



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Board of Officers Meeting Agenda

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)

1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291

Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 7:00 PM

BOARD MEETINGS: The Venice Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act. All are welcome to attend.

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00PM – 5 minutes)

Announcement that nominations are open for Secretary and Community Officer and Outreach Chair- Nominations will be taken from the floor and will be closed later in the meeting. Applicants may log onto: (www.Venicenc.org) to apply.

2. Approval of the Agenda (7:05PM – 5 minutes)

3. Approval of Outstanding Board Minutes (7:10PM – 5 minutes)

<http://venicenc.org/files/111220VNCBoardMeetingMinutes.pdf>

Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda

[5 speakers, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]

4. Public Safety - LAPD Report (7:25PM – 5 minutes): Lt. Paola Kreeft, Venice Beach Detail; Senior Lead Officers Peggy Thusing/Theresa Skinner/Gregg Jacobus, (310-622-3968; 25120@lapd.lacity.org, 35162@lapd.lacity.org, 31142@lapd.lacity.org)

5. Scheduled Announcements (7:30PM – 5 minutes)

[No discussion, questions or Public Comment]

A PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) (3 minutes) Update on Councilman Rosendahl's Roadmap to Homes Program, Joel Roberts, Joel.Roberts@epath.org, Tomasz Babiszkiwicz (tomaszb@epath.org)



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6. Governmental Reports (7:35PM - 10 minutes)

- **U.S. Congress Representative Janice Hahn**, Deputy Natalie Rogers, (Natalie.Rogers@mail.house.gov) 310-831-1799
- **State Senator Ted Lieu**, Representative, Jennifer Zivkovic (jennifer.zivkovic.senate@gmail.com) 310-615-3516
- **State Assemblyperson Betsy Butler**, Representative, Stephanie Romero, Stephanie.Romero@asm.gov 310-615-3515
- **Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa**; Joseph Hari, West Area Representative (Joseph.Hari@lacity.org) 310-479-3823
- **City Councilperson Bill Rosendahl**: Cecilia Castillo, Field Deputy (310-568-8772); (Cecilia.castillo@lacity.org); Arturo Pina, District Director (Arturo.Pina@lacity.org)

7. Consent Calendar (7:45PM – 5 minutes)

[No discussion or Public Comment. Items may be removed and it will go to the end of the agenda]

A. Request for board action on LADWP MOU renewal (DeDe Audet, VNC MOU representative)

MOTION: On January 7, the DWP Committee approved the two following resolutions. They were subsequently endorsed by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition.

The Venice Neighborhood Council urges the Department of Water and Power and the Neighborhood Council DWP MOU Oversight Committee to extend the current Memorandum of Understanding as soon as practicable and urges Neighborhood Councils to affirm similar support.

The VNC requests the Office of Public Accountability / Ratepayers Advocate to negotiate a Memorandum of Understanding with the Neighborhood Councils.

B. CIS objecting to ordinance amending LAMC Section 62.104(e) Challis Macpherson

MOTION: Opposition to Council File 05-1853 and 05-1853-S1 amending LAMC Section 62,104(e) to repeal city liability for repair of curbs, driveways and sidewalks due to root damage

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8. New Business

[Discussion and possible action]

- A** Approval of Rankings for 2012 Community Improvement Projects (8:00PM - 60 minutes) Ivan Spiegel on behalf of the Neighborhood committee
(parliamentarian@venicenc.org) **[EXHIBIT A]**

MOTION: The VNC Board approves the rankings of the 2012 Community Improvement Projects as submitted by the Neighborhood Committee and agrees to fund the recommended projects.

- B** Nominations closed to fill the board positions of Secretary and Community Officer (9:00PM-5 Minutes)

[EXHIBIT B]

Candidates previously nominated:
Secretary: Kristopher Valentine
Community Officer: Joe Murphy

BEFORE NOMINATIONS CLOSE, ADDITIONAL CANDIDATES MAY BE NOMINATED OR SELF-NOMINATED FROM THE FLOOR- Elections to be held on February 21, 2012.

- C.** Lighting on Ocean Front Walk (9:05PM-15 minutes) Daniel Samikow ,
(Dansinvenice@aol.com) 310-823-0356 **[EXHIBIT C]**

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council Supports improving and increasing Ocean Front Walk lighting and safety by sending a letter to Councilman Bill Rosendahl, Captain Jon Peters, LAPD, and the LA Department Of Street Lighting.

- D.** LUPC (9:20PM-60 minutes)

**1) "La Fortuna Market" 824 Lincoln Blvd;
DIR 2009-4040(RV(PA1), ENV 2011-2923-CE**

Description: REVIEW OF CUB CONDITIONS FOR OFF-SITE SALE OF BEER AT MARKET

LUPC Staff, Challis MacPherson Applicant/Representative: Alan Pinel

MOTION: There exists substantial evidence of disregard of the Conditions of Approval set forth DIR-2009-4040-RV and therefore, the Venice Neighborhood



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Council strongly encourages and supports the revocation of the alcohol license of the subject business, La Fortuna Market.

