



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## Joint Board & Administrative Committee Minutes

Canal Club

2025 Pacific Ave, Venice, 90291

**Monday, November 9th, 2015 at 7:00 PM**

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

**ACTION: No Board quorum. Meeting proceeds as Administrative Committee meeting @ 7:02PM.**

**PRESENT: Marc Saltzberg (MS), Kristopher Valentine (KV), Ira Koslow (IK), Hugh Harrison (HH), Melissa Diner (MD)**

**ABSENT: Mike Newhouse (MN (IK), Melissa Diner (MD), Abigail Myers (AM), Eduardo Manilla (EM)**

### 2. Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda

**ACTION: Agenda approved. IK/HH 3-0-1**

**FOR: KV, IK, HH**

**AGAINST: None**

**ABSTAIN: MS**

### 3. Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/151012AdComMinutes.pdf>

**ACTION: Minutes approved. IK/HH 3-0-1**

**FOR: KV, IK, HH**

**AGAINST: None**

**ABSTAIN: MS**

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

**Ivan Spiegel – Working for city for NC elections, needs help for Venice election and Outreach.**

### 5. Old Administrative Committee Business

*[Discussion and possible action.]*



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## 6. **New Administrative Committee Business**

*[Discussion and possible action.]*

### A **Change of dates for December Meeting**

**MOTION:** AdCom meeting to be moved up to 12/7 and the board meeting will be on 12/15.

**ACTION: Motion approved. HH/KV 3-0-1**

**FOR: KV, IK, HH**

**AGAINST: None**

**ABSTAIN: MS**

**Melissa Diner (MD) arrived.**

### B **Findings and/or Staff Reports on LUPC Cases** (Marc Saltzberg [vicepresident@venicenc.org](mailto:vicepresident@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** Discussion regarding the need for "Findings" and/or Staff Reports for LUPC motions. Last month the Board voted on 11 land use project recommendations. Of these, none had staff reports explaining why the project was recommended or denied. One motion had "findings" that explained why LUPC made the recommendation to the Board that it did.

The goal of the discussion is to determine how much and what kind of information the Board needs to properly deliberate the recommendations of LUPC.

### C **Consideration and approval of November 17, 2015 Proposed Board Agenda**

**ACTION: Proposed board agenda approved KV/IK 4-0-1**

**FOR: KV, IK, HH, MD**

**AGAINST: None**

**ABSTAIN: MS**

## 7. **Adjourn**

**ACTION: Meeting adjourned at 8:35PM. IK/HH 4-0-1**

**FOR: KV, IK, HH, MD**

**AGAINST: None**

**ABSTAIN: MS**

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## **DRAFT Board of Officers Meeting Agenda** **Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)** **1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291** **Tuesday, November 17th, 2015 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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**DISABILITY POLICY:** See last page.

**ALL AGENDA TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE ON THE NIGHT OF THE MEETING.**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00PM – 1 minute)**  
Thank you to Whole Foods, Abbot's Habit, and Jessica Blumenthal for the food and refreshments.
2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**
3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:02PM – 1 minute)**  
<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/151020BoardMinutes.pdf>
4. **Approval of the Board 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 – 45 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



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not always available to attend)

- City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy, Jesus “Chuy” D. Orozco, 310-568-8772 ([jesus.d.orozco@lacity.org](mailto:jesus.d.orozco@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 Odysseus Bostick, 310-412-6400 ([odysseus.bostick@asm.ca.gov](mailto:odysseus.bostick@asm.ca.gov))
- 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))
- Ejjah Cooper – Oakwood Rec Park Director, 310-452-7479 ([ejjah.cooper@lacity.org](mailto:ejjah.cooper@lacity.org))
- Commissioner Joel Jacinto - Board of Public Works; Rep Shelley Wong ([shelley.wong@lacity.org](mailto:shelley.wong@lacity.org))

## C VNC Announcements (5 Minutes)

- President - Mike Newhouse ([President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:President@VeniceNC.org))
- Vice President - Marc Saltzberg ([VicePresident@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Mike Newhouse, WRAC President, Marc Saltzberg, 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: Dede Audet
- Venice Chamber Of Commerce: Carl Lambert, President ([carl@lambertinc.com](mailto:carl@lambertinc.com))
- VNC Elections 2016: Ivan Spiegel

