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Comments for Public Posting: It looks like our friendly neighborhood BONC nominee, George Santos, oops I mean Josh Nadel, didn't just lie on his resume and try to throw the budget advocates in jail when he lost that election, he also filed 2 election challenges in 2019 when he lost the Mar Vista Community Council election. Seems like our boy has a Trumpian reaction to losing elections. But he does a great job with the homelessness and is a great fit (pretty sure the bulk of those comments were posted by his mom because she's afraid of having to deal with another tantrum if he doesn't get this appointment). The attached docs are his two challenges to MVCC in 2019 and I included a bonus third challenge where someone else was handing out a flyer with Josh on a list of toxic and ego driven candidates that should not be elected. Seems like Josh has a lot of fans in the NC system.



Clerk ClerkElectionsNC <clerk.electionsnc@lacity.org>

Mar Vista NC Election Challenge

Josh Nadel [REDACTED]

Fri, Jun 7, 2019 at 4:09 PM

To: Clerk ClerkElectionsNC <clerk.electionsnc@lacity.org>, Christopher Garcia <christopher.garcia@lacity.org>, Michael Lektorich <michael.lektorich@lacity.org>, Vanessa Serrano <Vanessa.Serrano@lacity.org>, Sofia Anguiano <sofia.anguiano@lacity.org>


Dear City Clerk NC Elections Office,

I have attached a challenge for the Mar Vista NC election on June 2, 2019.

Please let me know if you have any issues with the file as I can try to send it again. There is a PDF embedded within as well as attached pictures

Thanks

On Fri, Jun 7, 2019 at 2:31 PM Josh Nadel [REDACTED] wrote:
[Quoted text hidden]

 **Challenge for Stacy Shure, Elliot Hanna and Christine Stemar - Illegal Signs.docx**
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June 6, 2019

Los Angeles City Clerk
555 Ramirez Street, Space 300
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear City Clerk's office & neighborhood election staff,

This letter constitutes a challenge for the election on June 2, 2019 for the Mar Vista Neighborhood Council.

This letter challenges the candidacy and election seats for Candidates Stacy Shure, Elliot Hanna and Christine Stemar who ran for Mar Vista Neighborhood Council. This challenge is being pursued by Joshua Nadel (: [REDACTED])

On Friday May 24, 2019, I contacted Street Services regarding over a dozen illegal lawn signs from Candidate Shure. All of them were posted within 3 feet of the curb which is illegal according to Los Angeles Municipal Code section 28.04 Section A.

Illegal use of city resources for the posting of handbills in violation of Los Angeles Municipal Code section 28.04 section A: "No person shall paint, mark or write on, or post or otherwise affix, any handbill or sign to or upon any sidewalk, crosswalk, curb, curbstone, street lamp post, hydrant, tree, shrub, tree stake or guard, railroad trestle, electric light or power or telephone or telegraph or trolley wire pole, or wire appurtenant thereof or upon any fixture of the fire alarm or police telegraph system or upon any lighting system, public bridge, drinking fountain, life buoy, life preserver, life boat, or other life saving equipment, street sign or traffic sign." Further this is a violation of Section 4.12 Part 2 – Candidate Guidelines from the "2019 Neighborhood Election Handbook". That states "Candidates may not use City facilities, equipment, supplies, funds, or other City resources for campaigning activities." The use of the 3 foot boundary from the curb is city property and would count as a city resource.

I was transferred to Investigator Demascio in the Street Services unit who confirmed by telephone that the lawn signs were in fact illegally placed and that she would contact Candidate Shure to remove the lawn signs that day or suffer a \$250 fine per sign. Investigator Demascio texted me to confirm that the signs were being removed that same day. A copy of that text message is attached below as Attachment A – Confirmation from Investigator Demascio regarding the removal of illegal street signs. This attachment has an iPhone timestamp to confirm the message was sent on May 24, 2019. The signs were in fact taken down later that day (May 24, 2019).

On Saturday May 25, 2019, the signs were again placed up in illegal city locations. I have attached photos confirming that they were there on both May 25, 2019 and May 26, 2019 as Attachment B – Candidate Shure placing illegal lawn signs after Street Services told her it was illegal. The photos can clearly be dated by the use of that day's LA Times front page. The Municipal Code in question also states

that all political signs are the responsibility of the political candidate(s) named thereon and all responsibility for the political signs belongs with the named candidate(s).

This is a willful and knowing violation of the law since the candidate had already been warned, as all candidates had in two separate emails that are attached as Attachment C – Emails about candidate guidelines. All MVCC candidates received these emails. They were sent on April 4, 2019 and May 6, 2019. Both emails contained an attached copy of the “2019 Neighborhood Council Election Handbook,” which contains all the pertinent rules for candidacy and how one should conduct themselves in accordance. These illegalities conferred a huge advantage because they provided Candidate Shure name recognition across Zone 1. This advantage may have been enough by itself for her to win the election. I have 1 witness statement for this matter.

Candidate Shure also was a part of a slate of candidates that posted a different set of illegal street signs. As stated above, all candidates were sent two different emails that clearly stated that illegal posting was subject for removal. Both emails referred to and attached the “2019 Neighborhood Council Handbook”. One of the emails even had the relevant section, 4.12 Candidate Guidelines, as in line text, as seen in Attachment C.

I have attached pictures of these illegal lawn signs as Attachment D – Candidate Shure, Candidate Elliott Hanna and Candidate Christine Stemar illegal street signs. These street signs were not taken down as a result of the above mentioned conversation with Investigator Demascio, which is a willful violation of the Municipal Code. A further issue with these signs is there are several variants. Some include a handwritten remark by Candidate Shure saying she is running for Zone 1 Director. This variant only appeared as of May 25, 2019. A photo of this is attached as Attachment E – Triple slate of Candidates sign with Candidate Shure handwritten message.

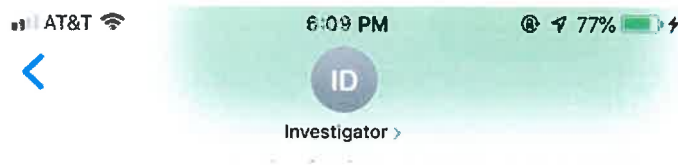
Another more troubling variant that only appeared after May 25, 2019 (the day after the signs were supposed to be taken down), only included Candidates Hanna and Stemar. This sign was in the exact same location that a triple slate sign had been on May 24, 2019. This can be seen as Attachment F – Double slate signs. This means Candidate Shure must have informed the other candidates of the illegality of the street signs on May 24, 2019 and that she wanted her name removed. That further means the other candidates knew of the illegality of the signs but thought themselves above the law and placed these illegal signs on May 25, 2019. This is a huge knowing and willful violation of the law. This once again provided a massive advantage in terms of name recognition across Zone 1 that was insurmountable for winning the election. I have 1 witness statement for this matter.

