

## 04/09/12 Ad Com Exhibits

### **A. "Gateway to the Arts" Project**

The project is approved in principal only, as a means of a first step to better engage constituent parts, including Councilman Bill Rosendahl's office, for further support in the planning stages of this community wide contest. Ultimate approval of this Project shall be conditioned as required by the VNC and/or law, including without limitation, the opportunity for public comment, the opportunity for local submission of ideas and concepts for the Project, a fair method of choosing an idea or concept used for the Project, and full compliance with any and all land use, signage or other regulation(s) that may or may not come into effect with respect to installation of the Project.

## **B. Election to fill Board Community Outreach Officer Seat**

### **JEFFERY J HARRIS**

I hereby certify, that I wish to serve as outreach Officer on the Venice Neighborhood Council Board of Officers and I live work or own property

Within the boundaries of the VNC area. *Jeffery J Harris* 3/19/2012

1. Please explain why you wish to serve on the VNC Board Of Officers.

I work for two Venice residents: DR GARY L SUTTER & VERA J SUTTER. They formed several companies involved in real estate, investing exclusively in the Venice area. We joined THE VENICE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE in 2009. I had the unique opportunity to act as Community Outreach Liaison (Project Manager) for our development project team at 811 & 815 Ocean Front Walk in Venice CA. The job duties required that I reach out to the Venice community, get to know them and introduce the community to the owners and their project plans. During the outreach process, I had inside access to Venice Stakeholders. From business & property owners to the homeless. From Bill Rosendahl to the Southwest police Department. I strongly feel that this experience gave me most of the tools and many of the contacts I need to competently occupy this position. When our fine City was founded by Abbott Kinney and others, they had prerequisites for City officials. They were; "They will serve without pay. Character, ability and public spirit will be the requisites for election. I want to serve this position because I have the aforementioned requisites.

(a) I have never served on any Venice Neighborhood Council Board or any other Neighborhood Council.

(b) I have never served on any Venice Neighborhood Committee.

(c) My Professional qualifications: Paralegal Certificate earned in 1989. I worked as a Bankruptcy & Real Estate Paralegal. I was an Account Executive and top producer for Countrywide Mortgage Company. My most recent experience has been Real Estate Property Management and Project manager for our 811 & 815 Ocean Front Walk development project. I began our Community Outreach phase in January 2011. Our most successful vehicle for reaching the community was our participation in THE VENICE ART CRAWL. Our Pop-Up Venue at 811 OFW was so popular last summer that my Curator and I received a CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION from Bill Rosendahl this year. I also joined the Boardwalk Task Force that fellow Stakeholder Brad Neal formed in an effort to address the homeless problems at the Boardwalk.

(d) I feel I became a Stakeholder in Venice when I began playing basketball at the world famous Venice Beach basketball courts in 1990. I officially became a Venice Stakeholder when I began my employment at G.V.S. PROPERTIES LLC in 2004.

2. I began my Community involvement in Venice in January 2011 when I took on the task of Community Outreach for our development project team at 811 & 815 Ocean Front Walk. I have supported many Venice Stakeholders testifying to the City Council in support of fellow Stakeholder Frank Murphy on his development project on Abbott Kinney for example. I am currently working with local Restaurateur Danny Samakow in an effort to revitalize the Venice Boardwalk nightlife. The Venice Art Crawl has been an excellent vehicle for achieving this goal. The Venice Art Crawl won a VENICE SPIRIT award last fall, many people attributed the award to the popularity of our 811 Art Crawl pop-up venue. Bill Rosendahl gave the Venice Art Crawl Board and a select few Curators including myself, a CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION this year. I have also spent time this year communicating with Google about implementing their Community Impact Plan.

3. The three most pressing issues facing Venice are: 1. Crime and the plight of the homeless. 2. How to maximize the opportunities that the Boardwalk provides for all Stakeholders and visitors. 3. Finally I feel that we need to maximize the unique opportunity our City finds itself with the influx of so much industry. How do we create a win win situation for all Venice Stakeholders, visitors and potential Stakeholders?

4. The primary role of the Venice Neighborhood Council is similar to that of a parent. The role of nurturer. The VNC must be vigilant in their duty to create the environment that the founders of Venice envisioned. The founders adopted the "City Beautiful" principle. The City Beautiful concept was meant to uplift the spirit of it's citizens and encourage civic virtue. As published in the OCEAN PARK JOURNAL in 1906: "In Venice there is found a welcome for everyman & woman who is striving for fulfillment of an ideal. It matters not what form the search for the ideal takes. It matters not how humble the devotee. In Venice there will be found sympathy. It will be impossible for anyone to live in Venice without becoming better in body mind & soul.