## D Great Venice Toy Drive (3 Minutes) Mariana Aguilar ([thegreatvenicetoydrive@gmail.com](mailto:thegreatvenicetoydrive@gmail.com))

Please save the date. Sat Dec 19, 2015 10am – 2pm @ Oakwood Recreation Center, Venice, CA, We currently plan for the Festival to include the toy giveaway, arts and crafts, a moon bounce, face painting, a used book giveaway, free food, free photos with Santa (for at least a portion of the event), and a snow play area. Please also feel free to contact members of the committee with any questions or with any ideas you have as to how to improve the event. We will be collecting toys beginning in November, including at the November and December Board meetings.

## E Oakwood Advisory Board Announcement (5 minutes) (Sue Kaplan

[chair.massandscale@venicenc.org](mailto:chair.massandscale@venicenc.org))

Presentation by Ejjah Cooper, Director of the Oakwood Center, and Sage Alla Clemento, Cornerstone Theatre program of a community theatre production in Oakwood.

## F Parklet on Abbot Kinney Boulevard (5 minutes) (Brett Garrett [brett@bluebottlecoffee.com](mailto:brett@bluebottlecoffee.com))

Presentation about building a parklet on Abbot Kinney in front Blue Bottle Coffee's cafe. [EXHIBIT]

**ACTION: Referred to Neighborhood Committee.**

## 7. Treasurers Report (7:50PM - 3 minutes) (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance



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Committee), ([Treasurer@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Treasurer@VeniceNC.org))  
[Discussion and possible action]

[EXHIBIT]

**A** **MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Monthly Expenditure Reports for October 2015.

**8. General Consent Calendar (7:54PM -- 1 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.]*

**Promotion of Meals on Wheels in Venice** (Mike Newhouse [president@venicenc.org](mailto:president@venicenc.org)) [EXHIBIT]

**MOTION:** The VNC is authorized to promote Meals on Wheels, which provides delivery of free meals to seniors and others in need, through its outreach channels, including the VNC website, email blasts, Farmers Market, etc. Attached is a flyer for that purpose.

**9. Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar (7:55 PM -- 1 minute)**

*[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.]*

**A** **659 Broadway, Oakwood Subarea**, RD1.5-1 zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Low Medium II Residential, ZA-2014-411-CDP and AA-2014-4129-PMLA-CN and ENV-2014-4130-EAF, based on previously approved State CDP 5-14-0240, dated June 26, 2014, VCZSP compliance: DIR-2013-3891-VSO-MEL (for duplex)

CITY HEARING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2015, CITY HALL

Project Description: the conversion of a duplex to condos upon approval of PMLA for condo conversion

Applicant: Robert Thibodeau for Lewis Futterman, Owner

Recommended by LUPC on 11-2-15: 6-0-0 (RR/RA)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as a "VNC De Minimis Project."

**B** **14 Hurricane St & 16 Hurricane St**

Marina Peninsula Subarea, R3-1 zone, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Multiple-Family Residential Low Medium II

ZA-2015-0624-CDP-SPP and ENV-2015-625-CE and ZA-2015-0626-CDP-SPP and ENV-2015-627-CE (NOTE: ENV should be a MND that applies to both projects due to adjacent lots with



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common ownership. When did demo of prior structures occur?)

VCZSP Compliance: SPP

<http://www.venicenc.org/14-16-hurricane-st/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON NOVEMBER 5, 2015

Project Description: construction of a 35' tall 3,995 sq ft SFD w/attached garage & roof deck, on a vacant 3,150 sq ft lot

Applicant: Camille Zeitouny for Bryan Domyan

LUPC Staff: Robert Aronson & Ramsey Daham

Recommended by LUPC on 11-2-15: 6-0-0 (RD/MK)

1. **MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project at 14 Hurricane St. as presented.
2. **MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project at 16 Hurricane St. as presented.