The only reasonable remedy for all these illegalities is a removal of Candidates Shure, Hanna and Stemar as candidates and/or elected officials. Candidate Shure gave herself illegal advantages despite being told otherwise repeatedly by city officials, which I have documented, after she had already been advised against this practice via email. Candidates Hanna and Stemar clearly coordinated with Candidate Shure and changed their illegal lawn signs upon hearing that Candidate Shure was having issues with the street services. Candidates Shure and Hanna also are incumbent candidate and have sworn oaths to uphold the law. They therefore cannot claim innocence from not being aware of the law. While Candidate Stemar is a challenger, by associating herself with the two incumbents, she has thrown her lot in with theirs. Breaking the law is not acceptable.

Thank you for your diligence in this matter,

Josh Nadel

Attachment A – Confirmation from Investigator Demascio regarding the removal of illegal street signs



Got it! I just spoke Ms. Shure and she is retrieving all the signs. Thank you for your call!

You are a rock star!

Is there any time frame I should be aware of for this?

I will keep your name and number for matters concerning my area WHEN I get elected

My sister says "think things into being" so I will get elected and I will remember how to advise my numbers for matters like this :)

Sounds good)

Today they will be removed

Fri, May 24, 7:55 PM

Hi! Thanks again for your help today!
All of the individual Stacy Shure signs have been removed
BUT the ones with the slate of 3 voters are still up
Guess we will deal w it on Tuesday :)
Have a great holiday weekend!



Attachment B – Candidate Shure placing illegal lawn signs after Street Services told her it was illegal



Los Angeles Times

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VOTE
Stacy Shure
for Zone 1 Director

Mar Vista Community Council

June 2nd, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Mar Vista Rec Center
@ Mar Vista Park



Representing Westside Village - Let's Be Heard!



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Attachment C – Emails about candidate guidelines



2 Messages

Polling MVCC Board Candidates for best fo...

**Albert Olson**

To: Albert Olson

4/4/19

[Details](#)

Greetings MVCC Candidates,

If you are receiving this message it is because you are a certified candidate for the MVCC Board of Directors Election, to be held on June 2. Thank you all for becoming involved in this process. And I wish you all the best.

We are planning a Candidate Forum to be held sometime in May, and I have been asked to take an informal and nonbinding survey of all Candidates to find out which of two dates would work best for all of you. The two dates are Saturday May 11th, or Saturday May 18th. The time for each date would be from 1 PM to 3 PM.

So, please Reply on this email to me, and indicate your preference for one of these two dates. If both dates are fine for you then please indicate just that:

May 11 2019





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___ May 11, 2019

___ May 18, 2019

___ Both dates are fine

We will let you know which date is selected, and we will also inform you of any additional official candidate outreach opportunities that will be coming available. And also, attached is the 2019 NC Election Handbook. Please feel free to peruse.

Thanks,

Albert Olson
Co_Chair, MVCC Election & Bylaws Committee

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See More





7 Messages

Candidate Guidelines for campaigning duri...

 **Albert Olson**

To: Albert Olson

5/6/19

[Details](#)

Greetings MVCC Board Candidates,

I have attached the official 2019 NV Election Handbook, issued by the City of Los Angeles. I would like to direct your attention to section 4.12 Candidate Guidelines (Please see the excerpt below). Please note that there are specific rules about using City facilities, or other City resources, for campaign activities. This includes a L.A. City Rec. & Parks facility, such as the Mar Vista Park, and also MVCC tents/booths at the Farmers Market. Please note the statement at the end of section 4.12 stipulating how violations of the guidelines can be dealt with.

Additionally, the manager of the Mar Vista Farmers Market asked me to remind everyone that the only place campaigning is allowed during the Farmers Market is in the Free Speech Zone located at the Venice/Grandview entrance to the MVFM.

Thank you for your adherence to these guidelines.

Best,

Albert Olson

Co-Chair, MVCC Election & Bylaws Committee

4.12 Candidate Guidelines

All NC candidates will be provided with a





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**4.12 Candidate Guidelines**

All NC candidates will be provided with a set of guidelines:

1. Candidates must adhere to the guidelines prescribed in this Handbook and all other NC Election policies and procedures established by the City Clerk and DONE.
2. Candidates may not use City facilities, equipment, supplies, funds, or other City resources for campaigning activities.
3. Candidates may not use the City of Los Angeles Seal (logo) or Letterhead, the DONE logo, the City Clerk logo, the NC logo, or any other official NC designation created by DONE in candidate photos or any candidate campaign material, which can include items such as hats, t-shirts, buttons, or signs.
4. Candidates may not receive endorsements from the governing NC Board as a whole.
5. Candidates may receive endorsements from individual Board members, acting as individual stakeholders.





7 Messages

Candidate Guidelines for campaigning duri...



6. Candidates may not post handbills on public property. Candidates must observe all handbill posting laws (Sec. 28.04 Los Angeles Municipal Code).

7. Candidates may run as a slate on the condition that all participating candidates provide written consent to the slate organizer agreeing to participate.

8. Candidates may not engage in electioneering within 100 feet of the polling place entrance on Election Day.

9. Candidates should report any illegal or fraudulent activity to the City Clerk.

10. Candidates must immediately notify the City Clerk and NC if their qualifying stakeholder status changes prior to the election, which may result in disqualification from the board seat they are seeking.

A violation of these guidelines could result in disqualification of candidates per Sections 4.14: The Candidate Challenge Period and 4.15: Resolving Candidate Challenges.



Attachment D – Candidate Shure, Candidate Elliott Hanna and Candidate Christine Stemar illegal street signs







Attachment E - Triple Date of Candidates sign with Candidate Shure handwritten message



Los Angeles Times

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A COSTLY WILDFIRE FIX

STANDING UP FOR STAKEHOLDERS



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 STACY SHURE = ZONE 1 DIRECTOR
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Mar Vista
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VOTING DAY
SUNDAY
JUNE 2ND
10 AM. - 4 PM.
MAR VISTA
REC CENTER

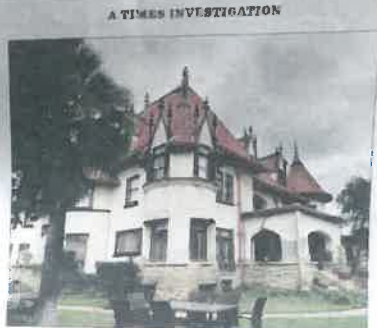
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Sunday
Los Angeles Times
 LosAngeles.com

Abortion debate jumps into spotlight

Several states have passed laws that would restrict abortion rights, and the debate has moved into the national spotlight. The Supreme Court is expected to hear a case that could have a major impact on the issue.



PARA LOPEZ, 77, was an 11-year-old boy. He was found in about 1971 and he lived in the house for more than 40 years. From Los Angeles Times.

SIGNS OF NEGLECT

At the Casa Libre youth shelter operated by a longtime L.A. immigrant-rights champion, health and safety concerns have persisted despite repeated state citations.

By Cindy Carrasco and Paloma Sepulveda
 Los Angeles lawyer Peter Achty has been in a protracted battle with the state over the Casa Libre youth shelter. The shelter, which has been cited for health and safety concerns, is operated by a longtime immigrant-rights champion. The state has repeatedly cited the shelter for health and safety concerns, but the shelter's operator has repeatedly refused to address the issues.

