



Mar Vista Voice <marvistavoic@gmail.com>

Re: Request for Comment - Mar Vista Voice

1 message

Pacific Boosters <pacificboosters@gmail.com>

Thu, Apr 30, 2026 at 10:49 AM

To: Mar Vista Voice <marvistavoic@gmail.com>, Donna Lasman <donnaLasman01@gmail.com>

Yes it was canceled.

Thank you

Diane

On Wed, Apr 29, 2026 at 4:05 PM Mar Vista Voice <marvistavoic@gmail.com> wrote:

Hi Diane,

Here's the website for the carnival: <https://pacificboosters.org/pacific-area-carnival/>

Are you saying it's been canceled?

Thanks

On Apr 29, 2026, at 3:51 PM, Pacific Boosters <pacificboosters@gmail.com> wrote:

Elizabeth,

I want to thank you very much for reaching out to the Pacific Area Boosters Association.

We do not have a Carnival planned to be held in the Palms area.

Appreciate your concern,

Diane Barretti

PABA, President

Dear Members of the Board,

I'm an organizer with Mar Vista Voice, which publishes a weekly newsletter called the Dispatch. I'm working on a story about the Pacific Area Boosters Association's carnival scheduled for May 29-31 in Palms, and I'd like to give the board of directors the opportunity to respond to several questions before publication.

1. Can you confirm who the official community partners are for the 2026 event? Councilmember Yaroslavsky's office has confirmed to Mar Vista Voice that it is not involved, and the Palms Neighborhood Council has declined to sponsor the event.
2. A representative of the Boosters told Mar Vista Voice this week that the person responsible for the death of Edel Anthony Quintero at the 2024 carnival has been convicted and is serving a sentence. Can the board confirm this? If so, was any communication sent to the community or to Anthony's family?
3. Anthony's mother has filed a wrongful death lawsuit against the City of Los Angeles and the Pacific Area Boosters Association (Case No. 25SMCV03968). Does the board have a response to that suit?
4. Mar Vista Voice has spoken to community members who say the Boosters' community partner Lee

Wallach of the Motor Avenue Improvement Association made a derogatory comment about Anthony Quintero to organizers the morning after his death. Is the board aware of this claim, and does it affect the Boosters' decision to continue working with MAIA on the 2026 event?

5. The Motor Avenue Improvement Association's Instagram account has announced the 2026 carnival. Has the board reviewed and approved MAIA's involvement as the primary (and apparently only) community organizer?

I'm on deadline and would appreciate a response by Friday, May 1st at 5:00PM

Thank you,
Elizabeth
Mar Vista Voice

