

# Venice Neighborhood Council

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# **Discussion Forum Committee Meeting Agenda**

Tuesday, June 11, 2013 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM Canal Club (310-823-3878) 2025 Pacific Avenue (near North Venice Boulevard)

Venice, California 90291 No Host Refreshments Available

# Agenda

130611VNCDiscussionForumMeetingAgenda.pdf

Prepared by the DFC facilitators [Joe Murphy (310-305-1444), Ira Koslow (310-392-0868), Daffodil Tyminski (609-876-8418)] to initiate discussions as directed by the DFC. Please contact facilitators with questions or ideas.

## 7:00 Call to Order

## 7:05 DFC Discussion Generator: Final Preparations for DFC Presentation to Board

This  $\Psi$  was accepted as the framework for the tentatively scheduled June 18, 2013 DFC presentation to the Board.

	Norking on a <u>Venice Walkability Study</u> Bike-Sharing Component Compiling a <u>VNC Walkability Vision Goal</u> Ideas Matrix
	Continue developing & providing the VNC Board with long-term integrated VNC Vision Goal Implementation Strategies
(Min)	
(5) Patrick	Take picture of DFC members for incorporation into final version of DFCPresentation.ppt
(10) Sarah & Ilaria	Venice Walkability Study Venice Bike-Sharing Study Component Associated Files*
	130305DRAFT-VeniceWalkabilityStudy-BikeSharingComponent.pdf
(5) Joe	VNC Walkability Vision Goal Ideas Matrix
(5) 500	130611DFCWalkabilityIdeasMatrix-PendingStakeholderContributions.pdf
(5) Donna	Review of DFC Function Visual
	130611DFCFunctionVisual.pdf
(10) Daffodil & Mark	Review of DFC Presentation To Board
	130611PowerPointOutlineOfDFCPresentationToBoard.pdf
(5) Don & Joe & Sarah	Review of <u>Collaboration Role Play</u> *
	130611CollaborationRolePlayScript.pdf
(10) Coordination	Decide who can best present specific parts of DFC Presentation to Board
(10) Individual Practice	Individual Practice
(60) Presentation Practice	Trial run-through

\* DRAFTS of Associated Files are available for download at VNC website http://www.venicenc.org/. Final versions will be posted when completed.

9:00 Adjourn

\* Collaboration Role Play

(Video outline to be scripted)

Don YES! Venice needs parking garages Novack

<u> !!! VS !!!</u>

Joe NO! No more damned parking Murphy

## moderated by

## Sarah QUIET YOU TWO! Referee Dennison



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### **Background of VNC Walkability Vision Goal Discussion Thread**

Sarah Dennison facilitated past DFC discussions of the below VNC Walkability Vision Goal on:

9/11/2012 How can we encourage the residents and visitors of Venice to get out of their cars and spend more time enjoying our community as pedestrians?

10/2/2012 How would we group the ideas from our last meeting into categories that illustrate the primary positive qualities that embody our vision of walkability in Venice?

11/6/2012 We have spent several sessions discussing Walkability and it is time to plan how we will complete work on this topic and report back to the VNC. Questions considered were:

Product: What will report cover and how will it be organized?

Process: What work needs to be completed and who will take responsibility for each piece?

Schedule: What are main tasks we need to complete going forward and when will each one be due?

1/8/2013 At Sarah's suggestion, Ilaria Mazzoleni, an architect who focuses on sustainable ideas for the built environment, shared insights learned from research work on bike-sharing and related topics accomplished with her graduate and undergraduate students at SCI-Arc - a presentation which stimulated intense pragmatic discussion on how to pedestrianize urban communities.

2/5/2013 & 3/5/2013 Discussion of Plan for Presentation to Board & how to implement walkability ideas received. 4/2/2013 & 5/7/2013 Discussion of Plan for Presentation to Board & exploration of: (i) Venice Walkability Study Venice Bike-Sharing Study Component; (ii) Additions to VNC Walkability Vision Goal Ideas Matrix.

## VNC Vision Goals

VNC Standing Rule 20 adopted unanimously 090421

To stimulate the vitality of the VNC, the Board and VNC Committees are encouraged to consider the below VNC Vision Goals in their deliberations.

Although the VNC is a political body, and inevitably it may become embroiled in issues that divide the community, these goals are designed to promote a more proactive, collaborative vision for VNC Committees to include in their deliberations as they formulate recommendations for Board consideration. The intent is to create a working framework of integrated strategies capable of achieving, over time, broader consensus and increased:

### Participation

Consider strategies that encourage & facilitate broader involvement of stakeholders, major organizations, community groups, and government institutions, etc.

### Walkability

Consider strategies that reduce the use of cars and that promote alternatives such as walking, skateboarding, biking & bike racks, circulation systems (trolleys), park & ride rather than additional parking, street-narrowing/sidewalk widening, walk/bike/skateboard lanes separated from traffic, easier neighborhood pedestrian access to commercial stores, etc.

### **Diversitv**

Consider strategies that encourage & facilitate realistic recommendations designed to increase economic diversity, including affordable housing, etc.

### Creativity

Consider strategies that promote the arts, encourage & facilitate creativity. This can apply to architecture, public art, social events (neighborhood gatherings/street movies/theatre/dance/pottery/...), etc.

### Collaboration

Consider strategies that encourage & facilitate 'level playing fields' for collaborative negotiation; opt for procedures & policies that 'promote flexibility & dialogue' over 'reacting defensively to rigid criteria', facilitation/mediation training, etc.

### Brainstorming

Consider strategies that encourage & facilitate exploring of non-traditional options for achieving shared objectives, etc.

### DFC Members

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## Upcoming DFC Meetings

(1st Tuesday of each month unless otherwise notified)

7/2/2013 - 8/6/2013 - 9/3/2013 - 10/1/2013 - 11/5/2013 - 12/3/2013