**C** 15 Yawl St, Marina Peninsula Subarea, R3-1 zone, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Multiple-Family Residential Low Medium II  
ZA-2015-1018-CDP-SPP and ENV-2015-1019-CE

VCZSP compliance: SPP

<http://www.venicenc.org/15-yawl-st/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON NOVEMBER 12, 2015

Project Description: construction of a 28' tall, 3,048 sq ft SFD on a vacant lot

Applicant: Douglas Pierson for Carol & Roy Doumani

LUPC Staff: Maury Ruano

Recommended by LUPC on 11-2-15: 5-0-0 (MR/MK)

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

**D** 548 Rose Ave, Oakwood Subarea, C4-1 zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Community Commercial Area of Special Interest—Oakwood Community Commercial Area (Rose Avenue between 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenues, to be used for residential, neighborhood retail and services, personal services, and small scale businesses oriented to the local community)  
ZA-2015-487-CDP and ENV-2015-488-CE

VCZSP Compliance: NONE

<http://venicenc.org/548-rose-ave/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON OCTOBER 29, 2015

Project Description: demo of existing SFD & construction of a 30' tall 3,217 sq ft SFD with 622 sq ft attached garage & 760 sq ft of decks/balconies, on a 5,606 sq ft lot

Applicant: Thomas Carson

LUPC Staff: Mark Kleiman



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Recommended by LUPC on 10-26-15: 7-0-0 (RR/MM)

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

- E** **232 Linnie Canal, Venice Canals Subarea**, RW1-1-O zone, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Single-Family Residential Low Medium I  
ZA-2015-0637-CDP-SPP-MEL and ENV-2015-638-CE

VCZSP compliance: SPP

<http://www.venicenc.org/232-linnie-canal/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON NOVEMBER 12, 2015

Project Description: Mello Determination and demo of (E) SFD & construction of a 30' tall SFD on a 2,849 sq ft lot

Applicant: Kaitlin Vining for Zach Freedman

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Recommended by LUPC on 10-26-15: 7-0-0 (MM/RA)

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

- 10.** **Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (7:56PM -- 10 minutes)**  
*[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]*

- 11.** **Old Business** *[Discussion and possible action]*

- A** **934 Amoroso Place, Milwood Subarea, (15 minutes)** R2-1 zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Multiple-Family Residential Low Medium I  
DIR-2015-2907-CDP-SPP and ENV-2015-2906-CE

VCZSP Compliance: SPP

<http://www.venicenc.org/934-amoroso-place/>

**City Hearing Thursday October 26, 2015 has been CANCELLED**

Project Description: On a Walk Street--demo of 148 sq ft of existing 833 sq ft SFD & demo of detached accessory garage; construct 1<sup>st</sup> floor addition of 169 sq ft, new 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of 1,463 sq ft, a roof deck and a new attached 2-car garage to the existing SFD. New Recreation Room. Total sq ft proposed is 2,317, on a 3,590 sq ft lot

Applicant: Bill Tsui, YU2e, Inc., LOC Equities, LLC

LUPC Staff: Gabriel Ruspini

Recommended by LUPC on 10-5-15: 3-2-1 (GR/MK)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends denial of the project as presented, for the following reasons:

- The project is on a Walk Street, on the south side of the 900 block, with a predominance of original, small, 1-story buildings.
- The proposed project is a 2-story single-family dwelling that is significantly larger than the existing structure on the site, a 1-story craftsman style bungalow circa 1921, and significantly larger



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than the other structures in the surrounding existing neighborhood, and as such does not meet the standards required such that Findings can be made as per Section 8. C. 1. of the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan, which requires: "That the Venice Coastal Development Project is compatible in scale and character with the existing neighborhood, and that the Venice Coastal Development Project would not be materially detrimental to adjoining lots or the immediate neighborhood."

3. The project does not comply with the Venice LUP Policies on Preservation of Venice as a Special Coastal Community, which require the preservation of neighborhood scale, mass and character and architectural diversity.