## **5. WHAT IS MY VISION FOR VENICE**

I see Venice as a Mecca for entertainment, ideas, art, music, culture and industry. I see Venice as a leader in areas of community harmony the arts and green technology. We need to have a public destination spot that is crime free and leaves its Stakeholders and visitors with a good feeling inside. I see Venice demonstrating how local businesses and citizens can live in harmony and share in the goodness that this City offers. I see Venice as the second happiest place

on earth. That is why we need unique attractions like the skate park and the proposed Ferris Wheel, and other visitor attractions. I see Venice playing a lead role in developing and showcasing new technology, products and entertainment. VENICE IS ART! Therefore I see art as the engine that can drive the resurgence of Venice as a great American City. My experience with THE VENICE ART CRAWL was one of the most rewarding experiences in my professional career. I had the opportunity to meet artist from all over the world. I got to see the enthusiastic visitors coming to our lot to see the Shepard Ferry (OBEY) paintings on our building. I also got to see the joy on the face of a local 15 year old aspiring artist after he made his contribution to the now famous 811 & 815 Ocean Front Walk buildings. I am currently involved in the revitalization of the Venice Board Walk because of my love for our great City. I will perform these task officially and unofficially just as I stated at the beginning of my application, I can serve without pay. I have the character and spirit needed for this position and I will make Venice proud they entrusted this important position to me.

**MATT KLINE**

Questions:

- 1) Please explain why you wish to serve on the VNC Board Of Officers.
  - a) Have you served before on the VNC Board or other Neighborhood Council Board? If so, where and when?

*Yes, I am currently a Community Officer on the VNC Board*

- b) Have you served on a VNC Committee? Which one and for how long?

*Yes, I am a member of the Outreach Committee and Arts Committee, and Co-Chair of the Visitor Impact Sub-Committee*

- c) Please state your professional qualifications or related experience relevant to this position.

*Please refer to answer for b)*

- d) How long have you been a stakeholder in the VNC area?

*I have been a Venice resident for 19 months but have claimed a stake in the community for nearly six years*

- 2) Please list your previous and/or current neighborhood or community involvement.

*I am currently organizing a town hall event for the VNC which will focus on the emergence of Silicon Beach. Also, please refer to answer b)*

- 3) Please list the three most pressing issues that you feel are facing the Venice Community.

*Safety*

*Quality of life*

*Return of monies to Venice from City*

- 4) What do you see as the primary roles of the Venice Neighborhood Council?

*To be a voice of stakeholders in order to constantly improve quality of life and the spirit of Venice and represent the spirit of Venice*

- 5) What is your Vision for Venice?

*Venice is going through a renaissance that started years ago. As more people and businesses move here, I would like to see increased interaction and unity between different groups of the community and increased participation in local affairs by individuals and businesses alike. As Outreach Chair, I will actively work to educate stakeholders about the importance of the VNC, and look to recruit more members.*

## **C. 522 Venice Blvd, "Unnamed Project"**

**Case Numbers:** APCW 2011-588-SPE-CDP-ZAA-SPP-MEL  
 ENV-2009-2489-MND  
 VTT-70870-SL  
**Address of Project:** 522 South Venice Boulevard, Venice, CA 90291  
**Property Owners:** Mark Judaken  
**Owner's Representatives:** Len Judaken, Eric Lieberman

<b><u>ADDRESSES:</u></b>	522 South Venice Boulevard and 1700 Washington Way, Venice, CA 90291
<b><u>CASE NUMBERS:</u></b>	<b>APCW 2011-588-SPE-CDP-ZAA-SPP-MEL</b> <b>ENV-2009-2489-MND</b> <b>VTT-70870-SL</b>
<b><u>LUPC CASE MANAGER:</u></b>	Sarah Dennison
<p>i. Motion to: Motion to deny the project for the 12 lot Small Lot Sub-Division, each with a single family dwelling as presented, and noting :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The total density of the lot exceeds the Venice Specific Plan Section 10.G.2.a.(2), (Density in Residential Zones ) of the VSP which the VNC has opposed in the past.</li> <li>2. It does not comply with the City approved landscape plan for Venice Blvd and Ocean Ave.             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The project requires the sale to the applicant of public land currently planned for a landscape plan along Venice Blvd, and</li> <li>b) Where a grant and public matching money have been raised to develop this public park on the corner of Venice, Ocean and Mildred.</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. The roof top structure(s) each exceed the 100 SF limit in the VSP.</li> <li>4. The project's Unit Lot 12 create a "Reverse Corner Lot" where the side lot and back lot will have a zero setback condition as the front yard would not be on either Ocean or Mildred.</li> <li>5. Where there is a lot area that would allow the additional units under the small lot subdivision ordinance, 64% of the lots have applied for additional units resulting in a cumulative increase in density of 41%.</li> </ol>	
<b><u>MADE BY:</u></b>	Sarah Dennison

<b>SECONDED:</b>	John Reed
<b>VOTE:</b>	7-0 passed
<b>DATE APPROVED BY LUPC:</b>	March 7, 2012

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**PROJECT SUMMARY TO VNC:**

This project is an application for demolition of one existing 3-unit building and the new construction of 12 single-family dwellings (SFD's) on 12 new lots requested under the provision of the City of LA's Small Lot Subdivision Ordinance. The site property, roughly triangular in shape, fronts on four streets, South Venice Blvd. to the northwest, Washington Way to the north, Mildred Ave. to the south and Ocean Ave. to the southwest. The land for the proposed development consists of 14,800 SF of land deeded to the owner as well as 2600 SF of City-owned land that the owner proposes to purchase to assemble a total site of 18,400 SF.

