



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Joint Meeting of Rules & Elections Committee and Board of Directors – Agenda

**Virtual Zoom Meeting
Tuesday November 26, 2024
6:30PM – 8:30PM**

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Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Committee.



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CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL **6:30PM**

Soledad Ursua, Chair X Soledad.ursua@venicenc.org	Christopher Lee X	Liz Wright X
CJ Cole X	Steve Bradbury X	
		VNC President, Ex officio

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

9/22/24 Minutes

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting66fb2d67312b4.pdf>

SU, CL. YES CC, CL, SB, SU. ABSTAIN LW. NO 0. (YES 4, ABSTAIN 1, NO 0)

10/22/24 Minutes (no motions sent to board)

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting6742573b64860.pdf>

SU, CL. YES CC, CL, SB, SU. ABSTAIN LW. NO 0. (YES 4, ABSTAIN 1, NO 0)

CHAIR REPORT

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed two (2) minute(s) unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Review of 2025 Venice Neighborhood Council election postcard/mailer Design.

a. **Item introduction/description:** Finalize postcard design to send to board for approval. Postcards are needed to send out to stakeholders.

b. Public comment:

c. Committee discussion:

d. Motion:

Maker _____

Seconded _____

Vote: (____ Yes / ____ No / ____ Absent / ____ Abstained)





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The Rules and Elections Committee approves election postcard design with the following changes, to be sent to the VNC Board for final approval

Front of Postcard

- 1) a "WWW." is added in front of VENICENC.ORG/ELECTIONS to read WWW.VENICENC.ORG/ELECTIONS
- 2) Under Vote for your Venice it will now include the following wording: "Request your ballot. Receive your ballot. Return your ballot".

Back of Postcard

- 3) The first two rows in the timeline of events are deleted and replaced with "January 17, 2025 - Candidate List Available".
- 4) Dates on the Timeline of events are made larger.
- 5) Per city "guidelines" is changed to per city "Directive".

SU, CL. YES CL, LW, SB, SU. NO CC. (YES 4, NO 1)

2. Discussion of Funding Motion - Printing of Postcard/mailer and possible action.

a. **Item introduction/description:** Possible funding motion for Election Postcard/Mailer. The Board will need to approve a funding motion for Election mailer at next Board meeting.

b. Public comment:

c. Committee discussion:

d. Motion:

Maker _____

Seconded _____

Vote: (___ Yes / ___ No / ___ Absent / ___ Abstained)

The Rules and Elections committee has a budget of \$9,300 for the 2025 VNC Elections. The committee budget allocates up to \$2,500 for printing, and up to \$6,800 for the mailing of the election postcard. These numbers include a contingency for additional tax and fees.

The Rules and Elections committee requests up to \$2,500 for Printing Expenditure (printing 30,000 5x7 pieces) through Next Day Flyers as related to election expenditures. The Rules and Elections committee seeks approval to use the VNC Bank Card to complete online payment to vendor.





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This motion will be sent to the VNC Board and/or Budget Committee for final approval, as deemed necessary.

SU, SB. YES CL, LW, SB, SU. NO CC. (YES 4, NO 1)

3. Discussion of Funding Motion- Mailing of Postcard/mailer and possible action.

a. **Item introduction/description:** Possible funding motion for the Postcard/Mailer. The board will need to approve a funding motion at the next Board meeting.

b. Public comment:

c. Committee discussion:

d. Motion:

Maker _____

Seconded _____

Vote: (____ Yes / ____ No / ____ Absent / ____ Abstained)

The Rules and Elections committee has a budget of \$9,300 for the 2025 VNC Elections. The committee budget allocates up to \$2,500 for printing, and up to \$6,800 for the mailing of the election postcard. These numbers include a contingency for additional tax and fees.

The Rules and Elections committee requests up to \$6,800 for Mailing Expenditure (mailing 30,000 5x7 pieces) through United States Postal Service, Every Door Direct Mailer service as related to election expenditures. The Rules and Elections committee seeks approval to use the VNC Bank Card to complete online payment to vendor.

This motion will be sent to the VNC Board and/or Budget Committee for final approval, as deemed necessary.

SU, SB. YES CL, LW, SB, SU. NO CC. (YES 4, NO 1)

4. Discussion of Additional Funds needed for 2025 Election

a. **Item introduction/description:** Committee discussion on possible motion to Board to request further funding for additional printing and mailing, or a candidate statement booklet.

b. Public comment:

c. Committee discussion:

d. Motion:





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Maker _____

Seconded _____

Vote: (____ Yes / ____ No / ____ Absent / ____ Abstained)

The Rules and Elections committee is historically underfunded at \$9,300 for the 2025 Elections. This is only 42% of total funding from the 2023 Elections which had a budget of \$22,000. The Committee is seeking additional funding for a candidate statement and delivery/mailing.

The committee is asking the VNC Board and/or Budget Committee to identify possible unused funds that can be allocated towards this effort.

This motion will be sent to the VNC Board and/or Budget Committee for consideration, as deemed necessary.

SU, LW. YES CC, CL, LW, SB, SU. NO CC. (YES 5, NO 0)

5. ADJOURNMENT 8:30PM

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(C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

(D) Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.



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