



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Joint VNC Board & Administrative Committee Agenda **Monday, August 13, 2018 at 7:00PM** **Extra Space Storage, President's Row Room** **658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, 90291**

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Called to order 7:05. Ira Koslow, George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, John Reed present.

2. Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda

Approved 4-0-0 [Reed/Francisco]



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3. **Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes**
<http://www.venicenc.org/administrative-committee.php>

Approved 4-0-0 [Reed/Francisco]
4. **Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda**
5. **Old Administrative Committee Business**
6. **New Administrative Committee Business**
- 6A. **Consideration and approval of August 21, 2018 Proposed Board Agenda**
7. **Adjourn**

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Draft Board of Officers Regular Meeting Agenda Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium) 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291 **Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 7:00 PM**

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

Items 1 – 6D approved [Francisco/Harrison]

2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**

3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:07PM – 1 minute)**

<http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>

4. **Approval of the Agenda (7:08PM – 1 minute)**

5. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:09PM -- 1 minute)**

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



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6. Scheduled Announcements and Presentations

6A Live Stream of Meetings (7:05PM -- 3 minutes)

All VNC Board meetings are streamed live online. Please log onto facebook and share the live stream on the VNC homepage to promote community participation. Click here to share!

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6B Public Safety - LAPD Report (10 minutes): Senior Lead Officers Kristan Delatori (32914@lapd.lacity.org), acting SLO Joe Roberts - 41448@lapd.online SLO Adrian Acosta - 39174@lapd.online SLO Javier Ramirez - 39174@lapd.online, Venice Beach Task Force - LT Michael Soliman - 32906@lapd.online. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*

6C 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)
- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 (janet.turner@mail.house.gov)
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Olin Wibroe (Olin.wibroe@sen.ca.gov)
- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, West Los Angeles Field Representative, Brandon Stansell, (310) 412-6400, (brandon.stansell@asm.ca.gov)
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy FYI, Shannon Louis (310)231-1170, SLouis@bos.lacounty.gov
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, 213-978-0836 (Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org)
- Empower LA Neighborhood Council Advocate, Jasmine Elbarbary, 213-978-1551 (jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org)

6D VNC Announcements and Reports (5 minutes)

- President -Ira Koslow (President@VeniceNC.org)
 - Westminster Custodial announcement
 - Matt Shaw removal/resignation AND open nominations for vacant Board seat
 - Change of September meeting date
- Vice President - George Francisco (Vice President@VeniceNC.org)
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Ira Koslow, VNC Representative (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
 - Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
- Election Report - Ivan Spiegel, Election Chair
- VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
- Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer

Michelle Meepos arrives

6E Metro Planning Project (Kendall Flint Kflint@rgs.ca.gov 650 455-1201)



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Presentation on upcoming workshops and engagement opportunities for those interested in the Metro Planning Project

Item deleted from agenda as no request submitted.

7. **Treasurer's Report (10 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee) (Treasurer@VeniceNC.org)
See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
[Discussion and possible action]

Items 7A through 7F approved as amended. 5-0-0 [Harrison/Meepos].

7A Motion for Town Hall on Cannabis

MOTION: The Venice NC approves a Town Hall on Cannabis for October 2018 with a budget of \$1000. Recommend by Budget and Finance; 5-0-0 on 8/7/18 & Outreach Committee 6-0-0 on 7/13/18

7B Approval Monthly Expenditure Report

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the monthly expenditure report for June 2018.
Recommend by Budget and Finance 5-0-0 on 8/7/18

Uploaded Documents:

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7C Approval Expenditure To Date Report

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the attached Expenditure to Date report for June 2018.
Recommend by Budget and Finance 5-0-0 on 8/7/18

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7D Approval Inventory Report

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the attached inventory report.
Recommend by Budget and Finance 5-0-0 on 8/7/18

Uploaded Documents:

[Download 1533681276.pdf](#)

7E Reallocation of Budget to Fund Online Voting for the 2019 VNC Election

Motion: The Venice NC approves the attached reallocated budget to reflect increased election costs for on-line voting.

Recommend by Budget and Finance 5-0-0 on 8/7/18

7F Motion for Outreach Event to Promote New VNC Logo

MOTION: The Venice NC approves an Outreach Event to Promote New VNC Logo for September 2018 with a budget of \$1500. Recommend by Budget and Finance; 5-0-0 on 8/7/18 & Outreach Committee 6-0-0 on 7/13/18



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

9. General Consent Calendar (PM -- 5 minutes)

[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.]

