



Venice Neighborhood Council

LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

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MINUTES

LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

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When: Apr 4, 2024 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: VNC LUPC Meeting

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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 7:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corinne Baginski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Todd Lorber	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Mack (7:13 pm)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andreas Ramani	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robin Rudisill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gabriel Smith

<input type="checkbox"/> Richard Stanger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Jensen (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steven Williams
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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes from 3/7/2024

Draft Minutes:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65f7d6c64cd00.pdf>

Motion: Approve minutes from 3/7/2024 LUPC Regular Meeting

Maker / 2nd: Robin / Corinne

Vote: Yea: 7 / Nay: 0 / Abstain: 0 / Recuse: 0 / Ineligible: 0 / Absent 1

4. 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>.

Member	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 type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Steven Williams	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Michael Jensen	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Spoke w/ Mark on 8A, Hugo on 9A

5. 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.

6. 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

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
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

B. Case Assignments

Address	Case No.	Description	Staff

7. WRAC MOTION

A. CIS for City Council file [23-0623](#)

Background

[Background Information](#)

See CF 23-0623, linked above, for further information about Executive Directive 1 and processes related to the Affordable Housing Streamlining draft ordinance (preparation of ordinance approved by City Council in June 2023).

See more information about the status of the proposed draft ordinance at [Planning / Streamlining Ordinance](#).

Contact [Drew Reusch](#) for more information.

Amended Motion

In regard to CF 23-0623, the Venice Neighborhood Council, a member of the Westside Neighborhood Alliance of Councils (WRAC), requests that the city cap development waivers at five (5), with no more than one (1) of which may be related to the environment, for Executive Directive 1 (ED1) and **100%** Affordable Housing Streamlining Ordinance projects, and further requests **(1) that the ordinance require 15-foot front- and rear-yard setbacks for permeable surface and stormwater recapture; and (2) and exemption for the Coastal Zone, R-1 Zones, HPOZs, Historic Districts, substandard streets, and high fire zones that Councilmembers representing WRAC member councils (CMs Park, Yaroslavsky, Raman and Hutt) bring a motion in Council or otherwise direct the Dept. of City Planning (DCP) to institute a DCP policy to effectuate this purpose.**

Maker / 2nd: Robin / Steve

Vote: Yea: 7 / Nay: 0 / Abstain: 1 / Recuse: 0 / Ineligible: 0 / Absent 1

8. CASES

A. 621 E. California

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

9. 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>

Motion: Motion to support Hugo Moreno, a local Venice born and raised Social Equity Applicant to pursue a PCN Request for "Venice Boys" retail shop, which is owned 100% by Mr. Moreno, and for Council District 11 to move the City Council to Reopen the PCN registration process.

Maker / 2nd: Steve / Mark

Vote: Yea: 6 / Nay: 0 / Abstain: 2 / Recuse: 0 / Ineligible: 0 / Absent 1

10. MEETING ADJOURNED

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

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