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Draft Board of Officers Regular Meeting Minutes

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium) 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291 Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 7:00 PM

BOARD MEETINGS: The Venice Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act. All are welcome to attend.

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1. <u>Call to Order and Roll Call</u> -Joslyn William Neighborhood Council Oath of Office



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PRESENT: Ira Koslow, George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Evan White, Sunny Bak, Cindy Chamber, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Ilana Marosi, Hollie Stenson, James Murez, John Reed, Colleen Saro,

ABSENT: Brads Aarons, Michelle Meepos, Matt Shaw, Robert Thibodeau,

- 2. Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)
- 3. <u>Approval of Outstanding Board minutes</u> (7:02PM 1 minute)

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

GF, HS (17, 0, 1)

FAVOR: Ira Koslow, George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Evan White, Sunny Bak, Cindy Chamber, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Ilana Marosi, Hollie Stenson, James Murez, John Reed, Colleen Saro, OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

4. Approval of the Agenda (7:03PM – 1 minute)

GF, MD (17, 0, 1)

FAVOR: Ira Koslow, George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Evan White, Sunny Bak, Cindy Chamber, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Ilana Marosi, Hollie Stenson, James Murez, John Reed, Colleen Saro,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

10 A Pulled form Consent

5. <u>Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest</u> (7:04PM -- 1 minute)

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

John Reed 10A Recusal Melissa Diner 10B Recusal

- 6. Scheduled Announcements and Presentations
- 6A Live Stream of Meetings (7:05PM -- 3 minutes)

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Public Safety - LAPD Report (7:08PM -- 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.

Robert Thibodeau Arrives 7: 16PM

- **Government Reports** (7:18PM -- 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 (Olina.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 (<u>Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org</u>)
- Empower LA Neighborhood Council Advocate, Jasmine Elbarbary, 213-978-1551 (jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org)

6D <u>VNC Announcements and Reports</u> (7:33PM -- 5 minutes)

- President -Ira Koslow (<u>President@VeniceNC.org</u>)
 VNC elections tentatively scheduled for early June, 2019
- 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)
- VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
- Budget Advocates Hugh Harrison, Treasurer

6E Presentation by Metro on Division 6 Joint Development (7:33PM--10 minutes) Eric Geier, geiere@metro.net, 213-922-4229 send all concerns to lawsonw@metro.net

6F Presentation Westside Community Plan Updates - Introduction (7:44PM--20 minutes) Emily Gable, planning.thewestside@lacity.org, 213-978-1342) www.planning.thewestside.org

The Department of City Planning is launching an update program for four Westside Community Plans - Venice, Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey, West Los Angeles, and Westchester-Playa del Rey. Planning staff will introduce the Westside Community Plan Update team, provide more detail regarding the overall three-year work program and outreach strategy, and announce upcoming public meeting dates.



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7. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> (8:04PM -- 10 minutes) (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee) (Treasurer@VeniceNC.org)

See attached addendums at http://www.venicens.org/minutes.and.agendas.php

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

7A Motion to Approve Monthly Expenditure Report

Committee: administrative

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for May 2018.

Approved 5-0-0 on 7/918 by the Budget & Finance Committee

<u>Uploaded Documents:</u>
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7B Motion to Approve Expenditure To Date Report

Committee: administrative

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the Monthly Expenditure to Date report for May 2018.

Approved 5-0-0 on 7/918 by the Budget & Finance Committee

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7 A & B

HH, GF (14, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, ndy Chambers, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Holly Stenson, John Reed, Colleen Saro, Robert ibodeau,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

7C Motion to Approve Outreach Expenses

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the following Outreach Expenditures: \$155.95 to GoPrint for printing and up to \$750 for business card with new logo.

Approved 5-0-0 on 7/918 by the Budget & Finance Committee

HH, GF (14, 0, 1)

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ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

7D Motion to support Council Ryu\'s NC Motion



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MOTION: The Venice NC supports Councilman Ryu's proposal to remove Section 5.485.h of Chapter 88 of Division 5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code in order to remove the expiration of the ability for Neighborhood Councils to accept in-kind or monetary donations.

Approved 5-0-0 on 7/918 by the Budget & Finance Committee

HH, GF (14, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, ady Chambers, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Holly Stenson, John Reed, Colleen Saro, Robert ibodeau,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

7E Motion to support Council Ryu's NC Motion

MOTION: The Venice NC supports Councilman Ryu's proposal to develop a process to allow Neighborhood Councils to roll over a non-cumulative maximum of \$10,000 in any given fiscal year *Approved 5-0-0 on 7/918 by the Budget & Finance Committee*

HH, GF (14, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, ndy Chambers, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Holly Stenson, John Reed, Colleen Saro, Robert ibodeau,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

Ilana Morosi present but ineligible/must take ethics training to become eligible

- 8. <u>Announcements and Public Comment on items not on the Agenda</u> (8:14PM 10 minutes) [No more than 1 minute per person no Board member announcements permitted]
- 9. <u>General Consent Calendar</u> (8:24PM -- 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 1427 Abbot Kinney Parklet Application (Ira Koslow, president@venicenc.org)

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

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9B US Census and Bureau of Labor Data for Venice Presentation (Matt Royce,

chair-lupc@venicenc.org)

Committee: Venice Neighborhood Council General Board

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends that Dario Alvarez give his presentation from the April 2018 Board Meeting on the topic of US Census and Bureau of Labor Data for Venice Presentation to the West LA Area Planning Commission.