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Attachment F - Double slate sign



Los Angeles Times



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A COSTLY WILDFIRE FIX

It will cost more than \$1 billion to fix the damage done by the wildfire that destroyed the USC campus in 2017.

Phone video a priority in 2023

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Witness statement 1

Challenge-Witness-Form - Hannia Nadel 6-



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June 6, 2019

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Dear City Clerk's office & neighborhood election staff,

This letter constitutes a challenge for the election on June 2, 2019 for the Mar Vista Neighborhood Council.

This letter challenges the candidacy and potential election seats for multiple Mar Vista Board of Directors that ran for re-election (Holly Tilson, Mary Hruska, Rob Kadota, and Stacy Shure) by Joshua Nadel ([REDACTED]).

Candidates Tilson, Hruska, Kadota and Shure are current board members for the Mar Vista Neighborhood Council. On May 14, 2019, the Mar Vista Neighborhood Council had its regularly scheduled board meeting. At this board meeting, a candidate for an At Large Director position, Kathryn Wheeler, said she had designed a "newsletter" for distribution by the Mar Vista Neighborhood Council using the Los Angeles City funds that are under its control. This "newsletter" was not in fact a newsletter because it contains no news at all. As a matter of fact, it only contains the pictures and candidate statements of each of the candidates. This was noted by the Board Chair Elliott Hanna during the meeting. This can be seen as Attachment A – Minutes of the May 14, 2019 Mar Vista Board Meeting. I said during the meeting that this seemed inappropriate. The field representative from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Vanessa Serrano, also expressed caution in regards to this "newsletter" because the designer of the "newsletter", Kathryn Wheeler, claimed she designed it solely in her role as a "Community Stakeholder." She was also a candidate and it makes no sense to claim this dual role, which is being used in a deceptive manner.

Political advertisements cannot use Los Angeles City funds as indicated by the "2019 Neighborhood Council Election Handbook" under Section 4.12, Part 2, which clearly states "Candidates may not use City facilities, equipment, supplies, funds, or other resources for campaigning activities." This was an illegal use of Los Angeles City funds, which is a city resource, and the board members were told this at the meeting as indicated by the aforementioned Attachment A, which states that this "newsletter" was not in fact a newsletter but a political advertisement. Nonetheless, Candidates Tilson, Hruska, Kadota and Shure were among the six Board Members that voted in the affirmative to approve the motion (Board Members Sara Roos and Nanxi Liu were not running for office again). All board members have been instructed in the legal and illegal ways to use Los Angeles City Funds and this was an illegal usage.

The funding also goes against the policies set forth in the "Neighborhood Council Funding Program – Policies & Guidelines" handbook. Section 2 explains Expenditures and subsection 10 deals with "Unacceptable Purchases/Transactions with NC Funds." In subsection 10, Part A, item X mentions

“Supporting or opposing ballot measure or candidates, and political forums or debates unless following City Attorney guidelines.” Since this was not in fact a “newsletter” but a document supporting candidates, this expenditure runs afoul of the law. Further, the board was advised of this position prior to their vote by the representative from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Vanessa Serrano, as seen Attachment A – minutes from the May 14, 2019 board meeting.

This newsletter conferred a massive advantage to every incumbent candidate because they each got to say the equivalent of “I am an incumbent.” In fact, each of the candidates that voted in the affirmative had a statement to that effect in their statements. This can be seen in Attachment B – Illegally funded newsletter. It’s common knowledge that incumbents already have an advantage in any elections, and by using Los Angeles City funds to fund such political propaganda, these candidates gave themselves a bigger advantage over every challenger.

Illegally using Los Angeles City Funds is breaking a sacred trust that voters have conferred upon elected officials. The remedy can be as serious as criminal prosecution depending on the seriousness of the issue. I do not think that criminal prosecution is necessary in this case.

This advantage is large enough to provide a victory in and of itself. I believe that the minutes would constitute a witness statement by the official note taker because of their nature as a detailed transcript of the meeting in question. I will submit the minutes as a witness statement in addition to their status as an attachment to this document.

The only reasonable remedy for all these illegalities is a removal of Candidates Tilson, Hruska, Kadota, and Shure as candidates and/or elected officials. They gave themselves illegal advantages despite being told otherwise repeatedly by city officials, which I have documented. They are also incumbent candidates and have sworn oaths to uphold the law. They therefore cannot claim innocence from not being aware of the law. Breaking the law is not acceptable.

Thank you for your diligence in this matter,

Josh Nadel

Attachment A – Minutes of the May 14, 2019 Mar Vista Board Meeting
Witness Statement as well since the minutes were officially taken

MVCC Board
Meeting 5-14-2019.pc

Attachment B – Illegally funded newsletter



MAR VISTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTION

Sunday June 2, 2019 10am - 4pm

LOCATION:

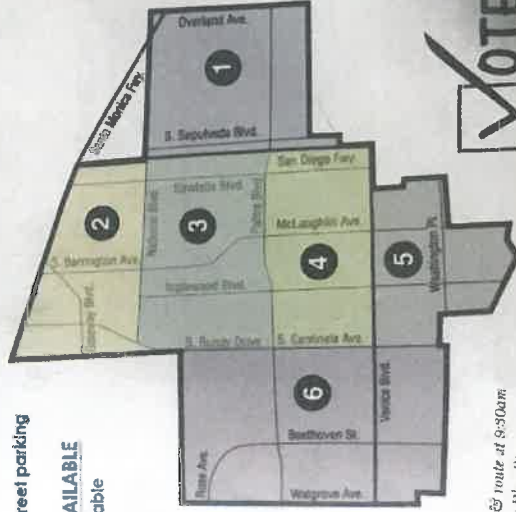
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11430 Woodbine Street, Mar Vista**

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- Enter on Woodbine
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AT-LARGE DIRECTORS

Vote for 6 - Must be over 18 and live, work, or own property within one of Mar Vista's Zones to vote

NATALIE FARNHAM

No Candidate Statement



CHRISTINE STEMAR



I grew up in Mar Vista and like you am a stakeholder. As a member of the Westside Village Homeowners Association I hold the position of Secretary, and am part of the Community Emergency Response Team for our area. I am a graduate of our new LAPD Community Police Academy. I look forward to working with and supporting the LAPD as they roll out new community initiatives. I regularly volunteer for outreach programs and ongoing training with them. I am running for the Mar Vista Community Council because Mar Vista has been my home and is my home and I care very much about its future and its stakeholders. The key purpose of the community council is to be advocates for the stakeholders which includes residents, homeowners and business owners as well as their employees. My goal is to be your advocate. I will strive to be and will be an effective advocate, for all stakeholders.

