



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Administrative Committee Minutes

Extra Space Storage, Presidents Row Room

658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, 90291

Monday, June 10, 2013 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.

****ALL ITEMS ON THE AGENDA VOTED UNANIMOUSLY UNLESS NOTED****

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Present: MS, IK, KV, HH

Absent: LL, ESW, SK, TW

2. **Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda**

ACTION: Agenda approved IK/HH

3. **Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes**

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/130513AdcomMinutes.pdf>

ACTION: Minutes approved IK/HH

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

Ivan Spiegel

5. **Old Administrative Committee Business**

[Discussion and possible action.]

6. **New Administrative Committee Business**

[Discussion and possible action.]

A **Clarifying Web Posting Authority and Access** Linda Lucks President@venicenc.org

1 - MOTION: All material placed on the front page of the VNC website shall be approved by the President, or if the President is not available, the Vice President has authority.

ACTION: Referred to REC IK/HH

2 - MOTION: The VNC President, Vice President and Communications Chair shall have universal access to posting on the web site.

ACTION: Referred to REC IK/HH



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- B** **Selection of Committee for Monthly Committee Report**
June meeting: Outreach; July meeting: Environment
ACTION: Discussion Forum will be in August IK/HH

- C** **Recording of Board Members who arrive tardy for meetings and leave early**
ACTION: If people are tardy it will be noted; those who leave early should notify the secretary so it can be recorded.

- D** **Discussion Of Communications Officer Duties** Helen Stotler, on behalf
of Communications Committee communications@venicenc.org
ACTION: Referred to REC for discussion of Communication Officer and Outreach Officer duties. IK/HH

- E** **Consideration and approval of June 18, 2013 Proposed Board Agenda**
ACTION: LUPC items 8A and 8B added to the agenda.
Board agenda approved IK/HH

- 7.** **Adjourn**
ACTION: Meeting adjourned IK/KV



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DRAFT Board of Officers Meeting Agenda

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)

1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291

Tuesday, June 18, 2013 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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PUBLIC COMMENT: The public is requested to fill out a "**Speaker Card**" to address the Board on any Old or New Business item on the agenda and the Treasurer's Report. Comments from the public on these agenda items will be heard only when that item is being considered. Comments from the public on other agenda matters or on matters not appearing on the agenda but within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, unless modified by the presiding officer of the Board. No new speaker cards will be accepted once Public Comment has begun.

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00PM – 5 minutes)**
2. **Approval of the Agenda (7:05PM – 5 minutes)**
3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:10PM – 5 minutes)**
<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/130522BoardMinutes.pdf>
4. **Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (7:15PM --10 minutes)**
[5 speakers, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]
5. **Consent Calendar (7:25PM -- 5 minutes)**
[No discussion or Public Comment. Items may be removed and they will go to the end of the agenda]
6. **Scheduled Announcements (7:30PM – 50 minutes)** *[No discussion or Public Comment]*
- A **Public Safety - LAPD Report (10 minutes):** Senior Lead Officers Peggy Thusing (25120@lapd.lacity.org), Kristan Delatori 32914@lapd.lacity.org, Gregg Jacobus, 35162@lapd.lacity.org. Lt. Paola Kreeft, Beach Detail (lapdpaola.kreeft@gmail.com) *This report includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*
- B **PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) (5 minutes)** Update on Councilman Rosendahl's Roadmap to Homes Program, Joel Roberts, Joel.Roberts@epath.org, Tomasz Babiszkiwicz (tomaszb@epath.org); *This report includes statistics on the number of people*



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placed in permanent and temporary housing (from Venice) as well as the numbers of people in process.

C VNC Monthly Committee Report: Outreach Committee (5 minutes)

[A monthly report on one of the VNC's standing or Ad Hoc committees.]

This month's report will be from the Outreach Committee.

D Community Improvement Projects (10 minutes) Ivan Spiegel parliamentarian@venicenc.org

Presentation of the rankings of the 2013-2014 CIPs as recommended by the Neighborhood Committee. NOTE: The Board will vote on this at the July meeting.

E Coastal Commission Meeting re: OPDs in Venice (5 minutes) Arturo Pina, District Director

Arturo.Pina@lacity.org

Report on the disposition of LA City Department of Transportation's application to establish Overnight Parking Districts (OPDs) in Venice as decided by the California Coastal Commission at its meeting on June 13.

F Zipline Status and Planned Kickoff, Cristian Ubilla and Alicia Marie on behalf of Greenheart zipfeedback@venicenc.org (10 minutes)

Update on the new Zipline from the operator of the attraction on plans, activities, events, and status. Members of the community can send feedback about the attraction to zipfeedback@venicenc.org. That email will go directly to the attraction operator and to members of the VNC Zipline over-site group.

