

Neighborhood Election Notice

Get involved in your community!

COME JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AT THE FOLLOWING OUTREACH EVENTS!

REGISTER AS A CANDIDATE - REGISTER TO VOTE - LEARN ABOUT THE ELECTION

Candidate Information Sessions*:

Beyond Baroque, 681 Venice Blvd.

Wednesday, July 26, 2006 at 7 PM

Thursday, August 17, 2006 at 7 PM



Election Information Sessions:

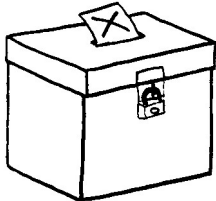
Westminster Elementary School, 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd (Auditorium)

Parking Entrance off of Westminster Ave.

Tuesday, July 18, 2006 at 7 PM (Board Meeting)

Tuesday, August 15, 2006 at 7 PM (Board Meeting)

Sunday, August 27, 2006 (10 AM to 1PM)



What is a neighborhood council?

Neighborhood councils are official advisory bodies whose operations are supported and funded by the City of Los Angeles. At its best, a neighborhood council can be an effective and credible voice for the entire community, helping to bring City Services to its stakeholders, set priorities for neighborhood improvement projects, influence land use policy and hold our elected officials accountable at all levels of government.



Who is eligible to vote or run for a seat on the board? Anyone who lives, works, or owns property within the Venice Neighborhood Council boundaries (see attached map).



How do I register as a candidate? You need to complete a candidate filing form and appear *IN PERSON* at one of two Candidate Information Sessions to register as a candidate. The deadline to register and have your name on the printed ballot is Thursday, August 17 at 9pm. You must also bring valid credentials proving stakeholder status.



How do I register to vote? You may appear *IN PERSON* at one of the three Election Information Sessions to register to vote, OR you may register to vote on the day of the election. You **MUST** bring valid credentials proving stakeholder status at the time you register, or at the time you vote.



Can I vote by mail? YES! You must appear *IN PERSON* at one of the three Election Information Sessions to request a Vote-by-mail ballot. You must also bring valid credentials proving stakeholder status.



What is a *Valid Credential*? A valid credential includes, but is not limited to one of the following: **CA Drivers License** or **CA Residency Card** (for an address within the VNC area); **School ID Card** (for a school with in the VNC boundaries); **A business card** (in combination with any of the following with a matching Venice address: Business license, business check, or pay stub); **A recent utility bill** (for an address within the VNC area); **An imprinted check** (including an address within the VNC area); **Pay stub** (from a business within the VNC area); **Passport** (only in combination with any other credential item); **School report card** (from a school with in the VNC boundaries); **Property tax bill** (with an address within the VNC area); **OTHER CREDENTIALS: For Church/Religious Institution within the VNC area:** Letter on church letterhead with contact information from Church/Religious institution attesting to volunteer work; **Nonprofit Organization within the VNC area:** Letter on organization letterhead with contact information from organization attesting to stakeholder volunteer work; **Senior Group within the VNC area:** Letter on group letterhead with contact information from group attesting to stakeholder volunteer work; or **Venice Beach Boardwalk Public Expression Permit.**

***All forms of identification must be valid at the time of the election. Only physical addresses can be used to establish stakeholder status.**

What board seats are up for reelection? 11 of 21 board seats are up for election to a transitional 1 year term:

1 President - Provides leadership to the Board of Officers; chairs the Stakeholder, Board of Officers and Administrative Committee meetings; appoints Chairs of the Ad Hoc Committees; acts as chief liaison with Los Angeles City and other government agencies.

1 Vice President - Chairs the Neighborhood Committee; acts as chief liaison with other Neighborhood Councils and maintains oversight of standing and Ad Hoc Committees.

1 Community Outreach Officer - Chairs the Community Outreach and Events Planning Committees; organizes quarterly stakeholder meetings and special events.

1 Land Use and Planning Committee Chair - Chairs the Land Use and Planning Committee and is responsible for preparation and submission of all required reports to the Board of Officers.

7 Community Officers - Community Officers must serve on at least one Standing Committee and may serve on and/or chair other committees. Each voter will cast one vote from a list of all candidates.

Where and when is the Election?

September 17 – 10 AM to 5 PM
Venice High School
 13000 Venice Blvd., Venice CA 90066
 (parking available at the school)

How can I get more information? Hot Line: 310.399.5515 • email: elections@grvnc.org • web: www.grvnc.org



Candidate Filing Form

Office
(Check only one)

President

Vice President

Community Outreach Officer

Land Use and Planning Committee Chair

Community Officer (1 of 7)

I, _____, do hereby announce and declare that I am a stakeholder in the boundaries of the Venice Neighborhood Council. My stakeholder affiliation is that I _____ Live, _____ Work _____ Own Property (check one) within the Venice Neighborhood Council boundaries.