ANN BICKERTON



I'm running to represent you as an At-Large Director to preserve our neighborhood's quality of life and create a community-led plan for the next decade. I live, work, and found an incredible community here in Mar Vista. With over a decade in nonprofit management working in social welfare and education, I envision a council that is welcoming, inclusive, and driven by community needs. Using my career experience in social welfare and criminal justice reform, I will focus on the MVCC's collaboration with LA agencies around law enforcement and homelessness. I will also implement a neighborhood input process on the Westside Community Plan update, which guides zoning and development in our area. Lastly, I want to re-energize our online outreach to make sure our community is informed and included. Learn more about me at bickertonformarvista.com and consider supporting my fellow slate members at marvistamakeswaves.com. Thank you for considering me. Gracias por su consideración!

TYLER LAFERRIERE



Moving to LA two years ago, the community of Mar Vista generously opened its arms to my partner and I, and I wish to further that spirit of hospitality by serving Mar Vista's residents, business owners and stakeholders on the MVCC. In addition to the macro perspective I would bring as a researcher for the LA County Economic Development Corporation, I would bring my commitment to inclusively shaping this community's future by addressing the needs of all Mar Vistas, homeowners and renters, new and seasoned stakeholders alike. In particular, my term as an At-Large Director would be focused on: planning and land use management; homelessness; transportation and infrastructure; and environmental preparedness and climate change. I would also encourage greater use of social media; increased community awareness and access to MVCC actions and initiatives; and greater collaboration with our Westside neighbors. My name is Tyler Laferriere, and thank you for your consideration of my candidacy.

AT-LARGE DIRECTORS...continued

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GABRIEL HILL



Hello All—I've been a proud resident of Mar Vista since 2006. Currently, I'm the Co-Chair of The Transportation & Infrastructure Committee and The Great Streets Ad Hoc Subcommittee. While serving on these committees, I've developed a new found respect for our community and a deeper understanding of our neighborhood. I'm a big believer in progress, unity and togetherness. Mar Vista has a lot of positive synergy these days and I'd like to see it continue. If you don't know what I'm talking about, check out a few of these examples: Mar Vista Farmers Market, Mar Vista Artwalk and Ciclavia. Not only am I passionate about these events, programs and projects -- I'm a champion of them! If elected as At-Large Director— I will be an advocate and promoter of Innovation, Community, Safety, Family and the Future of Mar Vista. I would be honored to have your vote on Sunday, June 2nd -- Bring your "Souls to the Polls"

SUSAN KLOS



In Mar Vista, we stand for community values, quality of life, quality of environment, and inclusion of all people within our community. As an advocate for mental health and homeless issues, I have put my energies into the MVCC Homeless Issues Committee. As co-chair, we have created a Homeless Resource Guide, helped bring the residents in the vicinity of Venice Blvd. at the 405 Fwy. together to address their issues surrounding the homeless encampment there and we are sponsoring educational presentations for the community, "Homelessness 101", (April 28, 2019) which centers on law enforcement, understanding municipal codes, crime related to the homeless, homeless civil rights, etc. and "Homelessness 102", (May 5, 2019) where service providers (LAHSA - LA Homeless Services Authority, Dept. of Mental Health, St. Joseph's Center, Safe Parking, etc.) will explain their role in solutions to homelessness. As a community, we can help find solutions to this citywide homeless crisis.

ROB KADOTA



I'm asking for your vote to return me to the Mar Vista Community Council. My purpose is to create opportunities for neighbors to meet neighbors, find common ground, and build a vibrant community where people feel like they belong, and care about each other. I have a long history of community engagement and am excited by the prospect to work with both seasoned veterans and newly engaged stakeholders that recognize the incredible opportunities afforded us in serving all of Mar Vista. My current passions include bee keeping, occasional beer brewing, supporting the operation of the MV Farmers Market Free No Parts Bike Repair Stand and Valet Service, public safety, mobility, sustainability, resilience, health and cultural expressions like the Mar Vista Art Walk. I retire from UCLA in the very near future and am excited to both broaden and deepen my involvement in the community.

VANESSA COLOSIO DIAZ



Building Community Through Connection - As an elected At-Large Director, I will be your neighborhood advocate. I hope to work with the community on Economic Development, Sustainability, Housing, improved Communications, and Cultural Engagement. In my short tenure living in Mar Vista, I have been a member of the Mar Vista Chamber of Commerce, written for the Santa Monica Star and served on the Social Media Club Board. I'm a Public Policy Junior League member, have a Political Science Bachelor's minor, and I'm the founder of a creative services business with clients including a children-focused non-governmental. A CA State Legislature also awarded a Certificate of Recognition for my outreach to low-income minority youth. Spending 15 years in big cities with small-town roots I relate to varied backgrounds, visions, and experiences. I look forward to representing you, engaging more stakeholders with diversity of thought, and propelling our neighborhood forward as a community.

AT-LARGE DIRECTORS...continued

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ROBIN DOYNO



My goals for Mar Vista Community Council are to encourage civility and increase participation. Hostility at MVCC meetings has a chilling effect on community participation. It is unacceptable that leadership refuses to answer questions from the public. This officious arrogance helps make MVCC meetings quite hostile. **VOTE ACCORDINGLY!** The community would be justified to elect only new faces. The incivility is part and parcel of the dishonesty that goes unchallenged. Either one used to advance a political position is a grave disservice to Mar Vista. ****I too am very concerned about homelessness, traffic and development in Mar Vista.**** The answer is your participation. Bring back the Aging in Place Committee ****Help to re-invigorate the Green Committee**** Do not reward those who have helped to make MVCC nearly dysfunctional! ****Do not fall prey to the "Anger Wave" that is sweeping our nation and Mar Vista. "Us and Them" politics is futile. If this community is precious let us take care of it**

HENRY ELDER



UPDATE - Due to unforeseen circumstances, I will not be running for a position in this election cycle. I continue to support the Mar Vista Makes Waves slate and their unifying message of inclusion and community improvement! <https://www.marvistamakeswaves.com>

AARON ELSTEIN



I was born and raised in Mar Vista and four generations of my family currently reside in Mar Vista. I have never once said I was from Venice... just "near Venice." I say that because now Mar Vista is firmly on the map in its own right, and I am optimistic for its future. I'd be grateful to be able to continue to play a role on the MVCC. Generally I would support any introduction of residential housing units onto the market, absent extraordinary circumstances, as a solution to escalating rent and homelessness. I believe the city should build thousands of permanent housing units. Locally I will push for a real baseball field at Mar Vista Park, complete with a pitcher's mound, infield grass, and outfield fences. Thank you for your consideration.

