



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Board of Officers Meeting Agenda

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)

1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291

Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 6:30 PM

BOARD MEETINGS: The Venice Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act. All are welcome to attend.

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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENTS: Any action taken by the Board may result in the filing of a related CIS

DISABILITY POLICY: See last page.

ALL AGENDA TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE ON THE NIGHT OF THE MEETING.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (6:30 PM – 1 minute)**
2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (6:31PM -- 1 minute)**
3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (6:32PM – 1 minute)**
<http://www.venicenc.org/docs/34484160-6769.pdf>
4. **Approval of the Agenda (6:33PM – 1 minute)**
5. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (6:34PM -- 1 minute)**
All Board members shall declare any ex parte communications or conflicts-of interest relating to items on this meeting's agenda.
6. **Scheduled Announcements and Presentations**
- 6A **Public Safety - LAPD Report (6:35PM-- 10 minutes):** CAPTAIN: James Roberts (41448@LAPD.ONLINE) Senior Lead Officers: Kristan Delatori (32914@lapd.lacity.org), Adrian Acosta (37285@LAPD.ONLINE), Juan Ceja (32929@LAPD.ONLINE) OFW Beach Detail. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*



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- 6B Government Reports (6:45PM--15 minutes)** (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)
- City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy Taylor Bazley, 310-568-8772 (taylor.bazley@lacity.org)
 - Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 (janet.turner@mail.house.gov)
 - State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Fernando Morales, 310-318-6994 (fernando.morales@sen.ca.gov)
 - State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, Rep Mark Weber, Mark.Weber@asm.ca.gov
 - LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy FYI, Stephanie Cohen (310) 231-1170 (scohen@bos.lacounty.gov)
 - Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, 213-978-0836 (Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org)
- 6C VNC Announcements and Reports (7:00PM--10 minutes)**
- President -Ira Koslow (President@VeniceNC.org)
Community Officer Lauri Burns has resigned from the Board. The Venice Neighborhood Council Board will fill the vacated seat at its July Board meeting. The application process is open and will close at the AdCom meeting on July 10. According to the VNC Bylaws, the qualifications for this Community Interest seat are Stakeholders who do not live, work, or own real property within the VNC boundaries, who are 16 years or older, and who affirm a substantial and ongoing participation within the Neighborhood Council's boundaries, and who *may* be in a community organization such as, but not limited to, educational, non-profit and/or religious organizations. The application is available here: http://www.venicenc.org/readpost.php?news_id=281
Commercial Cannabis Location Restriction Ordinance (Ira Koslow, president@venicenc.org)
A Cannabis Task Force will be formed in regards to City Planning case number CPC-2017-2260-CA regarding the Commercial Cannabis Location Restriction Ordinance. See *addendum in exhibits*. Anyone interested can email vp@venicenc.org or president@venicenc.org
 - Vice President - George Francisco (VicePresident@VeniceNC.org)
 - Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- ,Ira Koslow, VNC Representative (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
 - Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
 - VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
 - Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer
 - Green Festival Report - Matthew Kline, Hollie Stenson
- 6D DWP Presentation on Water Facilities (7:10PM--10 minutes)**(Yolanda Gonzales)
- 6E VJAMM Committee Presentation (7:20PM--10 minutes)**
Report on the recent installation of the Venice Japanese American Memorial Monument.