G Government Reports (10 minutes) (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)

- **Congressman Henry Waxman**, Representative Lisa Pinto; Lisa.pinto@mail.house.gov
- **State Senator Ted Lieu**, Representative, Veronica Zendejas Veronica.Zendejas@sen.ca.gov
310-318-6994
- **State Assemblyperson Steve Bradford**, Darryn Harris, District Director
Darryn.Harris@asm.ca.gov 310.412.6400
- **LA County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky**, Flora Gill Krisiloff 213-974-3333
- **Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa**, Brenda Threatt, 213 379-0662 (Brenda.Threatt@lacity.org)
- **City Councilmember Bill Rosendahl**: Cecilia Castillo, Field Deputy (310-568-8772); (Cecilia.castillo@lacity.org); Arturo Pina, District Director (Arturo.Pina@lacity.org)



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H Don't Waste LA Evita Chavez, Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy (10 minutes)
echavez@laane.org

The Don't Waste LA campaign is currently working to better our cities through the reduction in the amount of trash trucks running through our neighborhoods and the provision of better working conditions for those employed by the trash hauling companies.

ACTION: Removed from agenda, invited to make public comment

I Idle No More Presentation Lydia Ponce LydiaPonce72@yahoo.com

Presentation of Idle No More, local and global, is a peaceful Indigenous Rights organization created out of necessity in response to the illegal legislation passed by Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Canadian Government.

* repeal omnibus C-45 & C-38. These bills eliminate tribal sovereignty & seize reservation lands. They also remove environmental protection from over 2.6 million lakes.

* demand the government honor the standing treaties in full

* protect our women & empower them against all forms of abuse & help restore their place as warriors & leaders in our communities.

Turtle Island is awakening once again. We are IDLE NO MORE.

ACTION: Removed from agenda, invited to make public comment

J Support Mandarin in Venice Michael Betti michaelbetti@gmail.com (10 minutes)

The Mandarin Immersion program is still at risk to move from Broadway Elementary School, weakening the entire Venice education system. Support is imperative from community.

ACTION: Referred to Education Committee by President.

7. Approval of 2013-2014 VNC Budget Hugh Harrison, Treasurer, treasurer@venicenc.org

[EXHIBIT]

MOTION: It is resolved that the budget for the Venice Neighborhood Council for the fiscal 2013-2014 year shall be allocated as set forth in Attachment "A."

ACTION: Moved from 10A to item 7. HH/KV

8. LUPC (PM - 0 minutes)

A 742 E Brooks Ave (Small Lot Subdivision; 4 homes on 2 lots) AA-2012-2949-PMLA-SL

MOTION: The VNC opposes the project as presented based on the fact the design appears not meet the intent of the SLSO design guidelines with 2 very large 3-story structures, which are out of scale with the neighborhood. The applicant was given the option to alter the design and chose to continue with the plans. Further, we believe Planning Department needs to evaluate the issue of removing affordable housing.

LUPC MOTION MADE BY JIM MUREZ, SECONDED BY JOHN REED,
PASSED 5-0-3

Background information:

<http://cityhood.org/ReportCaseActivityDetail.cncx?CID=30490&UGP=Anonymous>



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B 1050 S Frederick St (Lincoln Place Sign) ZA-2012-3473-ZV

MOTION: The LUPC recommends approval of the application with the following conditions:

1. The proposed sign mounted on the wall of the Leasing Center and facing Lincoln Boulevard shall be constructed in substantial accordance with the plans and drawings attached as Exhibit "A," and with exact compliance with the plans and drawings attached as Exhibit "A" with respect to the dimensions of the lettering of the sign facing Lincoln Boulevard.
- 2). The applicant shall be limited to 8 additional signs on Lots which have a boundary on any of the three public streets on the perimeter of the Lincoln Place property (Frederick Street, Penmar Avenue, and Lake Street). There is no limitation on the additional signs, which the applicant can install on lots, which do not have a boundary on any of the three public streets on the perimeter of the Lincoln Place Property. The additional 8 On-site signs shall comply with the signage restrictions set forth in the Municipal Code in effect at the time of this variance approval. This condition does not limit the ability to install, replace, repair, and/or maintain any code required, historic, name plate (name of occupant), security, or house/apartment # (address) signage at the Lincoln Place Apartment Community.