**ACTION: Postponed to next month**

- B** **Request for Change in the City Attorney’s Position on CUB Conditions, (20 minutes)** Sarah Blanche, Public Strategies  
Recommended by LUPC on 10-5-15: 6-0-0 (RR/KR)

**MOTION:** Whereas: The City Attorney’s Office has taken a position that the City of Los Angeles does not have the authority to regulate (e.g. is preempted from regulating) retailers’ alcohol sales and distribution practices, and

Whereas: An examination of legal precedent implies that the City Attorney’s position overstates the breadth of the State’s alcohol licensing authority, ignores recent case law, and disregards the practices of multiple other California jurisdictions, and

Whereas: Substantial legal precedent exists, establishing local jurisdictions’ ability to impose conditions restricting or impacting the sale, use or distribution of alcohol *if* the conditions are reasonably tailored to address legitimate zoning/land use impacts, and

Whereas: The City Attorney’s position significantly undermines local communities’ ability to prevent and abate public nuisances associated with the sale of alcohol by restricting the placement of conditions on, among other examples, hours of sale of alcohol, happy hours (rules and regulations), container sizes, and types of alcohol sold

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the VNC Board recommends that Councilmember Bonin advocate for the City Attorney’s Office to change its position regarding preemption and the City’s authority to regulate, i.e. condition and enforce, alcohol sales and distribution practices, to reflect that:

1. The City of Los Angeles is *not* preempted and therefore does have the authority to regulate retailers’ alcohol sales and distribution practices.
2. Nuisance activities can be directly related to alcohol sales, thus establishing a clear nexus between local police/zoning powers and alcohol sales and thereby rendering admissible the placement on CUB permits of conditions restricting or impacting the sale of alcohol.
3. All City Personnel should allow conditions on CUB permits that regulate, i.e. condition and enforce, retailers’ sales and distribution of alcohol.

**ACTION: Postponed to next month**

- 12.** **LUPC (8:06PM – 50 minutes)** Robin Rudisill on behalf of LUPC, ([Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org))  
*[Discussion and possible action]*

- A** **201 Ocean Front Walk, North Venice Subarea, (15 minutes)** C1-1 zone, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone,





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General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Artcraft Commercial  
ZA-2015-2582-CDP-ZAA-SPP-MEL and ENV-2015-2583-EAF  
VCZSP Compliance: SPP

<http://www.venicenc.org/201-ocean-front-walk/>

CITY HEARING NOT YET SCHEDULED

Project Description: renovation of existing 3,500 sq ft Israel Levin Jewish Federation Community Center to a height of 35' and total sq ft of 4,543, including 2<sup>nd</sup> story addition of administrative offices, construction of a third story with 1 residential unit, and waiver of the loading zone requirement for an institutional building, with 3 on-site parking spaces

Applicant: Dana Sayles, Three6IXTY

LUPC Staff: Gabriel Ruspini

Recommended by LUPC on 10-26-15: 7-0-0 (RA/MR)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board *recommends approval* of the project, with ground floor, community center use of 2,199 sq ft, and with second floor 1,122 sq ft of administrative office use and with a 1,222 sq ft residential unit; with 3 on site parking spaces and 5 in lieu parking fees waived due to this being a charitable organization and as the earthquake destruction of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor was an extraordinary event and thus a parking requirement for the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor as an addition should not be a factor; and with a waiver of the loading zone as the side street, Ozone, can be used instead of the alley.

**B** **1346 Abbot Kinney, North Venice Subarea, (15 minutes)** C2-1-O-CA zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Commercial Artcraft

DIR-2015-2967-CDP-SPP and ENV-2015-2968-CE

VCZSP Compliance: SPP

<http://www.venicenc.org/1346-abbot-kinney-blvd/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON OCTOBER 26, 2015

Project Description: Change of use of 2,621 sq ft of (E) 3,590 sq ft Artist-In-Residence to a salon (commercial use), while maintaining 605 sq ft of Artist-in-Residence use within an (E) 2-story building w/attached garage, & minor improvements consisting of the alteration of a rear wall and the application of new plaster

Applicant: Jeff Allsbrock, Standard LLP, for Kadi D. Lee, AW Enterprises LLC

LUPC Staff: Ramsey Daham

Recommended by LUPC on 11-2-15: 3-2-1 (RA/MK)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends denial of the project as it is inconsistent with the certified Land Use Plan and because there is a question re. whether this project meets the definition of a change in intensity of use in order to allow payment of in lieu fees for purposes of meeting parking requirements.

