



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Ocean front Walk Committee Meeting Agenda

Physical Meeting Location

Rose Room. 6 Rose Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90291

12.11.2023

6:30-7:30 PM

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CALL TO ORDER AND BOARD ROLL CALL START TIME 6:35

Deborah Keaton (Co-Chair) Absent	Nico Ruderman (Co-Chair)	Nick Antonicello
Noel Johnston Absent	Mehrnoosh Morallali	Mark Rago Absent
Colleen Saro Absent	Clark Brown	

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OLD BUSINESS

Discussion item: Request to approve development of signage for Venice Pier and Boardwalk

Whereas: Venice Beach is the second most popular destination for international tourists and there is currently no signage to let visitors know where they are. And whereas Venice Beach is a historically significant destination that should have welcome signage. We would like to create a sign for the Pier entrance and the Venice boardwalk.

OUTCOME: Discussed that the Washington Square committee is already exploring this. She have asked to be included in their meetings. **Tabled**

Asked that Washington square do a presentation of the project to the committee

Discussion item: Request to fix the Venice Beach bluffs.

Whereas: the Venice Beach bluffs have been badly damaged we would like to fence them in and replant and beautify them. We would like to work with the Arbor Committee and others to design and implement this project.

OUTCOME: Tabled motion. **Mark Ryavec informed us that a Sub committee was formed for landscaping by Arbor committee**

Set up a meeting with the arbor committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

1.

MOTION TO REDUCE TRASH ON VENICE BEACH

Submitted by Makayla Cox **Passed 4-0-0**

The Venice volunteer group "Clean Up the Beach," founded by Makayla Cox, has adopted Venice Beach and has committed to monthly beach clean-ups since September 2022. Ms. Cox has discovered two conditions at Venice Beach that contribute to the increase of the amount of litter:

1. Wooden posts, partially hollow at the top, adjoining the parking lot at Venice Blvd., which are frequently used as trash receptacles and thus require frequent clearing of trash..



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2. The current trash cans used on Venice Beach do not have attached sturdy lids, which leads to animals and people going through them, occasionally dropping trash on the ground.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council provide financial support the Recreation and Parks Department to either replace or cover the hollow wooden posts located on the perimeter of the Boardwalk and the North Venice parking lot in order to decrease their use as trash receptacles.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council replace the current trash cans on the Venice Boardwalk with trash receptacles that have attached sturdy lids, in order to avoid trash being rummaged through and falling to the ground.

2.

MOTION TO RESTRICT MOTORIZED SCOOTERS, BIKES, MINI BIKES, AND MOTORCYCLES FROM THE BOARDWALK AND BIKE PATH

Submitted by Colleen Saro **Passed 4-0-0**

WHEREAS, the Venice Boardwalk, also known as Ocean Front Walk (OFW), is solely for pedestrian use, and the Bike Path is solely for non-powered bicycles, LAPD, and The BID, need to enforce the current Ordinance (need Ordinance # referral)/ law. As these motorized scooters, bikes, mini bikes and motorcycles are a danger to people on OFW that are walking and a danger to the people on the Bike Path that are riding human powered bikes.

WHEREAS, all the stores on OFW that have motorized and electric items should be geo-fenced/ programed to stay off the Boardwalk and the Bike Path. Giving these store owners a year is plenty of time for them to adjust their inventory and abide by the current Ordinance (CVC 21207.5) Motorized bicycles may not be used on trails, bike path, or lanes.

WHEREAS, if these store owners do not abide by the current Ordinance, they should have their permit to rent these items be geo-fenced within a year go into effect, and if they do not abide, there should be tickets given to the businesses, or they are to shut down their rental of said items.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the OFW Committee recommend to the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC), to send a letter to CD11 Office, LAPD, Recs & Park & The BID, to move this item forward so that this issue may be resolved by Fall of 2024.



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