

Venice Neighborhood Council



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# MINUTES

#### Community Plan/Local Coastal Program Ad Hoc Committee Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Venice Public Library at 501 S. Venice Boulevard

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# CALL TO ORDER: 6:02

# ROLL CALL WITH DECLARATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, if any:

Naomi Nightingale (Chair)	Edward Ferrer	Alix Gucovsky
Mark Mack	Frank Murphy	Robin Rudisill
Richard Stanger	Steve Williams	

# APPROVAL OF MAY 10th MEETING MINUTES: Approved after corrected.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS** – on topics not on the agenda

#### CHAIR REPORT:

# OLD BUSINESS:

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mark Mack and Richard Stanger presented a PowerPoint presentation on their review of the Venice Canal subarea. Following public comments included concerns with poor infrastructure, the bonus heights of South Venice Boulevard properties, lot consolidations, and the lack of clarity with the Zoning code bonus program.

Richard Stanger modified the recommended Motion in the PowerPoint slides. It was amended, on a 4-3 vote, to remove bonuses. The Motion below was approved on a 5-2 vote.



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# Recommended Changes to City Planning's Proposed Land Use Parameters for the Venice Canal Subarea

- 1) Low Residential (Existing RW1-1-0 Single Family):
  - No changes from existing zoning requirements except:
  - Maximum Height: 22' to 33' (no bonus)
  - Lot coverage: 60%.

# 2) **Low Medium Residential** (Existing RW1-1-0):

- Maximum Height: 22' to 33'. (no bonus)
- Lot coverage: 60%.
- Lot Consolidation: 0.
- 3) Medium Residential (Existing R3-1-0 along Venice Blvd):
  - Maximum Height: Base of 3 Stories 3 Stories, 33' (no bonus).
  - FAR: 1.25, (no bonus).
  - Lot Coverage: 60%.
  - Lot Consolidation: 0.
- 4) Medium Neighborhood Residential (Existing R3-1-0 along Washington Blvd.): Increase front and rear yard setbacks.
  Change Land Use Classification to Medium Residential
- 5) **Neighborhood Center** (East corner of Canal and Washington Blvd. and West corner of Sanborn and Washington Blvd.):
  - Density: 800 SF/Living Unit.
  - Maximum Height: 33' (no bonus).
  - FAR: 1.25.(no bonus)
  - Lot Coverage: 60%.
  - Lot Consolidation: 2 lots.
- 6) **Community Center** (Lots on NE corner of Canal and Washington): **Change Land Use to Neighborhood Center.**

# Other:

- All canal facing lots must also meet the following existing requirements:
  - Height is not to exceed 22 feet for any portion within 10 feet from the canal property line. Thereafter, an ascending height equal to one half the horizontal depth from this 10-foot line with a maximum height of 30 feet.





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- An open, permeable yard of at least 450 square feet for a 30-foot-wide lot, and at least 600 square feet for a 40-foot-wide lot, shall be maintained between the canal property line and the front of any structure. A minimum 10-foot front yard setback, with a required 15-foot setback average, shall provide the required permeable front yard area. No fill nor building extensions, including stairs and balconies, shall be placed in or over the required permeable front yard area, with the exception of 42-inch-high fences or permeable decks at grade (no more than 18" high).
- Bureau of Engineering is requested to address issues with water management and canal infrastructure.

The completion of the North Venice Subarea recommendations had to be postponed to the Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> meeting which will begin at 5:30.

# ADJOURNMENT: 7:42

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