

Joint Board & Administrative Committee Minutes

Canal Club

2025 Pacific Ave, Venice, 90291

Monday, August 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Note (i) The Administrative Committee does not address or consider the merits of proposed agenda items. Its function is to determine whether a proposed agenda item will be placed on the next Board meeting agenda, postponed, referred to a specific committee for review and recommendation, treated as an announcement, or considered and resolved as a non-Board administrative matter. (ii) The Administrative Committee has the discretion to reorder consideration of matters on the agenda to accommodate stakeholders or for other reasons.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

PRESENT: GF, WH, IK, MD, JR, HH

ABSENT: CS, IM

2. Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda

MOTION GF, JR

FAVOR GF, WH, IK, MD, JR, HH

OPPOSED

3. Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/July19VNCBoardMinutes.pdf>

MOTION GF, JR

FAVOR GF, WH, IK, MD, JR,

OPPOSED

ABSTAIN HH

4. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda

5. Old Administrative Committee Business

[Discussion and possible action.]

6. New Administrative Committee Business

[Discussion and possible action.]

Consideration and approval of August 16, 2016 Proposed Board Agenda

7. Adjourn

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UNANIMOUS UNLESS NOTED

ALL EXHIBITS CAN BE FOUND HERE:

<http://www.venicenc.org/administrative-committees/>

Draft Board of Officers Meeting Agenda
Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)
1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291
Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at 7:00 PM

BOARD MEETINGS: The Venice Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act. All are welcome to attend.

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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENTS: Any action taken by the Board may result in the filing of a related CIS

DISABILITY POLICY: See last page.

ALL AGENDA TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE ON THE NIGHT OF THE MEETING.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00PM – 1 minute)

Thank you to Wabi, Erewhon Market, Whole Foods Venice, Abbot's Habit and Darryl Barnett for the food and refreshments.

We would like to take a moment of silence for in loving memory of Marvin Ponce.

<https://www.gofundme.com/2bdkptz7/donate>

2. Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)

3. Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:02PM – 1 minute)

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/160517BoardMinutes.pdf>

4. Approval of the Agenda (7:32PM – 1 minute)

5. Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:33PM -- 1 minute)

All Board members shall declare any ex parte communications or conflicts-of interest relating to items on this meeting's agenda.

6. Scheduled Announcements and Presentations (7:34PM – 30 minutes)

A Public Safety - LAPD Report (10 minutes): Senior Lead Officers Peggy Thusing (25120@lapd.lacity.org), Kristan Delatori (32914@lapd.lacity.org), Gregg Jacobus, 35162@lapd.lacity.org, Lt. Lydia Leos 23216@lapd.lacity.org , OFW Beach Detail Supervisor. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*

B Government Reports (15 minutes) (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)

- City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy, Taylor Bazley, 310-568-8772 (taylor.bazley@lacity.org)
- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 (janet.turner@mail.house.gov)
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Fernando Morales, 310-318-6994 (fernando.morales@sen.ca.gov)
- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, Rep TBD, 310-412-6400
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy Rachel Zaiden, 213-974-3333 (rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov)
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, 213-978-0836 (Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org)

C VNC Announcements (5 Minutes)

- President -Ira Koslow (President@VeniceNC.org)

1.Education committee

2. Cornerstone Theater performance

- Vice President - George Francisco ([Vice President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))
 - Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Mike Newhouse, WRAC President, Ira Koslow, VNC Representatives. (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
 - Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
 - VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
 - Budget Representative Report : Hugh Harris

D Venice BBQ (2 minutes)

The 10th Annual Venice Community BBQ and Picnic was held on Saturday, July 30 at Oakwood Park from 12-4. Thank you to the community for coming and sponsors.

