



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## **Board of Officers Meeting Agenda** Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium) 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291 **Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at 6:30 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 one (1) minute per speaker, unless modified by the presiding officer of the Board. No new speaker cards will be accepted once Public Comment has begun.

**COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENTS:** Any action taken by the Board may result in the filing of a related CIS

**DISABILITY POLICY:** See last page.

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

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call (6:30PM – 1 minute)**

Thank you to Wabi, Erewhon Market, Whole Foods Venice, Abbot's Habit and Darryl Barnett for the food and refreshments. We would like to take a moment of silence in memory of Marvin Ponce.

<https://www.gofundme.com/2bdkptz7/donate>

**2. Pledge Of Allegiance (6:31PM -- 1 minute)**

**3. Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (6:32PM – 1 minute)**

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/160517BoardMinutes.pdf>

**4. Approval of the Agenda (6:33PM – 1 minute)**

**5. Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (6:34PM -- 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 (6:35PM – 35 minutes)**

**A Public Safety - LAPD Report (10 minutes):** Senior Lead Officers Peggy Thusing (25120@lapd.lacity.org), Kristan Delatori ([32914@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:32914@lapd.lacity.org)), Gregg Jacobus, [35162@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:35162@lapd.lacity.org), Lt. Lydia Leos [23216@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:23216@lapd.lacity.org), OFW Beach Detail Supervisor. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*



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**B 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](mailto:taylor.bazley@lacity.org))
- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 ([janet.turner@mail.house.gov](mailto:janet.turner@mail.house.gov))
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Fernando Morales, 310-318-6994 ([fernando.morales@sen.ca.gov](mailto:fernando.morales@sen.ca.gov))
- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, Rep TBD, 310-412-6400
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy Rachel Zaiden, 213-974-3333 ([rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov))
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, 213-978-0836 ([Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org](mailto:Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org))

**C VNC Announcements (8 Minutes)**

- President -Ira Koslow ([President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:President@VeniceNC.org))
  1. Education committee
  2. Cornerstone Theater performance
- Vice President - George Francisco ([Vice President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Vice President@VeniceNC.org))
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Mike Newhouse, WRAC President, Ira Koslow, VNC Representatives. ([Chair@westsidecouncils.org](mailto:Chair@westsidecouncils.org)),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel ([Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org))
- VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
- Budget Representative Report : Hugh Harrison

**D Venice BBQ (2 minutes)**

The 10th Annual Venice Community BBQ and Picnic was held on Saturday, July 30 at Oakwood Park from 12-4. Thank you to the community for coming and sponsors.

7. **Treasurer's Report (7:10PM - 10 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee [Treasurer@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Treasurer@VeniceNC.org)) [*Discussion and possible action*]  
**[EXHIBITS A-E]** All Exhibits can be found here: <http://www.venicenc.org/board/>

**A MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached expenditure reports for July 2016. Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].

**B MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the reallocation of the budget to reduce Refreshments by \$500; Facilities for Board meetings by \$500; and Community Improvement Projects by \$2000; and to allocate the identified \$3000 for the creation of a new web page for the VNC. The allocations for 2016-2017 after approval of these changes would be in accordance to the attached budget.  
Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].



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- C MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Outreach Survey for 2016-2017. Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].
- D MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Strategic Plan for 2016-2017. Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].
- E MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Self Assessment for 2016-2017. Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].
- 8. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (7:20PM -- 10 minutes)**  
*[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]*
- 9. Board Administrative Business (7:30PM - 15 minutes)**  
*[For discussion and possible action]*

## **Selection to fill vacant Community Officer Board member seat**

Applicants applications available to view here:

<http://www.venicenc.org/applications-for-vacant-community-officer-seat-2016-18/>

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council will fill the vacated Community Officer seats from the following candidates who have submitted an application as of Friday, August 5, 2016, at 3:30 pm.

