



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## **Joint VNC Board & Administrative Committee Meeting Agenda**

**Monday, September 9, 2019 at 7:00pm**

**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 for Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee**  
**MOTION:** The Administrative Committee shall approve the following Mission Statement for an Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee: The VNC Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee will work with the stakeholders of Venice, the City of Los Angeles, the State of California and all service providers to promote public safety, emergency preparedness, awareness with environmental dangers, and promote clean safe public spaces for stakeholders and visitors alike.
- 6C **Consideration and approval of September 19, 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, September 19, 2019 at 7:00 PM**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00 PM)**  
Call to order in memory of Dede Audet followed by a celebration of her accomplishments on behalf of the Venice community by former Secretary Of State Debra Bowen.
2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**
3. **Approval of the Agenda ( PM – 1 minute)**
4. **Approval of the Minutes of the August 20, 2019 VNC Board meeting.**
5. **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.
6. **Scheduled Announcements and Presentations**
- 6A **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/>
- 6B **Spanish Translation Available** (Esteban Pulido, [pulido.esteban@gmail.com](mailto:pulido.esteban@gmail.com))  
Spanish Interpretation services and agendas are available with advance notice.
- 6C **Public Safety - LAPD & LAFD Report (10 minutes)**: Senior Lead Officers Kristan Delatori ([32914@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:32914@lapd.lacity.org)), SLO Jennifer Muther [36051@lapdonline](mailto:36051@lapdonline) SLO Adrian Acosta - [39174@lapd.online](mailto:39174@lapd.online) SLO Javier Ramirez - [39174@lapd.online](mailto:39174@lapd.online), Venice Beach Task Force - SGT Theresa Skinner - [31142@lapd.online](mailto:31142@lapd.online). *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*
- 6D **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](mailto:morgan.bostic@lacity.org))
  - Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 ([janet.turner@mail.house.gov](mailto:janet.turner@mail.house.gov))



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- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Olin Wibroe ([Olin.wibroe@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Olin.wibroe@sen.ca.gov))
- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, West Los Angeles Field Representative, Brandon Stansell, (310) 412-6400, ([brandon.stansell@asm.ca.gov](mailto:brandon.stansell@asm.ca.gov))
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy Zac Gaidzik (310)231-1170, [zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov)
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Ami Fields-Meyer, 323 552-6730 ([ami.fields-meyer@lacity.org](mailto:ami.fields-meyer@lacity.org))
- Empower LA Neighborhood Council Advocate, Jasmine Elbarbary, 213-978-1551 ([jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org](mailto:jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org))

## 6E **VNC Announcements and Reports (5 minutes)**

- President -Ira Koslow ([President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:President@VeniceNC.org))  
Keith Harrison is appointed the Venice Neighborhood Council Preparedness Officer.  
Names and email addresses of all recipients must be included in motions submitted to the Board.
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Ira Koslow, VNC Representative ([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/Gas Company: Yolanda Gonzales
- Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer
- Vendent Venice Update

## 6F **LAX Modernization Presentation (Anna Kozma, [anna@jkhconsultingservices.com](mailto:anna@jkhconsultingservices.com))**

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!

**Uploaded Documents: [Download 1563317318.mp4](#)**

## 7. **Treasurer's Report (10 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee) ([Treasurer@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Treasurer@VeniceNC.org))

See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>  
[Discussion and possible action]

