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## Neighborhoods Committee

Joint With

**Board of Officers**

**Regular Meeting Agenda**

**Friday January 27, 2023**

**Start Time: 09:00 AM**

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## 2 Call To Order

### 3 Roll Call:

(3 minutes)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Daffodil Tyminski | <input type="checkbox"/> William Wood | <input type="checkbox"/> Cassie Hermiston-Boyd |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yolanda Gonzalez  | <input type="checkbox"/> Darryl Dufay | <input type="checkbox"/> Sergio Perez          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Felicia Salzbart  |                                       |  |

**Attendance: 0**

**Quorum: 5**

## 4 Declarations of Ex Parties and/or Conflicts of interest

(3 minutes)

## 6 Old Business

(10 minutes)

Updates and discussion on any topic previously raised by the Neighborhood Committee, including (but not limited to):

-FEMA (information on changing flood zone designation)  
<https://www.fema.gov/flood-maps/change-your-flood-zone>

-Pickleball (renewed community requests)

-Sidewalks (Safe Sidewalks Program: <https://sidewalks.lacity.org>)

See: Sidewalk Grievance Policies (at  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1D8BJI3kVzFZIsFvewBF3vE\\_819D\\_x1RZ/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1D8BJI3kVzFZIsFvewBF3vE_819D_x1RZ/view))

-Street Cleaning

-Neighborhood Signs

## 7 Motion to Use federal, state or Local (i.e., CD 11 Real Property Trust Funds or AB11)

(10 minutes)

**Description:** WHEREAS, the City previously passed a Safe Sidewalks Program, which has never been significantly activated in Venice.

WHEREAS, Previous requests have been made by this Committee to upgrade sidewalks in Venice that are in bad need of repair and are unsafe for pedestrian passage, and these requests have gone completely unacknowledged and unaddressed.

WHEREAS, on November 13, 2021, President Biden signed into law the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which provides funding for sidewalk repair.

WHEREAS, the new City Council will approve the FY 2023-2024 budget in about May 2023, and funds should be also be available in CD11's AB1290 Fund and/or CD11's Real Property Trust Fund.

**Attachments:**



**MOTION:** NOW THEREFOR, Venice Neighborhood Council moves:

1. to have our U.S. Representative Ted Lieu earmark federal funds to improve Venice Sidewalks;
2. to have CD 11 earmark funding from whatever federal, state or local source to improve sidewalks in Venice and budget accordingly in the Los Angeles FY 2023-2024 City Budget; and
3. to work with the VNC and/or Neighborhood Committee in identifying sidewalks in need of repair (including Main Street, the Silver Triangle, and the Venice Canals' bridges) many of which have already been discussed by the Committee.

Maker Second

Call for Vote

**Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0**

Alternate Motion

**8 New Business**

(20 minutes)

**9 Real ID (Yolanda Gonzalez)**

(1 minutes)

Deadline to obtain Real IDs extended to May 2025.

**10 Motion to Amend the Los Angeles City Charter Provisions re: Neighborhood Council**

(10 minutes)

**Description:** WHEREAS, in 1999, the Los Angeles City Charter established the Neighborhood Council System and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment which supports the Neighborhood Councils “to promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs...” Charter Section 900 and in 2001 created the Plan for Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils, which was adopted by the City and last updated in 2013. See [https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/Plan\\_Amended\\_12-18-131\\_edit.pdf](https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/Plan_Amended_12-18-131_edit.pdf);

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles City Charter has not been significantly updated in almost 25 years and the Plan for Neighborhood Councils Neighborhood Council has not been significantly updated in 10 years; and

WHEREAS, redistricting of Neighborhood Councils is expected to occur in 2023.

See <https://empowerla.org/about-neighborhood-councils/>.

**Attachments:**



**MOTION:** NOW THEREFOR, the Venice Neighborhood Council Requests that City Council update the City Charter and/or the Plan to reflect the current realities of the Neighborhood Council System and the the VNC have a voice regarding the VNC's boundaries in any upcoming redistricting.

Maker Second

Call for Vote

**Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0**

Alternate Motion

**11 Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

(10 minutes)

**Description:** Approval of Neighborhood Committee Minutes

**Attachments:**



**MOTION:** The Neighborhood Committee approves the Meeting Minutes for:

November 11, 2022,  
September 2, 2022,  
June 3, 2022,  
May 9, 2022,  
March 25, 2022,  
January 25, 2022,  
December 3, 2021, and  
November 5, 2021



See <https://www.venicenc.org/committees/viewCommittee/78> for details.

Maker Second

Call for Vote

**Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0**

Alternate Motion

**12 Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda**(5 minutes) **13 Committee Comment on Items Not on the Agenda**(10 minutes) **14 Adjournment****Concluded At: 08:10 AM**

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