7. Treasurer's Report (PM-10 minutes) (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee Treasurer@VeniceNC.org) **[EXHIBITS A-E]**
[Discussion and possible action]

- A MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached expenditure reports for July 2016.
Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].
- B MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the reallocation of budget to reduce Refreshments by \$500; Facilities for Board meetings by \$500; and Community Improvement Projects by \$2000; and to allocate the identified \$3000 for the creation of a new web page for the VNC. The allocations for 2016-2017 after approval of these changes would be in accordance to the attached budget.
Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].
- C MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Outreach Survey for 2016-2017.
Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].
- D MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Strategic Plan for 2016-2017.
Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].
- E MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Self Assessment for 2016-2017.
Recommended by Budget and Finance Committee on August 2, 2016 [3-0- 0].

8. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (PM -- 10 minutes)

[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]

9. Board Administrative Business (PM - minutes)

[Discussion and possible action]

Selection of Open Community Officer Board member seat

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council will fill the vacated Community Officer seat at the August meeting. The following candidates have submitted an application as of Friday, August 5, 2016, at 3:30 pm. Nominations are still open until Monday, August 8, 2016 at the end of Adcom.

1. Hollie Stenson
2. Miriam Komor Tohill
3. Allan Jones
4. Yolanda Gonzales
5. Raphael Anderson
6. Monroe King

10. General Consent Calendar (9:24PM -- 2 minute)

[All agenda items on the Consent Calendar will pass when the Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any board member or stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of the agenda and be treated as regular agenda items with discussion and public comment.]

11. Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar (PM -- 2 minutes)

[All agenda items on the Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar will pass when the LUPC Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any Board member or Stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of agenda item 11. Land Use and Planning Committee and will be treated as regular LUPC agenda items, with discussion and public comment]

12. Old Business *[Discussion and possible action]* (PM -- 0 minutes)

13. LUPC (PM – 0 minutes) Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC,

(Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org) *[Discussion and possible action]*

Case information can be found: <http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/>

A. 611 Flower Ave

Case: DIR-2016-783-VSO, Requesting Administrative CDP

Address: Applicant: Holly Mosher & Ravi Shah

LUPC Staff: Matthew Royce

Description: REMODEL & 2-STORY ADD'N TO (E) 1-STORY SFD

Motion: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented
Motion Approved by LUPC (RD/MM 6-0-0)

B. 3024 Stanford Ave

Case: DIR-2016-1165-VSO, Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: Cassandra Blanco

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Description: MAJOR REMODEL - ADD IRREGULAR 10'-2" X 14'-0" ON THE FIRST FLOOR TO CONVERT PORTION OF (E) LIVING ROOM INTO A (N) BEDROOM, DECK. NEW 2-STORY 18'-10" X 20'-4" 2-CAR GARAGE W/ 20'-4" X 20'-10" REMODEL THROUGHOUT; ADD 29'-10" X 48'-2" SECOND STORY; (N) ROOF RECREATION ROOM ABOVE

Motion: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented
Motion Approved by LUPC (BS/TB 7-0-0)

C.115 Park Place

Case: DIR-2015-2974-CDP-SPP-MEL

Applicant: Sherwin Aryeh, Lion Walnut 26 LLC

Representative: Michael Young, Breakform Design

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW 3,487 SQ. FT. SINGLE-FAMILY
Description: DEMOLITION OF TWO EXISTING UNINHABITED RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND RESIDENCE. PURSUANT TO SECTION 11.5.7 OF THE LAMC, THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A MAJOR PROJECT PERMIT REVIEW THROUGH THE VENICE SPECIFIC PLAN. PURSUANT TO SECTION 12.20.2 OF THE LAMC, THE APPLICANT IS REQUESTING A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR THE DEMOLITION OF TWO EXISTING RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING UNIT. IN ADDITION, THE APPLICANT REQUESTS A MELLO ACT COMPLIANCE REVIEW.

