



Venice Neighborhood Council

LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

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LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Mar 7, 2024 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: VNC LUPC

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 8, 2023, ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND BY RESOLUTION OF THE VENICE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL, THIS VENICE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION.

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corinne Baginski	<input type="checkbox"/> Todd Lorber	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark Mack
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andreas Ramani	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robin Rudisill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gabriel Smith
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Richard Stanger (8:01)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Jensen (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steven Williams (7:16)

3. CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1) MTA Community Meeting (March 18, 5pm-6:30pm):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87567232012?pwd=UnFQYlplDVE5GekNibDRrZVFoSXhMQT09>

Webinar ID: 875 6723 2012

Phone: 213 338 8477

(2) Survey for Community Plan (deadline is March 8):

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfHT8a03yQprBuc75de55lpW2N9pgJNJO_7BltnvFb6Q9K7XA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0&pli=1

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes from 10/5/2023

Draft Minutes:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65404a6cde2b9.pdf>

Motion: Approve minutes from 10/5/2023 LUPC Regular Meeting

Maker / 2nd:

Vote: Yea: ____ / Nay: ____ / Abstain: ____ / Recuse: ____ / Ineligible: ____ / Absent ____

B. Minutes from 2/1/2024

Draft Minutes:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65bc9738899d4.pdf>

Motion: Approve minutes from 2/1/2024 LUPC Regular Meeting

Maker / 2nd: Corinne / Andrea

Vote: Yea: 5 / Nay: 0 / Abstain: 0 / Recuse: 0 / Ineligible: 0 / Absent 0

5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

LUPC members to declare any conflicts of interest or *ex-parte* communications relating to items on this meeting’s agenda. For more information, please see Fair Political Practices Commission Overview of Conflicts of Interest, available at <https://www.fppc.ca.gov/content/dam/fppc/NS-Documents/TAD/Campaign%20Documents/Conflicts%20Guide%202022.pdf>.

Board Officer	Conflict	Ex Parte	Details
Corinne Baginsky	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Todd Lorber	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Mark Mack	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Andreas Ramani	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Robin Rudisill	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Gabriel Smith	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Richard Stanger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recused (lives within 1,000 ft.)
Steven Williams	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Michael Jensen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

6. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (LIMITED TO ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA)

Public comment is limited to one (1) minute per speaker with a total comment time not to exceed ten (10) minutes, unless adjusted by the Chair. No comment on items appearing on the Agenda are permitted. No committee member announcements are permitted.

7. STAFF ASSIGNMENTS

A. Staff Update on Assigned Cases

Address	Case No.	Description	Staff
726 Rose Ave.	CPC-2022-8746-DB-CDP-SPP-MEL-VHCA-PHP	Demo of the existing structure for the construction of a 4-story (46'-8" feet), 10-unit, mixed-use development located in the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan zoned C2-1	CB/SW
10 E Washington Blvd	APCW-2022-792-SPE-CDP-CUB-ZV-SPP	Addition of a 623 SF uncovered outdoor dining area to existing restaurant located in the Venice coastal zone zoned C4-1	TL/AR *on hold
621 E. California Ave	ZA-2022-2418	Wall hedge variance for existing 6' 6" tall fence and 8' tall hedge in front yard.	MM
2478 Lincoln Blvd.	ZA-2023-8371-CUB	CUB to allow the sale of beer and wine for off-site consumption with a proposed specialty wine store with operating hours from 8:00am to 11:00pm, daily.	CB
19 E. Windward	ZA-2024-471-CDP-CUB-CUX-SPP	Music entertainment facility and restaurant in the Venice SP.	TL

B. Case Assignments

Address	Case No.	Description	Staff
2520 S. Lincoln	ZA-2023-7556-CUB	CUB to allow on-site sale of a full line of alcoholic beverages with a proposed 2,600 sf restaurant with 91 interior seats and 762 sf of patio area with 54 seats. Hours of operation 8am to 2am daily	GS
709 Brooks	DIR-2024-249-CDP-HCA	Demolition of 2 SFDs and construction of one 2-story SFD in the front and one 2-story SFD in the rear with 5 parking spaces, with previously small lot subdivision per Case #AA-2019-6453-PMLA-SL	AR
78 Market St.	ZA-2018-3595-CU-CUB-ZV-M1	Change operating hours from 8am - 1am to 9am - 2am.	RR
23 E. Windward	DIR-2000-3597-RV-PA4	Plan approval and condition compliance review. Request to remove or modify all prior conditions of (REV)(PA3)	TL

8. PRESENTATION

A. MTA Joint Development of Division 6 Presentation by Carey Jenkins and Karen Swift

Carey Jenkins and Karen Swift from MTA will explain the process to date and what we can expect at March 18's Community Meeting. **Note: tonight's presentation is not about Bridge Housing or extension of that program.**

Background

On January 28, 2016, the Metro Board of Directors adopted a motion calling for a community-based process to determine a new use for Division 6 (what we know as the MTA Lot located at 100 Sunset at Main St.) through Metro’s Joint Development program. Between the October 2018 and March 2019, MTA’s Joint Development Department conducted outreach efforts in Venice. The outreach and development planning and design culminated in the latest draft Development Guidelines from May 2019 (see supporting materials), which summarizes outreach efforts and contains several conceptual proposals for the MTA Lot.

On March 18, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., MTA will host a community meeting to:

- Learn about MTA’s steps to identify a long-term plan for the site.
- Meet the project developer finalists
- Receive presentations of design concepts
- Ask the finalists questions

Link to Division 6 Page on MTA Website: <https://www.metro.net/projects/jd-division6/>

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Additional materials located in supporting documents at www.venicenc.org/lupc

9. CASES

A. 621 E. California (Continued)

Case Number:	ZA-2022-2418
Project Description:	Wall hedge variance for existing 6'-6" tall fence and 8' tall hedge in front yard.
Motion:	
Planning Case:	https://planning.lacity.gov/pdiscaseinfo/caseid/MjU2NTI20

B. 522 Venice Blvd.

Case Number:	CPC-2020-5839-DB-CU-CDP-MEL-SPP-HCA
Project Description:	density bonus conditional use permit, CDP with Mello, and major Project Permit Venice Coastal SPP compliance for a new 24 unit apartment (5 VLI units)
Motion:	<p>Andreas / Robin</p> <p>Motion to approve project as presented</p> <p>Vote: Yea: 4 / Nay: 2 / Abstain: 0 / Recuse: 1 / Ineligible: 0 / Absent 0</p>
Planning Case:	https://planning.lacity.gov/pdiscaseinfo/caseid/MjQwOTQy0

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS AND POSSIBLE MOTIONS

A. Venice Boys PCN Request

Hugo Moreno Background

Hugo Moreno was born and raised in Venice, He qualifies for the City of Los Angeles’s Social Equity Program, which is designed to give ownership opportunities to groups harmed by the War on Drugs. He is asking for support from the VNC for his petition to the city for a retail dispensary in Venice. Currently, the number of retail dispensaries (8) exceeds the numbers permitted in the community plan based on population (4). Therefore, new dispensaries must go through a Public Convenience or Necessity (PCN) process to obtain a permit. Hugo Moreno is seeking VNC support to attempt to complete this process.

Business Plan:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1z-hFBvvS0bRVKalnXmnzcNMQX7em4ERzxjNxGScj4-E/edit>

Applicant requested rescheduled date.

Motion:

Maker / 2nd:

Vote: Yea: ____ / Nay: ____ / Abstain: ____ / Recuse: ____ / Ineligible: ____ / Absent ____

11. MEETING ADJOURNED

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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