## 7A **Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report for July 2019**

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

**Uploaded Documents: [Download 1567560202.pdf](#)**

Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 9-3-2019



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- 7B Approval of Expenditure to Date Report**  
**MOTION:** The Venice NC approves the Expenditure to Date Report for July 2019.  
**Uploaded Documents:** [Download 1567560316.pdf](#)  
*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 9-3-2019*
- 7C Augmenting the Funding for Upcoming Town Halls**  
**MOTION:** The Venice NC approves an additional \$300 for funding of the Emergency Preparedness Town Halls to be used for advertising and outreach  
*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 9-3-2019*
- 7D Approval of Funding for Washington Blvd. Project Town Hall**  
**MOTION:** The Venice NC approves up to \$300 for the costs related to the Town Hall on the Washington Blvd project.  
*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 9-3-2019*
- 7F Approval of NPG to the Venice High School Alumni Association**  
The Venice NC approves \$1000 for a NPG to the Venice High School Alumni Association in relation to the showing of GREASE at Venice High School.  
**Uploaded Documents:** [Download 1567560586.pd](#)  
*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 9-3-2019*
- 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.]*
- 9A Dog park budget ([james.murez@venicenc.org](mailto:james.murez@venicenc.org))**  
**MOTION:** The VNC requests that Los Angeles Rec and Parks send a detailed budget for the Westminster Dog Park  
*Recommended by Dog Park Committee 3-0-0 on 8/29/19*
- 9B Dog park rules ([james.murez@venicenc.org](mailto:james.murez@venicenc.org))**  
**MOTION:** The VNC board shall send a letter to Los Angeles city Rec and Parks inquiring who is responsible for making and enforcing rules and regulations at the Westminster Dog Park.  
*Recommended by Dog Park Committee 3-0-0 on 8/29/19*



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

**10A Community Impact Statement to Council File No: 19-0002-S159 Urging Denial (or AMENDMENT) of California AB 1197**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council shall adopt the following Community Impact Statement: The Venice Neighborhood Council is opposed to State Assembly Bill 1197 (AB 1197) and the proposed resolution of the Los Angeles City Council (currently being analyzed by the Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee), at Council File No. 19-0002-S159, to exempt certain public projects in Los Angeles from compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA).

Furthermore, the following statement shall be included with the CIS and copies shall be sent as a letter to Governor Gavin Newsom, Mayor Eric Garcetti, Councilman Mike Bonin, Senator Ben Allen, Assemblywoman Autumn Burke, and Coastal Commission Executive Director Jack Ainsworth:

Venice is a highly developed and heavily touristed coastal community already facing significant environmental challenges. Sitting at sea level, Venice is also one of the coastal communities most vulnerable to sea level rise in all of California. Moreover, the Venice Coastal Zone also already has a disproportionate number of approved permanent supportive housing and homeless housing/emergency shelter projects using Measure HHH and other similar funding, with several more proposed, in comparison to other City of Los Angeles communities, including unit densities in one significant recent project that exceed the underlying zone density by over 75%, which effectively has resulted in spot zoning for permanent supportive housing and homeless emergency shelter projects. CEQA requires public entities to identify the significant environmental impacts of discretionary public projects, which may cause a direct or foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment and to avoid or mitigate those impacts, if feasible. If AB 1197 passes, public entities seeking to build permanent supportive housing projects or other projects with Measure HHH or other similar funding, *in Los Angeles only* (and no other community in California), would not have to comply with CEQA. That is, they would not have to undergo any CEQA environmental review for any such project, and would thus not have to mitigate the environmental impact of any project. Given the unique issues facing Venice, it is reasonably foreseeable that unchecked additional large-scale developments in the Coastal Zone, undertaken with no environmental mitigation requirements, would have a significant adverse impact on our community's already over stressed coastal resources. CEQA must be maintained in order to ensure environmental and social equity in the Coastal Zone.

Accordingly, the Venice Neighborhood Council asks that the State Senate and Assembly reject AB 1197 and that the City Council reject the proposed resolution at Council File No. 19-0002-S159 or, at a minimum, AMEND the proposed legislation to exempt AB 1197 from applying in the Los Angeles Coastal Zones.

**10B 73 Market Street**

Case: ZA-2019- 2484-CUB; ENV-2019-2485-CE





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City Hearing date: August 26

Applicant: 73 Market Lessee, LLC

LUPC Staff: Matthew Royce

Representative: Marcia Davalos, City Land Use, Inc. [marcia@citylanduse.com](mailto:marcia@citylanduse.com)

Case Description:

- Tenant improvement to an existing 11,162 sq ft two story office space
- Conditional Use Alcoholic Beverage permit (CUB) to allow the sale and dispensing of a full line of Alcoholic beverages for on site consumption in conjunction with a members only Office during the hours of 10am -11pm. No sales of alcoholic beverages will be offered to the public. This is a members only office, in the CM-1 zone.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented/  
*Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0*

## 10C 652 Santa Clara Ave

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

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 VNC Board recommends approval of project as presented provided that the applicant show at board meeting that the project is measured from the center line street.