Motion: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented
Motion Approved by LUPC (MM/TB 4-0-2)

D. 626 Woodlawn Ave

Case: Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: Brock Wylan, 626 Woodlawn Avenue LLC

Representative: June Veloso, Residential Design Services

Public Comment & Possible Action: Motion

Description: 1ST AND 2ND STORY ADDITION AND REMODEL ON AN EXISTING SFD

Motion: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented
Motion Approved by LUPC (DT/RA 8-0-0)

E. 756 Sunset

Case: DIR-2016-1023-VSO, Requesting Administrative CDP

Applicant: Yasmin Tong

Representative: Jennifer Yano

1ST- & 2ND-STORY ADD'N TO (E) 1-STORY SFD

Public Comment & Possible Action: Motion

Description: REMOVE (E) 6'X7'9' FRONT PATIO & REPLACE W/ 4'X19' COVERED PATIO;

Motion: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented

Motion Approved by LUPC (RD/BS 7-1-0)

F. 447 East Linnie Canal

Case: DIR-2016-2328-CDP-MEL-SPP

Applicant: John Staff, John Alan LLC

Representative: Justin Michael Block, Block & Block APC

DEMOLITION OF (E) SFD AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SPLIT LEVEL

Description: PER LAMC 12.20.2, COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR THE

SFD LOCATED IN THE CANAL FRONT LOT OF THE DUAL JURISDICTION

AREA. PER LAMC 11.5.7, PROJECT PERMIT COMPLIANCE FOR THE

DEMOLITION OF (E) SFD AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SPLIT LEVEL

SFD LOCATED IN THE CANAL FRONT LOT OF THE DUAL JURISDICTION

AREA.

Motion: LUPC recommends The VNC Board recommend approval of the project as presented

Motion Approved by LUPC (DT/BS 7-0-0)

14. New Business (PM – minutes)

[Discussion and possible action]

A. Contract for New Website with The Web Corner inc (Evan White
communications@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the VNC enter into a contract with The Web Corner, Inc. for no more than \$3,500 for the remainder of the 2016-2017 fiscal year, and no more than \$1,800 for each additional fiscal year to follow. This will cover the VNC for a build out of a new website, complete with the transfer of our existing data, contact forms, email collection, admin tools, calendars, updates, and 2 hours a month of support.

COLLEEN SARO ARRIVES

B. Resolution Calling for the City of Los Angeles to Conclude the Jones Settlement and Return to Enforcement of the “No sitting, lying or sleeping on a sidewalk”

Ordinance (LAMC 41.18 (d)) within 300 Feet of a Residentially Zoned Property (Marc Ryavec) **[EXHIBITS]**

MOTION: Whereas, the current City practice of allowing encampments of transients to exist right next to residences is intolerable and uncivilized, depriving residents of sleep, free use of sidewalks and a zone of safety and quiet next to their homes, and

Whereas, individuals in these encampments frequently trespass on the property of nearby residents, to defecate and urinate, to engage in theft and vandalism and burglary, or to store their possessions; and

Whereas, tents allowed in such encampments routinely entirely block sidewalks and violate the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and force both the able and disabled into the street to pass; and

Whereas, the City fails to enforce the requirement that no tent be erected before 9 PM and all tents be disassembled by 6 AM; and

Whereas, the City fails to enforce the existing bar on sitting, lying or sleeping between 6 AM and 9 PM; and

Whereas, the City fails to enforce LAMC 56.11 banning bulky items, attachments to fences and walls, and limiting possessions stored on sidewalks to that which can be contained in a 60 gallon City trash receptacle; and

Whereas, encampments are breeding grounds for disease, rats and insects and produce tons of trash which in Venice is driven in the rainy season directly to storm drains and then into Santa Monica Bay; and

Whereas, LAMC 41.18 is still in effect and the only impediment to its enforcement is the 2007 Jones Settlement, in which the City agreed in a civil lawsuit to refrain from enforcing 41.18 until it had built or caused to be built 1,250 units of permanent, supportive housing; and

Whereas, the Los Angeles Housing & Community Investment Department produced a report in early 2015 that anticipated that the City would meet the requirements of the Jones Settlement by October of 2015; and

Whereas, eight months have elapsed since October of 2015 and it can be reasonably assumed that the City has now more than met the target of 1,250 units of permanent, supportive housing; and