1. Raphael Anderson
2. Yolanda Gonzales
3. Allan Jones
4. Monroe King
5. Hollie Stenson
6. Miriam Komor Tohill

- 10. General Consent Calendar (7:45PM -- 2 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.]*

## **Inclusion of VNC On Matters Pertaining To The Community** (James Murez) **[EXHIBIT]**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council shall send a letter to Councilman Bonin regarding the exclusion of the Venice Neighborhood Council in matters important to the Venice Community.



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## 11. **Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar (7:47PM -- 0 minutes)**

*[All agenda items on the Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar will pass when the LUPC Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any Board member or Stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of agenda item 11. Land Use and Planning Committee and will be treated as regular LUPC agenda items, with discussion and public comment]*

## 12. **Old Business [Discussion and possible action] (7:47PM -- 0 minutes)**

## 13. **LUPC (7:47PM – 150 minutes)** Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, (Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)

Case information can be found: <http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/>

*[For discussion and possible action]*

### **A. 611 Flower Ave**

Case: DIR-2016-783-VSO, Requesting Administrative CDP

Address:Applicant: Holly Mosher & Ravi Shah

LUPC Staff: Matthew Royce

Description: REMODEL & 2-STORY ADD'N TO (E) 1-STORY SFD

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

Recommended by LUPC (RD/MM 6-0-0)

### **B. 3024 Stanford Ave**

Case: DIR-2016-1165-VSO, Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: Cassandra Blanco

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Description: MAJOR REMODEL - ADD IRREGULAR 10'-2" X 14'-0" ON THE FIRST FLOOR TO CONVERT PORTION OF (E) LIVING ROOM INTO A (N) BEDROOM,

DECK. NEW 2-STORY 18'-10" X 20'-4" 2-CAR GARAGE W/ 20'-4" X 20'-10"

REMODEL THROUGHOUT; ADD 29'-10" X 48'-2" SECOND STORY; (N) ROOF RECREATION ROOM ABOVE

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

Recommended by LUPC (BS/TB 7-0-0)

### **C.115 Park Place**

Case: DIR-2015-2974-CDP-SPP-MEL

Applicant: Sherwin Aryeh, Lion Walnut 26 LLC

Representative: Michael Young, Breakform Design

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW 3,487 SQ. FT. SINGLE-FAMILY

Description: DEMOLITION OF TWO EXISTING UNINHABITED RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND RESIDENCE. PURSUANT TO SECTION 11.5.7 OF THE LAMC, THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A MAJOR



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PROJECT PERMIT REVIEW THROUGH THE VENICE SPECIFIC PLAN. PURSUANT TO SECTION 12.20.2 OF THE LAMC, THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR THE DEMOLITION OF TWO EXISTING RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING UNIT. IN ADDITION, THE APPLICANT REQUESTS A MELLO ACT COMPLIANCE REVIEW.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.  
Recommended by LUPC (MM/TB 4-0-2)

## **D. 626 Woodlawn Ave**

Case: Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: Brock Wylan, 626 Woodlawn Avenue LLC

Representative: June Veloso, Residential Design Services

Description: 1ST AND 2ND STORY ADDITION AND REMODEL ON AN EXISTING SFD

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.  
Recommended by LUPC (DT/RA 8-0-0)

## **E. 756 Sunset**

Case: DIR-2016-1023-VSO, Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: Yasmin Tong

Representative: Jennifer Yano

1ST- & 2ND-STORY ADD'N TO (E) 1-STORY SFD

Description: REMOVE (E) 6'X7'9" FRONT PATIO & REPLACE W/ 4'X19' COVERED PATIO;

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.  
Recommended by LUPC (RD/BS 7-1-0)

## **F. 447 East Linnie Canal**

Case: DIR-2016-2328-CDP-MEL-SPP

Applicant: John Staff, John Alan LLC

Representative: Justin Michael Block, Block & Block APC

DEMOLITION OF (E) SFD AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SPLIT LEVEL