**LUPC STAFF REPORT**

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**SYNOPSIS:**

The application requests a Coastal Development permit, Approval of a Vesting Tentative Tract Map for the 12 lot subdivision, Mello Act conformance, a Zoning Administrator Adjustment to reduce yards between site perimeter, neighbors and public right of way, and a revocable permit to utilize a portion of the public way (within the area of the Venice Blvd approved landscape plan) for private landscaping adjacent to sidewalks. In addition, the owner wishes to purchase 2600 SF of land from the City of LA at the corner of Venice, Ocean and Mildred to enhance the amount of land he owns. The community has reserved this land for a small public park. And has received a \$10,000 matching grant from the City with required community matching funds now in place for a total of \$20,000 raised.

Although the City of LA's Small Lot Subdivision Ordinance will allow the applicant's property to be divided into 12 lots for 12 Single Family Dwellings (SFD's) provided each lot is 1500 SF in area on average across the entire property, the language of the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan will only allow maximum density of 9 dwelling units (6 dwelling units plus a possible 2 or 3 additional affordable units) with City owned property purchased. Without the City property, only 7 units (6 plus one affordable would be allowed on the 3 separate lots shown on Tract Map 6329 and Assessor's Map 422803001.

Applicant notified property owners within a 500' radius of a community outreach meeting and held that meeting on June 22, 2011 at a church near the project site. Approximately 40 community members attended and voiced opinions. An informal presentation was also made to LUPC on June 29, 2011 during the Public Comment segment of the Agenda. Many members of the community also attended this meeting and voiced opinions.

This project has drawn a great deal of community comment, much of it negative, based upon the density, mass/scale, traffic concerns and purchase of city land now slated for use as Venice public open space. The owner has made some concessions such as redesigning the Venice Blvd. street facades and agreeing to withdraw a request for setback reductions at the property perimeter.

LUPC heard this case on November 2, 2011 and continued its motion so that the applicant could have a chance to propose changes to meet the required criteria. Applicant stated that he would return to present these changes in January 2012. After 5 months, applicant had not yet done so; thus to clear the project from the calendar, LUPC voted on the motion at the March 7, 2012 meeting.

- Requests:**
- 1) **VCZSP exception** under SLSO to create 12 separate lots to accommodate 12 separate single family homes (SFDs)
  - 2) **Zoning Administrator Adjustment** to allow setbacks of 0'-0" at front; 5'-0" at neighboring property and 0'-6" between SFD's
  - 3) **Coastal Development Permit** to develop 12 detached SFD per SLSO
  - 4) **Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance**
  - 5) **Mello Act Compliance** for demolition of one market-rate triplex development of 12 SFD's per SLSO
  - 6) Owner has **applied to purchase City-owned land** parcel at corner of S. Venice Blvd., Ocean Ave. and Mildred Ave.
  - 7) Owner will also apply for **revocable permits** to utilize 5'-0" of public way along S. Venice Blvd and Mildred Ave. for landscaping

<b>Size of Parcel:</b>	18,484 SF
<b>Size of Project:</b>	25,450 SF
<b>Number of Stories:</b>	3 stories (including partial below-grade parking)
<b>Lot Dimensions:</b>	unknown
<b>Assessed Land Value:</b>	unknown
<b>Last Owner Change:</b>	2007
<b>Project Description:</b>	12 lot small lot subdivision, demolition of one market rate triplex and merger and subsequent re-subdivision of public land
<b>Venice Sub-Area:</b>	Southeast Venice
<b>Zone:</b>	RD1.5-1-0
<b>Date of Planning Report:</b>	TBA
<b>Date of End of Appeal Period:</b>	TBA
<b>City Planning Report Prepared by:</b>	N/A



**LUPC Staff Report Done By:** Sarah Dennison  
**Owner/Applicant:** Mark Judaken  
**Owner's Representative:** Len Judaken, Eric Lieberman  
**Contact Information:** (818) 997-8033  
**Date(s) heard by LUPC:** November 2, 2011  
**Advisory Agency Hearing Date:** TBA  
**Applicant's Neighborhood Mtg:** June 22, 2011  
(500' radius)  
**Mello Act:** Applicant has requested Mello Act exemption due to fact that the owner has 3 existing units on site that rent for market rates.  
**Environmental:** TBD

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**ARGUMENTS FOR THIS PROJECT:**

Height Limits: Project height along streets is 25'. On the inside of the site, a portion of sloping roof rises to 30', all within VCZSP limits.

Parking: Parking requirements for residential single-family dwellings in the RD1.5-1-0 on lots less than 40' in width are 2 spaces per SFD have been met for a total of 24 spaces located enclosed within the project's partially below-grade garages entered from Mildred Ave. No guest spaces are required, however the applicant has provided 3 guest spaces at the west end of the site bringing the total number of spaces to 27. All of these numbers assume that the City-owned property is included in the total site parcel.

Setbacks: Applicant has agreed to withdraw his request for reduced setbacks and will adhere to the setback requirements of the VSP and the LA Zoning Code at the overall property perimeter.

Street Character: The design of facades fronting on Venice Blvd., and to a lesser extent along Mildred, Ocean and Washington Way have been developed to vary rear rooflines and to provide facades with varied materials, colors, fenestration, building projections and insets, and landscaping at the street. The original brown siding has been changed to offer more variation of material and color resulting in some reduction in the perception of the mass and scale of the project.

Small Lot Sub-Division: The City of Los Angeles' SLS Ordinance will allow 12 lots to be created on this property.

