



# Neighborhood Council

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## Joint Board & Administrative Committee Agenda

Canal Club

2025 Pacific Ave, Venice, 90291

**Monday, October 10, 2016 7pm**

Note (i) The Administrative Committee does not address or consider the merits of proposed agenda items. Its function is to determine whether a proposed agenda item will be placed on the next Board meeting agenda, postponed, referred to a specific committee for review and recommendation, treated as an announcement, or considered and resolved as a non-Board administrative matter. (ii) The Administrative Committee has the discretion to reorder consideration of matters on the agenda to accommodate stakeholders or for other reasons.

### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

**PRESENT:** Ira Koslow, George Franciso, Melissa Diner, Hugh Harrison Colleen Saro,  
**NOT PRESENT:** John Reed, Ilana Morosi, Will Hawkins,

### 2. Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda

CS, GF  
Unanimous

### 3. Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/20161209AdcomMinutes.pdf>

GF, CS

### 3. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda

Matt Kline-Marianna resigned from Toy Drive  
Feedback change from Toy Drive to Holiday Community Celebration  
Toy Drive reimaged to Holiday Community Celebration Autumn Burke will support financially in addition to \$2000 from VNC. Get \$3500 on November agenda.  
Matt to submit revised budget.  
ILANA MOROSI ARRIVES

We only need one 24/7 location for posting

### 5. Old Administrative Committee Business

*[Discussion and possible action.]*



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6. **New Administrative Committee Business**  
*[Discussion and possible action.]*
7. **Consideration and approval of October 18 & 20, 2016 Proposed Board Agenda**
8. **Adjourn**

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**Draft Board of Officers Meeting Agenda**  
**Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)**  
**1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291**  
**Tuesday, October, 18, 2016 at 7:00 PM**

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00PM – 1 minute)**  
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2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**



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**3. Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:02PM – 1 minute)**

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/September202016VNCBoardMinutes.pdf>

**4. Approval of the Agenda (7:03PM – 1 minute)**

**5. Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:04PM -- 1 minute)**

All Board members shall declare any ex parte communications or conflicts-of interest relating to items on this meeting's agenda.

**6. Scheduled Announcements and Presentations (7:05PM – 90 minutes)**

**A Public Safety - LAPD Report (10 minutes):** Senior Lead Officers Peggy Thusing (25120@lapd.lacity.org), Kristan Delatori ([32914@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:32914@lapd.lacity.org)), Gregg Jacobus, [35162@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:35162@lapd.lacity.org), Lt. Lydia Leos [23216@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:23216@lapd.lacity.org) , OFW Beach Detail Supervisor. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*

**B Government Reports (15 minutes)** (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)

- City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy, Taylor Bazley, 310-568-8772 ([taylor.bazley@lacity.org](mailto:taylor.bazley@lacity.org))
- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 ([janet.turner@mail.house.gov](mailto:janet.turner@mail.house.gov))
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Fernando Morales, 310-318-6994 ([fernando.morales@sen.ca.gov](mailto:fernando.morales@sen.ca.gov))
- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, Rep TBD, 310-412-6400
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy Rachel Zaiden, 213-974-3333 ([rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov))
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, 213-978-0836 ([Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org](mailto:Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org))

**C VNC Announcements (5 minutes)**

- President -Ira Koslow ([President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:President@VeniceNC.org))
- Vice President - George Francisco ([VicePresident@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Mike Newhouse, WRAC President,Ira Koslow, VNC Representatives. ([Chair@westsidecouncils.org](mailto:Chair@westsidecouncils.org)),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel ([Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org))
- VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
  - Budget Advocates

**D Proposition HHH (30 minutes) 8pm**

Speakers will present the pros and cons on Proposition HHH, the 1.2 billion dollar Homeless Housing Bond initiative. Invited speakers are Councilman Mike Bonin (pro) and



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Chair of NC Budget Advocates Jay Handal (con).

