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Joint VNC Board & Administrative Committee Meeting Agenda

Monday, August 12, 2019 at 7:30PM

**Extra Space Storage, President's Row Room
658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, 90291**

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda**
- 3. Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes**
- 4. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda**
- 5. Old Administrative Committee Business**
- 6. New Administrative Committee Business**

6A Approval of Mission Statement of Dog Park Committee (james.murez@venicenc.org)

Mission Statement: Understand current needs of dog owners in Venice, LA City Rec and Parks participation of Westminster Park and propose solutions to the VNC Board that address community interests.

6B Approval of Mission Statement Verdant Venice Committee (isabelle@idarchitect.com & noel.only@verizon.net)

Mission Statement: The Verdant Venice Committee supports and encourages the creation and maintenance of green space, biodiversity, and the tree canopy in our neighborhood. The VVC will work with residents, City government(s), schools, developers and other stakeholders to ensure that Venice protects and expands upon its existing resources to achieve a balanced ecology, healthy and attractive for all, now and in the future.

6C Approval of Mission Statement Public Safety Committee (mark.ryavec@venicenc.org) co-sponsors Mark Ryavec, George Francisco and CJ Cole

Mission Statement: The Venice Neighborhood Council's Public Safety Committee's mission is to work with Venice stakeholders and city, county and state departments and agencies to reduce and prevent crime, promote fire safety, promote clean public spaces, remove conditions that invite disease and vermin, and act as a liaison to government agencies to assure timely response to resident concerns. The committee's objective is to increase perceived and actual personal safety for residents and visitors alike.

6C Consideration and approval of August 20, 2019 Draft 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 20, 2019 at 7:00 PM

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00 PM)**
2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**
5. **Approval of the Agenda (PM – 1 minute)**
6. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (PM -- 1 minute)**
All Board members shall declare any ex parte communications or conflicts-of interest relating to items on this meeting's agenda.
7. **Scheduled Announcements and Presentations**
- 7A **Live Stream of Meetings (PM -- 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!
<https://www.facebook.com/VeniceNC/>
- 7B **Spanish Translation Available** (Esteban Pulido, pulido.esteban@gmail.com)
Spanish Interpretation services and agendas are available with advance notice.
- 7C **Public Safety - LAPD & LAFD Report (10 minutes)**: Senior Lead Officers Kristan Delatori (32914@lapd.lacity.org), SLO Jennifer Muther 36051@lapdonline SLO Adrian Acosta - 39174@lapd.online SLO Javier Ramirez - 39174@lapd.online, Venice Beach Task Force - SGT Theresa Skinner - 31142@lapd.online. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*
- 7D **Government Reports (15 minutes)** (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)
 - City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy Morgan Bostic, 310-568-8772 (morgan.bostic@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 Zac Gaidzik (310)231-1170, zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov



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- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Ami Fields-Meyer, 323 552-6730 (ami.fields-meyer@lacity.org)
- Empower LA Neighborhood Council Advocate, Jasmine Elbarbary, 213-978-1551 (jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org)

7E VNC Announcements and Reports (5 minutes)

- President -Ira Koslow (President@VeniceNC.org)
President to appoint Charles Rials and Frank Murphy chairs of the Homeless Committee
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Ira Koslow, VNC Representative (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
- VNC Representative to DWP/Gas Company: Yolanda Gonzales
- Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer

- 8. 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]*

8A Approve Purchase of Replacement Canopy

MOTION: The Venice NC approves up to \$300 for the purchase of a replacement canopy for use at Outreach Events, including weekly Farmer's Market.

8B Monthly Expenditure Report

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for June 2019.

Uploaded Documents:

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Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

8C Approve Expenditure to Date Report

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the Expenditure to Date Report.

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Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

8D Reallocated Budget with Rollover Funds

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the attached reallocated budget for 2019-2020 to account for rollover funding from 2018-2019.

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8E Funding for Web Up-Grades

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the expense of \$2,325 for up-grades to the Venice NC Web site as per the attached proposal.

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8F Purchase of Sandwich Board for Outreach

MOTION: The Venice NC approves up to \$1000 for the purchase of sandwich board public service announcements in conjunction with LAPD.

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8G Funding for Congress of Neighborhood Councils

MOTION: The Venice NC approves \$1000 to help defray the costs of the 2019 Congress of Neighborhood Councils.

Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

8H \$200 for the purchase of Mevo Producer

MOTION: The Venice NC approves \$200 for the purchase of Mevo Producer to allow the streaming of Board meeting directly to the VNC web page.

Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

9. **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]
10. **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.]
11. **LUPC (PM – minutes)** (Alix Gucovsky on behalf of LUPC, Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)
(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php>)



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11A 652 Santa Clara Ave

Case: DIR-2019-1037-CDP-MEL & ADM-2019-1039-VSO & ENV-2019-1038-CE

Address: 652 Santa Clara Ave

Applicant: 652 Santa Clara Ave by CMLA, LLC LUPC

Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: Tony Russo

Case Description: Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.20.2, a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) for demo of an existing single-family dwelling and construction of a new 2-story single family dwelling with roof access structure, roof deck and 2-car garage. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 65590 and 65990.1 (the Mello Act) and the City of Los Angeles Interim Mello Act Compliance Administrative Procedures, a Mello Act Compliance Determination. Pursuant to the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan, an exemption from the Project Permit Compliance procedures (VSO)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends approval of the project as presented provided that applicant show at board meeting that project is measured from the center line of the street.

Recommended by LUPC 7-0-0 on 7/25/19

11B 421 East Carroll Canal

Case: DIR-2019-2006-CDP-MEL-SPP; ENV-2019-2007-CE

City Hearing date: August 19, 2019, 10 am

Address: 421 East Carroll Canal

Applicant: Daniel Borenstein, German Quality Builders LLC

LUPC Staff: Barry Cassilly

Representative: Paola Pini, Paola Pini Architects

Case Description:

Coastal Development Permit (CDP), Mello Act Compliance Determination (MEL) and Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance (SPP) for the construction of a new 3-story, 30' maximum height, 3,528 sq ft single-family dwelling with an attached 2-car garage, roof decks, & 3 parking spaces (2 covered, 1 uncovered) in the RW1 zone in the Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone.

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends approval of the project as presented with condition that rear yard setback be determined from wherever Building and Safety decides the center line to be (10'vs 15' as the result may reduce the square feet of the house)

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19



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11C 3209 Ocean Front Walk

Case: DIR-2018-6400-CDP-MEL-SPP; ENV-2018-6401-CE

City Hearing date: TBD

Address: 3209 Ocean Front Walk

Applicant: Diane Shoda, Trustee of the High Tide Trust

LUPC Staff: Shep Stern

Representative: Mattie Shelton, Jeff Shelton Architects

Case Description:

Coastal Development Permit (CDP), Mello Act Compliance Determination (MEL) and Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance permit (SPP) for the demolition of an existing single-family dwelling & construction of 2 dwelling units with 4 parking spaces, in the R3-1 zone in the Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone.

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends approval of the project as presented with the verification that the roof vents are permitted projections and are to code.

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19

11D 600 Mildred

Case: DIR-2018-2031-SPP-CDP; ZA-2018-2032-CUB; ENV-2018-2033-CE

City Hearing date: July 15, 2019

Address: 600 Mildred

Applicant: Tezuke LLC

LUPC Staff: Matthew Royce/Alix Gucovsky

Representative: Robert Thibodeau, Du Architects & Elisa Paster

Case Description:

OCTOBER 4, 2018 LUPC AGENDA PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

- Change of use from retail market to restaurant
- Venice Neighborhood Council recommends approval of the project as presented with the following conditions: 1. verify the approved occupant load for the service floor area 2. Implement a TDM to pay for employees alternative transportation costs 3. Provide as much bike parking as is feasible at or near the site 4. Provide Valet parking during evening hours contracted for a parking lot to avoid parking in neighborhood streets. Passed by VNC Board on October 16, 2018.

REVISED PROJECT DESCRIPTION TO ACCURATELY REFLECT PROJECT:

- Change of use of a 904 sq ft market to a 324 sq ft market and 580 sq ft restaurant having a 134 sq ft interior service floor area and a 115 sq ft exterior service floor area. In lieu fees will be provided for the additional required two, on site, parking spaces and 5 parking spaces will be provided off-site.



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- Pursuant to LAMC section 12.24-W.1 a Conditional Use Alcoholic Beverage permit (CUB) for the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with a 580 sq ft restaurant, having a 134 sq ft interior service floor area and 115 sq ft exterior service floor area, and offering 25 interior and 28 exterior seats.
- The Director of Planning and the Zoning Administrator shall consider an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA guidelines section 15301 and 15303 and that there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to the Categorical Exemption pursuant to CEQA guidelines, section 15300.2 applies.
- Pursuant to LAMC section 11.5.7 a Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance permit (SPP).
- Pursuant to LAMC section 12.20.2 a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) for a change of use from a 904 sq ft market to a 904 sq ft market and restaurant with 249 sq ft of service floor area, within the Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone.