Description: PER LAMC 12.20.2, COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR THE SFD LOCATED IN THE CANAL FRONT LOT OF THE DUAL JURISDICTION AREA. PER LAMC 11.5.7, PROJECT PERMIT COMPLIANCE FOR THE DEMOLITION OF (E) SFD AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SPLIT LEVEL SFD LOCATED IN THE CANAL FRONT LOT OF THE DUAL JURISDICTION AREA.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.  
Recommended by LUPC (DT/BS 7-0-0)

## **G. 628 San Juan Ave**

Case: ZA-2014-4054-CDP-MEL

Applicant: Juliette Hohnen

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Representative: Chris McLean for Matthew Royce (recused) Description: CONVERSION OF AN EXISTING DUPLEX TO A SFD AND SMALL ADDITION





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**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project with the condition that the Zoning Administrator review the Mello Determination Letter.  
Recommended by LUPC 5-1-1 RD/JC (MR, BS Recused)

## **G. 818 Venezia**

Case: DIR-2016-2159-VSO, Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: Viviana Molina

Representative: Michael Norberg & Peter Gonzalez, SC Planners

Description: EXTERIOR/INTERIOR REMODEL & 2ND-STORY ADD'N TO (E) 1-STORY SFD  
W/ DETACHED 1-CAR GARAGE

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented  
Recommended by LUPC 9-0-0 RD/DT

## **H. 2100-2106 Narcissus Ct**

Case: ZA-2014-3186-CDP-MEL-SPP

Applicant: Michael Chait, Chait Co.

Representative: Allen Concepcion, Planning Associates, Inc.

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Description: The Applicant requests a Project Permit Compliance Review (SPP) and Coastal Development Permit (CDP) to allow construction of a two-story, 3,491 square-foot industrial building within the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan. The project will have a varied roofline with a maximum height of 29.5 feet, and an approximately 88 square-foot deck. A total of 13 automobile parking spaces are required by the Specific Plan for the proposed industrial use.

However, pursuant to LAMC Section 12.21.A.4, the Applicant intends to reduce the parking requirement to 11 spaces by replacing two required automobile parking spaces (20% of required spaces) with 8 bicycle parking spaces, as permitted. The project will thus provide 11 on-site, tandem, mechanically-stacked automobile parking spaces. The project will require the demolition of an existing one-story residential building currently vacant on the project site.

**MOTION:** If the Area Planning Commission approves the Mello feasibility study, then the VNC Board recommends approval of the project with the following conditions:

1. Free parking for employees while working will be provided onsite.
2. Prominent signage installed for use of parking lifts and owner must provide an attendant to operate lifts.

Recommended by LUPC 8-0-0 RA/BS (MR Recused)

## **I. 519-521 Bocaccio**

Case: ZA-2014-3182-CDP-MEL-SPP

Applicant: Michael Chait, Chait Co.

Representative: Allen Concepcion, Planning Associates, Inc.

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali



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Description: CDP AND SPP - THE REQUEST IS FOR A CDP AND SPP FOR A NEW 2-STY INDUSTRIAL BUILDING, HAVING 3,850 SF, AND A HEIGHT OF 29.5FT. THE PROPERTY IS ZONED M1-1, AND IS LOCATED IN THE VENICE COASTAL ZONE SP. A LOADING ZONE. WITH THE PROVISION OF 17 BICYCLE PARKING SPACES, THE NUMBER OF AUTO SPACES PROVIDED WILL BE 11. THE EXISTING SFD AND MACHINE SHOP WILL BOTH BE DEMOLISHED.

**MOTION:** If the Area Planning Commission approves the Mello feasibility study, then the VNC Board recommends approval with the following conditions:

1. Free parking for employees while working will be provided onsite.
  2. Prominent signage installed for use of parking lifts and owner must provide an attendant to operate lifts.
- Recommended by LUPC 8-0-0 RA/BS (MR Recused)

#### **14. New Business (10:17PM – 90 minutes)**

*[For discussion and possible action]*

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#### **A. Contract for New Website with The Web Corner inc (15 minutes)**

(Evan White communications@venicenc.org)

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the VNC enter into a contract with The Web Corner, Inc. for no more than \$3,500 for the remainder of the 2016-2017 fiscal year, and no more than \$1,800 for each additional fiscal year to follow. This will cover the VNC for a build out of a new website, complete with the transfer of our existing data, contact forms, email collection, admin tools, calendars, updates, and 2 hours a month of support.