- E** **Proposed Venice Beach Business Improvement District (10 minutes)** (Sylvia Aroth)  
Presentations about the proposed Venice Beach Business Improvement District, explaining what a BID is, the BID process, and the BID map. Pro and Con speakers.

See if Tara Devine is available Thursday, or Mike Bonin, Debbie Dyner Harris, Brad Neal, Jack Hoffman.

- F** **Board of Public Works (20 minutes) 8:30pm**  
Kevin James, President of the Board of Public Works will give a presentation on the services offered by Public Works City Departments.

- 7.** **Treasurer's Report (8:35PM - 15 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee) (Treasurer@VeniceNC.org)  
*[Discussion and possible action] See attached addendums*

- A** **Monthly Expenditure Report**  
**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves the attached expenditure reports for August 2016. Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on October 4, 2016 [4-0-0].

- B** **Venice Toy Drive**  
**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves funding in the amount of \$2000 for the 2016 Venice Toy Drive.  
Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on October 4, 2016 [4-0-0].

Amendment:

VNC Holiday Celebration  
MD, GF

Unanimous

- C** **Reallocation of funds** (Hugh Harrison, Treasurer)  
**MOTION:** The VNC Board shall reallocate \$900 from the General Outreach budget line item into the Equipment (Operations) line item.



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**D Modernize Outreach with Technology**

**MOTION:** The VNC shall allocate up to \$900 from Equipment (Operations) for the purchase of two Apple Mini-iPads (with Apple Care) and two 62 inch Mini-iPad tripods to be used for streaming Board meetings and as digital sign-up portals at the Farmer’s Market and community events. Motion at the request of the Secretary and the Chairs of the Outreach and Communications Committees.

Recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee [4-0-0].

**8. Announcements and Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (8:50PM - 10 minutes)**

*[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]*

**9. General Consent Calendar (9:00PM -- 0 minute)**

*[All agenda items on the Consent Calendar will pass when the Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any board member or stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of the agenda and be treated as regular agenda items with discussion and public comment.]*

**A CIS in support of first Budget Advocates White Paper (Hugh Harrison, Treasurer on behalf of budget advocates) **[EXHIBIT]****

**MOTION:** The VNC Board shall submit a Community Impact Statement for City Council File 17-0600 in support of the first Budget Advocates White Paper.

**MOVE TO CONSENT**

**HH, MD**

**Unanimous**

**10. Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar (9:00PM -- 0 minutes)**

*[All agenda items on the Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar will pass when the LUPC Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any Board member or Stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of agenda item 11. Land Use and Planning Committee and will be treated as regular LUPC agenda items, with discussion and public comment]*

**11. Old Business [Discussion and possible action] (9:00PM -- 0 minutes)**

**12. New Business (9:00PM – minutes)**

*[Discussion and possible action]*

**A Appointment of Homeless Liaison (Ira Koslow) (President@venicenc.org)**

**MOTION:** Whereas integrating Neighborhood Council board members and advocates into



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conversations addressing the City's homelessness crisis will help provide additional services and opportunities to end homelessness one person at a time  
BE IT RESOLVED that the Venice Neighborhood Council Board will appoint a Homelessness Liaison to participate and collaborate with the Mayor's Office and CD 8 at bi-monthly Homelessness Advocate meetings and make regular reports back to the Board.

**B Support For Clean Streets LA Challenge (George Francisco, vp@venicenc.org)**

**MOTION:**The VNC agrees to partner with the Eagle Rock Yacht Club, a social and philanthropic group operating an adult Dodgeball League in Venice, in order to participate in the 2016 "Clean Streets LA Challenge". The project involves organizing a street clean-up for the city block from Rose Ave to Sunset and 7th Ave to Lincoln Blvd on November 5th.

**MOTION TO MOVE TO CONSENT**

**MD, HH**

**Unanimous**

**C Support for LA2050.org Project (George Francisco, vp@venicenc.org)**

**MOTION:** The VNC supports the application of Synaccord, an LA-based social network, for the LA2050.org competition to develop community-guided initiatives whereby Synaccord will develop digital engagement tools to increase stakeholder participation in both the VNC and the Neighborhood Council system citywide.