**C** **14-16 Washington Blvd (“Mercedes’ Grille/Bin 73”), Marina Peninsula Subarea, (10 minutes)** C4 zone, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Community Commercial

ZA-2014-4330-CUB and ENV-2014-4331-CE



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VCZSP Compliance: n/a as only for CUB

<http://www.venicenc.org/14-16-washington-blvd-mercedes-grille-bin-73/>

CITY HEARING NOT YET SCHEDULED

Project Description: Renewal & upgrade of CUB

Applicant: Alex Campbell for Mercedes

LUPC Staff: Ramsey Daham

Recommended by LUPC on 11-2-15: 3-1-2 (RD/MR)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the CUB, with daily closing hours of midnight for the patio and 2 am for the indoor part of the restaurant.

**D** **334 Sunset Ave, Oakwood Subarea, (10 minutes)** M1-1 zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Limited Industry, Returned by Adcom for hearing with Owner in attendance.

ZA-2015-88-CDP-SPP and ENV-2015-89-CE

VCZSP Compliance: SPP

<http://www.venicenc.org/334-sunset-ave/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON OCTOBER 22, 2015

Project Description: Demo 3 light manufacturing buildings & construct 30' tall, 6,000 sq ft building with 21 parking spaces, located on a 6,003 sq ft lot

Applicant: Anthony Biedul

LUPC Staff: Mark Kleiman & Robin Rudisill

Recommended by LUPC on 10-26-15: 4-3-0 (RA/RD)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project, with 6,000 sq ft of light manufacturing use, providing 17 actual parking spaces and 16 bike spaces (equivalent of 4 parking spaces), with a maximum height of 30' with a varied roofline.

**E** **693-695 Santa Clara Ave, Oakwood Subarea, (5 minutes)** RD1.5-1 zone, General Plan Land Use Plan designation: Multiple-Family Residential Low Medium II

ZA-2015-88-CDP and ENV-2015-89-CE and DIR-2014-2359-VSO

VCZSP Compliance: VSO

<http://www.venicenc.org/693-695-santa-clara-ave/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON OCTOBER 29, 2015

Project Description: demo of existing 491 sq ft dwelling unit & detached garage, construction of a detached 497 sq ft 2<sup>nd</sup> dwelling unit, & a 2,296 sq ft addition to the existing SFD, resulting in a 29' 10" tall, 3,431 sq ft residence, on a 5,198 sq ft lot

Applicant: Jaime Massey

LUPC Staff: Gabriel Ruspini

Recommended by LUPC on 11-2-15: 6-0-0 (GR/RA)



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**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project for the demo of the existing 491 sq ft dwelling unit & detached garage, construction of a detached 497 sq ft 2nd dwelling unit, & a 1,430 sq ft addition to the existing SFD, resulting in a 2-story, 27' 3" tall, 3,200 sq ft SFD, with 5 parking spaces provided; with the condition that the existing VSO # 2359 be revised to reflect the above changes to the project and noting that the original approved VSO was issued in error.

**F** **714 Flower Ave, Oakwood Subarea**, RD1.5-1 zone, General Plan Land Use Plan: Multiple-Family Residential Low Medium II

ZA-2015-0859-CDP and ENV-2015-860-CE and DIR-2014-3891-VSO

VCZSP Compliance: VSO

<http://www.venicenc.org/714-flower-ave/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON NOVEMBER 12, 2015

Project Description: demo of detached garage & accessory structures & construction of a 24' 6" tall 3,089 sq ft single-family SFD w/attached garage & roof deck, in conjunction with continued occupancy of (E) 2nd SFD, both sited on a 5,792 sq ft lot

