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Board of Directors Meeting
Amended Agenda

January 11, 2011 (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 min)
- 2. Opening Remarks from the Chair (5 min)
- 3. Public Comment Period (10 min)
 - a. Comments from the Public on matters within Board jurisdiction. Under Mid City West Bylaws, comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker.
- 4. Public Safety Report from LAPD Wilshire Division: Sergeant Lopez (5min)
- 5. Announcements from City Representatives (15 min)
 - a. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment; Mayor; Council Offices; Assemblymembers; State Senators; and other elected officials

GUEST SPEAKERS/PRESENTATIONS

- 6. LADWP re Recycled Water Proposal: (15 min)
 - a. LADWP is considering whether to use highly recycled water from sewage treatment plants to recharge groundwater in certain portions of Los Angeles, and to expand use of non-potable

“purple pipe” water from treatment plants. LADWP will present information about its proposals and seeks Mid City West’s support for these proposals.

- 7. Melrose Village Property Owners Association: (10 min)
 - a. The Melrose Village Property Owners Association will provide information about their efforts to establish a Business Improvement District (BID).

ADMINISTRATIVE & ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

- 8. Board Vacancies: (15 min)
 - a. Motion to accept resignation of Eva Kremer (Education Representative)
 - b. Announcement of election to fill vacant Education seat at February 2011 meeting
 - c. Elections to fill vacant seats: (1) Non-Profits; (2) Minorities and (3) Youth
Under Mid City West’s bylaws, the Board of Directors votes to seat board members to serve the unexpired portion of the board term
- 9. Approval of December 2010 Minutes (3 min)
- 10. **Budget Committee:** (5 min)
 - a. Monthly Financial Report, including Review and Approval of Purchasing Card transactions and bank statements.

ITEMS OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

- 11. **Public Safety Committee:** (5 min)
 - a. Announcement: CERT Course starts March 9, 2011
 - b. Report
- 12. **Arts & Recreation Report:** (5 min)
- 13. **Planning and Land Use Committee:** (30 min)
 - a. **7850 Melrose Ave., (Melrose Trading Post), Case No. ZA 2010-2707 (ZV):**
 - i. Zone variance to permit the continued use of open air sales (swap meet) on an existing parking lot at the Fairfax High School. Hours of operation 9:00 am to 5:00 pm on Sundays only with a maximum of 231 vendor spaces.
 - ii. MOTION: The Mid City West Community Council supports the Melrose Trading Post’s application for a variance (Case No. ZA 2010-2707 (ZV)) to permit the continued use of open-air sales (swap meet) on an existing parking lot at Fairfax High School with hours of operation from 9am to 5pm on Sundays only with a maximum of 271 vendor spaces, subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. Provision of 472 on-site parking spaces at Fairfax High School; and
 - 2. Continuation of all other conditions imposed by the decision in Case No. ZA 2000-3858(ZV).Mid City West **SUPPORTS** the application as submitted.
 - b. **7311 West Beverly Blvd., (Itacho), Case No. ZA 2008-2787 (CUB):**
 - i. Plan approval to review compliance with conditions issued for CUB. The project previously received approval of a conditional use permit for the sale and dispensing of beer and wine for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing restaurant, subject to a one year review of compliance with conditions associated with that approval. The applicant is seeking planning approval for the continuation of the CUB based on compliance.

- ii. MOTION: Mid City West **OPPOSES** the application for review compliance and plan approval.
- c. **“Community Care” Facilities:**
 - i. The committee discussed the proliferation of multiple types of community care facilities within the Mid City West area with an expressed desire to establish a position that supported such facilities, but had clarifications on designations. The committee recognized the need for such facilities in the community, but also recognized that without clear performance standards, licensing, and regular review, some types of facilities create a public nuisance.
 - ii. The Planning Department has proposed a draft ordinance addressing these issues which creates three basic classes of community care facility: (1) state-licensed with 6 or fewer residents (State law prohibits regulation); (2) State-licensed with 7 or more residences, with newly proposed performance standards; and (3) unlicensed facilities (boarding houses).
 - iii. MOTION: Mid City West **SUPPORTS** the city’s draft ordinance subject to the following recommendations:
 - 1. The threshold for “boarding house” be increased from 2 to 6 oral or written leases per housing unit.
 - 2. All Community Care facilities and “boarding houses” with 7 or more occupants be compelled to be licensed and comply with city established performance standards, except that parking requirements for alcohol and drug treatment facilities be established at .5 spaces per resident instead of proposed 1 space/resident.
 - 3. Licensed facilities shall be at least 300 feet from another licensed facility, and 1000 feet from a school.

- 14. **Communications/Outreach Report:** (5 min)
- 15. **Bylaws/Grievance Committee Report:** Bylaws Revision Status (5min)

CLOSING ITEMS

- 16. **Public Comment Period:** 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
- 17. Adjourn

Next MCWCC Regular Board Meeting: February 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

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