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7. **Treasurer's Report (7:30PM--15 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee) (Treasurer@VeniceNC.org) *[Discussion and possible action]*
See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
- 7A **Expenditure Reports**
MOTION: The VNC Board approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for May 2017.
Recommended by Treasurer
- 7B **Expenditure to date Report**
MOTION: The VNC Board approves the Expenditure to Date report for May 2017.
Recommended by Treasurer
- 7C **Proposed 2017-2018 Budget**
MOTION: The VNC approves the attached proposed budget for 2017-2018
Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 3-0-0 on May 30, 2017
- 7D **Proposed 2017-2018 Strategic Plan**
MOTION: The VNC adopts the attached Strategic Plan for 2017-2018.
Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 3-0-0 on May 30, 2017
- 7E **Outreach Survey**
MOTION: The VNC adopts the Outreach Survey as presented.
Recommended by Treasurer
- 7F **Self-Assessment**
MOTION: The VNC adopts the self-assessment as presented.
Recommended by Treasurer
8. **Announcements and Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (7:45PM - 10 minutes)**
[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]
9. **General Consent Calendar (7:55PM -- 5 minutes)**
[All agenda items on the Consent Calendar will pass when the Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any board member or stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of the agenda and be treated as regular agenda items with discussion and public comment.]
- 9A **Harbor St. Traffic Control** (Submitted by James Murez on behalf of the Parking and Transportation Committee) (james.murez@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The VNC shall send a letter to LADOT and CD11 requesting new stop signs be installed in this residential neighborhood to improve public safety.
Recommended by Parking and Transportation Committee 5-0-0 on May 9, 2017.



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- 9B Crosswalk Traffic Control Light, Pacific Ave. at Sunset Av** (Submitted by James Murez on behalf of the Parking and Transportation Committee) (james.murez@venicenc.org)
MOTION: Whereas a neighborhood group was informed that a City conducted survey was completed on 11/2014, followed by funding in 10/2015 and then informed that construction was to occur in Spring 2016, and Whereas no construction has occurred to date.
Therefore be it resolved that the VNC Board shall send a letter to CD11 and the Director of LADOT requesting the status of a proposed and approved traffic crossing control light at the intersection of Pacific Ave and Sunset Ave.
Recommended by the Parking and Transportation Committee 5-0-0 on June 6, 2017
- 9C Crosswalk Striping and Left Turn Arrow, Main St at Abbot Kinney** (Submitted by James Murez on behalf of the Parking and Transportation Committee) (james.murez@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The VNC Board shall send a letter to CD11 and the Director of LADOT requesting a crosswalk be added to the north side of the intersection at Main St and Abbot Kinney/Brooks Ave., and a left turn light be added for southbound traffic on Main St turning left onto Abbot Kinney.
Recommended by the Parking and Transportation Committee 5-0-0 on June 6, 2017
- 9D Removal of Abandoned Equipment, 134 Brooks Ave.** (Submitted by James Murez on behalf of the Parking and Transportation Committee) (james.murez@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The VNC Board shall send a letter to CD11, DPW and LADOT requesting that the abandoned traffic control apparatus located in the street in front of 132 Brooks Ave. be removed and that the asphalt street surface be repaired.
Recommended by the Parking and Transportation Committee 5-0-0 on June 6, 2017
- 9E Transparency in the General Plan development process** (Submitted by Ira Koslow on behalf of WRAC) (President@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The VNC requests that the Planning Department Work Group meetings now underway about our shared ideas and ideals for the Los Angeles General Plan and its many elements be made fully transparent, be set at evening and weekend hours; be open to the public as of now; include representatives from the Neighborhood/Community Council system; and expand from the four meetings, now nearly completed in closed-door meetings, to four additional meetings that follow the above prescription. Minutes and general discussion notes should be made publicly available from past and future meetings. We further request, in the same vein, that the Mayor's Planning Task Force and Transportation Infrastructure Steering Committee for the General Plan be made fully transparent, be set at evening and weekend hours; be open to the public as of now; and expand its closed-door meetings to several additional meetings that follow the above prescription.
- 9F Support for Well Baby Center at Farmer's Market**
MOTION: The VNC endorses a pilot program for two months with the Well Baby Center for the local non-profit organization to provide interactive activities for children a the VNC Farmer's Market booth, free and open to the public.
Recommended by the Outreach Committee 4-0-0 on May 15, 2017



