners and Education (5 min)

8. Budget Committee: (10 min)
- a. Monthly Financial Report, including review and approval of purchasing card transactions and bank statements
 - b. Motion to approve \$3000 Neighborhood Purposes Grant to Friends of Fairfax Library
 - c. Motion to approve \$3000 Neighborhood Purposes Grant to Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative (LANI) for San Vicente Median Improvement Project

ITEMS OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

9. Public Safety Committee: (5 min)
- a. Report: CERT, New Neighborhood Team Program & Graffiti Removal
10. Planning and Land Use Committee:
- a. 137 N Martel: (5 min)
 - i. Motion to support application for variance to convert an existing rear garage to a recreation room because of a substandard driveway and allow for uncovered parking in the front driveway. This project is in the Miracle Mile North HPOZ. Committee vote: 7-2
 - b. 830 N Orlando: (10 min)
 - i. Motion (without recommendation) re application for variance to (1) approve the conversion of a garage into an accessory building that occurred several decades ago by a previous owner; (2) permit a legal carport in the location where an illegal carport has been in place since that conversion; and (3) allow over-height fences and hedges in the front yard. Committee vote: 4-4.
 - c. 7200 Melrose (Fratelli Café): (5 min)
 - i. Motion to support application for Conditional Use Permit (Beverage) to permit the on-site sale of beer and wine in conjunction with an existing restaurant, accommodating 44 patrons with patio dining, and having the hours of operation from 8a.m. through 12 midnight daily. Committee vote: 7-0-1.
 - ii. Applicant has appeared before the ZA and the ZA has requested that applicant seek MCW opinion.
 - d. 350 S. La Cienega: PetSmart: (20 min)
 - i. Motion to support, with numerous conditions, application for a zone variance in connection with a new 22,076 s.f. Pet Smart store within an existing building previously occupied by a Borders bookstore which will provide a broad range of services that include retail pet food and supplies, pet training, adoption services, grooming, daytime and overnight boarding ("PetsHotel") and a veterinary health facility. The PetsHotel use would require a zone variance to allow for overnight boarding in the C2 Zone. Committee vote: 8-1.
11. Transportation, Parking & Streetscape Committee: (5 min)
- a. Motion to sponsor April 10, 2011 community bicycle ride from Mid City West to CicLAvia
12. Chair's Motion: (20 min)
- a. Motion to make recommendations to Planning Department re proposed ordinance that would allow establishment of Modified Parking Requirements Districts.

- 13. Communications and Outreach Committee Report (5 min)
- 14. Arts & Recreation Committee Report (5 min)
- 15. Bylaws & Grievance Committee: Report (2 min)

CLOSING ITEMS

- 16. Public Comment Period (10 min)
Comments from the public on matters within Board jurisdiction.
Per MCWCC Bylaws, comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker.
- 17. Board Member Comments/Announcements
- 18. Adjourn

Next MCWCC Regular Board Meeting: April 12, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

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

For information on the Process for Reconsideration, MCWCC Stakeholder Grievance policy or any other procedural matter related to this Council, please consult the MCWCC Bylaws by clicking on www.midcitywest.org or visiting the MCWCC Office at 543 N. Fairfax Avenue, Room 106.