

Venice Neighborhood Council

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CANCELLED

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING Date: April 1, 2025 Time: 6:00 P.M. Location: Community Room-Extra Space Storage 658 S. Venice Blvd.

AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER Time:

ROLL CALL WITH DECLARATION OF EXPARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST if any:

Helen Fallon, Chair	Crystal Lopez	
Lisa Redmond		
Eric Hartnack		VNC President, ex officio

APPROVAL of PRIOR MINUTES: Motion to approve March 4, 2025 minutes.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Budget Committee's subject matter jurisdiction.

CHAIR REPORT AND COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS/UPDATES:

Since we are holding this committee meeting before the 5th of the month and the Clerk does not generate the MER until after the 5th of the month an excel spreadsheet reconciling the expenses for March to the City Dashboard was prepared as substitute. The MER itself will be posted in the Board supporting documents and committee supporting documents as soon as it is available, The budget adjustment transferring \$4,000 to NPGs from Office and Election funds was amended by Steve Bradbury to be "simultaneous" to one or two Board Members being appointed by the President to do an audit of the funding. I have been unable to fund the "Trees" NPG that we submitted an approved because the amount approved exceeds the amount currently budgeted. An amendment must be germane to the main motion. An "audit" has nothing to do with a budget adjustment, I intend to resubmit the budget adjustment motion to the Board so that budget adjustments can be made. Our motion approving funding for the QR codes for the Walking Tour was pulled by the VNC President. Subsequent follow-up indicates that the PPP Committee Chair Robin Murez supposedly has a conflict of interest that no one else is aware of. Lisa: status on NPG availability announcement.

OLD BUSINESS: Checklist for NPGs. Discussion and review of checklist based on revisions from last month. See Supporting documents. Possible Motion to submit as a standing rule or request Board approval to post on our committee page.

Motion:

NEW BUSINESS:





1. Review of MER as of 3/31/25 (see Chair comments above)

Motion: The Venice Board approves the March 31, 2025 Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER). (See supporting documents-excel spreadsheet)

 Discussion and Motion to purchase a software license for "Canva" through the Department of Empowerment for \$130. This is similar to how we obtain our Zoom license. (See supporting documentemail from Empower)

Motion: The VNC Board approves the purchase of Canva from the Department of Empowerment not to exceed \$140.

- 3. Review and discussion of the following NPGs that have been submitted within the last month to the VNC.
 - a. NPG for \$ from Beautify LA
 - b. NPG for \$ from
 - c. Placeholder NPG from for Parade and Cinco de Mayo celebration at Oakwood on 5/3
- 4. Set Date for May budget meeting:

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