



Venice Neighborhood Council

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VNC Neighborhood Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: February 23, 2012

Meeting Time: 8:00am to 9:15am

Meeting Location: Extra Space Storage Meeting Room - 658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, CA 90291

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1. 8:00 - Call to Order & Roll Call

Adam Glick		Linda Lucks (ex-officio)	
Bill Boyd	Present	Marc Saltzberg (Chair)	Present
Colleen Saro		Michael Stenger	Present
Jessica Coakley	Present	Nicholas Hippisley-Coxe	Present
Maxine Leral	Present	Robin Rudisill	Present
New Members:		Jerry Jaffe**	Present
Margaret Michon*	Present	Tom Sauer**	Present
Jed Pauker			

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2. Approve Agenda

3. 8:05 - ANNOUNCEMENTS – Information about specific events important to Venice

4. 8:10 - New Members of Neighborhood Committee

a. Margaret Michon to represent Walk Streets in Oakwood sub-area (pending Board election on 2/21)
NC Application posted at: http://venicenc.org/files/NC_App_M_Michon_120125_pub.pdf

Membership on Neighborhood Committee approved unanimously by VNC Board on 2/21/12

b. Jerry Jaffe to represent Milwood in Oakwood sub-area – Neighborhood Committee to confirm
NC Application posted at: http://venicenc.org/files/NC_App_J_Jaffe_120209_Pub.pdf

Motion: Approve Membership on Neighborhood Committee made by Bill Boyd, second by Maxine: Approved unanimously

c. Tom Sauer to represent NoRo in North Venice sun-area – Neighborhood Committee to confirm
NC Application posted at: http://venicenc.org/files/NC_App_T_Sauer_120127_pub.pdf

Motion: Approve Membership on Neighborhood Committee made by Bill Boyd, second by Maxine: Approved unanimously.

5. 8:25 - PUBLIC COMMENT – non-agendized items related to Neighborhood Committee only.

a. [New EP Books available from Red Cross](#)

b. [Volunteer Program is available to all Venice Residents from City and County. This will be explored with Public Safety Committee](#)

c. [There will be a book sale at the Venice Library in March](#)

6. 8:30 – Approve minutes from previous meeting – 1/23/12. [Postponed to March Meeting \(3/22\)](#)

7. 8:35 – Old Business

a. [CIP Project Applications: New Project Applications distributed. Also available on VNC website at: http://venicenc.org/CIP2012-13](#)

b. [Board Meeting Report: Marc](#)

- [Curfew rules \(per LAPD\): Dog Walking on OFW after 12AM is prohibited and will be ticketed. The bike path is included in the curfew.](#)

- LAPD: No noticeable increase in pedestrian traffic on Speedway since curfew enforcement started
- The media reports of county ban on ball playing and Frisbee throwing were exaggerated – these were 40 year old rules the county was trying to liberalize. The new rule is that these activities will be allowed on beach if lifeguard approves.

c. Neighborhood Reports

- i. Venice Beach – Central: Jessica Coakley
 - **Motion: made by Jessica: To request VNC Board to suggest to city that a crosswalk at Strongs Drive and Washington connecting the Canals walk path to the Wetlands nature path (North-South). Motion second by Robin. Approved unanimously**
 - Jessica mentioned on-line article that stated dog-walking on OFW would be banned at all times. Marc will discuss with Council Office and report back.
- ii. Venice Canals: Maxine Leral
 - **Motion: made by Maxine: To request VNC Board to suggest to city that a crosswalk at 25th and Pacific connecting the new, handicap-friendly beach access Motion second by Robin. Approved unanimously** (Note: crosswalk at 26th & Pacific could be abandoned)
 - Neighborhood Watch program in canals is proceeding, led by Frankie
- iii. Venice Beach-South: Robin Rudisill
 - Sand berms on beach have been removed and Washington parking lot construction fences are in place
 - Question: can improved lighting be included in parking lot refurbishment? **Marc will discuss with VNC President Linda Lucks**
 - Van dropped off a group of homeless individuals around 8:30am Monday. Council office said this practice will be changed and van from shelter will drop off at Windward Circle.
- iv. Silver Triangle: Bill Boyd
 - Homeowners group is concerned about DWP reliability. Too many power outages, including one on Tuesday. **Bill will contact VNC DWP MOU representative DeDe Audette.**
- v. East of Lincoln – North: Michael Stenger
 - Lincoln place residents who were illegally evicted in 2006 will be returning starting around April 15th on South side of complex.
 - Ocean Charter School approved for Walgrove campus has become controversial. **Michael will ask Cindy Chamber from VNC Education Committee to follow up.**
 - Burglary problem has abated somewhat with arrest of suspects
- vi. NorRo-East: Nick Hipplesley-Coxe
 - Over 80 vehicles stolen in northeast Venice in the last year, 50% were older model Hondas.
 - Concerned with parking as result of Rose Ave. development. Marc will follow up on parking lot inventory with Councilman's office, with eye to supplement parking with private lot off-hour leases (similar to the one at Westminster Elementary).
- vii. Walk Streets: Margot Michon
 - Recent shooting at Barbershop near Amoroso Place. Reported to have been gang related.
 - Problem with flooding – her neighborhood Association is in contact with council office to seek out help on resolving flooding that happens on their alleys and walkstreets.
 - Walkstreets and alleys are never cleaned. **Robin and Margot will follow up with council office and report back at next meeting.**

d. Neighborhood committee Recruitment and next Meeting Start Time

- i. Next Meeting will begin at 7:30PM
- ii. Looking for people in following areas: East of Lincoln – Central, East of Lincoln – South, Marina Peninsula – South, Oakwood, Oxford Triangle, President's Row

8. New Business

a. Email addresses for Neighborhood Committee

- i. Jed Pauker will coordinate. He will assign addresses and passed out instructions on how to forward email address from new VNC account to existing email accounts.

9. 9:15 Adjourn