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends delay of approval of the project with the conditions from the October 16, 2018 board meeting until a new traffic study is conducted that specifically addressed the intersection of Mildred and Ocean, the parking issues, and the neighborhood cut through traffic. Furthermore, The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends denial of the CUB.
Recommended by LUPC 3-2-1 on 8/8/19

11E Proposed Motion on the newly identified Venice -- Mar Vista Arts District

MOTION: Whereas a major new Venice Blvd “Arts District” initiative involving both Venice and Mar Vista was unveiled at the recent July 10th Venice Community Plan and June 21st Mar Vista Community Plan update workshops at the tail end of the “share” period and had not previously been made available to the respective communities for consideration or comment;

· Whereas neither the Venice Neighborhood Council nor the Mar Vista Community Council was included in the proposed new “Arts District” designation, **in violation of the City Charter requirement for Neighborhood Councils to have the opportunity to provide input to City decisions impacting their neighborhoods;**

· Therefore, the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the “Arts District” designation for Venice Blvd be removed from any draft of the respective Community plans, and that the “Arts District” be brought to the respective communities via the Neighborhood Council process for proper consideration.

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19



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11F Proposed Motion on CIS for Council File 14-1349-SI re. Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=14-1349-S1>

- Whereas on July 3, 2019, the Los Angeles City Council considered an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District (EIFD) for the geographic region of Venice;
- Whereas the community of Venice as represented by the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) is concerned that the decision making body described within the proposed EIFD known as a Public Financing Authority (PFA) will be selected by City Officials and may not represent the constituents of the Venice Community;
- Whereas Venice is a unique Coastal Zone community that falls under the regulations of the California Coastal Act and has special development considerations that are not required in the non-coastal communities of Los Angeles;
- Whereas Venice has a Coastal Commission-certified Local Coastal Program Land Use Plan that describes community character, scale, and mass and how it relates to the community's historic nature and requires preservation of its prior geographic designation as a City in California, "Venice of America";
- Whereas public outreach on the EIFD policy, which impacts our community, has been inadequate and minimal information on the details, impacts, or implementation has been provided;
- Therefore the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that a community impact statement (CIS) in opposition to the EIFD be submitted and that should an EIFD proceed it shall be restricted to not fund projects that will alter the original land use designations of the 1904 Abbott Kinney Company development projects.

Public Comment & Possible Action: Motion Barry Cassilly/Motion Alix seconded All approved Jerome, Shep, Carlos, Barry, Matt, Alix

Motion:

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Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19

12. **Old Business (PM - 0 minutes)**
[Discussion and possible action]
13. **New Business (PM – minutes)**
[Discussion and possible action]

13A Rose Avenue Beach Cleanup (Simak@VeniceNC.org)

MOTION: To present to the VNC Board a 2 minute presentation in order to promote without any financial expenditures on the part of the VNC, the Rose Avenue Beach Cleanup - organized by local Rose Ave. businesses and residents scheduled for Saturday, Sept 21st. After the presentation, the VNC board shall vote on the support and outreach for said cleanup.

13B Commercial Corridor and Spot Zoning Realignment (ira.koslow@venicenc.org)

MOTION: Whereas commercial corridors in Venice have over many decades been subject to spot zoning and/or otherwise have been inadvertently rezoned without outreach to the Property Owners or Neighboring Residents and Whereas the Venice Land Use Plan Policy I. B. 2. states, The design of mixed-use development is intended to help mitigate the impact of the traffic generated by the development on coastal access roads and reduce parking demand by reducing the need for automobile use by residents and encouraging pedestrian activity, and Whereas, the City Planning Dept and Coastal Commission are in the process of updating the LCP and Venice Community Plan; Therefore the VNC shall recommend to the City Planning Dept and the Coastal Commission that Properties per the list below along commercial corridors in Venice be rezoned to Commercial Use as part of the LCP and Community Plan update in order to: (i) create consistency with the adjacent and neighboring properties; (ii) to remedy the past spot zoning of certain commercial corridors of Venice; and (iii) that the rezoned properties be in compliance with all land use requirements set forth in the applicable Los Angeles zoning code, including, but not limited to, any uses which may require a conditional use permit. Properties to be included in the rezoning back to commercial use: 100 Venice Way 401-507, 1901-2015 Ocean Front Walk 305-373 Rose Ave Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0

13C Creation of Dog Park Adhoc Committee (james.murez@venicenc.org)



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13F CIS CF 18-0519 (james.murez@venicenc.org)

MOTION: Please submit a Community Impact Statement for CF 18-0519

(http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2018/18-0519_rpt_plum_7-30-19.pdf) from the prior VNC Board motion. see below Recommended by Transportation Committee 6-0-0 on August 20, 2016.