**MOTION TO CONSENT:**

**MD, HH**

**Unanimous**

**D Remediate groundwater seepage on Altair Place (Matthew Shaw on behalf of Public Safety Committee, matthew.shaw@venicenc.org)**

Whereas, A standing ground water problem has existed on the 500 block of Altair Place since 2014, and;

Whereas, The County of Los Angeles has distributed literature about the public hazards of standing groundwater, and;

Whereas, the City of Los Angeles has failed to remedy this situation;

Therefore, The VNC Board recommends that Councilman Mike Bonin, Bureau of Street Services, Department of Public Works and Los Angeles Sanitation immediately begin the process to excavate and remediate the ongoing groundwater seepage problem on the 500 block of Altair Place.

Recommended by Public Safety Committee on Monday, August 22



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Motion to Consent  
MD, GF  
FAVOR: IK, MD, GF, IM, CS  
OPPOSED: HH

13. **Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (PM - 5 minutes)**

14. **Adjourn (approx. PM)**

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Neighborhood George Francisco  
Outreach Matthew Kline  
Land Use and Planning Matthew Royce  
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Rules & Selections John Reed  
Arts Sonny Bak  
Ocean Front Walk Colleen Saro  
Education - vacant

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Public Safety - Matt Shaw & Will Hawkins  
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Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello  
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## **Draft Board of Officers Meeting Agenda** **Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)** **1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291** **Thursday, October, 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM**

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  2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**
  3. **Approval of the Agenda (7:03PM – 1 minute)**
  4. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:04PM -- 1 minute)**  
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  5. **General Public Comment for items not on the Agenda**
  - 6.) **LUPC (PM – 0 minutes)** Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, ([Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org))  
(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/>)  
*[Discussion and possible action]*
- A 824 Milwood Ave (10 minutes)**  
Case: Requesting Administrative CDP  
Applicant: Eric Schiff  
LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld  
Representative: Brian Silveira & Associates





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Description: A 1,213 square foot addition to an existing single family home and construction of a 441 square foot detached rec room above covered parking.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-1 (TB/DT) MR abstain

## **B 1525 Abbot Kinney Blvd (30 minutes)**

Case: DIR-2015-2998-CDP-SPP-MEL

Applicant: David Paris

LUPC Staff: Ramsey Daham

Representative: John Reed

Description: A three story mixed-use project consisting of 2 artist in residence units over ground floor retail with a restaurant space and 27 parking spaces.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented with the following conditions:

1. Free parking for employees while working
2. Reasonable parking validation time for customers
3. Prominent signage for parking

Recommended by LUPC 7-0-1 (RD/MJ) MR abstain

## **C 1711 Lincoln Blvd (Witz End) (45 minutes)**

Case: ZA-2016-2090-CUB-CU-CDP-MEL-SPP

Applicant: Rob Lissner, Venice Music Group

LUPC Staff: Ramsey Daham

Representative: Allen Sanford, Venice Music Group, Justin Dewitt, Lean Architects

Description: 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 12.20.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a Coastal Development Permit authorizing the demolition of a detached garage and the construction of a 794 square foot kitchen addition to an existing one-story restaurant for a total floor area of 3,309 sf, with a maximum building height of 13'-6", in the single permit jurisdiction area of the Coastal Zone.

2. Pursuant to Section 11.5.7-C LAMC, a determination of Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance with the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan.

3. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 12.24-W.1 LAMC, a Conditional Use to permit the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with a 3,309 square foot restaurant with interior seats of 96 seats; and hours of operation from 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday.

4. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 12.24-W.27 LAMC, a Conditional Use to permit a Commercial corner deviation from the required 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. to have hours of operation from 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday.



