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**Ocean Front Walk (OFW) Committee Meeting Agenda**

**Monday September 27, 2021 at 6:00 PM**

**Webinar**

**In conformity with the governor's executive order n-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, this Venice Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely telephonically.**

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You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Sep 27, 2021 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: OFW

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- Raise your hand (or when accessing by telephone, press \*9) if you have a public comment only WHEN we get to that specific item.
- After you speak, please lower your hand.
- All panelists (board members) and attendees (public) will be muted until the administrator unmutes you for comment.
- Committee members will get one chance to speak for a max of 2 minutes per item.
- Public comment will be limited to one comment for 60 seconds per item.
- Please do not raise your hand more than once per item
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- No ceding your time to others will be allowed
- The meeting is being video and audio recorded
- The public will be able to listen and speak but their video will be disabled.

1. 6:00 pm - Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Jim Robb, Chair ( <a href="mailto:james.rob主@venicenc.org">james.rob主@venicenc.org</a> )	Brian Averill
Mark Rago	Nick Antonicello
Robin Rudisill	Noel Johnston
Jason Tong	Stan Muhammed

3. Approve Agenda as presented or amended

4. Approve Minutes of last meeting as presented

5. OFWC members to declare any conflicts of interest or ex parte communications relating to items on this meeting's agenda

**6. Chair Report (Jim Robb)**

**7. General Public Comment on non-agendized items related to Venice Neighborhood Council Ocean Front Walk Committee**

**8. Introduction and Q&A with Sonya Young-Jimenez, Superintendent of Venice Beach for Los Angeles Rec & Parks**

(15 minutes)

**9. MOTION: Renewed Upkeep of the Grassy Areas along OFW (Jim Robb)**

Whereas the grassy areas along OFW have fallen into disrepair,

the VNC formally requests a timely and comprehensive plan to reseed, protect, and irrigate these areas, with letters sent to Councilmember Bonin's office and Michael Shull & Sonya Young-Jimenez at LA Rec/ Parks.

**10. MOTION: Permanent Ranger Presence at the Beach and OFW (Brian Averill)**

Whereas our beach is the most visited park in Los Angeles and

whereas the mission statement of the LA Park Rangers is to provide safe, welcoming parks and recreation facilities for people of all ages to play, learn, contemplate, build a sense of community, and be good stewards of our environment,

the VNC formally requests that a permanent, regularly scheduled Park Ranger presence be initiated, with a substation established at Westminster Park with letters sent to Chief Joe Losarelli ([joe.losorelli@lacity.org](mailto:joe.losorelli@lacity.org)), Councilmember Bonin's office, Mayor Eric Garcetti, and Michael Shull at Rec/Parks.

**11. MOTION: Improve the Conditions of the North Venice Walk Streets (Brian Averill)**

Whereas multiple North Venice walk streets were torn up for repairs months ago and

whereas they were haphazardly covered over with loose, soft asphalt and are not remotely ADA compliant,

the VNC requests the timely completion of this project and that a reasonable temporary solution be adopted immediately with letters sent to Councilmember Bonin's office, LADOT, and the Bureau of Street Services.

**12. MOTION: Right of Entry to the Venice Skatepark for Jesse Martinez (Brian Averill)**

Whereas Jesse Martinez has tirelessly and voluntarily worked on the constant upkeep of our world-renowned Venice Skatepark since its inception and  
whereas increased access would be incredibly helpful to Mr Martinez,

the VNC shall send letters to Michael Shull and Sonya Young-Jimenez at the Department of Recreation and Parks and Councilmember Bonin's office requesting official Right of Entry permission and access to water, power, and storage for Mr Martinez.

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