<https://www.venicenc.org/docs/34483815-5734.pdf> VNC Board of Directors: May 17, 2017, 10c Parking Inventory Parking Inventory of non-required Commercial and Industrial projects since 1976 (James Murez on behalf of the Parking and Transportation Committee) MOTION: The VNC shall send a letter requesting a parking inventory of commercial stalls that are not attached to any required use after 1976 such as BIZ stalls, City owned and or operated lots, etc.

Recommended by PTC 4/0/0 on 8/5/19

13G CIS 14-1349-S1 (james.murez@venicenc.org)

MOTION: Please submit the following CIS for CF 14-1349-S1 (

http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2014/14-1349-S1_misc_02-09-2017.pdf) PTC Motion as follows:

Whereas the City is considering an ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE DISTRICT ("EIFD") for the geographic region of Venice; Whereas the community of Venice as represented by the Venice Neighborhood Council is concerned that the decision making body described within the proposed EIFD known as "Public Financing Authority" will be a majority of City Council Members who do not represent the constituents of the Venice community; Whereas Venice is a unique Coastal Zone community that besides the LAMC falls under



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the regulations of the California Coastal Commission (CCC), and has special development considerations that are not required in any other community of Los Angeles City; Whereas Venice has a CCC Certified Land Use Plan that described community character, scale and mass and how it relates to the historic nature and preservation of its prior geographic designation as a City in California, "Venice of America"; Whereas in 1925 the City of Venice of America was incorporated into the City of Los Angeles along with the requirement for the City of Los Angeles to maintain all Venice of America holdings which includes all public right-of-ways, public streets, alleys, parking lots, walk streets, waterways, park lands and other open spaces including the beaches; Whereas the streets of Venice have not been maintained and does not comply in many cases to current City of Los Angeles standards nor to State or Federal public access standard, railroad tracks in our streets that were abandoned in 1950's still remain, the street surfaces are cluttered with temporary pot hole patches, sidewalks that do not provide ADA compliance, landscaping along our streets is non existent or dead weeds, street trees go unpruned and in some cases when a tree is killed within the right-of-way the City does not replace them; Whereas many properties in Venice were constructed at a time when public transportation was the primary service to the region and a local circulating miniature train and trolley services moved people into and around the community, and many most properties in Venice do not have onsite automobile parking. In the 1970's the City of Los Angeles started requiring all projects to provide parking and properties prior to this new law would be credited or grandfathered with phantom stalls. But the demand for the parking as more and more people live and visit Venice has caused a tremendous need for additional parking. Therefore, the VNC recommends the EIFD shall fund only projects that will improve the lack of off street parking, maintenance of public right-of-ways including landscape areas, or beautify open spaces including enhancing public services in the Venice Beach recreation areas. All such funds shall be used only for projects that comply with the current Venice Local Land Use Plan (CCC certified 2001). The VNC shall appoint the two public members to the EIFD.

Recommended by PTC 4/0/0 on 8/5/19

13H Culver City Storm Water Project - Joint NC Outreach

MOTION: Culver City is proposing a Storm Water project that will have MAJOR traffic impact on Mar Vista, Del Rey, Marina Del Rey and Venice communities. Almost no outreach has been done to date. Project

Link: <https://www.culvercity.org/city-hall/city-government/city-projects/washington-boulevard-stormwater-and-urban-runoff-project> This request to to ask for funding to book the use Westminster School for a Town Hall meeting in early September (date TBD) which will include inviting Culver City officials, LA City officials, County officials and be joined with Del Rey and Mar Vista NC's. If possible get local CCC staff to attend.

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13I Planter Boxes On Parkways (george.francisco@venicenc.org)

MOTION: Now, therefore be it resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council strongly urges the City's Bureau of Engineering to support and rule on all applications within 60 days for removal of concrete over parkways along city streets for the installation of planter boxes on parkways for the purpose of beautification, rain infiltration and containment.