#### **B. Opposition To Use of Westminster Senior Center for Homeless Storage (30 minutes)**

(Will Hawkins on behalf of the Homeless Committee.)

**MOTION:**Whereas a Motion (CF 15-1138 S-8) has been introduced to the Los Angeles City Council to convert the Westminster Senior Center at 1234 Pacific Avenue for use as storage for the possessions of persons who are homeless and;

Whereas the use of the property was dedicated by declaration by the Los Angeles Superior Court to such public use for public playground and recreation purposes; on July 5, 1950;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Venice Neighborhood Council opposes the use of the Westminster Senior Center at 1234 Pacific Avenue for use as storage; and

The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends to Councilman Bonin, the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks and Mayor Eric Garcetti that the use of the Westminster Senior Center remain as originally dedicated “for public use for public playground and recreation purposes” as indicated in the original disposition of the property by the Los Angeles Superior Court on July 5, 1950.

#### **C. Resolution Calling for the City of Los Angeles to Conclude the Jones Settlement and Return to Enforcement of the “No sitting, lying or sleeping on a sidewalk” Ordinance (LAMC 41.18 (d))**



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**within 300 Feet of a Residentially Zoned Property (45 minutes)** (Marc Ryavec)

**[EXHIBITS]**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council shall

- 1- call upon Los Angeles City Attorney Mike Feuer and the Housing & Community Investment Department to immediately present to the United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, a list of the permanent, supportive units built over the last nine years in satisfaction of the settlement and that the City Attorney petition for the settlement to be declared satisfied and null and void; and
- 2- call upon the Councilman Mike Bonin, the Los Angeles City Council and Mayor Eric Garcetti to immediately amend LAMC 56.11 (the ordinance limiting storage on sidewalks) to bar any storage of personal possessions (other than a bicycle for 24 hours or less) on a sidewalk, parkway, alley or street within 300 feet of any residentially zoned property for more than one hour; and
- 3- upon the vacation of the Jones Settlement call upon the Los Angeles Police Department to begin warning anyone sitting, lying or sleeping within 300 feet of a residentially zoned property that they are in violation of LAMC 41.18; and
- 4- call upon Councilman Mike Bonin and Mayor Eric Garcetti and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (or social agencies acting on their behalf) to offer shelter beds, shared housing, Section 8 housing, transitional housing or transportation to safe family members at the same time and in conjunction with the LAMC 41.18 warnings by the LAPD; and
- 5- in instances when an individual acting in violation of LAMC 41.18 refuses to either leave the area within 300 feet of residences, or to accept housing or transportation to a safe family member, the Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon Los Angeles Police Department to cite the individual for violating LAMC 41.18 and if future violations occur, to secure a stay-away order to prevent that individual from returning to camp out in Venice.

**15. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (11:47PM - 5 minutes)**

**16. Adjourn (approx. 11:52PM)**

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

**Standing Committees**

Administrative: Ira Koslow  
 Neighborhood: George Francisco  
 Outreach: Matthew Kline  
 Land Use and Planning: Matthew Royce  
 Budget & Finance: Hugh Harrison  
 Rules & Selections: John Reed  
 Arts: Sonny Bak  
 Ocean Front Walk: Colleen Saro  
 Education - vacant

**Ad Hoc Committees**

Public Safety - Matt Shaw & Will Hawkins  
 Homeless - Will Hawkins  
 Parking & Transportation - Jim Murez  
 Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello  
 Discussion Forum Joe Murphy  
 Mass/Scale/Character Sue Kaplan

RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS: For information on the VNC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the VNC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website [www.venicenc.org](http://www.venicenc.org).





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