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- 10. People St. Parklet at 1427 Abbot Kinney Boulevard (8:00PM, 30 minutes)** (submitted by christiane@gjelina.com)
MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council supports the submission of an application for the creation of a People St Parklet at 1427 Abbot Kinney Boulevard. All applications must be brought back to VNC before final approval. (<http://peoplest.lacity.org/>)
See addendums in exhibits
- 11. Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar (8:30PM -- 30 minutes)**
[All agenda items on the Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar will pass when the LUPC Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any Board member or Stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of agenda item 12. Land Use and Planning Committee and will be treated as regular LUPC agenda items, with discussion and public comment]
- 12. LUPC (8:30PM – 210 minutes)**(Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)
(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php>)
[Discussion and possible action]
- 12A 417 Ocean Front Walk (45 minutes)**
Case: ZA-2015-629-CDP-ZV-ZAA-SPP-MEL
Applicant: Venice Suites, LLC (Carl Lambert)
LUPC Staff: Daffodil Tyminski
Representative: Donald Barany
Description: Change of use from an existing 32 unit apartment building to an apartment-hotel comprised of 2 long term dwelling units and 30 guest rooms
MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.
Recommended by LUPC 3-1-2 on June 8, 2017
- 12B 585 Venice Blvd (Erewhon Market) (30 minutes)**
Case: DIR-2017-1067-CDP-SPP, ZA-2016-4137-CUB
Applicant: Nowhere Partners Corp
LUPC Staff: Robert Aronson
Representative: Craig Fry & Associates
Description: Change of use from 2,400 sqf warehouse storage to 2,400 sqf retail use; project to provide minimum 24 parking spaces onsite. No exterior improvement or addition floor area proposed. A full-service natural foods grocer is requesting a conditional use permit for the sale and service of beer and wine for on-site and off-site consumption within an existing 10,400 sqf grocery store.
MOTION: The VNC Board recommends denial of the project due to a lack of community outreach.
Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on June 8, 2017



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12C 925-929 Marco Place (30 minutes)

Case: DIR-2015-3506-CDP-SPP-MEL, DIR-2015-3507-CDP-SPP-MEL,
DIR-2015-3504-CDP-SPP-MEL

Applicant: Shula Harel

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojalalli

Representative: Harel

Description: 3 New Single Family Dwellings

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends denial of the project due to a lack of community support.

Recommended by LUPC 3-1-2 on June 1, 2017

12D 2800 Dell Ave (15 minutes)

Case: DIR-2016-2999-CDP-MEL, DIR-2017-750-VSO

Applicant: MDB Silicon Beach Dell Investors, LLC

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: Jefferson Schierbeek

Description: Demolition of an existing single family residence and construction of a new single family residence. 2 story, with pool and roof deck

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0 on June 8, 2017

12E 519 Vernon Ave (15 minutes)

Case: ZA-2014-4766-CDP, AA-2014-4764-PMLA-SL

Applicant: FMB Development

LUPC Staff: Ramsey Daham

Representative: Handelman Consulting

Description: New 2 unit small lot subdivision

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 5-1-0 on June 1, 2017

12F 337 6th Ave (15 minutes)

Case: ZA-2014-4142-CDP, AA-2014-4140-PMLA-SL

Applicant: FMB Development

LUPC Staff: Joe Clark

Representative: Handelman Consulting

Description: New 2 unit small lot subdivision

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented if the applicant provides a Mello letter and keeps the height of the rear structure at 17 feet

Recommended by LUPC 5-2-0 on May 25th, 2017



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12G 506 Westminster Ave (15 minutes)

Case: ZA-2014-4139-CDP, AA-2014-4137-PMLA-SL

Applicant: FMB Development

LUPC Staff: Joe Clark

Representative: Handelman Consulting

Description: New 2 unit small lot subdivision

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented if the applicant provides a Mello letter

Recommended by LUPC 6-1-0 on May 25th, 2017

12H 2412 Clement Ave (15 minutes)

Case: DIR-2106-2206-CDP-MEL

Applicant: NYE, LLC

LUPC Staff: Joe Clark

Representative: Steve Kaplan

Description: New Single Family Home

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 4-1-0 on May 25, 2017

12I 633 Westminster Ave (15 minutes)

Case: DIR-2017-1935-CDP-MEL, ZA-2017-1937-ZAA

Applicant: TriWest Development

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojalalli

Representative: Meike Kroger for Matthew Royce

Description: Remodel of existing front dwelling unit and construction of new 2 story dwelling unit in the rear of the property. ZAA for reduced passageway.