*Recommended by LUPC 7-0-0*

## 10D 1107 Abbot Kinney Boulevard LLC

Case: DIR-2019-4064-CDP-MEL-SPP & ZA-2017-3482-ZV-ZAA & ENV-2017-3483-CE

Applicant: Jacob Matthews [1107 Abbot Kinney, LLC]

LUPC Staff: Daffodil Tyminski

Representative: Brian Silveira

Case Description:

- Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.20.2, a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) to convert 1,211 sq ft of an existing residential dwelling unit to retail & for the conversion of a 225 sq ft detached garage to a new single-family dwelling with a 27 sq ft addition.



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- 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 LAMC Section 11.5.7, a Project Permit Compliance permit (SPP) to determine that the project is in conformance with the regulations of the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan.
- Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.27 a Zone Variance (ZV) to allow 8 required auto parking spaces to be provided off-site via lease at a lot located 200 feet from the subject property in lieu of proving the 8 required automobile parking spaces on site or off site via covenant within 750 feet.
- Pursuant to LAMC Section 11.5.7F, a Specific Plan Exception (SPE) from the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan to allow 0 auto parking spaces in lieu of the 7 required retail parking spaces, 2 BIZ (Beach Impact Zone) parking spaces and 1 residential parking space.
- Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.28, a Zoning Administrator Adjustment (ZAA) to allow an existing detached garage to be converted to a residential use with a 27 sq ft addition, having a rear yard and easterly side yard setback of zero feet in lieu of the 15-foot rear and 4-foot side yard setbacks required for residential uses in the C2 zone.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board shall approve the project as presented with the following modifications: the ability to put a residential unit of up to 300 square feet, and the entitlement for retail use is tied to be able to park the project.

*Recommended by LUPC 7-0-0*

## 10E Venice Community Plan update

**MOTION:** Whereas the community input phase of the Venice Community Plan (VCP) update is rapidly drawing to a close and the scheduled “listen and share” periods of the Westside Community Plans (WCP) update outreach plan are now closed or closing;

- Whereas the only issue raised by the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) in regard to the VCP update was parking, and the only recommendation made by the VNC was a parking plan that was thinly vetted as a stand alone item, lacking analysis of related issues;
- Whereas the VNC has not acted to develop any other VNC input nor organized a committee within LUPC to analyze issues regarding the plan updates;
- Whereas the MVCC has submitted an extensive document detailing community input to the WCP update team;
- Whereas a new VNC Board and Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) have just been elected, and other new VNC committees such as the Neighborhood Committee and Ocean Front Walk Committee have just been reformed;
- Whereas it is necessary that the Venice Local Coastal Program (LCP) be approved prior to the VCP being approved such that the VCP is adapted around the specific coastal requirements of the LCP; and
- Whereas the future of our Venice community depends profoundly on the outcome of the VCP update.
- Therefore the VNC requests that CD11 Councilmember Mike Bonin communicate to the Planning Department Leadership, the Venice Community Plan Update project manager, his desire that the





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Public input period be kept open through the end of November to allow the new LUPC and new VNC, through the LUPC committee, to develop input for the Venice Community Plan, and Land Use Plan (LUP) update.

