



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Homeless Committee Special Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: Friday, August 7, 2020

Meeting Time: 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Zoom Webinar

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When: Aug 7, 2020 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: VNC Homeless Committee Special Meeting Webinar, Friday, August 7, 2020, 3:00 p.m.

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1. 3:00 pm - Call to Order and Roll Call

Frank Murphy (Co-Chair)	X		
Charles Rails (Co-Chair)			
Brian Ulf	X		
Mike Rapkin	X		
CJ Cole	X		
Liz Wright	X		
Vicki Halliday	X	Ira Koslow (ex-officio)	

2. 3:10 pm - Approve Agenda as presented or amended

3. 3:15 pm - Items for Discussion and Possible Action – Motion



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MOTION:

SIDEWALKS TO BE CLEARED IF FOUND TO BE IN VIOLATION OF AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Submitted by Eva Greene a/o August 5, 2020

Whereas the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) became law in 1990, and Whereas the ADA is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life, including jobs, schools, transportation, and all public and private places that are open to the general public in cities, states, and throughout the entire country, and Whereas the purpose of the Americans with Disabilities Act is to make sure that people with disabilities have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else, and Whereas the Americans with Disabilities Act gives civil rights protections to individuals with disabilities similar to those provided to individuals on the basis of race, color, sex, national origin, age, and religion, and Whereas there must be a the three-foot (3') clearance of all sidewalks in the city of Los Angeles to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Whereas the ADA guarantees equal opportunity for individuals with disabilities in public accommodations, employment, transportation, state and local government services, and telecommunications, and Whereas there may be disabled individuals living in tents in the encampments, and by the encampments not allowing a 3' clearance of sidewalks, they too are being prohibited from equal access to the sidewalks and are also being discriminated upon, by the city allowing discriminatory practices against the disabled who through the ADA are guaranteed equal access to and equal opportunity in public Accommodations, and Therefore, be it resolved, the Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon the City Attorney, the police department and the sanitation department and the U.S. Dept. of Justice Civil Rights Division, to begin immediate enforcement of ADA civil rights laws to protect the rights of the disabled who number over a million people in the city and county, requiring that all tent encampments and other items blocking passage for the disabled, and wheelchair bound, be moved back to ensure a minimum three foot clearance as required under the Americans with Disabilities Act for walkability and wheelchair use, and that if the clearance cannot be met and is not possible, that those tent encampments be removed immediately or relocated where the city deems appropriate. Upon passage, this Resolution shall be forwarded to City Attorney Mike N. Feuer, Mayor Eric Garcetti, Councilman Mike Bonin, President of the Board of Public Works Kevin James, Police Chief Michel R. Moore, and Department of Sanitation General Manager Enrique C. Zaldivar, U.S. Department of Justice – Civil Rights Division

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Motion is Submitted by Eva Greene

Frank Murphy (Co-Chair)	Y		
Charles Rails (Co-Chair)			
Brian Ulf	Y		
Mike Rapkin	N		
CJ Cole	Y		
Liz Wright	N		
Vicki Halliday	Y		

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4. **4:00 pm – COMMITTEE COMMENTS – Comments by Committee Members on subject matters within the jurisdiction of the Homeless Committee but not on the Agenda**
5. **4:30 pm - ADJOURN**

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