



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Joint Board & Administrative Committee Agenda

Canal Club

2025 Pacific Ave, Venice, 90291

Monday, May 11th, 2015 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**
2. **Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda**
3. **Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes**
<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/150415AdComMinutes.pdf>
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.]
- A **Special Meeting for 2015/2016 Strategic Plan** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of the Budget & Finance Committee treasurer@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council shall schedule a special meeting in late May 2015 to consider the 2015/2016 Strategic Plan.

RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE 5/6/15 4-

The motion for this motion was 4-0-0 [Harrison, Aroth, Spiegel, Francisco].

B Consideration and approval of May 19th, 2015 Proposed Board Agenda

7. Adjourn

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DRAFT Board of Officers Meeting Agenda Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium) 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291 **Tuesday, May 19th, 2015 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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PUBLIC COMMENT: The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any Old or New Business item on the agenda and the Treasurer's Report. Comments from the public on these agenda items will be heard only when that item is being considered. Comments from the public on other agenda matters or on matters not appearing on the agenda but within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to one (1) minute per speaker, unless modified by the presiding officer of the Board. No new speaker cards will be accepted once Public Comment has begun.

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 Whole Foods, Abbot's Habit, and Jessica Blumenthal for the food and refreshments.
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/2012/12/150421BoardMinutes.pdf>
4. **Approval of the Board Agenda (7:03PM – 1 minute)**
5. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:04PM -- 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 (7:05PM – 40 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. Captain Nicole Alberca
- B **Government Reports (15 minutes)** (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)



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- City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Cecilia Castillo, Field Deputy, Cecilia.Castillo@lacity.org (310-568-8772)
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- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, (Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org) 213-978-0836

C **VNC Announcements (5 Minutes)**

- President - Mike Newhouse (President@VeniceNC.org)
- Vice President - Marc Saltzberg (VicePresident@VeniceNC.org)
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Mike Newhouse, WRAC President, Marc Saltzberg, VNC Representatives. (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
- VNC Representative to DWP: Dede Audet
- Venice Chamber Of Commerce: Catherine Chevalier, President VCC (Catherine@notmaurice.com)

D **California Common Cause (10 minutes)** (Kurston Cook kurston.cook@gmail.com)

Presentation by policy fellow with California Common Cause to discuss recommended reforms to the LA City matching funds program. Includes a short presentation, with a 6 minute video, and the opportunity for Q&A.

7. **General Consent Calendar (7:46PM -- 1 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.]

A **Community Impact Statement in support of the Baldwin Hills Conservancy Act** (Marc Saltzberg on behalf of the Neighborhood Committee VicePresident@venicenc.org)

MOTION: *Whereas*, The Baldwin Hills Conservancy was created by the California legislature in 2000 to help address the lack of open space and park land in the Los Angeles area. Since that time, it has been an effective vehicle for improving and acquiring park land and facilities in the region, collaborating with numerous agencies to fund more than 25 park projects valued in excess of \$40 million, and

Whereas, when established in 2000, it included a “sunset” provision that was put in place. The legislature did not want to create an agency that would exist in perpetuity if it didn’t prove to be useful. As it stands now, the Conservancy will cease to exist on January 1, 2018 – unless legislation is adopted to extend it;



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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that The Venice Neighborhood Council supports AB 446, the Baldwin Hills Conservancy Act, authored by Assemblymember Ridley-Thomas which will extend its existence indefinitely. The VNC also supports LA City Council File [15-0002-S34](#), Council Member Herb Wesson's [motion](#) to support AB446. CIS?

8. Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar (7:47PM -- 1 minute)

[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.]

A VNC De Minimis Projects

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the following project as a "VNC De Minimis Project":

513 28th Ave, Southeast Venice Subarea, R1-1-0 zone, Land Use Designation: Single-Family Residential--Low, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone
DIR-2015-834-VSO
Applicant: Terry Ballentine
LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

9. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (7:48PM -- 12 minutes)

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

10. Old Business (8:00PM -- 10 minutes) [Discussion and possible action]

Update on Budget Advocates and Selection of VNC Budget Representatives

MOTION: The VNC Board shall select two Board members to be the VNC Budget Representatives for the 2016 fiscal year.

