MVNA Board Meeting Minutes March 1, 2021

Board members present: Susan Nine, Hans Jannasch, Nickie Bach, Bruce Zanetta, Marta Kraftzeck, Pat Venza, Mike Pekin, Jeana Jett, Ray Meyers, Jean Rasch, Jeannie

Ferrara, Charles Martin

Board members absent: Michele Altman, Kristin Dotterrer

Guests present: Councilmember Dan Albert

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

- 1. Role Call and Previous Minutes Feb. and Mar. will be approved at Apr. meeting.
- 2. **Public Comment** on items not on agenda Jean suggested MVNA give annual awards (in citizenship and in journalism), will agendize for next meeting.
- 3. **Trash Pick-Up** (Jean) Noticing increase in trash esp. on/off ramps Hwy 1 South, could MVNA promote volunteer trash pickup events or does this require independent citizen action?; City manager's email said area under Cal Trans jurisdiction, urges no volunteer cleanup there due to liability; frustration those who have jurisdiction not doing adequate work, although improvement this week; trash pickup options: assign blocks, schedule events, encourage pickup during free time, and/or sign up for highway program. Albert said Cal Trans has area scheduled in 2 wks but not able to clean up encampments due to Newsom's order; ramp area not allowed under Adopt-a-Highway; as with Broom Bashers removing French broom, suggestion of MNVA to not officially sponsor but generally encourage pickup.
- 4. **Homeless Encampments** (Mike) Series of camps near highway, Barnet Segal Dr x Iris Canyon, and Don Dahvee Park are actually one big complex; all neighborhoods are/could be affected as encampments are moved; disappointed that no comprehensive governmental plan on homelessness; Haffa had requested agendizing a City community task force but was not approved; Albert explained that covid delayed the formation of that task force but there is still political will; suggestion that this be a topic at an NA Presidents Meeting w/ the City; suggestion that City inform NAs on this issue (Albert will bring up at C.C. mtg. tomorrow).
- 4. **Wireless Ordinance** (Jean) Hundreds of hours and dollars put into ordinance and still not put in front of Planning Comm.; City's prioritization list ranks wireless ordinance very low, Albert requested it be moved up multiple times and will at tomorrow's mtg.; noted that C.C. approved consultant funds in the event that a large number of applications come in but consultant has been used instead for individual wireless apps with long shot clocks; suggestion to publicly comment at C.C. mtg. and for MVNA to encourage ordinance adoption.
- 5. **Skyline/68 Intersection** (Susan) Susan and City Manager working w/ Skyline Safety group and Skyline NA to meet with a Cal Trans engineer to discuss options.

Nickie's traffic contact recommended extending duration of red light at CHOMP, extending the merge lane, and severely cutting back vegetation, but not a stoplight due to traffic increase through neighborhood.

- 6. **Undergrounding Sub-Cmte.** (Jean/Ray/Hans) Focused on education next 6-9 mos: Progress on website, compiling data, parts will go into a brochure; Hans working on a survey; 65 out of 66 responses to date on Old Town's survey in favor of undergrounding; post-vaccination organize a forum at MIIS on reasons for undergrounding; question of whether city can designate high fire-risk areas future undergrounding areas.
- 7. **MHS Field Project** (Marta) Final EIR approx. summer 2021 (MVNA did not receive a response from MPUSD to our question re: timeframe); parking project is not included in the Draft EIR, neighbors attending city mtgs. to encourage city's oversight since code permits it (i.e. when paving is involved); AMAP working on registering stadium as CA and federally historic which would give it CEQA protections, bleachers damaged and stone wall removed during construction of science building; comment that considering low academic test scores, disproportionate funds directed to athletics.

Adjournment at 8:00 p.m. Next meeting is special meeting scheduled for April 5, 2021 promptly at 6 p.m. Please sign in to Zoom 5:45-6:00. Reminder that newsletter articles due in April and newsletter's role for MVNA will be on next month's agenda.