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**ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS PROJECT:**

Rooftop Access: Rooftop access structures measured in plan around the exterior perimeter exceed the required maximum of 100 SF per the VCZSP.

Traffic Safety / Visibility: Community members reported accidents occurring at the corners of Mildred, Ocean and Venice Blvd. due to lack of visibility when a fence extended to the street edge of the City-owned land. They believe that the open space at

that location allows drivers increased view of oncoming cars. Others requested the owner to provide a traffic study confirming the impact of the project's vehicular entrance along Mildred Avenue.

Purchase of Public Land: There is a community plan for Venice Blvd. approved by the LA Department Public Works that includes a plan to create a landscaped park at the corner of Venice, Ocean and Mildred. Plans have been drawn up, a City matching grant for \$10,000 has been obtained and neighbors are in the process of raising the \$40,000 needed to complete the construction. Community members feel strongly that public space at corner is important to keep as open space, as Venice has very little now.

Density / Small Lot Subdivision vs. the VCZSP: The city SLS Ordinance adopted in 2005 conflicts with the original VCZSP language adopted in 2005. Although the City has issued a Director's Interpretation that overrides the VZCSP on this issue, and a subsequent appeal from the Venice community was denied, the density allowable per the VCZSP would be much less.

- *PER VCZSP - Dwelling Units per Lot:* In RD1.5 zones such as this one (VCZSP Section 10.G.2.a.(2)), a maximum of 2 dwelling units per lot shall be permitted for all lots, except where a lot is greater than 4,000 SF, one additional unit shall be permitted for each 1500 SF of additional lot area provided the additional unit(s) are affordable units.

Per Tract Map 6329 created in March 1923 prior to the City's annexation of Venice and Assessor's Parcel No. (APN), stamped 2003 but showing information as far back as 1983, this property consists of 3 separate lots, 42 and 43 fronting Venice Blvd and Washington Way, and a 3<sup>rd</sup> lot fronting Mildred created at a later date from the original Pacific Electric Railway right-of-way.

Land Use per VZCSP Calculation:

According to VCZSP Section 10.G.2.a.(2), each of the 3 lots would allow 2 dwelling units to be built on the first 4000 SF of lot area, and one additional affordable unit per each 1500 SF of additional lot area on each of the 3 individual lots.

**Without the proposed City land purchase,** the applicant's total property area is stated to be 14,484 SF. Two units on each of 3 separate lots would account for a total lot area of 12,000 SF, with the remaining 2,484 SF spread between the 3 lots. In the best case, only one additional unit could be built (2,484 minus 1500 = 1 unit + 984 SF) on the remaining entire property for a total of 7 units (one affordable) on this site.

**With City land** (2600 SF+ 2484SF for a total of 5084 SF remaining) added to owner's property another 2 or 3 additional units (5084 - 4500 SF = 3 units + 584 SF) could be built for a total of 8 or 9 units (2 or 3 affordable).

Project Density: Community members have expressed strong objections to the number of dwelling units (12) proposed for this project site.

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**SYNOPSIS OF PUBLIC COMMENT:**

(From Community Outreach Meeting and Informal Presentation to LUPC – see all comments attached)

Specific Actions Requested by Community Members:

- Preserve the public land as a part of the project and include its maintenance under the cooperative maintenance agreement that all SFD owners will be required to fund
- Create a pedestrian – friendly presence along Venice Blvd.
- Provide more light and air between buildings
- Reduce number of units
- Provide financial help to the community to allow construction of the planned open space park on City-owned land at corner
- Come back to the community with additional alternatives before proceeding to LUPC and the Venice Neighborhood Council for approval
- Provide low-income housing as a part of the project
- Propose a scheme which does not require variances of any sort
- Community strongly opposes purchase of public land and revocable permits for landscape strips on surrounding streets
- Traffic studies should be required to test impact of parking, entrances to parking, location of driveways, fire access and traffic along Mildred Ave.
- Honor community needs

LUPC Report compiled by:

Sarah Dennison

Estimated number of hours of staff time:

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Additional Documents provided separately:

- LUPC Preliminary Informal Presentation, by SD, dated 06/29/11, with applicant's responses to comments shaded gray.
- Community Outreach Notes, by SD, dated 06/22/11

## **D. Resolution to Support Jones Settlement**

### **JONES V. CITY OF LOS ANGELES Settlement Agreement**

It is hereby agreed among Appellants and Appellees (collectively, “the Settling Parties”) in Jones v. City of Los Angeles, Case Number 04-55324 in the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit:

1. The Los Angeles Police Department will issue a policy directive stating that it will not enforce Los Angeles Municipal Code (“LAMC”) section 41.18(d) between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., except as set forth in Paragraphs 2 and 3 below. The Los Angeles Police Department will keep this policy in effect and operate according to this policy until an additional 1250 units of permanent supportive housing are constructed within the City of Los Angeles, at least 50 per cent of which are located in Skid Row and/or greater downtown Los Angeles. These units shall be constructed as housing for current or formerly chronically homeless persons and shall not include housing units already existing as low income housing units and/or occupied as low income housing within the past 6 months.

2. LAMC section 41.18(d) will be enforceable at all times at locations within ten (10) feet of any operational and utilizable entrance, exit, driveway or loading dock.

