

## Minutes MVNA 2023-06-05

6-8pm Via Zoom

In attendance: Jean Rasch, Hans Jannasch, Pat Venza, Nickie Bach, Marta Kraftzeck, Susan Nine, Ray Myers, Bruce Zanetta, Charles Martin

Guest: John Sovereign

Approval of minutes.

- Minutes approved

Tuesday's CC meeting....any concerns?

- Final reading of ADU ordinance,
  - discussion at Planning Commission of issues,
  - height to 25' in an R3 density but not in R1
  - Exceptions issued on a case-by-case basis
  - State requirement changes to zoning, set backs
  - Water issues on the peninsula
- Solar permitting process
- Budget proposal, concern about increasing reserve from 15% to 20% and allocation of maintenance funding although this removes money out of General Fund
  - City did not balance budget during the pandemic with reserve funding
  - Need to restore public services, increase raises for public employees
  - Is there a formula for determining reserves?
  - City's Financial vs maintenance reserves
  - Library and Sports Center still limited funding, need to increase number of employees
  - Need for City engineers, impact felt at NCIP

NCIP- Voting night June 1; next year's ideas

- \$5.78 million for NCIP funds
- Uslar stated that City is refunding \$1.2 million from last year to NCIP, unsure if this is included in the \$5.78 million
- Tentative NCIP meeting on June 8<sup>th</sup> to figure out the funding
- MVNA did well in receiving funding for our projects
  - Projects generally within \$4.5 million were NCIP approved, those within \$6 million were possibly approved
  - Forest management
  - Bocce balls
  - Bike path at Veteran's Park
  - Design of pick ball court
    - Use design to aid fundraising
    - Frisbee golf group is in support of pickle ball at that location
    - Development of porta potties at site or full bathroom, questions about parking lot

- Could be done in phases
    - Undergrounding/conduit
    - Basketball at Via Paraiso
    - San Bernabe walkway design
    - Via del Rey street light, needs signatures
    - El Caminito cross walk, crosswalk to nowhere, city commented street needed a sidewalk increased price, needs consent/signatures of neighbors
    - Via Gayuba cross walk at Toda Vista
- Jean will be moving off the NCIP committee at the end of this cycle, Hans will be the lead NCIP and MVNA will need an alternate representative. John Sovereign is interested.
- MVNA recommends representative but City selects
- NCIP representative needs to be listening to their respective communities
- Discussion of forest management funding, Park Department
- Monroe street 4-5 blocks, “rehabilitation” start discussion for undergrounding in collaboration with Old Town, due to be started in fall of 2024

Leaf blower update; action on more 2 stroke restrictions? Noise abatement... Susan?

- Rory LaKind compliance officer
- 2024 no more sale of 2 stroke engine in California
- Does MVNA support a ban on 2 stroke engines for landscaping within the City?
- Residential areas adjacent to commercial properties, gas powered implements continue to be used
- City noise ordinance, decibels over the limits for most gas-powered implements
- Would Rory enforce a noise ordinance? Discussion ensued

Which topics get forwarded to full membership?

- What topics should be shared with the entire membership of MVNA?
- Don't want our emails with information to be ignored if we send too many
- Information that is non-political but that affect the neighborhood
- Possible use of NextDoor to remind people that MVNA has a website with neighborhood issues link
- MVNA Board decision with a quorum of members

Undergrounding Committee update

- Del Monte Ave connection Ray has received no response to his letters including from PG&E
- Rule 20 is vanishing, no more available funding for the city
- Need a Master Plan with undergrounding within the city
- Neighborhoods can still self-fund, with some help from PG&E
- Cal-Advocates group calling for Rule 20b and c to be abolished, essentially removing all funding for the city to underground
- Expanding the reach of undergrounding melding into sustainability issues. Costs
- Pool resources within the community for resiliency
- Explore levels of interest for assessment districts for undergrounding

Public Comment for any topic not on the agenda; no discussion.

- No public comments

Newsletter---articles

- Nickie will edit articles
- Deadline July 5<sup>th</sup> everything ready for Arthur in August
- Picnic advertising/flyer in newsletter
- Word limit 500 words
- Undergrounding update/sustainability

Picnic Sept 16, 2023

- Fire chief to speak 10-15 minutes at picnic?
- Possible sub topics for fire talk, table with handouts/information opportunity to ask questions regarding fire issues
- Could Monterey Fire bring an engine? Liability?

District 3 election 2024??? Discuss if we have time

- Haffa is running for supervisor
- Primary in March
- Does not have to give up his seat on the City Council to run for supervisor
- May be an opening for City Council in our district, Jean will not run
- Lot of "what ifs"