Line item on Board Agenda for Spanish Translation (Esteban Pulido, pulido.esteban@gmail.com)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council shall add a regular line item as 6B to the Board agenda stating that Spanish Interpretation services and agendas are made available in Spanish.

Moved to consent from 12B approved 5-0-0 [Meepos/Francisco]

10. LUPC Consent Calendar (PM – minutes) (Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC,
Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)

(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php>)

10A 2815 Ocean Ave

Case: DIR-2018-3239-CDP

Applicant: Jay & Kim Gigandet

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: DU Architects

Description: CONSTRUCTION OF A SECOND STORY ADDITION TO A SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING

MOTION : The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented
Recommended by LUPC (MR/BS 5-0-0)

10B Dockless mobility draft guidelines (Council File #17-1125)

MOTION: The VNC Board shall file the following Community Impact Statement IN SUPPORT of CF 17-1125 (Dockless Bike Share): The VNC supports the creation of regulations governing the use of dockless bikes and scooters in the City of Los Angeles and recommends that LAPD immediately enforce no dockless vehicles on all sidewalk, canals, and the Boardwalk, and if technically possible the operators shall geofence prohibited areas.

Recommend by LUPC (RA/MJ 6-0-0)

Moved to consent from 10C and 10D approved 5-0-0 [Meepos/Francisco]

11. New Business Part 1

Motion to remove from calendar defeated 0-5-0 [Reed/Meepos]

Motion to put on agenda and move before LUPC approved 5-0-0 [Meepos/Harrison]



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VNC Support for concept of Bridge Housing in Venice with a Community Benefits Agreement (Will Hawkins on behalf of the Homeless Committee)

[PRESIDENT'S NOTE: This motion is only about whether to support the concept of this program in Venice. It is not about the MTA Bus Yard]

MOTION: Whereas there is an unprecedented homeless crisis in the City of Los Angeles; and Whereas the neighborhood of Venice has not only the highest population of homeless in District 11 but one of the most dense concentrations in the entire City of Los Angeles; and Whereas it may take months even after a homeless individual is entered into LAHSA's Coordinated Entry System (CES) to receive a housing voucher; and Whereas Venice stakeholders have experienced extremely negative externalities due to the presence of neighborhood encampments; and Whereas the current conditions on the streets are not sustainable for anyone, either housed and unhoused; and Whereas there needs to be real and immediate solutions to homelessness in Los Angeles; and Whereas Mayor Garcetti has proposed a temporary interim housing called the "Bridge Home" program as that immediate solution; and Whereas Bridge Home will provide temporary housing for those homeless individuals registered in CES while they wait for placement in permanent housing; and Whereas Mayor Garcetti has guaranteed millions of dollars in sanitation clean-ups for encampments in communities that support and execute Bridge Home to ensure the site of former encampments remain clear of future encampments; and Whereas the community of Venice should be a partner with the City in discussing how this program shall be executed to maximize effectiveness and bolster the program's success; and Whereas the Venice community should expect guarantees from the City that create a safe and healthy environment for those living in the bridge housing facility as well as those who live around it;

Now, therefore be it resolved that the VNC Board supports the concept of executing Bridge Housing in Venice for no longer than three years along with the execution of a Community Benefits Agreement (CBA) between the neighborhood of Venice and the City of Los Angeles with the following considerations:

1. Those in the CES system be prioritized for placement.
2. Only homeless from Venice be admitted.
3. Every six months or sooner a report is produced to outline the outcomes of individuals that have transitioned through Bridge Home.
4. A yearly public meeting is organized by the Mayor's office to discuss the program's effect on the neighborhood.
5. The City shall agree to ensure basic program elements such as
 - a) security,
 - b) sanitation,
 - c) housing placement services,
 - d) reunification,
 - e) sober coaching,
 - f) job placement services,
 - g) green space/community garden,
 - h) social enterprise, and
 - i) specific commitments from the LAPD HOPE team and a Senior Lead Officer from LAPD designated specifically for this facility.

It is further resolved, that the CBA shall contain guarantees to the stakeholders of Venice that the agreed upon conditions will be binding and ongoing through the term of the Bridge Housing's execution.