3. Measurement of Distance

a) Entrance/Exit to Building: 10 feet measured perpendicularly from the outer edges of the opening, along the exterior wall of the building, and from those points the area encompassed by the measurement shall extend to the curb line.

b) Entrance/Exit to Parking Lot: 10 feet measured perpendicularly from the outer edges of the driveway, and from those points the area encompassed by the measurement shall extend to the curb line.

c) Loading Dock: 10 feet measured perpendicularly from the outer edges of the opening, whether raised or not, and from those points the area encompassed by the measurement shall extend to the curb line.

4. No person shall be cited or arrested for a violation of LAMC section 41.18(d) unless a peace officer for the City of Los Angeles has first given the person a verbal warning regarding such section and reasonable time to move and the person has not complied with that warning.

5. The Settling Parties agree that this Settlement Agreement is limited to LAMC section 41.18(d) as presently codified and will not apply to any ordinance enacted by Appellee City of Los Angeles in the future, nor will this Settlement Agreement serve to limit Appellee City’s right to repeal or amend said section.

6. Upon the Settling Parties' execution of this Settlement Agreement, the Settling Parties shall file a joint motion in the Ninth Circuit pursuant to Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, Rule 42(b) seeking to:

1. vacate the Ninth Circuit opinion (*Jones v. City of Los Angeles*, 444 F.3d 1118 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2006)) as moot; and
2. remand to the District Court for further proceedings in accordance Paragraph 7 of this Settlement Agreement.

If the Ninth Circuit does not grant the joint motion in its entirety, this Settlement Agreement is rendered void in its entirety.

7. Upon remand from the Ninth Circuit pursuant to Paragraph 6 of this Settlement Agreement, Plaintiffs-Appellants will dismiss the action with prejudice against all defendants.

8. The Settling Parties reserve all rights regarding recovery of attorneys' fees.

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Carol A. Sobel, Esq.  
For Plaintiffs-Appellants

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Mark Rosenbaum, Esq.  
For Plaintiffs-Appellants

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For Defendants-Appellees

## **E. Venice Canals Maintenance and Repair**

Director Nazario Saucedo, LA Bureau of Street Services, [Nazario.Sauceda@lacity.org](mailto:Nazario.Sauceda@lacity.org)  
LA City Council Member Bill Rosendahl, [councilman.rosendahl@lacity.org](mailto:councilman.rosendahl@lacity.org)  
LA City Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, [mayor@lacity.org](mailto:mayor@lacity.org)  
LA Convention and Tourist Board Vice President Patti MacJennett, [pmacjennett@lainc.us](mailto:pmacjennett@lainc.us)  
Ken Bernstein, LA Office of Historic Resources, [ken.bernstein@lacity.org](mailto:ken.bernstein@lacity.org)

### **RESOLUTION REQUESTING CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO REPAIR HISTORIC VENICE CANALS PEDESTRIAN WALK BRIDGES**

WHEREAS, the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) approved the application of the Venice Canals Association (VCA) for Community Improvement Project (CIP) funding in the amount of \$1700 to retread the nine (9) Historic Venice Canals walk bridges with non-skid coating in the interest of public safety; and

WHEREAS, the VCA requested a report from the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering, Structural Engineering Division, on the overall condition of the bridges prior to the application of the non-skid coating and the Bureau of Engineering reported (report attached hereto as Attachment A) that bridge repairs were required before any skid-coating work could be implemented. The VCA determined the cost of the required repairs detailed in the report would exceed the VCA's proposed CIP budget and therefore notified the VNC the Community Improvement Project could not be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Venice Canals Historic District was placed in the National Register of Historic Places in August 1982 and on August 2, 1982, the District was also declared Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monument #270 by the City of Los Angeles and the nine walk bridges are included in the District, and

WHEREAS, the nine bridges are used by Venice stakeholders, residents of the City of Los Angeles, as well as the many tourists who also visit world-famous Venice Beach, and

WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Street Services has a duty to maintain the bridges because of their historic nature, utility to the community and attraction to visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Venice Neighborhood Council Neighborhood Committee is concerned for the safety of residents, Venice stakeholders, and the many visitors to the Canals who must, of necessity, use the nine walk bridges to navigate the Canals by foot;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Venice Neighborhood Council requests the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Street Services do the repairs as outlined in the report from the Bureau of Engineering, as well as any other repairs the Bureau of Street Services deems necessary for the safety and protection of the bridges and pedestrians who use them, including, but not limited to the resurfacing of the bridge treads with non-skid coating on all nine Canal walk bridges, and

This motion be forwarded to: Director Nazario Saucedo, LA Bureau of Street Services, LA City Council Member Bill Rosendahl, LA City Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, LA Convention and Tourist Board Vice President Patti MacJennett, and Ken Bernstein, LA Office of Historic Resources.

## ATTACHMENT A

**Subject:**Re: Venice Canals Walkbridges  
**From:** Vigen Gharibian (vigen.gharibian@lacity.org)  
**To:** reneekaplan@yahoo.com;  
**Cc:** shirish.mistry@lacity.org; steve.martinez@lacity.org; anthony.munoz@lacity.org;  
**Date:** Friday, September 9,2011 2:25 PM

Dear Ms. Kaplan,

Per your email request of July 29, 2011, Structural Engineering Division (SED) performed a structural observation at the subject footbridges.