Applicant: Jelena Erceg for Mark Werb

LUPC Staff: Maury Ruano

Recommended by LUPC on 11-2-15: 6-0-0 (MR/RA)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented, ~~on the condition that an acceptable VSO is provided to the LUPC Chair prior to the VNC Board meeting.~~

**ACTION: Placed on consent calendar. IK/MD 4-0-1**

**FOR: KV, IK, HH, MD**

**AGAINST: None**

**ABSTAIN: MS**

**13. New Business (9:05PM – 3 minutes)**

*[Discussion and possible action]*

**A** **Green Venice Festival (3 minutes)** (Sylvia Aroth [sylvia.aroth@venicenc.org](mailto:sylvia.aroth@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** The VNC supports another Green Venice Festival in March of 2016. Details and budget to follow.

**ACTION: Placed on the consent calendar.**

**B** **VNC Board Vision Goals Retreats** (Joseph D Murphy [joedmur@gmail.com](mailto:joedmur@gmail.com))

**MOTION:** The VNC Board shall schedule several well-spaced successive retreats (using the Collaboration Vision Goal as a guide) to focus board discussion on the various ideas stakeholders have contributed regarding the VNC Vision Goals starting with Walkability and subsequently Diversity and Creativity.



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**ACTION: Motion fails for lack of a second.**

**C** **Campaign Building Election** (Melissa Diner [melissa.diner@venicenc.org](mailto:melissa.diner@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council to request 3 images from every Board member for election marketing materials. These images can tell a story with words, art, poems, photos, graphics or something that represents the VNC board or what politics means to you.

Additionally once candidates are signed up 3 images will be request of all candidates.

Not required. Strictly for content generation and promotional purposes. Both a hi res and low res image required. All images will be used for election promotional purposes in addition to newsletter and other programs.

Deadline for submission for Board member images: February 1, 2015

Deadline for submission for candidate images: April 1, 2015

**ACTION: Referred to Outreach. HH/IK 3-1-1**

**FOR: KV, IK, HH**

**AGAINST: MD**

**ABSTAIN: MS**

**D** **Election promotion and advertising online** (Melissa Diner [melissa.diner@venicenc.org](mailto:melissa.diner@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends a substantial portion of the funds allocated for advertising the upcoming elections be in the form of online advertising including but not limited to facebook ads within the 90291 area code and others. Furthermore, the Outreach Committee and VNC members should reach out to local Venice.

**ACTION: Referred to Outreach. HH/IK 3-1-1**

**FOR: KV, IK, HH**

**AGAINST: MD**

**ABSTAIN: MS**

**E** **Holiday Bazaar on Windward Plaza during month of December** (Melissa Diner [melissa.diner@venicenc.org](mailto:melissa.diner@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council strongly urges Recreation and Parks to fulfill their obligation in hosting at minimum quarterly curated artisan fairs including but not limited to: book fairs, vintage fairs, art fairs, holiday bazaars and well curated crafts that may not be permitted in artist stalls. Community partners will assist in fulfilling their obligation and testing this concept with a holiday bazaar held during the month of December at a time frame available on Windward Plaza.

**ACTION: Placed on the consent calendar. MD/HH 4-0-1**



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**FOR: KV, IK, HH, MD**  
**AGAINST: None**  
**ABSTAIN: MS**

**14. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (9:08PM - 5 minutes)**

**15. Adjourn (approx. 9:13)**

**List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome**

Administrative	Mike Newhouse	Communications	Jed Pauker
Arts	Eduardo Manilla	Discussion Forum	Joe Murphy
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Education	Bud Jacobs	Housing	Abigail Myers, Helen Stotler
Land Use and Planning	Robin Rudisill	Mass/Scale/Character	Sue Kaplan
Neighborhood	Marc Saltzberg	Parking/Transportation	Abigail Myers
Ocean Front Walk	Melissa Diner	Public Safety	George Francisco
Outreach	Sylvia Aroth	Santa Monica Airport	Laura Silagi, Abigail Myers
Rules & Election	Ira Koslow	2015/16 Election	Elizabeth Wright, Ivan Spiegel
Environmental	Abigail Myers, Erin Sullivan-Ward, Barbara Lonsdale		

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