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Homelessness Committee Meeting Agenda

**Thursday February 27, 2025
6:30 PM**

Zoom Webinar

**When: Feb 27, 2025 06:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)
Topic: VNC Homelessness Committee**

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 8, 2023, ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND BY RESOLUTION OF THE VENICE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL, THIS VENICE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION. Every person wishing to address the Board must dial telephone number listed above, and enter the above Meeting Id number and then press # to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial *9 or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. 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 30 seconds per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.(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.

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Alley Bean	Judith Goldman	John Reimers
Pat Raphael	Naomi Nightingale	
Christina Tullock	Lisa Redmond	

2. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES

3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed one (1) minute(s) unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the meeting.

4. CD11 HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING COORDINATOR CASEY PRATTS

An update and Q&A with Casey Pratts

5. MOTION FOR PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE CITY ACTION ON WHITE BUS NEAR CORNER OF ROSE AND 4TH (Clark Brown)

Whereas:

(1) The white bus parked on 4th just south of Rose has been there unoccupied for years. The pictures below show it has 2021 expired license tags and is parked a few feet from three no parking signs.

(2) The City has refused to remove the bus claiming it is occupied. But eyewitness neighbors all say it is not occupied.

(3) For months neighbors near the bus have repeatedly and forcefully complained to the City about it. “This bus has been abandoned and it is being used as a storage ice for over almost two years.” (Nikolotta Scarlatos email to Juan Fregoso, Traci Park’s District Director.) “I walk down 4th Avenue past Rose on a daily basis and am stunned that a clearly abandoned bus is permitted to remain parked on the street for years now.” (12/24/24 Jodi Roth email to Traci Park) “Google street maps photo from TWO YEARS AGO [CAPS in original] show... the bus in question where it is today.”



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(12/26/24 Andrew Gerngross email to Juan Fregoso, Traci Park district director, me and others)

(3) Vehicle Code Sec. 22651 states:

A peace officer...or a regularly employed...employee who is engaged in... enforcing parking laws and regulations of a city, ...in which a vehicle is located may remove a vehicle located within the territorial limits in which the officer or employee may act, under the following circumstances:

(j) If a vehicle is found illegally parked and there are no license plates or other evidence of registration displayed, the vehicle may be impounded...

(k) If a vehicle is parked or left standing upon a highway for 72 or more consecutive hours in violation of a local ordinance authorizing removal....

(4) Vehicle Code Sec. 4000 states:

(a) (1) A person shall not... leave standing upon a highway, ...any motor vehicle...unless it is registered ...

Now Therefore:

The City should forthwith ticket and tow the White Bus after determining by an onsite inspection that it is unoccupied.

Upon passage and finalization of this Motion , the Secretary of the Venice Neighborhood Council shall forthwith forward it to Councilperson Traci Park, the Mayor, the City Attorney and the City Administrative Officer.

6. MOTION FOR PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE CITY ACTION ON WASHINGTON BLVD BETWEEN ABBOT KINNEY AND THE BEACH (Clark Brown)

Whereas:

(1) For many months unhoused persons have illegally parked RVs and OV's on both sides of Washington Blvd between Abbot Kinney and Beach.

(2) Residents and businesses, including The Kinney, Hangers, Marina del Rey Cleaners, the Marina del rey Liquor Mart, the owner of apartments on the north side of



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Washington and residents of those apartments state RVs and OV's are parked continuously on both sides of Washington Blvd. and are moved only for street sweeping. 2 huge OV's parked in front of the Kinney have been there for 3-4 years. The residents complain the vehicles deprive the residents of parking for themselves and their guests. Various residents complain the vehicles' generators create noise, their occupants dump trash and human waste in the gutters, enter private property for water, paint graffiti on utility poles, have short time visitors who apparently are dealing drugs and are an eyesore and impinge on the residents' sense of privacy.

(3) On February 22, 2025 there were 12 RVs and OV's parked on both sides of Washington Blvd between Abbot Kinney and Beach. 5 Did not have current license tags. 9 appeared dilapidated.

(4) Vehicle Code sec. 22651 (i)(k) and 22669(d) authorize the City to remove vehicles parked over 72 hours or which don't bear current license tags or are unsafe.

Now Therefore:

The City should forthwith aggressively ticket and tow all vehicles parked on both sides of Washington Blvd between Abbot Kinney and Beach which are continuously parked for over 72 hours, or do not bear current license tags or which are unsafe

Upon passage and finalization of this Motion, the Secretary of the Venice Neighborhood Council shall forthwith forward it to Councilperson Traci Park, the Mayor, the City Attorney and the City Administrative Officer.

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