Four (4) of the nine (9) footbridges at the area have loose deck wooden planks. The deck planks for the other five (5) footbridges are secure. The following deficiencies were observed:

- 27th Avenue Pedestrian Bridge over Grand Canal (City No. 000717) - Plank #2 from the east end in the center span is loose and wobbly under foot traffic with the north end completely detached from the beam support. Plank #5 from the east end in the center span is-also loose and wobbly. Plank #1 from the west end in the center span is loose. All other planks are ok.
- Grand Canal Court Pedestrian Bridge over Linnie Canal (City No. 000723) – Plank #8 from the north end in the center span is loose with a missing screw. All other planks are ok.
- Grand Canal Court Pedestrian Bridge over Sherman Canal (City No. 000725) - Plank #4 from the south end in the center span is slightly loose. All other planks are ok.
- Howland Avenue Pedestrian Bridge over Eastern Canal (City No' 000733) - planks #1 , #2, #g, #10, #14 and #15, from the east end in the center span are loose. All other planks are ok.

The following is our recommended procedure for securing loose deck planks at the above four footbridges:

- Tighten all existing deck screws, and replace all missing ones by driving new screws into the same holes as the original screws.
- All new screws shall be #10 coarse thread stainless steel 3" long deck screws, with #3 square drive head and Type 17 point (Simpson SS3DSC3BS or equal).
- Recess new screw heads 1/8" below top of plank, and fill hole with wood putty.

In addition to the above work, we understand that your Association, in cooperation with the Venice Neighborhood Council, will purchase and apply the non-skid coating to the top of the deteriorated footbridge decks. We would like to suggest that before you commit to the purchase of the paint, you provide us with a copy of the specifications for that particular paint, to make sure it meets our approvals.

All the work described above shall be performed under a permit issued by the West L.A. District Office of the Bureau of Engineering (Anthony Munoz, 310-575-8530).

If you have any questions, please free to call me at (213) 485-5359, or Steve Martinez, at (213) 485-5410.

Vigen Gharibian, S.E.  
Structural Engineering Division  
Bureau of Engineering  
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## F. Treasure's Report

2011 - 2012 Expenditures to Budget  
February 22, 2012 - March 21, 2012

	DONE Category	Current Yr Budget by Acct	% of Bdgt	Amt spent Current Month	Amt Spent Current Fiscal Year	Amt Available to Spend	% Budget Remain
Annual Allocation		\$40,500.00					
Rollover							
<b>Sub Unallocated Budget</b>		<b>\$40,500.00</b>					
Neighborhood Comm. Projects 10-11		16,000.00					
<b>Total</b>		<b>56,500.00</b>					
<b>Budget</b>							
<b>100 Operations</b>							
Office Supplies	OFF	\$500.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	100%
Copies	OFF	\$400.00		\$12.35	\$247.44	\$152.56	38%
Office Equipment	OFF	\$750.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$750.00	100%
Staffing/Apple One	TAC	\$250.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	100%
Telephone Expense	MIS	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	100%
Storage	FAC	\$400.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	100%
Board Retreat	EDU	\$400.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	100%
General Operations	MIS	\$1,000.00		\$0.00	\$324.46	\$675.54	68%
<b>sub Total Operations</b>		<b>\$3,700.00</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>\$12.35</b>	<b>\$571.90</b>	<b>\$3,128.10</b>	<b>85%</b>
<b>200 Outreach</b>							
Copies / Printing	POS	\$500.00		\$297.91	\$390.90	\$109.10	22%
Facilities For Public	FAC	\$2,200.00		\$0.00	\$1,096.96	\$1,103.04	50%
Refreshments	EVE	\$400.00		\$47.21	\$441.80	-\$41.80	-10%
Web Site & e-mail	WEB	\$3,000.00		\$70.00	\$623.33	\$2,376.67	79%
Advertising & Promotions	ADV	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
Newsletter Production	NEW	\$1,030.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,030.00	100%
Newsletter Printing	NEW	\$3,800.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,800.00	100%
Newsletter Delivery	NEW	\$2,800.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,800.00	100%
Elections	ELE	\$440.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$440.00	100%
General Outreach	EVE	\$1,000.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	100%
<b>sub Total Outreach</b>		<b>\$15,170.00</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>\$415.12</b>	<b>\$2,552.99</b>	<b>\$12,617.01</b>	<b>83%</b>
<b>300 Community Improvement</b>							
Venice Community BBQ	CIP	\$1,830.00		\$0.00	\$1,393.08	\$436.92	24%
Neighborhood Commun Proj 2011-12	CIP	\$13,200.00		\$2,373.36	\$2,373.36	\$10,826.64	82%
General Community Projects 2011-12	CIP	\$6,600.00		\$0.00	\$2,488.31	\$4,111.69	62%
<b>sub Total Comm Improvement</b>		<b>\$21,630.00</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>\$2,373.36</b>	<b>\$6,254.75</b>	<b>\$15,375.25</b>	<b>71%</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$40,500.00</b>		<b>\$2,800.83</b>	<b>\$9,379.64</b>	<b>\$15,375.25</b>	<b>\$0.71</b>
Neighborhood Commun Proj 2010 - 2011	CIP	\$16,000.00		\$1,041.18	\$3,963.91	\$12,036.09	