Whereas, Captain Nicole Alberca, Commander of the LAPD Pacific Division, has recently stated that officers who are making daily contacts with campers in Venice report an increase in out of state youth 18-26 years of age, both males and females, who refer to themselves as "drifters" or "travelers" and do not see themselves as homeless and as such, they have not accepted outreach for housing placement; and

Whereas, Tim Pardue, the former director of the Teen Project P.A.D. on Market Street, has reported that approximately 70 percent of their 16-24 year old clients are from out-of- state; now Therefore, be it resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon Los Angeles City Attorney Mike Feuer and the Housing & Community Investment Department to immediately present to the United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, a list of the permanent, supportive units built over the last nine years in satisfaction of the settlement and that the City Attorney petition for the settlement to be declared satisfied and null and void; and

Be it further resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon the Councilman Mike Bonin, the Los Angeles City Council and Mayor Eric Garcetti to immediately amend LAMC 56.11 (the ordinance limiting storage on sidewalks) to bar any storage of personal possessions (other than a bicycle for 24 hours or less) on a sidewalk, parkway, alley or street within 300 feet of any residentially zoned property for more than one hour; and

Be it further resolved that upon the vacation of the Jones Settlement the Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon the Los Angeles Police Department to begin warning anyone sitting, lying or sleeping within 300 feet of a residentially zoned property that they are in violation of LAMC 41.18; and

Be it further resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon Councilman Mike Bonin and Mayor Eric Garcetti and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (or social agencies acting on their behalf) to offer shelter beds, shared housing, Section 8 housing, transitional housing or transportation to safe family members at the same time and in conjunction with the LAMC 41.18 warnings by the LAPD; and

Be it further resolved that in instances when an individual acting in violation of LAMC 41.18 refuses to either leave the area within 300 feet of residences, or to accept housing or transportation to a safe family member, the Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon Los Angeles Police Department to cite the individual for violating LAMC 41.18 and if future violations occur, to secure a stay-away order to prevent that individual from returning to camp out in Venice.

C. Inclusion of VNC On Matters Pertaining To The Community (James Murez) [EXHIBIT]

MOTION: To send a letter to Councilman Bonin regarding the exclusion of the Venice Neighborhood Council in matters important to the Venice Community. (submitted by Jim Murez)

D. Opposition To Use of Westminster Senior Center for Homeless Storage (Will Hawkins on behalf of the Homeless Committee.)

MOTION:Whereas a Motion (CF 15-1138 S-8) has been introduced to the Los Angeles City Council to convert the Westminster Senior Center at 1234 Pacific Avenue for use as storage for the possessions of persons who are homeless and;
Whereas the use of the property was dedicated by declaration by the Los Angeles Superior Court to such public use for public playground and recreation purposes; on July 5, 1950;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Venice Neighborhood Council opposes the use of the Westminster Senior Center at 1234 Pacific Avenue for use as storage; and

The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends to Councilman Bonin, the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks and Mayor Eric Garcetti that the use of the Westminster Senior Center remain as originally dedicated “for public use for public

playground and recreation purposes” as indicated in the original disposition of the property by the Los Angeles Superior Court on July 5, 1950.

15. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (PM - 5 minutes)

16. Adjourn (approx. PM)

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome

Standing Committees

Administrative Ira Koslow
Neighborhood George Francisco
Outreach Matthew Kline
Land Use and Planning Matthew Royce
Budget & Finance Hugh Harrison
Rules & Selections John Reed
Arts Sonny Bak
Ocean Front Walk Colleen Saro
Education - vacant

Ad Hoc Committees

Public Safety - Matt Shaw & Will Hawkins
Homeless - Will Hawkins
Parking & Transportation - Jim Murez
Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello
Discussion Forum Joe Murphy
Mass/Scale/Character Sue Kaplan

RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS: For information on the VNC’s process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the VNC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website www.venicenc.org.

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