LUPC Vote 7-2

2) Boost Kitchen 1235 - 1239 Abbot Kinney Blvd Jake Kaufman on behalf of the Land Use and Planning Committee (chair-lupc@venicenc.org)

[EXHIBIT D]

MOTION: Recommend approval of the project as presented, ZA-2011-1793-CDP-CUB & DIR-2011-1794-SPP & ENV-2011-1795-EAF, within existing commercial space from retail and restaurant space to full restaurant with proposed on-site sale of full line of alcoholic beverages (Type 47), having 38 indoor and 32 outdoor patio seats for a total of 70 seats located in C2-1-O-CA Zone, noting:

1. 9 on-site (off-street) parking spaces included 1 ADA. Business is not provided relief from VCZSP parking requirement (complies with by-right parking). It is also clear to LUPC and VNC that the records are not completely clear and the applicant may have more grandfathered parking than presumed by the city, but that the applicant will use all available parking space on-site without tearing down or building additional buildings, and no less than 9 spaces. Also noting attendant on-site during restaurant hours.
2. 3 bicycle racks on-site.
3. Hours of Operation 7am-11p, 7-days per week.
4. Meeting all VNC standard CUB and BMP Conditions.
5. Ambient music inaudible outside property boundary.

LUPC MOTION MADE BY JORY TREMBLAY, SECONDED BY JIM MUREZ;
PASSED 5-0-0

3) Cafe Gratitude, 512 Rose Ave CUB Jake Kaufman on behalf of LUPC (jake.kaufman@venicenc.org)

Motion: To approve the project as presented, noting:

- 2050 SQ FT OF SERVICE FLOOR (2215 SQ FT NON SERVICE FLOOR) WITH AN OCCUPANCY LOAD OF 148 TOTAL
- 45 ON-SITE PARKING SPACES, VALIDATED FOR MINIMUM OF 90-MINUTES BY PURCHASE DURING BUSINESS HOURS
- TYPE 41 (ON-SITE OF BEER AND WINE ONLY)
- ACOUSTIC MUSIC AND AMBIENT AMPLIFIED MUSIC; NOT AUDIBLE BEYOND PROPERTY LINES
- LOADING BETWEEN 830AM-4PM
- BUSINESS HOURS OF 6AM-11PM; 7-DAYS PER WEEK.
- NO LEFT TURN SIGN OUT OF PARKING LOT (ONTO 5TH) TO AVOID TRAFFIC INTO RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD.
- INCENTIVES FOR EMPLOYEES WHO WALK, BIKE AND TAKE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION TO WORK.



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- COMPLIES WITH CURRENT BMP REQUIREMENTS
- NO RELIEF FROM ORIGINAL PARKING ENTITLEMENTS, CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL OF 512 E ROSE AND VCZSP.

4) 609-1/2 Rose Ave (Unnamed Restaurant);

ZA-2010-3387-CUB; ENV-2010-3388-CE; ZA-2010-3038-CEX

Description: ON SITE SERVICE OF FULL LINE ALCOHOL FOR AN EXISTING RESTAURANT SEATING 49

LUPC Staff, Jim Murez Applicant, ANNETTE VAIT (310) 704-7990

MOTION: Approve the project as presented, noting:

1. 449 sq ft of indoor and 50 sq ft of outdoor service floor area with 49 seats
2. No variance or exception for parking requirements
3. Meets all Venice CUB and BMP conditions, except for #21 of CUB (because the billboard/sign is under a separate permit that the applicant cannot control)
4. No live music
5. All music, indoor and outdoor, cannot be heard beyond the property line after 11pm, 7-days a week
6. Bike rack on the property
7. HOURS: Open until 11pm Sunday-Thursday and until 1am on Friday and Saturday Nights. Would be open to 12am Sunday-Thursday close if no complaints or violations during first year of operation.
8. Plan Approval in 1-year from date of opening

10. VNC Announcements (10:30PM-10 Minutes)

- **President:** Linda Lucks (president@venicenc.org)
- **Vice President** Marc Saltzberg (Vicepresident@Venicenc.org)
- **LA Alliance of NC's Representative:** Ivan Spiegel, (parliamentarian@venicenc.org)
- **Plancheck NC:** VNC Rep Challis Macpherson (Challis.Macpherson@Verizon.net)
- **LA Dept of Water & Power/Memoranda of Understanding:** VNC Rep DeDe Audet (daudet@ca.rr.com)
- **LAPD Community Police Advisory Board:** Daffodil Tyminski (Daffodil.Tyminski@Venicenc.org), Nicolas Hippisley-Coxe, (hippisleyle@earthlink.net)
- **Westside Alliance of Neighborhood Councils-** Mike Newhouse, President, VNC Rep.



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[EXHIBIT E]

- 11. Treasurers Report (10:40-PM - 5 minutes);** Hugh Harrison
[Discussion and possible action to approve financial statements and expenditures]

1. Attached are the report on expenditures for the period November 22 through December 21, 2011, and the itemized purchase card invoice.

2. The city has commenced its annual Budget Survey. All Board members and stakeholders are encouraged to participate and the VNC will submit its own response to be determined at the next Board meeting.

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[20 minutes, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]

- 12. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction**
(11:00PM-5 min, no more than 1 minute per person]

- 13. Adjourn (approx. 11:05PM)**

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome

Administrative	Linda Lucks	Santa Monica Airport	Laura Silagi & Amanda Seward
Neighborhood	Marc Saltzberg	Visitor Impact	Amanda Seward
Outreach open		Ocean Front Walk	Ivonne Guzman
Budget	Hugh Harrison	Public Safety	Nicolas Hippisley-Coxe Daffodil Tyminski
Land Use and Planning	Jake Kaufman	Education	Cindy Chambers,
Rules & Elections	Ira Koslow	Environment	Barbara Lonsdale, Kristopher Valentine
Arts	Clark McCutchen, Cynthia Rodgers		