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10. <u>LUPC Consent</u> (8:24PM – 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 425 Rose Ave

Case: ZA-2018-2143-CUB Address: 425 Rose Ave

Applicant: American Beauty Venture, LLC

LUPC Staff: Michael Jensen

Representative: Tari Kuvhenguhwa

Description: A CUB TO ALLOW SALE & DISPENSING OF FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC

BEVERAGES FOR ON-SITE CONSUMPTION, IN CONJ. W/ PROPOSED 2,306 SF REST., 72 SEATS & 410 SF BAR AREA, 10AM-11PM SUN.-THUR. &

10AM-12AM FRL-SAT

MOTION: The VNC Board recommend approval as presented

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

Pulled from Consent by CS

John Reed left meeting 8:46PM

11A

MR, GF (12, 0, 3)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, lliam Hawkins, Stephen Livigni, Holly Stenson, John Reed, Colleen Saro, Robert Thibodeau,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow, Joslyn Williams, Cindy Chambers

10B 828-830 Venice Blvd

Case: DIR-2017-3236-CDP-MEL-SPP Address: 828-830 Venice Blvd

Applicant: 1011 5th Avenue LLC



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LUPC Staff: Ramsey Daham

Representative: Nicholas Hopson

Description: New 9 unit apartment building

MOTION: The VNC Board recommend approval as presented

Recommended by LUPC (RD/MJ 7-0-0)

10C 538 Vernon Ave

Case: DIR-2017-4032-CDP-SPP-MEL

Address: 538 Vernon Ave

Applicant: Gilbert Rodriguez LUPC Staff: Brian Silveira

Representative: Mehrnoosh Architecture Description: 2 New Single Family Dwellings

MOTION: The VNC Board recommend approval as presented

Recommended by LUPC (BS/RA 5-0-0) MM Recused

- 11. <u>LUPC</u> (8:24PM 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)
- 12. <u>Old Business</u> (8:24PM minutes) See attached addendums at http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php
 [Discussion and possible action]
- 13. <u>New Business</u> (8:24PM 46 minutes)

13A Stipulation Worksheet (20 minutes)

The Venice Neighborhood Council shall complete and approve the 2018 Election information worksheet. **Addendum:**

https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8IM2U0uPEPPMVd5YmEyOGstaEJYTIhMNkVvQTJaR3R5YXVR/view?usp=sharing

1,2 GF, HS (14, 0, 1)

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OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow



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3 GF, HH (12, 1, 2)

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OPPOSED: Colleen Saro

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow, Cindy Chambers

4 HH, GF (14, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, Cindy Chambers, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Holly Stenson, John Reed, Colleen Saro, Robert Thibodeau,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

5 CC, GF (14, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, Cindy Chambers, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Holly Stenson, John Reed, Colleen Saro, Robert Thibodeau,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

6 GF, HS (12, 3, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, Cindy Chambers, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Holly Stenson, James Murez, Colleen Saro, Robert Thibodeau,

OPPOSED: Hugh Harrison, William Hawkins, John Reed,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

6 \$5,000 GF, JM (14, 1, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Melissa Diner, Justin Brezhnev, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, Cindy Chambers, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Stephen Livigni, Holly Stenson, James Murez, John Reed, Colleen Saro,

Robert Thibodeau.

OPPOSED: Hugh Harrison

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow



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13B Approval of Mission Statement for Ad Hoc 2018-2019 Election Committee (8:44PM--5 minutes) Ivan Spiegel, <u>ivan13147@verizon.net</u>)

MOTION: The 2018-2019 Ad Hoc Election Committee of the VNC shall ensure that all VNC stakeholders are fully and equally encouraged, and have equal opportunity to become candidates for the VNC Board in the 2019 board election, and that no VNC-sponsored outreach or event relating to the election favors a subset of candidates, and to the best of its ability, ensure that all candidates follow the fair practices guidelines established by the LA City Clerk, and ensure smooth and effective transition to the new board. Candidates may not be on the Election Committee.

Specific responsibilities shall include line item execution of the Board-approved election budget, approval of all election outreach materials and events to recruit candidates and encourage voter participation, overseeing the transition to the new board, scheduling and performing orientation for the new board.

The VNC 2019 Election Committee shall terminate sixty (60) days following the certification of the election.

John Reed left HH, JB (13, 0, 2)

HS, JM (5, 7, 2)
Amendment to remove Candidates may not be on the Election Committee.
FAVOR:

13C Appoint Chair of 2018-2019 Election Committee. (8:49PM--1 minute)

13C Venice Cityhood Motion (8:50PM --20 minutes) (Nick Antonicello, nick.antonicello@venicenc.org) WHEREAS, Venice was once its own city and in 1926 voted to annex itself to the City of Los Angeles; and WHEREAS, Venice residents deserve a process that allows stakeholders to reverse that decision; and WHEREAS, Venice can be served more effectively as a small municipality much like Santa Monica, Culver City, Manhattan Beach and others; and

WHEREAS, current legislation known as the "Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000" needs to be amended and revised so that the stakeholders of Venice and not the City of Los Angeles be the final authority in this detachment process,



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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) endorse this change in legislation so that the process of detachment be more reasonable and less restrictive on Venetians and that a letter be sent to the office of the Governor as well as our local legislators and the Office of CD11 urging support of this change.

4-0-0 on Jun 28, 2018 by the Venice Cityhood Committee

JM, MD

HH, CC MOTION TO POSTPONE (8,5,1)

- 14. <u>Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction</u> (9:10PM 5 minutes)
- 15. <u>Adjourn</u> (approx. 9:15 PM)

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome

Standing Committees

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

Ad Hoc Committees

Homeless - Will Hawkins
Parking & Transportation - Jim Murez
Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello
Discussion Forum - Joe Murphy

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