



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## VNC Neighborhood Committee Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date:** Feb 26, 2015

**Meeting Time:** 7:30AM to 9:00AM

**Meeting Location** The Terrace Restaurant, 7 Washington Blvd, Venice, CA 90292

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1. 7:30AM – Welcome and Introductions – see [VeniceNC.org/neighborhood-committee](http://VeniceNC.org/neighborhood-committee) to see neighborhoods
2. 7:31 – Call to Order & Roll Call

Adam Glick	Arrv 8:30	John Weston	Present
Bill Boyd	Present	Lydia Pelosi	
Carmen Navarro		Marc Saltzberg (Chair)	Present
Carolyn Rios		Marianna Aguilar	
Daniel Pinedo		Mark Kanights	Present
DeDe Audette	Present	Michael Nelson	
Jay Cole	Present	Mike Newhouse (ex officio)	
Jerry Jaffe	Present	Nicholas Hippisley-Coxe	Present
Joan Wrede	Lve 8:10	Sarah Shoup	
Joe Verrone	Arrv 8		
<i>Guests:</i>			

3. 7:33 – Approve Agenda **MK / NHC Unanimous**
4. 7:35 – ANNOUNCEMENTS – Information about specific events important to Venice
5. 7:40 – PUBLIC COMMENT – non-agendized items related to Neighborhood Committee only.
6. 7:45 – Approve minutes from previous meetings – [1/29/2015](#) **NHC / JW Unanimous**
7. 7:47 – Report on Last VNC Board Meeting - **Marc Reported that Neighborhood Committee Motions passed**
8. 7:50 – Old Business:
  - a. Discussion and possible action regarding bike rental distribution of safety info 5 min **Sara Shoup**  
**Postponed to next meeting**
  - b. Neighborhood Committee Outreach Program and Introduction Cards 5 min **Mark Kanights**  
**Mark determined (with our graphic designer) that adding Spanish to existing cards was not an option – it would make the cards to busy. A better plan would be to translate the existing card and do special, limited runs of Spanish only cards. Mark asked that committee members who needed cards get photos and contact info to him.**
  - c. Discussion of distribution plans for [Community Improvement Project Applications](#) 5 min **Marc Saltzberg**  
**CIP Applications are being distributed by most members present – efforts to get them out have to continue – the application deadline is 4/1/15. Applications are available at the Library and on-line.**
  - d. Report from Neighborhood Committee Goals Coordinators 5 min  
**Robin has delayed LUPC's engagement with the Neighborhood Committee**
9. 8:10 – New Business:
  - a. Possible discussion with DOT regarding Bicycle Safety 20 min **Marc Saltzberg**  
**DOT postponed until next month. DeDe reminded us that we need to consider other modes of transportation as well as bicycles. Bill B asked if other jurisdictions have been successful in addressing bicycle safety. Jay C. thought that Santa Monica was much more active the LA and making an impact. He will investigate and report back.**
  - b. Discussion and possible action regarding crosswalks in Venice 5 min **Marc Saltzberg**  
**Marc distributed the list of intersections with crosswalks that needed safety lights . Suggestions were to add Lincoln at Vernon and Lincoln at Victoria (both have problems with existing lights not visible to pedestrians);**

Lincoln and Brooks and Lincoln at California (both need lane lines); Lincoln at Amoroso Place needs flashing lights due to school. Crosswalk at Rose and 4th needs painting.

- c. Possible Discussion re: Lincoln Place Parking 5 min Joe Verrone  
Joe reported that Lincoln Place apartment rentals do not include parking places... they are available at extra cost). Street parking can be restricted using Overnight Vehicle parking ordinance.
- d. Neighborhood Reports 20 min Marc Saltzberg
  - a. Michael Nelson, Windward Circle – abandoned belongings street cleanup at North Venice and Venice Way has happened the materials are back on and another cleanup is needed.
  - b. John Weston, Marina Peninsula South – reported about blind intersections between street and speed way – foliage is blocking the view and needs to be trimmed. There was a power outage recently – it was due to corrosion of the connections to the building at Union Jack. John was also concerned about the deterioration of the pedestrian bridge at Lighthouse – Marc suggested that he might want to submit a motion on the subject.
  - c. Adam, Marina Peninsula East – reported that construction of new drainage pipes along the Grand Canal started prior to the morning time limit. Catalytic converters being stolen off cars
  - d. Jerry Jaffe, Milwood & Walk Streets – Problems with a "rough" group of homeless individuals in alley running from Penmar to Lincoln between Palms and Nowita. Problem has gotten worse as homeowners going in and out of their garages have been intimidated. Jerry will bring to Daniel Pinedo (East of Lincoln Central Neighborhood Representative and perhaps Laura Silagi – and ask them to bring a motion and or ask for concern to be agendized
  - e. Jay Cole, Canals – Kim's Market status discussed. New owner taking over next week and no proposal at this moment for development
  - f. Mark Kanights, President's Row – parking problems in the industrial / commercial area in President's Row – along Zeno and Woodlawn
  - g. Nick Hipplesley Coxe, Rose Ave Corridor – continuing traffic problems along Rose
  - h. Bill Boyd – 3 B&E incidents. One on Top Sail – thwarted when burglar alarm went off. Another on Roma Ct (hot prowl) and perp fled the scene. Another on Via Dolce with 2 suspects captured by LAPD. Marc reported the SLO's have said that 85% of the ramped up hot prowl incidents and burglaries have taken place when the thief enters through unlocked doors and windows. Marc also mentioned that utility of NextDoor.com in communicating neighborhood issues.
- e. Next Meeting: Mar 26th at 7:30PM

10. 9:00 – Adjourn