ANDREA AMBRIZ



For Healthy, Vibrant and Safe Communities. As a 20+ year neighborhood resident formerly serving the Obama White House, SEIU labor union, and CA State Capitol, I am an experienced advocate for working families, businesses, and communities. Our neighborhood has been my family's home for years, and I am committed to infusing my experience working on the frontlines of national and state policymaking to build and nurture our hometown. I believe in inclusivity and the value of engaging our diverse community as we explore area planning and improvement efforts. I will cultivate partnerships with homeowners and renters, businesses, schools and organizations to create solutions to foster, strengthen and protect our communities and economy. Specifically, I will support green, open space and sustainability development; promote local businesses, workers, and organizations; and prioritize safe streets, parks, homes and workplaces. To learn more, visit AmbrizForMarVista.com. **VOTE ANDREA AMBRIZ!**

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SELENA INOUE



Hello! My name is Selena Inouye and I'd be honored to serve as an At-Large Director. I moved to Mar Vista in 1994. I'm a retired clinical social worker who brings a wealth of experience in advocacy, community organizing, outreach, and nonprofit & volunteer management, as well as strong people skills, to this position. Over the years, my neighbors said they felt left out of the decision-making process when it came to important issues facing our community. These concerns inspired me to become more involved, beginning in 2012 as Block Captain for our Neighborhood Watch. Since 6/17, I've regularly attended Board of Directors meetings, and the Great Streets, Transportation & Infrastructure, Mobility, and Elections & Bylaws committees. You can count on me to: 1) listen to what everyone has to say on the issues, 2) help more of our neighbors get involved with the MVCC, 3) advocate on your behalf, and 4) keep you informed about the projects that will impact you. Thanks for your consideration.

KATHRYN WHEELER



Mar Vista is a warm, friendly community that provides a "hometown" right in the middle of a major metropolis. Mar Vista families are composed of people from the myriad walks of life on this earth; yet, we are neighbors and call Mar Vista home. I have lived in all but one of Mar Vista's six Zones by renting apartments, condos, and homes. Only because of Mar Vista's affordable housing were my husband and I able to move from renting to owning. Our decision to raise a family in Mar Vista was due to this being a close-knit community that provides unique opportunities that expand children's minds and experiences. In my B.C. years (i.e., Before Children years), I owned a very successful business here and, today, continue with a different and much smaller business. If you honor me with your vote, I promise to serve you and work for you to the best of my abilities. Please, contact me (OurMarVista@gmail.com) with your concerns, questions, or just to talk. Or visit OurMarVista.org. Thank you!

GABRIELLE RIVERA WEISSMAN



I've been a resident of Mar Vista since 2012. I'm a mother, artist, creative person, community activist and small business owner. I believe in achieving gender parity of elected representatives, and I hope more women and people of color are inspired to run for office. I'm a volunteer with Alliance of Moms, and a member of Fund Her, the National Women's Political Caucus and the West LA Democratic Club. I support humane solutions to the homelessness crisis facing us, especially bridge housing in sensible locations and designated areas for overnight RV parking. I will work with sustainability experts to make practical green initiatives a priority, and will look at alternate bike lanes that are located away from main thoroughfares and safer for bikers. Please vote on June 2nd as it would be an honor to serve as your At-Large Neighborhood Council Director.

2019 NC Election Challenges

Any stakeholder who voted in the applicable NC election may file a challenge with the City Clerk to the conduct of that election no later than 5:00 p.m. on the third business day after the first posting of unofficial results.

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COMMUNITY DIRECTOR

Vote for 1 - Must be a Stakeholder 18 years or older to vote

ELLIOT HANNA



For the past year-and-a-half, I've been a member of the Mar Vista Community Council and I'm currently its Chairman. I've stood up for a number of reforms designed to make MVCC more representative of you, its stakeholders. Key among them: •Forced mandatory conflict of interest disclosures to appear on every

agenda. •Appointed committee co-chairs that represent a cross-section of the community, including people who hold views contrary to mine. •Constituted an Emergency Preparation Committee. •Restructured the co-leadership of the Homeless Issues Committee to create balance and more equally consider the needs of the community. •Brought attention to the impact of the homeless encampment on Venice Blvd. and got additional cleanup services to help the impacted residents. During my time on the council, I've done more than offer platitudes. I've taken stands and worked hard to address these and other issues of importance to our community. If re-elected, I'll continue to do so.

ADRIANA DE LA CRUZ



I have lived in the community since 1974, attended Braddock Drive, Marina Del Rey and Venice High. My abilities and continuous involvement in community outreach programs, allow me to serve as a delegate for the Coalition of Labor Union Women and also as a Representative for the Los Angeles Federation of Labor.

I hope to contribute a new perspective, and address our neighborhood's prevailing issues. I represent the various generations of stakeholders and my background already reflects the diversity located within the community. My plan is to increase participation and collaboration from stakeholders and various groups within our area. My goal is to formulate the solutions needed to make our neighborhood a better place to live and work in addition to encourage customers to support our local businesses. Your voice is your vote, please exercise that right on June 2 to elect me, as your choice for Community Director. My sincerest thanks, Adriana De La Cruz.

ZONE 1 DIRECTOR

Vote for 1 - Must be over 18 and live, work, or own property within Zone 1 to vote for Zone 1 Director

STACY SHURE



I have been a resident for over 20 years, served on the Westside Village Homeowners Association board for the past 5 years; have served on the MVCC for the past year as a Director at Large. I am the Co-Chair of the MVCC Community Plan Update committee and have been working with the Dept. of

Planning to make sure that our Plan Update accurately reflects the stakeholders' feedback, our future needs and what we want to preserve. I am also the MVCC Co-Chair of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee and I have brought issues of planning and land use to stakeholders to weigh in on and I have worked hard to inform and educate about land use and zoning issues that most affect our quality of life and will guide us toward the future. I wish to continue to represent the Westside Village area on the MVCC, making sure that our small corner of the world is represented, and collaborating with our neighbors, I will make sure we have a strong voice in maintaining our quality of life.

JOSHUA NADEL



I have lived in this area since I was 6 years old nearly 35 years ago. In that time, I received full academic scholarships for undergrad to UC Berkeley & for MBA at USC. Currently, I'm a CPA candidate and have already passed the tax exam. I want to make our neighborhood a better place.

There should be systems in place to deal w potholes and other day to day civic issues. I would like to sponsor more community engagement to help one other succeed more in our various endeavors. I want regularly scheduled free movie nights with food trucks to raise money for our local schools. I want to offer more programs for children and seniors to learn small business skills for running something like the cookie business my sisters and I had as children; we learned so much! I want to start sports and games competitions for all ages for our neighborhood. If elected, I promise to be the best Zone Director this area has ever seen. I want us to have a better sense of community from more shared events

ZONE 2 DIRECTOR

Vote for 1 - Must be over 18 and live, work, or own property within Zone 2 to vote for Zone 2 Director.

PAMULA SOLAR



Let's work together! As a parent of two elementary students, education is a priority. As such, I want to strengthen the community ties with our local schools. I have spent three years as a Highland Ave. Rooney Office. I have seen our school transform with the addition of the French immersion program and the test scores have soared! I would love to see all of our local schools join in this success. I support the teachers and UTLA. I also support the LA County Foster Adoption program and enjoy speaking with those interested in the process. My children's charitable endeavors include the homelessness in our community. Also on the MVCC, I would like to collaborate with others on safe ways for our children to help. I will listen and advocate for you. Whether it's a sidewalk that needs repair, a pothole that needs to be filled or a more serious issue that might affect our community, I will listen. Let's work together to bring success to our families, our children, and our MV community.

