

Minutes: MSPA Regular Board Meeting: Sept. 3, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m.

Minutes of the 8-5-26 meeting were approved with one correction.

President's Remarks: In the last month the Beautification Committee met with CVWD regarding turf replacement in a few areas of the MSP; MSPA members met with Molly Burke regarding a Christmas Market collaboration.

Board Members and Guests:

Gigi Garcia (It Takes A Village Kids) - President; Andre Ordubegian (Copy Network) - Vice President; Kim Kelly (Merle Norman) - Secretary; Maureen Palacios (Once Upon A Time) - Treasurer; Corey Grijalva (Joselito's) - Board member at large; Steve Pierce (MSPA Communication Admin./Film Liaison); Dale Dawson (Business Admin/Events Coord.) ; Domenica Megerdichian (CoG); Molly Burke (MVCCC); Armine Sargsyan (CVWD); Carol Clark (resident); Dan Hardgrove (GD Public Works); Steve Miller (resident); Jennifer and Mario Chalè (Current Season/A Seasoned Table); Annie Bolding (muralist); Mary Dawson (MSPA Social Media); Lynn Sullivan (Montrose Barber Shop); Giuliana Berman (GCC).

Invited Guests:

City of Glendale

Asst. City Manager Dom Megerdichian:

- A New trash bin was delivered by Public Works for a preview.
- The City is helping the new Atavola Cheese Shop with some issues so that they can open by Oktoberfest.
- Dom met with Molly from the MVCCC about Oktoberfest, electrical boxes etc.
- Follow up walk thru with CVWD regarding replacing the non-functional turf; two grass areas will remain in front of Starbucks and Moo Moo Mia.
- The Beautification Committee will reach out to Loren Klick regarding Native plants planting in the MSPA.
- The parklet agreements and contracts are in process with Tony Chiss.
- The annual maintenance of the parklets can be scheduled.
- The city is in favor of the Wally delivery service. Montrose is not in favor due to too many issues on the sidewalks along Honolulu Ave.
- New staff member Rachel Dimond, Community Development.
- Tad Dombrowski (GD Parking Manager) is leaving the CoG.
- Verdugo wash surveys returned
- For Sept: So. Cal Chess Open. 9-4 to 9-7; Tech Week 9-23 to 9-26.

Glendale Police Dept.

Captain Krikorian:

- supports Service Division/Mental Health, K-9 unit etc.

- Regarding the Harvest Market. The City Attorney is writing new G.M.C.'s which could pertain to the Harvest market. Some codes pertain to dumpster diving, e-bikes and permits.
- GPD is taking parking enforcement back.
- Gigi Garcia brought up two incidents at the Harvest Market during the Market takedown; kids are riding thru the market harassing the managers and being disruptive; another incident involved a man sitting at a Moo Moo Mia table and chairs smoking a cigar. every week. He has been asked to move along and refuses.

MSPA President Gigi Garcia:

introduced Annie Bolding, a muralist who gave a presentation/proposal for the Froyo building mural.

MVCCC Director Molly Burke:

- The 9-1-26 mixer at Mosaic Hair Salon went well; the Business Protector seminar has been moved to November. Oktoberfest Bingo 9-12-26. Oktoberfest is 10-3-26
- Rich Boccia, Committee Chair Disaster Preparedness, reminded the group 9-24 Wild Threat and 10-15 Earthquake shakeout.

GCC Kristine Nam:

- The group is looking to the MSPA for input on the design process.
- Save the dates for 3 public input meetings:
 - ✓ Campus design standard; Thurs. 10-8-26 Montrose Library 6-8
 - ✓ Program design elements: Wed 10-14-26 Montrose Library 6-8
 - ✓ CEQA /EIR Development session: 10-29-26 Montrose Library 6-8

CV Water District: Armineh Sargsyan:

- recapped the turf/non -turf walk thru with the Beautification Committee.
- The proposed Hydration station on Honolulu Ave in 2 locations was discussed. Permits are \$8500. each.
- Community meeting: 9-30-26 6pm-7pm
- Rain barrel distribution date T.B.A.

Public Forum

- Christmas Market Collaboration with the MVCCC was discussed.
- Dan Hardgrove (GD Public Works) parking, maintenance and meter collection discussed.
- Alex Guerrero. Bulky item pick-up and street sweeping discussed.
- Street bins along Honolulu Ave were discussed regarding the Big Bell Bins (previewed); Service of new bins will be 7 days a week; issues with existing "smelly" bins were also discussed; some have liner bags and some without.
- Steve Miller (resident) commented that the Bank of America trash cans are overflowing. Steve Pierce will follow up.

Contractors Reports:

Business Administrator Dale Dawson:

- Updated Treasurer's Report provided; reserve balance; \$293.144
- Assessment letter to delinquent MSPA businesses for 2025 emailed.
- Directory Board update this month.
- "Fall In Love with Montrose" banners are up.
- Fall street decor order will be placed this week.

Events Coordinator Dale Dawson:

- Halloween Spooktacular : coordinating with GCC/PDC Giuliana Berman for special GCC/PDC set up.
- Holiday Wine Walk to 11-14-26 ticket sales have begun: music confirmed.
- Old Town Christmas 2026 updates and confirmations.

Communication Administrator Steve Pierce:

- Repeat: USC/GCC has reached out to the MSPA to discuss the design criteria for the future new building.
- Repeat: Trashcan liners are placed in some trash cans and not others.
- Repeat: Resident complaint that Parkwood is blowing debris into the storm drain rather than raking and placing in green waste bins.
- Graffiti was removed from one of the Directory boards, a postal box and 2 bike racks.
- Noticeable improvement with tree lights along Honolulu Ave.

MSPA Film Liaison Steve Pierce: year to date film revenue to MSPA \$8721.

Committee Reports:

Harvest Market Committee: No report.

- Gigi announced that Sabrina's will be hosting the Merchant Appreciation dinner in October. Date T.B.A.

Marketing Committee:

- Jennifer Chalé (Current Season/The Seasoned Table) will serve as the Marketing Chair; next meeting T.B.A.

Beautification Committee:

- Kim Kelly will reach out to Loren Klink (CoG) regarding the filling in of bare areas and native plants in 2 planters.

Meeting adjourned at 10:21 am

Next meeting Oct 1, 2026 8:15 am