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

## 12A **Alternative and timely residential street deterrents** (Matt Fischer, [matt.fisher@venicenc.org](mailto:matt.fisher@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** Whereas increases in thoroughfare traffic in Venice residential neighborhoods has led to the question for need of deterrents such as speed humps/bumps. Whereas the demand has overwhelmed the supply and led to excessive wait times and inconsistent delivery leaving the public's safety in question. Whereas research shows speed humps/bumps are not only a time consuming solution, they are expensive to install and to maintain: •Speed humps can cost \$4,500 to \$7,500. [Source: The Washington Post, Sept. 9, 2008] •Interfere with response times of emergency vehicles—Each speed hump costs fire trucks ten seconds in response time. [Source: ABC Orlando/WFTV, Jan. 28, 2010; and Fire Capt. Jeffrey Martin, St. Petersburg Times, Feb. 2, 2008; and the Tampa Tribune, Sept. 20, 2008] •Reduce property values—Prospective homebuyers reject home sites near speed humps. [Source: Tampa Bay Online, Sept. 30, 2009] •Increase noise levels—Speed humps usher in a constant barrage of scrapping cars and engines revving over the humps. [Source: Tampa Bay Online, Aug. 12, 2009] •Increase wear and tear on residential and commercial vehicles— •Speed humps are a source of excessive wear on tires, brakes, suspension systems, shock absorbers and rattle dashboards. [Source: The Natchez Democrat, Oct. 28, 2009] •Expensive to remove—Municipalities, under pressure by citizens and enforced by the courts, have been forced to remove speed humps at great expense to taxpayers. [Source: Tampa Bay Online, Sept. 30, 2009] •Increase air pollution—On roads with speed humps, carbon monoxide emissions increase by 82 percent, carbon dioxide emissions double and nitrogen oxide increases by 37 percent. [Source: BBC.com, April 22, 2009] •Reduce fuel efficiency and increase gas consumption—By forcing drivers to brake and accelerate repeatedly, speed humps will cause a car that normally that gets 58.15 mpg travelling at a steady 30mph to deliver only 30.85 mpg. [Source: BBC.com, April 22, 2009] •Additionally, it is questionable if speed humps/bumps change driver behavior and possibly encourage dangerous driving behaviors, such as going “off road” to avoid the humps/bumps <https://www.radarsign.com/why-municipalities-are-moving-away-from-speed-humps/> Whereas numerous States and municipalities have moved away from speed humps/bumps and have found different, more affordable and effective solutions fitting the needs of their communities, such as driver feedback signs, yield signs and combinations of all vehicles must yield signs with yellow reflective striping painted on the street to create a required slowing point. Therefore be it resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the City of Los Angeles and the Los Angeles department of transportation work with the Venice Neighborhood Council and its stakeholders, to find where appropriate, more affordable and timely solutions in replacement of future speed humps/bumps installations within the Venice community. Furthermore it is resolved that Venice stakeholders working with the Venice



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Neighborhood Council will be allowed to petition for alternative solutions and more timely delivery therein. Upon council approval, send to the City of Los Angeles: [mike.bonin@lacity.org](mailto:mike.bonin@lacity.org)  
[councilmember.bonin@lacity.org](mailto:councilmember.bonin@lacity.org)

**12B Street Widening** ([james.murez@venicenc.org](mailto:james.murez@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** The VNC requests that the Planning Department implement specific street standards consistent with the existing street right of way widths in Venice so as not to require dedications and widening along any street that has a minimum right of way width of 50 feet and not more than a 5 foot dedication for any property with a right of way less than 50 feet.

*Recommended by Parking and Transportation Committee 3-0-0 on 9/5/19*

**12C Limiting the number of scooters in Venice** (James Robb, [james.rob主@venicenc.org](mailto:james.rob主@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** Whereas each dockless electric transportation device vendor offers an App which tells riders where designated drop-off locations are located throughout Venice, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends a policy that dockless electric transportation device meters not shut down until properly parked and deposited at the designated drop-off locations. Recommended by *Recommended by the Ocean Front Walk Committee 10-0-0 1 on 8-26-19 MF Recusa*

**12D Asking that a policy be in place where the dockless electric transportation devices' meters do not turn off until properly parked at designated drop off locations and Scooter signage** (James Robb, [james.rob主@venicenc.org](mailto:james.rob主@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** Install signage re. operating procedures, fines and enforcement for dockless electric transportation devices Whereas signage regarding the usage of dockless electric transportation devices will help promote self-regulation and proper usage, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that LADOT install signage at the 22 designated sidewalk drop off locations for purposes of enforcement of operating procedures, such as monitoring riding on the sidewalk and minors operating the devices alone (which would be considered child endangerment), thus holding the cardholder (the parents in the case of minors) liable and accountable, indicating a \$197 fine; and that a pilot program of law enforcement commence 30 days after the installation of these signs.

*Recommended by Ocean Front Walk Committee 9-0-1 on 8-26-19 MF Recusal*

**12E Asking that a policy be in place where the dockless electric transportation devices' meters do not turn off until properly parked at designated drop off locations** (James Robb, [james.rob主@venicenc.org](mailto:james.rob主@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** Require that dockless electric transportation devices be properly parked in order for meters to shut down Whereas each dockless electric transportation device vendor offers an App which tells riders where designated drop-off locations are located throughout Venice, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends a policy that dockless electric transportation



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device meters not shut down until properly parked and deposited at the designated drop-off locations. Recommended by *Ocean Front Walk Committee 10-0-0 on 8-26-19 MF Recusal*