MOTION MADE BY ROBERT ARONSON, SECONDED BY JOHN REED
PASSED 8-0

Background information:

<http://www.cityhood.org/ReportCaseActivityDetail.cncx?CID=30926&UGP=Anonymous>

ACTION: LUPC items 8A & 8B added to the agenda. IK/KV

9. **Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (- 5 minutes)**
[5 speakers, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]
10. **New Business (-- 50 minutes)**
[Discussion and possible action]

B Crosswalk at Abbot Kinney Blvd. between Marr, Boccaccio and Victoria Marc Saltzberg on behalf of the Neighborhood Committee VicePresident@venicenc.org

MOTION: Whereas, the Venice Neighborhood Council is concerned about the potential for injury accidents resulting from pedestrians crossing Abbot Kinney Blvd. between Marr St., Boccaccio Ave., and Victoria Ave. because there are no crosswalks at any corner along that section of Abbot Kinney Blvd., and

Whereas, this is a frequently used, secondary crossing area for Coeur d’Alene Ave. Elementary School Students making their way to and from school, as well as the main crossing location for patrons frequenting the businesses on either side of Abbot Kinney Blvd. and

Whereas, this is a heavily trafficked area and a blind corner for vehicles traveling in either direction on Abbot Kinney Blvd.,



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Therefore, be it resolved the Venice Neighborhood Council requests the City of Los Angeles to install a crosswalk in the location of Marr St., Boccaccio Ave. and Victoria Ave. crossing Abbot Kinney Blvd. and

This resolution shall be sent to Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Los Angeles Department of Transportation General Manager Jaime de la Vega; Los Angeles Department of Transportation Sr. Transportation Engineer Brian Gallagher, Los Angeles City Council District 11 Councilman Bill Rosendahl, Los Angeles City Council District 11 Southern District Director Arturo Piña, Los Angeles City Council District 11 Field Deputy Cecilia Castillo. Motion passed by the Neighborhood Committee, 11 to 0, at its May 27th meeting.

ACTION: Moved to consent calendar. MK/IK

C Venice local artwork on construction fences Gail Rogers gailee33@aol.com

MOTION: The VNC Board requests all construction projects have local Venice art, from schools or individuals, visibly placed instead of advertising.

ACTION: Referred to LUPC IK/HH

D Stop excessive development Gogi Overhoff gogi@ideology.com

MOTION: Whereas, the excessive development in Venice is harming the character of neighborhood and needs to be stopped, or at least massively slowed down, and Whereas, we have taken our views to LUPC and it appears that they have not listened because they are NOT representing the views of Venice stakeholders.

Therefore be it resolved that the VNC Board agrees to listen to the views of neighborhood stakeholders and take appropriate action to stop or slow down the excessive development.

ACTION: Referred to Neighborhood Committee KV/HH

E Community Impact Statements Training (10 Minutes) Linda Lucks President@venicenc.org

The Parliamentarian will conduct a short Community Impact Statement training session for the Board.

11. Treasurers Report (PM -- 5 minutes); Hugh Harrison (Treasurer@Venicenc.org) **[EXHIBIT]**
[Discussion and possible action]

MOTION: The VNC Board approves the attached the report on expenditures for the period April 22, 2013, through May 21, 2013, and the itemized purchase card invoice.



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12. VNC Announcements (PM -- 10 Minutes)

- **President:** Linda Lucks (president@venicenc.org)
- **Vice President:** Marc Saltzberg (Vicepresident@Venicenc.org)
- **LA Neighborhood Council Coalition’s Representative:** Ivan Spiegel, (parliamentarian@venicenc.org)
- **Westside Regional Alliance of Neighborhood Councils-** Mike Newhouse, WRAC President, Marc Saltzberg, VNC Representatives. Chair@westsidecouncils.org, VicePresident@Venicenc.org,
- **Venice Chamber Of Commerce:** Erin-Sullivan Ward (erin.ward@venicenc.org)

13. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda

[20 minutes, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]

14. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (PM -- 5 minutes, no more than 1 minute per person)

15. Adjourn (approx. PM)

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome

Administrative	Linda Lucks	Santa Monica Airport	Abigail Myers, Laura Silagi
Neighborhood	Marc Saltzberg	Visitor Impact	David Sheldon, Joseph Shields
Outreach	Matt Kline	Ocean Front Walk	Tom Elliot
Budget	Hugh Harrison	Public Safety	Sevan Gerard, Nick Hippisley-Coxe
Land Use and Planning	Jake Kaufman	Environment	Erin Sullivan Ward, Abigail Myers
Education	Bud Jacobs	Arts	Cynthia Rogers, Eduardo Manilla
Rules & Election	Ira Koslow	2013-2014 Elections	Elizabeth Wright, Ivan Spiegel
Communications	Helen Stotler		