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Recommended by Neighborhood Committee 8-0-1 on 7/24/19

13J Add Line item to board agenda --Trainings (secretary@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council will add a line item to board agenda for all members to check monthly if their trainings are current.

13K RESOLUTION TO REQUIRE STAKEHOLDER SURVEY OF ANY PROPOSAL FOR NIGHTTIME HOURS FOR PUBLIC RESTROOMS OR INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC NEW RESTROOMS IN VENICE

(mark.ryavec@venicenc.org)

MOTION: RESOLUTION TO REQUIRE STAKEHOLDER SURVEY OF ANY PROPOSAL FOR NIGHTTIME HOURS FOR PUBLIC RESTROOMS OR INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC NEW RESTROOMS IN VENICE Whereas, the purpose of Neighborhood Councils is to: "to promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs," and Whereas, "Neighborhood councils shall include representatives of the many diverse interests in communities and shall have an advisory role on issues of concern to the neighborhood (emphasis added), and Whereas, the City Charter requires, at Section 907, that an Early Warning System and "Regulations shall establish procedures for receiving input from neighborhood councils prior (emphasis added) to decisions by the City Council, City Council Committees and boards and commissions. The procedures shall include, but need not be limited to, notice to neighborhood councils as soon as practical, and a reasonable opportunity to provide input before decisions are made (emphasis added). Notices to be provided include matters to be considered by the City Council, City Council Committees, and City boards or commissions," thus Therefore, be it resolved, that the Venice Neighborhood Council hereby asks the City of Los Angeles and its officers, boards and commissions to make no decision or take any action, to open any existing, city-owned restrooms from 9 PM to 6 AM, to erect or install any new public restrooms or porta-potties or drinking fountains in Venice without first alerting the Venice Neighborhood Council to such proposals, and Further, the Venice Neighborhood Council hereby declares that it is the policy of the neighborhood council to not consider any proposal to open any existing, city-owned restrooms at any nighttime hours, or to erect or install any new restrooms or porta-potties or drinking fountains in Venice until and unless a survey or poll has been conducted by the city or the neighborhood council of residents and business owners within 100 yards of the site of an existing restroom or proposed site for new restrooms or porta-potties or water fountains and the neighborhood council has before it the results of that poll or survey to inform its decision (s). Submitted by Mark Ryavec, Community Officer



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13L Resubmission of DFC Request to Present Internship Program Update (Joedmur@gmail.com)

MOTION: At its June 3, 2019 regular monthly meeting, the DFC Focus on Children Committee adopted the following request which was submitted to the VNC Administrative Committee for consideration at its June 10, 2019 meeting and placement on the VNC Board's June 18, 2019 meeting: Request VNC Board schedule time for Paul Davis to provide the first of the promised periodic updates of the progress of his DFC sub-committee in creating the Youth Internship Program endorsed by the VNC Board at its March 19, 2019 meeting. If possible, it would be appreciated if no more than 5 minutes could be provided for this purpose at the VNC Board's August 20, 2019 meeting under Scheduled Announcements and Presentations. Thanks much. Joe Murphy

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Recommendd by DFC 7-0-2 on 7/25/19

13M RESOLUTION TO RELOCATE BIG BLUE BUS LAYOVER ZONE FROM GRAND BOULEVARD TO MAIN STREET BETWEEN WESTMINSTER AND CLUBHOUSE (jack.kindberg@gmail.com)

