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Schools & Parks Committee Meeting Venice Abbot Kinney Memorial Branch Library 501 S Venice Blvd, Venice, CA 90291

February 22, 2024. 5:30pm - 6:45pm

1. 5:35pm Call to Order & welcome

Attendance: Paul Davis, Eric Donaldson, John Parks, Regan Kibbee, Mehrnoosh Mojallali, Robin Murez

Guests: approximately 15 stakeholders including 4 VNC Board members CJ Cole, Helen Fallon, Lisa Redman & Erica Moore

Sean Silva - Venice Rep for CD11 Council member Traci Park

- 2. Approval of Prior Minutes postponed to enable inclusion of additional information
- 3. 5:45 General Public Comment
- Matt Home Grown Gardens proposing a community food garden for Centennial Park
 Meeting with LA Parks Foundation & CD11; work with Kiss the Ground, LA Compost
 Griffith Park
- Sean LAPD removed the RV's from First Lutheran scheduled prior to committee uproar Westminster Safe Routes to Schools being created by DOT Federal Funding Bump outs, 3 crosswalks, radar speed signage, re-stripe bike paths
- Committee's role with Schools described: engage with youth, student government, interns outreach of VNC.
 - Regan asked for a sentence summary of what school liaisons might do, in order to invite people to take on that role
- Safety Dog Park Park Lot Amanda raised safety concerns. Sean described issues. Robin asked if the Clubhouse has a tenant, if so, they might help make the parking lot safe. There are few government buildings; community groups including V Historical Society and VNC have expressed an interest. Sean said its being used p/t by RAP. Will check on availability/lease status

Safety - OFW Dogs off leach

OFW @ Rose Playground - showers for homeless 1/week + food donations - suggested that OFW Task Force should address

Safety - Penmar Park - Melissa McFadden: lack of enforcement

Proposed having Art Fair at Penmar - Robin suggested she bring to VNC Arts Committee

Parks - Robin briefly mentioned several maintenance and improvement issues exist for several V.

Parks. RAP needs to hear from us. They were receptive to comments of a dozen Venetians at the RAP Commissioners Meeting in Westchester.

No time at this meeting to address.

6:45pm Meeting Adjourned