11. LUPC (8:10PM – 60 minutes) (Robin Rudisill on behalf of LUPC, Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org) [Discussion and possible action]

A 10 Washington Blvd ("The Venice Whaler" restaurant expansion), Marina Peninsula Subarea, C4-1 zone, Land Use Plan designation: Community Commercial, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone (aka "Appealable Area" post LCP) APCW-2014-4703-SPE-SPP-PAB-PAD-CDP and ENV-2014-4704-EAF

B 2715 Ocean Front Walk (adjustment to project for new SFD), North Venice Subarea, RD1.5-1-0, Land Use Plan Designation: Multiple-Family Residential Low Medium II, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone ZA-2015-1111-CDP-ZAA-SPPA-SPP and ENV-2015-1112-EAF & related cases ZA-



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2012-2764-ZAA and DIR-2012-2713-SPP-SPPA-MEL and ENV-2012-2765-CE and ENV-2012-2714-CE

C **811-815 Ocean Front Walk** (mixed use—2 residential units & 110-seat restaurant w/CUB), North Venice Subarea, C1-1 zone, Land Use Plan designation: Community Commercial, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone (aka “Appealable Area” post LCP)
ZA-2014-3007-CDP-CUB-ZV-SPP-MEL and ENV-2014-3008-EAF

D **Questions for City Attorney on LUPC Issues**, PROPOSED MOTION, Robin Rudisill, Chair

E **Venice Coastal Zone Interim Control Ordinance**, as requested by VNC Board, PROPOSED MOTION, Robin Rudisill, Chair

12. New Business (9:10PM – 10 minutes)
[Discussion and possible action]

A **Bicycle Safety and Bicycle Rental Facilities** (Marc Saltzberg on behalf of the Neighborhood Committee VicePresident@venicenc.org)

MOTION: *Whereas* Venice Beach attracts millions of tourists each year, many of whom rent bicycles, and

Whereas bicycle rental shops rent their equipment without regard to riding ability, knowledge of local ordinances intended for bicycle safety, or knowledge and understanding of lane striping intended to protect bike riders, or knowledge of where bicycle paths go and potential hazards along them, and

Whereas bicycle riders who violate Los Angeles City bike safety and traffic ordinances are a hazard to both motor vehicle operators and pedestrians, and

Whereas California state law requires that anyone under the age of 18 riding a bicycle (or using inline skates) wear a helmet on a street, bikeway or public bicycle path or trail, including children who are sitting in restraining seats or are being towed in a trailer behind the bicycle, and

Whereas such helmets are provided at no charge by bike rental facilities even though the law does not require such helmets for adults, and

Whereas hundreds of bicycle accidents involving rented equipment occur in Los Angeles each year that could be avoided with better bike rider education while injuries arising from such accidents could be mitigated with protective equipment;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that:

1. The Los Angeles City Council request the Department of Transportation to develop a guidebook of basic road regulations and bicycle safety tips, and further requires Bicycle Rental Facilities to distribute it to each individual renter/bike rider.



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2. Bicycle rental facilities be required to obtain a signed waiver from each rider stating they have read, understand and will abide by California bicycle laws.
3. Los Angeles bicycle vendors / rental companies be required to supply each bicycle rider, regardless of age, with a safety helmet before leaving the location.

13. Treasurers Report (9:20PM - 5 minutes) (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee, Treasurer@VeniceNC.org) [Discussion and possible action] **[EXHIBIT]**

A MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Monthly Expenditure Reports for May 2015.
 RECOMENDED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE ON 5/6/15 4-0-0

B MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council shall reallocate:

1. \$750 from General Community Projects in the currently approved budget to General Outreach for the cost of a Town Hall on Affordable Housing to be held in June 2015.
2. \$2,250 from General Community Projects, \$1,875 from storage, and \$475 from General Community Improvement for the costs of the 2015 Venice Community Barbecue in August 2015.

RECOMENDED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE ON 5/6/15 3-0-1

14. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (9:25PM - 5 minutes)

15. Adjourn (approx. 9:30)

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome

Administrative	Mike Newhouse	Communications	Jed Pauker
Arts	Eduardo Manilla	Discussion Forum	Joe Murphy
Budget & Finance	Hugh Harrison	Business	George Francisco
Education	Bud Jacobs	Housing	Abigail Myers, Helen Stotler
Land Use and Planning	Robin Rudisill	Mass/Scale/Character	Sue Kaplan
Neighborhood	Marc Saltzberg	Parking/Transportation	Abigail Myers
Ocean Front Walk	Melissa Diner	Public Safety	George Francisco
Outreach	Sylvia Aroth	Santa Monica Airport	Laura Silagi, Abigail Myers
Rules & Election	Ira Koslow	2015/16 Election	Elizabeth Wright, Ivan Spiegel
Environmental	Abigail Myers, Erin Sullivan-Ward, Barbara Lonsdale		

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