Description of valid credential _____

Qualifying Stakeholder Address:

Street address City State Zip

Mailing Address (if different)

Street address City State Zip

*** All Candidates are required to attend one of the two Candidate Information Sessions.**

Contact Numbers:

Daytime Phone Number Evening Phone Number

Email (very important) Fax Number

Declaration of Intent

Based on my stakeholder status, I do hereby announce and declare my intention for become a candidate for _____ (office) and to serve on the Board of the Venice Neighborhood Council.

I hereby declare under *penalty of perjury* that the above statements are true and that I posses the qualifications to become a candidate for the Grass Roots Venice Neighborhood Council Board.

Signature Date

CANDIDATE INFORMATION SESSIONS*

Wednesday, July 26 at 7 PM
Thursday, August 17 at 7 PM
Beyond Baroque, 681 Venice Blvd.

CANDIDATE FORUM

Wednesday, September 6 at 6 PM
Venice High School- 13000 Venice Blvd

ELECTION DAY

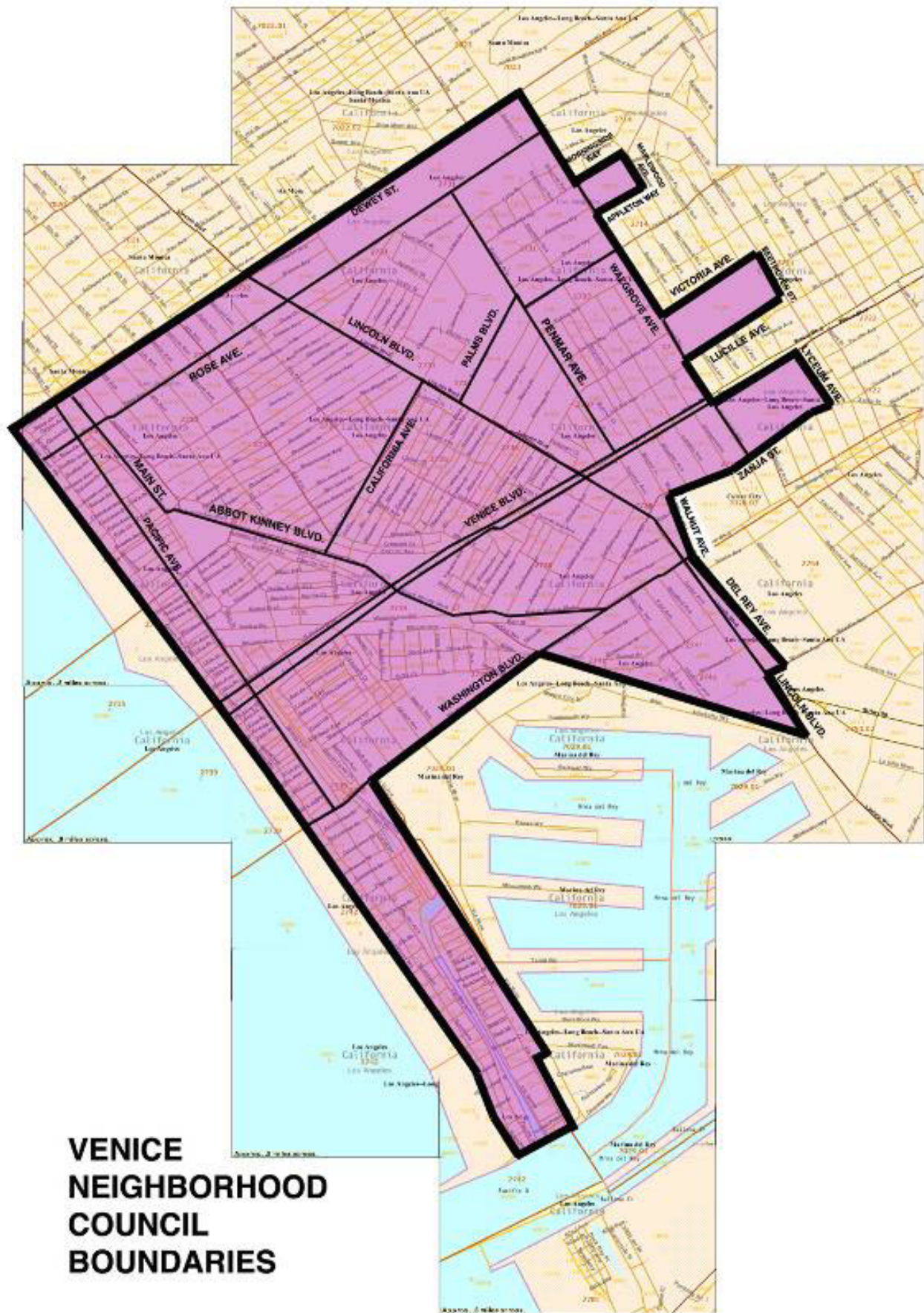
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All Candidate Information Sessions will take place at **Beyond Baroque, 681 Venice Blvd., Venice**

Candidate Forum and Election Days will take place at **Venice High School – 13000 Venice Blvd., Venice**

For more information, email elections@grvnc.org or call 310.399.5515



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