**Community Improvement Projects**

		Current Yr Budget by Acct	% of Bdgt	Amt spent Current Month	Amt Spent in Current Fiscal Year	Amt Available to Spend	% Budget Remain
<b>Neighborhood Comm Projects</b>		<b>2010 -2011</b>					
Masters in the Chapel- Concert	CIP	\$1,900.00		\$1,000.00	\$1,900.00	\$0.00	0%
Walgrove Elem-Cafeteria Beautification	CIP	\$1,325.00		\$0.00	\$1,422.77	-\$97.77	-7%
Venice Canals Found.- Coastal Access Path	CIP	\$1,900.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00	100%
Venice Historical Society- Venice Workbook	CIP	\$1,900.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00	100%
Venice Canals Association- Bridges	CIP	\$1,700.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,700.00	100%
Carnevale	CIP	\$1,400.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	100%
Couer d'Alene-Wildilfe mural	CIP	\$1,400.00		\$0.00	\$641.14	\$758.86	54%
Beethoven Elem-Learning Garden	CIP	\$1,400.00		\$41.18	\$41.48	\$1,358.52	97%
Venice Vintage Motorcycle Rally	CIP	\$500.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	100%
Venice Art Crawl	CIP	\$1,000.00		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	0%
Venice Japanese-American- Marker	CIP	\$1,300.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,300.00	100%
Spring Fling	CIP	\$275.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$275.00	100%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$16,000.00</b>		<b>\$1,041.18</b>	<b>\$5,005.39</b>	<b>\$10,994.61</b>	<b>69%</b>

		<b>2011- 2012</b>					
<b>Neighborhood Community Projects 11-12</b>							
Mark Twain Middle School- Ringers		\$3,000.00	23%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	100%
Broadway Elementary- Outdoor Classroom		\$3,000.00	23%	\$546.26	\$546.26	\$2,453.74	82%
Boys & Girls Club-Sewing Project		\$1,000.00	8%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	100%
Venice Library-Collection		\$2,000.00	15%	\$1,573.56	\$1,573.56	\$426.44	21%
Westminster Elementary- Beautification		\$1,500.00	11%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	100%
Mildred Dursh Foundation- Spring Job Fair		\$2,000.00	15%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	100%
Westside Global Aware Magnet-Spring Fling		\$700.00	5%	\$253.54	\$253.54	\$446.46	64%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$13,200.00</b>		<b>\$2,373.36</b>	<b>\$2,373.36</b>	<b>\$10,826.64</b>	<b>82%</b>

<b>General Comm Improvement</b>		<b>2011-2012</b>					
<b>Total Available</b>		\$6,600.00				\$6,600.00	
Oakwood Toy Drive		\$2,000.00		\$0.00	\$1,988.12	\$2,000.00	1%
Holiday turkeys		\$500.00		\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	0%
Map Your Neighborhood		\$1,000.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	100%
Neighborhood Watch		\$2,000.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	100%

**Total Allocated** **\$5,500.00**

**Total To be Allocated** **\$1,100.00**

Total Spent

\$0.00 \$2,488.12 \$4,111.88 62%

**DRAFT REALLOCATED BUDGET  
2011 - 2012**

	DONE Category	Current Year Approved Budget	Reallocated Budget	Change	Amt Spent in Current Fiscal Year	Amt Available to Spend
Annual Allocation		\$40,500.00				
<b>Budget</b>						
<b>100 Operations</b>						
Office Supplies	OFF	\$500.00	\$200.00	-\$300.00	\$0.00	\$200.00
Copies	OFF	\$400.00	\$400.00		\$247.44	\$152.56
Office Equipment	OFF	\$750.00	\$450.00	-\$300.00	\$0.00	\$450.00
Staffing/Apple One	TAC	\$250.00	\$0.00	-\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Telephone Expense	MIS	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Storage	FAC	\$400.00	\$400.00		\$0.00	\$400.00
Board Retreat	EDU	\$400.00	\$400.00		\$0.00	\$400.00
General Operations	MIS	\$1,000.00	\$700.00	-\$300.00	\$324.46	\$375.54
<b>sub Total Operations</b>		\$3,700.00	\$2,550.00	\$1,150.00	\$571.90	\$1,978.10
<b>200 Outreach</b>						
Copies / Printing	POS	\$500.00	\$500.00		\$390.90	\$109.10
Facilities For Public	FAC	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00		\$1,096.96	\$1,103.04
Refreshments	EVE	\$400.00	\$650.00	\$250.00	\$441.80	\$208.20
Web Site & e-mail	WEB	\$3,000.00	\$1,900.00	\$1,100.00	\$623.33	\$1,276.67
Advertising & Promotions	ADV	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00
Newsletter Production	NEW	\$1,030.00	\$515.00	-\$515.00	\$0.00	\$515.00
Newsletter Printing	NEW	\$3,800.00	\$1,900.00	\$1,900.00	\$0.00	\$1,900.00
Newsletter Delivery	NEW	\$2,800.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00
Elections	ELE	\$440.00	\$40.00	-\$400.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
General Outreach	EVE	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	-\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
<b>sub Total Outreach</b>		\$15,170.00	\$9,605.00	\$5,565.00	\$2,552.99	\$7,052.01
<b>300 Community Improvement</b>						
Venice Community BBQ	CIP	\$1,830.00	\$3,245.00	\$1,415.00	\$1,393.08	\$1,851.92
Neighborhood Commun Proj 2011-12	CIP	\$13,200.00	\$13,200.00		\$2,373.36	\$10,826.64
General Community Projects 2011-12	CIP	\$6,600.00	\$6,600.00		\$2,488.31	\$4,111.69
<b>sub Total Comm Improvement</b>		\$21,630.00	\$23,045.00	\$1,415.00	\$6,254.75	\$16,790.25
Elections [Emcumbered]	ELE	\$0.00	\$5,300.00	\$5,300.00	\$0.00	\$5,300.00
<b>Total</b>		\$40,500.00	\$40,500.00		\$9,379.64	\$31,120.36