MARTIN RUBIN



MVCC Zone 2 and the North Whittable Neighborhood Association (NWNNA) have identical boundaries. As president of the NWNNA for more than 4 years and a resident for more than 50 years, I have significantly strengthened the lines of communication with ZONE 2 neighbors. This uniquely qualifies me as having an understanding of the zone's pulse. I am able to gather stakeholders' views in order to make an educated and fair vote on issues of importance relating specifically to Zone 2 as well as to the entire MVCC area. My heart and soul are planted deeply into protecting the environment. I am the Co-founder and Director of Concerned Residents Against Airport Pollution for 15 years. I Co-Chair the MVCC Airport Committee. Los Angeles has been developed past what its infrastructure can handle, evidenced by growing traffic gridlock. Public health, safety, air quality, and homelessness are all issues that should be treated as emergency issues, and this will be part of my platform on the MVCC BOD.

ZONE 3 DIRECTOR

Vote for 1 - Must be over 18 and live, work, or own property within Zone 3 to vote for Zone 3 Director.

MARY HRUSKA



I have been a Mar Vista since 1992, and have loved our special neighborhood from the first day. Our welcoming and laid back neighborhood, with its special family-oriented vibe, eclectic history, ocean breezes, and views is truly unique. Inspired by that, I have endeavored to be a neighborhood hood advocate to City Council. This is the definition of a Neighborhood Council and I believe a worthy endeavor. Towards that end, I have worked on helping our community on issues both small (such as street sweeping, street re-paving, street lights, sanitation, trees) as well as large (The Community Plan Update and the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project and SB50). I feel that this is my way of giving back to the community for all it's given me and my family. Thank for listening, and I'll see ya in the 'hood!

ZONE 4 DIRECTOR

Vote for 1 - Must be over 18 and live, work, or own property within Zone 4 to vote for Zone 4 Director.

ARMOND SERETTI



I have lived in Mar Vista my entire life. So has my mom. So have my grandparents. I love what Mar Vista is, was, what it is becoming. Recent changes to our neighborhood and planned future changes are of great interest to me, my family, and the neighbors I know. I currently sit on the Board of Mar Vista Neighborhood Association which also represents Zone 4. At present planned developments, transportation issues, homeless issues, general safety, and community engagement are among my biggest interests and are the areas I feel I could make the biggest impact. I would hope to bring ideas and options to the council after careful, objective, and fact driven analysis of whatever issues arise regardless of my personal beliefs on the issue. I want my kids to feel homesick when they leave for college, relief when they get back, and the desire to stay in Mar Vista not out of obligation to me but because moving anywhere else would be a downgrade.

ZONE 5 DIRECTOR

Vote for 1 - Must be over 18 and live, work, or own property within Zone 5 to vote for Zone 5 Director

HARRISON HOPKINS



Hi! I'm Harrison Hopkins and I'm running for Zone 5 Director on the Mar Vista Community Council. I've lived in Mar Vista for 3.5 years and I want to work with you to make Mar Vista better for all of us. As your representative, I plan to encourage greater community outreach, engagement for projects within the zone and greater community, and to empower stakeholders of all types to have their voices heard by leveraging technology. Specific projects I want to address include protecting and growing our green spaces within the zone and identify potential new ones, look for compassionate and empathetic solutions to the homelessness crisis, and cultivate relationships between community leaders and marginalized groups traditionally not represented by neighborhood councils. I hope to have your vote for Zone 5 Director. Let's bring our community together! Learn more at VoteHarrison.LA

MICHELLE KRUPKIN



Hello! I'm Michelle Krupkin and the current Zone 5 Director. I've lived in Mar Vista for 30 years, both renting and owning. The Zone 5 Director since 2015 -reelected in 2014 and 2016. I still deeply love Mar Vista. Since 2013 I have co-chaired the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and am part of the team that helped get crosswalks installed at McLaughlin/Charnock and at McLaughlin/Victoria and other intersections. In 2014 I founded the Great Streets Ad Hoc Subcommittee, promoting good green ideas like increased Tree Canopy and Stormwater capture. I've gotten McLaughlin Ave. paved (Washington Place to Palms Blvd.) ahead of schedule, worked to get dangerous old utility poles replaced and other improvements in Zone 5 as well as working with LAPD Pacific on crime concerns. We still need roads, sidewalks and underground water/energy infrastructure maintained and upgraded. I would be honored to continue to listen to and stand up for stakeholders as the MVCC Zone 5 Director.

ZONE 6 DIRECTOR

Vote for 1 - Must be over 18 and live, work, or own property within Zone 6 to vote for Zone 6 Director

HOLLY TILSON



Dear Zone 6 Mar Vistans, I am a retired NICU Registered Nurse and have lived in MV since 1985. I was a patient advocate, a LAUSD student/parent advocate (educational, safety and disaster preparedness issues) and for the past, almost, 3 years, a MV Stakeholder advocate. Advocacy seems to be part of my DNA. I have tried my best to bring information to Zone 6 residents so you can make informed decisions about YOUR neighborhood, YOUR quality of life issues or just resolve YOUR problem(s) with the City of LA. Per MVCC bylaws - "The mission of the MVCC is to provide a forum for discussion of issues that affect the quality of life of MVCC Stakeholders, and to facilitate stakeholder communication and serve as the advocate for the MVCC area with officials of the City of LA and other governmental and non-governmental entities." I have a proven record as a patient advocate and as a parent/student advocate. Your vote, on 6/2, will decide if I am worthy of continuing to be YOUR MV advocate.



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Tue, Jun 11, 2019 at 2:28 PM

To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Sofia Torres <sofia.anguiano@lacity.org>, Christopher Garcia <christopher.garcia@lacity.org>, Michael Lektorich <michael.lektorich@lacity.org>

Good afternoon,

After careful consideration of the election challenges you submitted regarding the Mar Vista Community Council (MVCC) Election on Friday, June 7, 2019, final determinations have been made.

Based on the information provided and after careful review regarding the newsletter distributed by MVCC with candidate information, our office cannot determine that any of the Candidate Guidelines outlined in section 4.12 of the 2019 Neighborhood Council Election Handbook were violated.

The challenge also asserts that candidates Elliot Hanna, Stacey Shure and Christine Stermer posted yard signs on City property. Section 4.12 of the 2019 NC Election Handbook states that candidates must observe all handbill posting laws (Sec. 28.04 Los Angeles Municipal Code). Our office notified Elliot Hanna, Stacey Shure and Christine Stermer that they must observe all handbill posting laws. We have documented the violations, all candidates will receive a letter of reprimand regarding posting yard signs on public property.

As such, the election challenge regarding the MVCC newsletter will be dismissed.

The election challenge regarding Elliot Hanna, Stacey Shure and Christine Stermer posting yard signs will be affirmed.



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MVCC Electioneering

Martin Rubin [REDACTED]

Sun, Jun 2, 2019 at 7:59 PM

To: clerk.electionsnc@lacity.org

Cc: Vanessa Serrano <Vanessa.Serrano@lacity.org>, [REDACTED] Joan Winters [REDACTED]

Regarding: Mar Vista Community Council **Electioneering**

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Martin Rubin, Mar Vista Community Council Candidate for Zone 2.