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**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project with the following conditions:

1. Security cameras and guards
2. Post phone number for complaints
3. Timed loading zone on Lincoln Blvd
4. Provide valet and separate parking lot for employees
5. Free parking for employees while working
6. Free parking validation for customers
7. Prominent signage for parking
8. Complaint Log
9. Copy of determination letter onsite
10. sound mitigation for equipment in rear part of structure
11. Honor the historic status of the structures

Recommended by LUPC 8-0-1 (RD/TB), MR abstain

**D 665 Broadway Street (20 minutes)**

Case: DIR-2016-3301-VSO, Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: John Scherrer

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: Walker Workshop

Description: Proposed 2,838 square foot 2 story addition to and renovation of an existing 1,182 square foot 1 story single family residence with attached 2 car garage.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 5-1-1 (TB/BS) MR abstain, RD recused

**E 3021 Stanford Ave (20 minutes)**

Case: DIR-2015-3353-VSO

Applicant: Jesse Reyes

LUPC Staff: Merhnoosh Mojallali

Representative: Gavin McKiernan

Description: Remodel and 2nd story addition to an existing one story single family dwelling, 2 parking spaces in attached garage. demolition of existing 1 car garage.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-1 (MM/RA) MR abstain

**F 3024 Stanford Ave ( 20 minutes)**

Case: Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: Cassie Blanco

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Representative: Cassie Blanco



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Description: New Single Family Dwelling

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0 (MM/RD)

Matt to send more info

## **G 633 Palms Ave (30 minutes)**

Case: Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: 645 Rose, LLC

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: Brian Silveira & Associates

Description: Second story addition and roof deck to four existing bungalows ranging in size from 500 to 600 square feet

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0 (TB/RD)

## **H 303 Windward Ave (30 minutes)**

Case: ZA-2016-2154-ZAA, DIR-2016-2153-CDP

Applicant: Dustin Miles, Green Dolphin LLC

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: DU Architects

Description: Remodel and addition to an existing 26' tall, 2,225 SQ. Ft. duplex to create a 30' tall 3,612 Sq. Ft. duplex with an attached 387 SQ. FT. garage

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project with the following conditions:

1 - sound mitigation through installation of double glazed windows and quietrock drywall on sideboard exterior walls.

2 - work with neighbors on window placement and shared gate

## **I 2819 Grayson Ave (30 minutes)**

Case: DIR-2016-2088-CDP

Applicant: Thomas James Capital

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Representative: Gavin McKiernan

Description: 2-STORY ADDITION TO AN EXISTING 832 SQ. FT. 1-STORY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES WITH A NEW ATTACHED 2-CAR GARAGE. NEW STRUCTURE WILL ADD 2,438 SQ. FT. FOR A TOTAL OF 3,270 SQ. FT.



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**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the CDP application for the project with the following conditions:

1 - The VNC Board recommends that the CCC impose the maximum penalty for continuing construction work after receipt of a letter from the CCC dated April 27, 2016 denying the claim for a Coastal Exemption. The VNC requests this penalty be imposed on the developer, not the current homeowner.

2 - The VNC Board recommends that the CCC and the City of LA impose the maximum penalty for removing a street tree without proper permits and destroying the nesting habitat of a hawk. The VNC requests this penalty be imposed on the developer, not the current homeowner.

**WILL HAWKINS ARRIVES**

**MOTION TO HAVE 2 meetings**  
**IR, CS**

**VOTE: IK, CS, IM, HH, GF**  
**OPPOSED: WH, MD**

**6. Mass, Scale and Character Committee Report (30 minutes)** (Sue Kaplan on behalf of the Mass, Scale, and Character Committee)

**MOTION:**The VNC Board shall approve the report from the Mass, Scale and Character committee.

**Move to first agenda**  
**HH, IK**  
**Unanimous**  
**Move to Old Business**  
**12B**

**BID presentation for 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting if Tara Devine**

**President to decide if 20<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**HH, GF**

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA ON 18 and the 20 or 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**HH, GF**  
**Unanimous**



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Education - vacant

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Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello  
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Mass/Scale/Character Sue Kaplan

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