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0 on June 1, 2017

12J 311-313 Market St (15 minutes)

Case: DIR-2017-1945-CDP, ZA-2017-1944-ZAA

Applicant: Christian Taylor

LUPC Staff: Joe Clark

Representative: Chris McLean for Matthew Royce

Description: Remodel & Addition to 3 existing dwelling units. ZAA for reduced side yard setback.

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0 June 1, 2017



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13. **Old Business (12:00AM - 0 minutes)** See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
[Discussion and possible action]
14. **New Business (12:00AM – 45 minutes)**
[Discussion and possible action] See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
- 14A **Selection of Community Officer to fill the vacant seat on the Administrative Committee (5 minutes)**
MOTION: The Community Officers of the VNC Board shall select a Community Officer to fill the vacant seat on the Administrative Committee.
- Jim Murez
 - Michelle Meepos
- 14B **Proposed Sidewalk, Bike Lane, One Way Street and Left Turn Restriction Improvements, Marr St (10 minutes)** (Submitted by James Murez on behalf of the Parking and Transportation Committee) (james.murez@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The VNC Board shall send a letter to CD11 and LADOT requesting that:
- 1 - Marr St. between the intersection of Oxford Ave. and Marr St should be made into a one-way street with traffic traveling in a North-West direction.
 - 2 - A sidewalk and bike lane shall be constructed on the one-way portion of Marr St.
 - 3 - Signage shall be added along the one-way portion that prohibits parking.
 - 4 - A “no left turn” sign shall be added to the following two intersections: Washington Bl. E bound at Marr St and Washington Bl. East bound at Oxford Av.
- Recommended by the Parking and Transportation Committee 6-0-0 on June 6, 2017*
- 14C **Request to Install Over Size Vehicle Restriction Signs (15 minutes)** (Submitted by George Francisco on behalf of the Neighborhood Committee) (vp@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council shall send letters to Mayor Eric Garcetti, Councilman Mike Bonin, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, Bureau of Street Services, Department of Public Works and Bureau of Engineering recommending that they honor the properly submitted requests of residents in all of Council District 11, including areas south of Washington Boulevard, to establish oversized vehicle parking restrictions pursuant to Section 80.69.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code as Section 85.02 does not address all impacts and concerns or offer the same enforcement opportunities with respect to oversized vehicles.
- Recommended by Neighborhood Committee 9-0-1 on May 24, 2017*



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- 14D RV Safety (15 minutes)** (submitted by William Hawkins on behalf of the Homeless Committee) (william.hawkins@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that all RVs, large vans and oversized vehicles being used as temporary homes on the streets of Venice must be equipped with fire extinguishers, carbon monoxide and smoke detectors. Furthermore, all RVs, large vans and oversized vehicles must be inspected annually by LAPD and/or LAFD and approved for these safety devices and all RVs, large vans and oversized vehicles must always display proof of inspection on windshield or be subject to receive citations and violations.

Recommended by Homeless Committee 5-0-0 on May 30, 2017

- 15. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (12:45AM - 5 minutes)**

- 16. Adjourn (approx. 12:50AM)**

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome

Standing Committees

- Administrative - Ira Koslow
- Neighborhood - George Francisco
- Outreach - Matthew Kline
- Land Use and Planning - Matthew Royce
- Budget & Finance - Hugh Harrison
- Rules & Selections - John Reed
- Arts - Sunny Bak
- Ocean Front Walk - Colleen Saro

Ad Hoc Committees

- Public Safety - Matt Shaw & Will Hawkins
- Homeless - Will Hawkins
- Parking & Transportation - Jim Murez
- Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello
- Discussion Forum - Joe Murphy

RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS: For information on the VNC’s process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the VNC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website www.venicenc.org.

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