- 12F Restore ADA Access to 1201 OFW** (James Robb, [james.rob主@venicenc.org](mailto:james.rob主@venicenc.org))  
**MOTION:** Restore pedestrian access at Ocean Front Walk & Clubhouse The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the City restore ADA access and walkability to 1201 Ocean Front Walk, Clubhouse Ave and surrounding properties/businesses; and that a letter be sent to CD-11 and Rec & Parks asking for an update on the status of the removal of the concrete barrier.  
*Recommended by Ocean Front Walk Committee 10-0-0 on 8-26-19*
- 12G Open bathrooms along OFW** (James Robb, [james.rob主@venicenc.org](mailto:james.rob主@venicenc.org))  
**MOTION:** Open bathrooms along Ocean Front Walk during night time hours Whereas there have been positive results from having additional night time bathrooms in the Boardwalk area, and Whereas it is the City's intention to provide humane services for the unhoused, Therefore Be It Resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that Rec & Parks and the City open all bathrooms along the Boardwalk area during the night time hours. Recommended by Ocean Front Walk Committee  
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*Recommended by Ocean Front Walk Committee 10-0-0 on 8-26-19\*
- 12H: Construction of restrooms at Venice Beach** (Nicholas Antonicello, [nantoni@mindspring.com](mailto:nantoni@mindspring.com))  
**MOTION:** WHEREAS, Venice Beach is a major tourist attraction that hosts nearly 30,000 visitors per day and nearly 11,000,000 annually, and WHEREAS, Venice Beach has an acute homeless epidemic that fails to accommodate restroom facilities for the nearly 1,100 individuals living on the streets, and WHEREAS, Venice has just six (6) restroom locales with less than one hundred (100) stalls of which many are not working, filthy and uninhabitable, and WHEREAS, such a destination needs to double, or triple the number of restroom facilities, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the OFW Committee endorse the construction of new facilities that are needed for both tourist and the homeless alike and that a letter be sent to CD11 and the Office of the Mayor endorsing such immediate construction.
- 12I Commercial Corridor Litter Abatement** ([james.murez@venicenc.org](mailto:james.murez@venicenc.org))  
**MOTION:** Recommend to the VNC Board to write a letter to the City requesting a Venice Commercial Corridor Litter Abatement Project on the streets defined within the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan having Commercial and/or Industrial zoned properties.



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*Recommended by Parking and Transportation Committee 3-0-0 on 9/5/19*

**12J Removal of K-Railing ([james.murez@venicenc.org](mailto:james.murez@venicenc.org))**

**MOTION:** Recommend Request the VNC send the City a letter asking all streets which terminate at Ocean Front Walk and have "K" rail barricades as well as LADOT approved permanent barricades installed, the "K" rails be removed.

*Recommended by Parking and Transportation Committee 3-0-0 on 9/5/19*

**12K Amend State Law to Allow Venice Cityhood Vote ([vp@venicenc.org](mailto:vp@venicenc.org))**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council formally requests the City of Los Angeles to sponsor and support State legislation to amend the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 to: 1. Remove the City of Los Angeles' right to cause the termination of a detachment request pending before a local area formation commission submitted by a former city which earlier voted to join the City of Los Angeles, which now borders both another city and the Pacific Ocean, and does not contain within its borders a port; and further to; 2. Amend that Act to remove the City of Los Angeles' right to subject to a vote of all voters in the jurisdiction of the City of Los Angeles the detachment of a former city now located within its borders which borders both another city and the Pacific Ocean, and does not contain within its borders a port.

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*Recommended by the Neighborhood Committee 6-2-1 on 8/28/19*

**12L MOTION:** The VNC Board shall create an Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee with the following Mission Statement as approved by the Administrative Committee: **Mission Statement:** The VNC Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee will work with the stakeholders of Venice, the City of Los Angeles, the State of California and all service providers to promote public safety, emergency preparedness, awareness with environmental dangers, and promote clean safe public spaces for stakeholders and visitors alike.

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

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



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## Items removed from Adcom September 2019:

First Name: Melissa

Last Name: Diner

Email: [Sec@venicenc.org](mailto:Sec@venicenc.org)

Phone: 3033198404

Date of meeting: 2019-09-04

Request Title: Email, name and tile of all ppl must be included in motion Request

Committee: administrative

Agenda Motion Request: The venice neighborhood council requires that all motions submitted from individuals or committees include the name, email and title of all persons to whom you want your motion sent should it passed by the board. Without this info the letters cannot be send and our time and efforts are in vain.