U.S. BANCORP SERVICE CENTER  
P. O. Box 6343  
Fargo, ND 58125-6343

CITY OF LA - DONE

ACCOUNT NUMBER XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-1949  
STATEMENT DATE 03-21-12  
TOTAL ACTIVITY \$ 3,842.01

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HUGH HARRISON  
VENICE NC  
2808 GRAYSON AVE  
VENICE CA 90291-4648

"MEMO STATEMENT ONLY"  
DO NOT REMIT PAYMENT

NEW ACCOUNT ACTIVITY					
POST DATE	TRAN DATE	TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION	REFERENCE NUMBER	MCC	AMOUNT
02-23	02-21	OFFICE DEPOT #951 CULVER CITY CA PUR ID: 095120120221 TAX: 9.17	24445742053100215823240	5943	116.42
02-23	02-21	OFFICE DEPOT #951 CULVER CITY CA PUR ID: 095120120221 TAX: 1.50	24445742053100215823323	5943	18.64
02-27	02-24	PAYPAL *FRSTLUTHERA 402-935-7733 CA PUR ID: 6525134440 TAX: 0.00	24492152055849251345060	8398	1,000.00
03-05	03-02	THE HOME DEPOT 6611 LOS ANGELES CA PUR ID: 030212 TAX: 18.72	24610432063010180931537	5200	253.54
03-05	03-02	THE HOME DEPOT 6611 LOS ANGELES CA PUR ID: BROADWAY TAX: 37.60	24610432063010180931578	5200	546.26
03-05	03-02	THE HOME DEPOT 6611 LOS ANGELES CA PUR ID: NONE TAX: 3.31	24610432063010181001603	5200	41.18
03-06	03-05	EIC*POWER 866-5392854 MA PUR ID: 32114274 TAX: 0.00	24906412065335051781445	5968	20.00
03-07	03-06	CONTROL PRINTING INC LOS ANGELES CA PUR ID: 219617 TAX: 6.57	24431062067200485400019	2741	81.69
03-07	03-06	CONTROL PRINTING INC LOS ANGELES CA PUR ID: 219658 TAX: 6.53	24431062067200485400027	2741	81.16
03-13	03-12	CTC*CONSTANTCONTACT.COM 866-2892101 MA PUR ID: 1101280714767 TAX: 0.00	24906412072047422476594	5968	50.00
03-19	03-17	SMARTFINAL33210303329 VENICE CA PUR ID: 162077554026493 TAX: 0.00	24164072078929080014770	5411	47.21
03-21	03-19	LIBRERIA MEXICO DE ECHO P LOS ANGELES CA PUR ID: 000002 TAX: 0.00	24207852080160403385842	5942	1,573.56

Pos - Copy CIP App  
Pos Copy CIP App  
CIP - Masters in the Chapel  
CIP - Westside Glob  
CIP Broadway elem  
CIP Bee Thru  
WEB - web service  
Pos - Town Hall  
Pos Town Hall  
WEB Email  
Eve Refreshments  
CIP Venice Library

Default Accounting Code:			
CUSTOMER SERVICE CALL  <b>800-344-5696</b>	ACCOUNT NUMBER XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-1949		ACCOUNT SUMMARY
	STATEMENT DATE 03-21-12	DISPUTED AMOUNT \$ .00	PREVIOUS BALANCE \$ .00
SEND BILLING INQUIRIES TO:  C/O U.S. BANCORP SERVICE CENTER, INC U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ND P.O. BOX 6335 FARGO, ND 58125-6335	AMOUNT DUE \$ 0.00 <b>DO NOT REMIT</b>		PURCHASES & OTHER CHARGES \$3,842.01
			CASH ADVANCES \$ .00
			CASH ADVANCE FEE \$ .00
			CREDITS \$ .00
		<b>TOTAL ACTIVITY</b>	<b>\$3,842.01</b>



Account Name:	HUGH HARRISON
Company Name:	CITY OF LA - DONE
Account Number:	XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-1949
Statement Date:	03-21-12

NEW ACCOUNT ACTIVITY					
POST DATE	TRAN DATE	TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION	REFERENCE NUMBER	MCC	AMOUNT
03-21	03-19	OFFICE DEPOT #2303 LOS ANGELES CA PUR ID: 230320120319 TAX: 0.95	24445742080100222685191	5943	12.35

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