MOTION: RESOLUTION TO RELOCATE BIG BLUE BUS LAYOVER ZONE FROM GRAND BOULEVARD TO MAIN STREET BETWEEN WESTMINSTER AND CLUBHOUSE Whereas, the Santa Monica Big Blue Bus company installed a bus layover zone without public notice or a Coastal Development Permit on Grand Boulevard, next to the Venice Post Office just west of Riviera Avenue; and Whereas, this caused the loss to the community of seven parking spaces, and Whereas, this location is not on the bus line's route, and Whereas, the drivers frequently leave their engines running, producing noise and exhaust fumes near residences; and Whereas, the Big Blue Bus drivers require access at such layover zones to restrooms though due to security requirements for the U.S. mail, the Postal Service cannot offer its restrooms to the drivers; and Whereas, Postal Service staff, driving both private vehicles and postal vehicles, frequently enter and exit the Post Office parking lot to the left or right, to and from Grand, throughout the day and night and the buses parked just east of their driveway on Grand block drivers' view of oncoming vehicles, cyclists and scooter riders, inviting collisions, and Whereas, the bus drivers frequently park three buses in the layover zone, with the third bus extending across half of Riviera, forcing commuters traveling south on Riviera to cross into the north bound lane to have access to Grand or to cross Grand, again inviting a collision, and Whereas, the block of Main Street between Westminster and Clubhouse, occupied on the west by a dog park and the east by a large parking lot owned by the Los Angeles Unified School District, and thus is not directly adjacent to residences, and Whereas, there already is a bus stop on each side of Main Street at this location, and Main Street is on the buses' route, and Whereas, the Venice Recovery Center has moved to the Westminster Senior Center, which is adjacent to the dog park, and the Big Blue Bus company could negotiate to have access to the restrooms in the Westminster Senior Center, where security of mail is not a concern, Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon the Council Office, the Mayor's Office and the Los Angeles City Department of Transportation to formally ask the Big Blue Bus Company to move its layover zone from Grand Boulevard to Main Street between Westminster and Clubhouse. Resolution Sponsored by: Jack Kindberg Brittani Cephas, Postmaster, Venice Post Office Brenda Lee Lau and Wilky Lau Grant van Every Rick Ziegler Mike Trull Julie Black



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14. **Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (PM - 5 minutes)**
15. **Adjourn (approx. PM)**

Items postponed until next month due to time constraints:

13F First Name: Frank

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Date of meeting: 2019-08-06

Request Title: Presentation on Affordable/Homeless Services

Committee: administrative

Agenda Motion Request: A 15 minute presentation on data collected about City wide services and housing offered to affordable and homeless persons. Where does Venice rate! resubmitted by James Murez

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Date of meeting: 2019-08-06

Request Title: LAX Modernization Presentation

Committee: Venice Neighborhood Council General Board

Agenda Motion Request: Anna Kozma, Senior Community Liaison, LINXS (the Automated People Mover developer) & Stephanie Sampson, Director of Communications, LAX – Landside Access Modernization

Program Request to visit with the VNC to provide a ~ 20 min presentation on the LAX Modernization Projects underway at the airport, including the People Mover. More info can be found here:

<https://www.lawa.org/connectinglax> Thank you!

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Items referred to committee:

First Name: Ada

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Date of meeting: 2019-08-08

Request Title: DIR-2018-6394-SPP-CDP

Committee: Land Use & Planning Committee

Agenda Motion Request: PLEASE SCHEDULE US FOR A DATE CHANGE OF USE FROM RETAIL TO RETAIL, CAFE, & BEAUTY SALON @ 1043 ABBOT KINNEY



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Sent to LUPC

First Name: Melissa

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Date of meeting: 2019-08-04

Request Title: New no turn, one way dead end signs as Westminster and Pacific light both directions

Committee: administrative

Agenda Motion Request: The Venice Neighborhood Council supports installing a no right/left turn, one way/dead end signs on the light in both directions at Pacific and Westminster. (As many as 30 cars a day drive the wrong way down Westminster toward the beach and these signs will prevent accidents and promote safe streets.)

Referred to PTC Committee

First Name: Matt

Last Name: Fisher

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Date of meeting: 2019-07-17

Request Title: Open bathrooms

Committee: Administrative Committee

Agenda Motion Request: Motion/request to open bathrooms at night along ocean front walk, as pilot program has succeeded and will prevent public safety hazards, environmental dangers and forced medical conditions without. Motion/request to complete approved and funded nighttime toilets evenly distributed throughout Venice to prevent public safety hazards and environmental dangers as well as forced medical conditions without.

Referred to OFW or Homeless Committee

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Date of meeting: 2019-07-20

Request Title: Restore right to sell handmade wearable art along oceanfront walk

Committee: Ocean Front Walk Committee



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Agenda Motion Request: We seek to restore the right to sell handmade wearable art along the westside of oceanfront walk for the vendors/artist. In previous years conflicting businesses led to a ban on sales of \"wearable art\" like handmade jewelry. We believe the ban violates already granted handmade art rights, free speech and religious rights therein. The conflicts of the past have subsided with gentrification and rising rents, leaving the ban useless and harmful to the eclectic Beach vibe provided by local artists, harmful to the businesses therein and in numerous cases preventing homeless to housed transition by excluding the chances of work for many homeless artist/vendors.

Referred to OFW committee

If you submitted something and it is not above please check with President and Secretary.

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