Recommended by Homeless Committee 7-0-0 on 7/30/18



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- 12. LUPC (PM – minutes)** (Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC,
Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)
(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php>)

Approved 5-0-0 [Harrison/Meepos]

12A 2454 Lincoln Blvd

Case: DIR-2018-917-CDO-WDI, ADM-2017-5028-TOC

Applicant: 2454 Lincoln Blvd LLC

LUPC Staff: Brian Silveira

Representative: Burns & Bouchard

Description: DEMOLITION OF (E) 1-STORY RETAIL/OFFICE STRUCTURE, CAR WASH AND ANCILLARY PARKING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF (N) MIXED USE BUILDING WITH 77 UNITS (69 MARKET RATE UNIT AND 8 ELI UNITS)

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends denial of this project for the following reasons:

1. The design does not account for community concerns for traffic and alley access
2. The traffic study is flawed and incomplete
3. Lack of a Shade study
4. insufficient loading zones
5. insufficient staging areas for robotic parking system
6. The requested waiver of deduction is not justified

Recommended by LUPC (DT/RA 6-0-0)

12B 595 Venice Blvd

Case: DIR-2016-1621-CDP-SPP-WDI

Applicant: Robert Slayton

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: John Reed

Description: CONSTRUCT A NEW 3-STORY MIXED USE BUILDING CONSISTING OF SOFTWARE, MUSIC, FILM AND VIDEO MANUFACTURING SPACE OVER TWO LEVELS OF PARKING GARAGE AND A RETAIL SPACE.

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project if the applicant and neighbors can agree on conditions enforceable by permit and/or covenant

Recommended by LUPC (RA/MJ 6-0-0)

- 11. Old Business (PM - 0 minutes)** See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
[Discussion and possible action]

13A. Reconsideration of 9A July meeting–1427 Abbot Kinney Parklet Application

MOTION: The VNC Board shall reconsider item 9A--1427 Abbot Kinney Parklet Application from the July 2018 Board meeting. *[PARLIAMENTARIAN'S NOTE: This motion requires a 2/3 vote of the Board members present and eligible to vote to be put back on the table. If it passes, the Board will immediately take up the following motion which may be passed with a majority vote]*



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MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council gives final support for 1427 AKB parklet application, per the attached plans. Uploaded Documents: Download 1530660563.pdf

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1J3VL.YDD61JnU0TysVEi70SoHSPDkrM3z>

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Approved 5-0-0 {Harrison/Meepos}

14. New Business Part 2 (PM – minutes)

14A Support For Changes to the Neighborhood Council System (Ivan Spiegel, parliamentarian@venicenc.org)

Approved 5-0-0 [Meepos/Francisco]

MOTION: The VNC Board shall submit a Community Impact Statement IN SUPPORT of the following changes to the Neighborhood Council system:

- Recommendations and next steps for amending City Charter Article IX to change the name of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) to the Neighborhood Councils Department (NCD), the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) to the Neighborhood Councils Commission (NCC), and phasing out the use of the term/branding 'EmpowerLA' due to the confusion reported by the public and the perception of Neighborhood Council members that DONE's role should be primarily to support Neighborhood Councils, which the name Neighborhood Councils Department would better reflect.
- Recommendations and next steps for amending the Los Angeles Administrative Code to remove the "Community Impact Stakeholder," which has caused substantial confusion and disputed elections, and recommendations and next steps for including specific additional definitions by ordinance of eligible voters and board members of Neighborhood Councils, such as student or parent/guardian of a student.
- Recommendations and next steps for amending City Charter Article IX Section 901 .d and 904.f to remove any reference to "selections" and clarify that Neighborhood Council board members will be elected. Neighborhood Council "selection" processes are utilized by a limited and decreasing number of councils and are not viewed by the public as being as democratic as elections as they do not provide for a secret ballot or equitable participation.
- Recommendations and next steps for creating a one-time review process, overseen by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, to evaluate Neighborhood Council bylaws to determine if board seats are equitably allocated amongst stakeholder types and provide formal suggestions to Neighborhood Councils on ways to adjust board seats as needed to increase equity.
- Recommendations and next steps for adopting regulations to provide a uniform minimum voting age and board member age to allow consistent participation across the City, and what that age should be.
- Recommendations and next steps for developing and adopting a planning and land use training required for all Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Neighborhood Council planning and land use committees.

14B Selection to fill the vacant seat on the Administrative Committee (AdCom)

MOTION: The Community Officers on the VNC Board shall select a Board Community Officer to fill the vacant seat on the Administrative Committee

Approved 5-0-0 [Meepos/Francisco]



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

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

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<u>Standing Committees</u>	<u>Ad Hoc Committees</u>
Administrative - Ira Koslow Neighborhood - George Francisco Outreach - Hollie Stenson Land Use and Planning - Matthew Royce Budget & Finance - Hugh Harrison Rules & Selections - John Reed Arts - Sunny Bak Ocean Front Walk - Colleen Saro	Homeless - Will Hawkins Parking & Transportation - Jim Murez Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello Discussion Forum - Joe Murphy 2019 Election - Ivan Spiegel

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