



Venice Neighborhood Council

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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

Date: November 9, 2023 | Time: 6:00 P.M.
Location: Extra Space Storage Community Room
658 Venice Blvd.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER Time: 6:37 pm

ROLL CALL WITH DECLARATION OF EXPARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST if any: NONE

Helen Fallon, Chair	x	
Lisa Redmond	x	
Eric Hartnack	absent	VNC President, ex officio

APPROVAL of PRIOR MINUTES: Motion to approve minutes of October 12th 2023 meeting.
Motion: Redmond , 2nd Fallon: Passed 2/0/0

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Budget Committee's subject matter jurisdiction. NONE Public Present-representatives from Venice Verdant, Board Members CJ Cole and Erica Moore.

OLD BUSINESS: Chair Report and Committee Member Reports/updates:

Update from Lisa on setting up an account locally for printing agendas etc.: SHE HAS HAD NO LUCK FINDING ANY LOCAL VENDOR THAT WILL ALLOW US TO HAVE A CC ON FILE.

Update on Venice Heritage Museum possible NPG (see supporting docs) re e-mail sent requesting further details:

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENT THAT UNTIL DELIQUENCY IS RESOLVED THIS IS ON HOLD Summary of questions that Venice Heritage was asked to provide answers for and their response is provided below.

1. Budget Outline 6b: Display materials: please provide more details on a separate sheet with costs and explain how these will be used. In Section II 4 these are described as "permanent display cases". What exactly does that mean? SUPPLIED-SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS for detailed budget
2. Budget Outline 6b: Misc supplies-Your total projected costs for this is \$16,000. Please provide a breakdown of what exactly will be purchased along with a description since you are requesting only a portion of the \$\$ needed from the NC. SUPPLIED-SEE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS
3. Source of other funding 8. You indicated that there are no other sources of funding which conflicts with the information in 6b. NO FURTHER INFO PROVIDED
5. Section II 5: "Public programs will be free". What is the museum's definition of "public programs." Will admission to the museum be free and what are the hours? Do you have a board resolution or plan that can be shared to document an ongoing commitment to free public access. NO FURTHER INFO PROVIDED
4. The VHF is listed as delinquent on their filings on the CA attorney general's registry of charities. Please document that this has been resolved and provide the latest 990 filed by the VHF- WILL LET US KNOW WHEN DELIQUENCY IS RESOLVED.

Other Updates: use of Penmar, Westminster Park, possible meeting places for Board meetings at a lower cost than Westminster school. Replacing Constant Contact with a less expensive vendor DISCUSSION and UPDATES POSTPONED



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NEW BUSINESS:

Review of October MER and Excel Budget Spreadsheet.

1. Motion: The VNC Board of Officers approves the October 2023 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER). (See supporting documents)

Motion: Redmond, 2nd Fallon, Passed 2/0/0

2. Motion to approve expenditure of up to \$1000 for reusable Outreach Banners. (This motion substitutes for banner expense previously included and approved by the Board in the overall budget of the cancelled November Community Plan Townhall, now rescheduled for 2024).

Motion: Redmond, 2nd Fallon, Passed 2/0/0

3. Possible motion and discussion of an NPG for \$3,166 submitted by the Venice Chamber Community Foundation, on behalf of Verdant Venice Group to plant 39 trees in the public right of ways in Venice. Supporting documents include NPG, Tree Permit including list of locations, IRS determination letter.

Motion: Fallon, 2nd Redmond

Summary of Comments/Discussion: Explanation that Venice Chamber Community Foundation is acting as a fiscal agent for Venice Verdant. Committee recommended that Verdant Venice reach out to Chamber to ask to have the administrative fee waived or reduced.

Motion passed: 2/0/0 and NPG will be forwarded to Board

ADJOURNMENT : Time 7:00