All election challenge requests must meet the following requirements:

1. Identify the basis for the challenge to the election;

Electioneering

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Martin Rubin

[REDACTED]

3. Identify up to three witnesses and provide their statements;

Combined witness statement:

Martin Rubin [REDACTED]

Joan Winters [REDACTED]

As both Joan Winters and I arrived to vote (10:05 AM) we were taken back by the amount of electioneering taking place in relative close proximity to the building where voting was taking place. What we both found most egregious was (see attached photo and pdf) seeing Robin Doyno, the Chair of the MVCC Election and Bylaws committee standing by a sign that read, "NO ELECTIONEERING BEYOND THIS POINT." (Photo by Martin Rubin)

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People standing in line to register to vote for Mar Vista Community Council members this morning are met by a man standing just off the sidewalk handing out Electioneering Material. I have my copy of his handout.

DO VOTE FOR: list

DO NOT VOTE FOR: list

I was quite surprised by this, so close to the Poll and a captive audience at that, as the voters had to stand in line. After I looked at his handout, I stepped back to ask his name: Robin Doyno. He is rather aggressively promoting "younger people" for council representatives.

I for one find his electioneering out of line. Certainly out of ethical boundaries.

Jeanne Heller [REDACTED]

4 attachments



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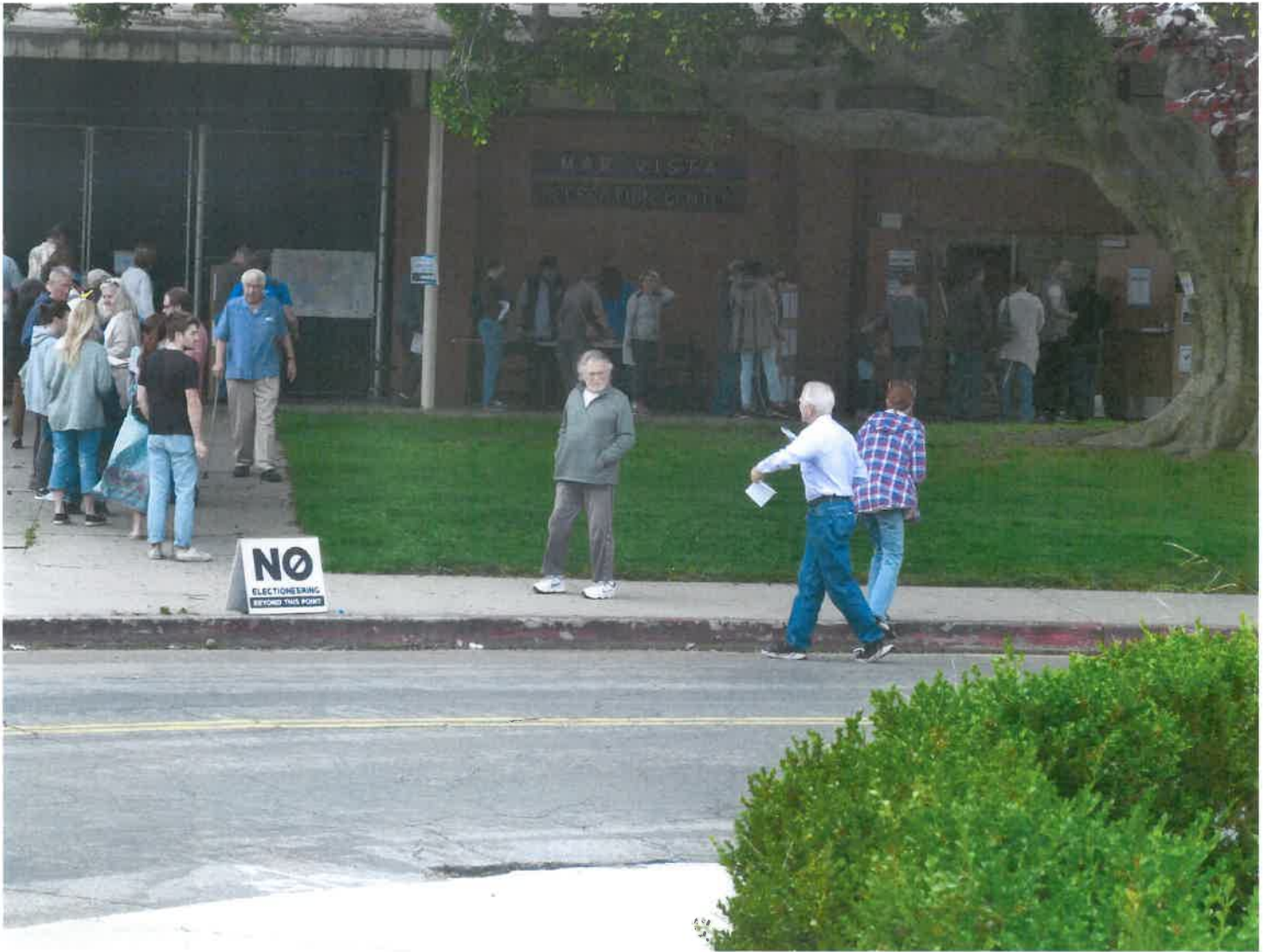
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For a Mar Vista Community Council that is not ego driven, toxic or disturbed please consider the following recommendations

DO VOTE FOR

Adriana De La Cruz
Stacy Shure-Zone 1
Pamula Solar-Zone 2
Mary Hruska-Zone 3
Armond Seretti-Zone 4
Harrison Hopkind-Zone 5
Holly Tilson-Zone-Zone 6

AT -LARGE DIRECTORS

Gabrielle RiveraWeissman
Susan Klos
Aaron Elster
Andrea Ambriz
Rob Kadota
Tyler LaFerrier
Ann Bickerton
Vanessa Colosio Diaz
Gabriel Hill
(Choose 6)

DO NOT VOTE FOR

Elliot Hanna
Kathryn Wheeler
Selena Inouye
Christine Stemar
Natalie Farnham
Marty Rubin
Michelle Krupkin
Joshua Nadel



Christopher Garcia <christopher.garcia@lacity.org>

MVCC Electioneering

Martin Rubin <martinrubin@earthlink.net>

Sun, Jun 2, 2019 at 8:33 PM

To: clerk.electionsnc@lacity.org

Cc: Vanessa Serrano <Vanessa.Serrano@lacity.org> [REDACTED], Joan Winters <[REDACTED]>

From: Martin Rubin [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Sunday, June 02, 2019 8:30 PM
To: Martin Rubin
Subject: FW: MVCC Electioneering

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From: Martin Rubin [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Sunday, June 02, 2019 8:00 PM
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MVCC Electioneering

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To: clerk.electionsnc@lacity.org
Cc: Vanessa Serrano <Vanessa.Serrano@lacity.org> [redacted] Joan Winters [redacted], Michael Millman [redacted] Thu, Jun 6, 2019 at 2:56 PM

Attached:

Statement from Michael Millman to add to the complaint filed below.