Referred to OFW

13C Restore rights to Venice boardwalk free speech zone (Matt Fisher, [matt.fisher@venicenc.org](mailto:matt.fisher@venicenc.org))

Date of meeting: 2019-09-26

Request Title: Restore rights to Venice boardwalk free speech zone

Committee: Ocean Front Walk Committee

MOTION Whereas, in previous years along the Venice boardwalk free speech zone, inadequate supervision, enforcement and vision for direction led to unbearable conditions for performers, vendors, businesses, residents and visitors alike. Whereas during multiple revision attempts and changes of rules , vendor rights were subsequently removed in areas otherwise not removable under the previously guaranteed free speech activity. Whereas, due to its unique historical, geographical, and physical characteristics, the Boardwalk requires its own set of rules and regulations different from other public parks in the City. Therefore be it resolved, the Venice neighborhood council formally recommends the city of Los Angeles seek to preserve the Boardwalk's rich history of artists, performance, vendors and other free speech activities by amending LAMC 42.15 to reflect the true vision of the Venice Free speech zone in modern times. Furthermore it is resolved, the Venice neighborhood council recommends to amend or delete LAMC 42.15 subsections as follows: 9. Handcrafts.(DELETE) (Objects made either by hand or with the help of devices used to shape or produce the objects through such methods as weaving, carving, stitching, sewing, lacing, and beading including objects such as jewelry, pottery, silver work, leather goods, and trinkets. Most Handcrafts have more than nominal utility apart from any communicative value they possess. Most commonly, Handcrafts do not communicate a message, idea, or concept to others, are often mass produced or produced with limited variation. Handcrafts do not include visual arts.) 11. Perform, Performing, Performance or Performances. To engage in any of the following activities on public property: playing musical instruments, singing, dancing, acting, pantomiming, puppeteering, juggling, reciting, engaging in magic, creating visual art in its entirety, presenting or enacting a play, work of music, work of art, physical or mental feat, or other constitutionally protected entertainment or form of expression. The terms Perform, Performing, Performance or Performances shall





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not include: (a) (DELETE) (The application of substances to others' skin, including but not limited to, paints, dyes and inks) (c) (DELETE) ( the completion or other partial creation of visual art) (e) (DELETE) ( the creation of Handcrafts.) D) 3. (AMEND TO) Although an item may have some expressive purpose, it will be deemed to have more than nominal utility apart from its communication if it has a common and dominant non-expressive purpose. Examples of items that have more than nominal utility apart from their communication and thus are subject to the Vending ban under the provisions of this Section, include but are not limited to, the following: housewares, appliances, sunglasses, auto parts, perfume, commercially made items including but not limited to commercially made: incense, oils, lotions, candles, jewelry, toys, and articles of clothing.

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Referred to PTC Committee

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Phone: 3107567853

Date of meeting: 2019-09-02

Request Title: Relinquish of Lincoln Blvd

Committee: Parking and Transportation Committee

Agenda Motion Request: Whereas, The State of California and Caltrans owns, controls and maintains Lincoln Blvd throughout the Venice neighborhood as part of the State highway. Whereas inconsistent maintenance and overall stakeholder direction has led to the inadequate conditions and inability for community concerns regarding growth or repair. Whereas in previous years, the city of Santa Monica CA has successfully negotiated the relinquishment of Lincoln Blvd and secured funding to repair and enhance through the State and City in exchange for assuming full responsibility for maintenance and future care of the State highway.

<https://www.smgov.net/departments/council/agendas/2011/20110823/s201108238-A.htm> Now therefore be it resolved that the Venice neighborhood council recommends the city of Los Angeles begin working with the Venice neighborhood council and it's transportation committee on negotiating the relinquishment of the portion of Lincoln Blvd located within the Venice neighborhood limits to the City of Los Angeles. Furthermore it is resolved the Venice neighborhood council recommends a stakeholder survey and a community impact statement be submitted on the future direction of design and use of Lincoln Blvd.

Items removed from August 2019 Adcom:

Referred to PTC Committee

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Date of meeting: 2019-08-04



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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 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

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.

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