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Law Offices of
Michael Millman & Associates

June 3, 2019

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Albert Olson
Mar Vista Bylaws/Elections

Re: Electioneering
June 2, 2019
Violator: Robin Doyno

Attached please find my statement.

Please evaluate the statement and include it in the Complaint provided by Marty Rubin, Zone ² Candidate.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Millman

[REDACTED] cell [REDACTED]

Enclosure

1 STATEMENT OF MICHAEL MILLMAN
2 ILLEGAL ELECTIONEERING
3 ROBIN DOYNO
4 JUNE 2, 2019

5 I, Michael Millman, declare and say:

6 If called upon to testify, I could and would competently do so
7 as I have firsthand, personal knowledge of the matters herein after
8 set forth below.

9 1. For several years or longer, I served on the Mar Vista
10 Community Council as an elected Zone 4 Director. Additionally, I
11 Co-Chaired the Land Use and Planning Committee.

12 2. I know Mr. Robin Doyno, as we served together for a
13 period of time. Additionally, I have had interaction with him in
14 the Mar Vista community.

15 3. On June 2, 2019, I appeared at the Mar Vista Recreational
16 Center on Woodbine for the purpose of voting.

17 4. I arrived at approximately 2:00 P.M. I saw many friends
18 and neighbors.

19 5. In order to vote, there was a line that began on the
20 sidewalk that accommodates the small gymnasium. As I approached
21 the small gymnasium double doors, there was a table whereat
22 neighbors were required to identify themselves and complete a short
23 voting form. The form allowed the staff to determine for which
24 Zone one was entitled to vote.

25 6. If you consider the informational table adjacent to the
26 double doors as the beginning of the "voting" area, then Robin
27 Doyno, who was positioning himself at the beginning of the line at
28 the sidewalk, was clearly not within 100 feet of the POLLING AREA.

1 7. Additionally, I observed him moving from side to side and
2 up the line, even closer, where he was promoting his own candidacy
3 and talking about how MVCC would benefit by having new
4 Commissioners who were much younger.

5 8. I also believe he had a printed slate in his hand.

6 9. I passed by him, and entered the Polling Area where I
7 completed voting.

8 10. I exited the Polling Area, and again observed Robin Doyno
9 "perched" in the same position, campaigning and engaging neighbors
10 and others.

11 11. Ultimately, I went to the western portion of the area
12 which accommodates the parking lot. Most, if not all, of the
13 candidates were standing together in an area far beyond the 100
14 feet prohibition. This would be the "bullpen" for candidates.

15 12. It is my understanding that others have registered
16 complaints about Robin Doyno's apparent unlawful and inappropriate
17 electioneering on June 2, 2019. However, I am restricting my
18 observations to the time period between 2:00 P.M. and approximately
19 3:00 P.M. when I left the general area.

20 13. I am submitting this statement to re-confirm that during
21 the entire time that I observed and witnessed Robin Doyno, I cannot
22 affirm or otherwise declare that his campaigning activities
23 occurred beyond the 100 feet radius apparently required by the City
24 Clerk's Office.

25 Again, if called upon to testify in open Court under oath, the
26 above represents my statement and testimony.

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28
MICHAEL MILLMAN

6/3/2019
DATE



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Good Afternoon,

After careful consideration of the election challenge you submitted regarding electioneering at the Mar Vista Community Council Election on Sunday, June 2, 2019, a final determination has been made.

Our polling place Inspector was made aware of Mr. Donyo's presence on Election Day. Mr. Donyo was warned about handing out fliers on the sidewalk and was instructed to stay behind the "No Electioneering Beyond This Point" sign that is shown in the pictures you have provided. After this initial warning and instruction, staff did not observe any violations on Mr. Donyo's part.

While it is clear that Mr. Donyo was very close to this boundary, he was remained on the other side where he was allowed to distribute campaign material.

As such, the election challenge will be dismissed.

Thank you.



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Communication from Public

Name: Haqiqah

Date Submitted: 02/15/2023 02:17 PM

Council File No: 23-1200-S6

Comments for Public Posting: I've been working with Josh Nadel for approximately 2 years now. I met him in Leimert Park he provided a great service to the community. He is a diligent and effective worker. I have had amazing experiences with him as a community organizer and a business owner! He is a great addition as a commissioner to West Los Angeles.

Communication from Public

Name: Allen P Whilty

Date Submitted: 02/17/2023 10:15 PM

Council File No: 23-1200-S6

Comments for Public Posting: To whom it may concern: I have been contacting Mr. Josh for 5 months trying to become a Budget Tribune, but alas my emails go unanswered. I have been unable to find any information on their meetings and there are not any agendas. I am not sure the Budget Tribunes is a real group that exists and has meetings. I also looked on the Department of Empower LA website under Alliances and they are not there. I hear Mr. Josh giving updates on their activities and meetings at the BoNC so I am very confused why I cannot find any information and they do not reply to emails. Is this a secret group? Is it a lie? I just want to get involved and do my part to help my neighbors. I am not sure why their are so many obsticals to engagement. I also went to budgettribunes.com, but that does not look like it is their website. Because of this I am not sure that Mr. Josh would be a good BoNC. Sincerely, Allen

Re: Becoming more involved with the Budget Tribunes

From: Allen P Whilty (@currently.com) To:

labudgettribunes@gmail.com

Date: Monday, December 19, 2022 at 03:46 PM PST

Hello Mr. Josh and Mr. John,

I am still very much interested in participating, but I cannot find out when you meet. Are you still active?

Cordially,
Allen

On Friday, September 23, 2022 at 12 09 29 PM PDT, Allen P Whilty @currently.com wrote

Dear Mr. Josh and Mr. John,

It was recommended to me that I check out the Budget Tribunes, but I am having a very hard time finding any information about your organization. How can I find agendas and know to attend meetings? Do you have a website with information about what you do and what projects you are working on?

I am very eager to learn more.

Thank you very much,
Allen

Communication from Public

Name: Lionel Mares

Date Submitted: 02/17/2023 11:49 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Hon. Council Member Eunisses Hernandez (Chair),
Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee: I am writing to ask the Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee to postpone the Appointment of Josh Nadel to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Council File No. 23-1200-S6). As a board member of the Neighborhood Council, I feel "strongly that all appointments to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners should be vetted by the Neighborhood Councils and Alliances from the region(s) that the appointee represents. I urge the Mayor to withdraw this nomination until the affected Neighborhood Councils have a chance to weigh in on this appointment and the information provided by the appointee can be fully vetted." I believe wholeheartedly that Neighborhood Councils and Neighborhood Alliances should have a say in who is appointed to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC). The office of the Mayor, Karen Bass, should reach out to Neighborhood Councils and Alliances before making such an appointment without a thorough vetting process by board members. Therefore, I ask that the Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee withdraw and postpone the nomination of Josh Nadel until there is a vetting process. Thank you, Lionel Mares - Sent as an Individual