



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Rules & Selections Committee
Wednesday, January 10, 2024 | 4:30-5:30 PM
Abbot Kinney Memorial Library, 501 S. Venice Blvd., Venice, CA 90291

AGENDA **MINUTES**

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Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Committee's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Committee meeting. Public comment is limited to one (1) minute per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Committee. Public comments for Homelessness Committee Meetings may be emailed to the chair at alley.bean@venicenc.org

Current Bylaws 7/1/2022 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/committee63d2e3ea0ffff.pdf>

Current Standing Rules 3/14/2017 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/committee6361686a6d150.pdf>

CALL TO ORDER: 4:37pm

ROLL CALL WITH DECLARATION OF EXPARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST if any:

CJ Cole, Co-Chair	X	Christopher Lee	A	
Lisa Redmond, Co-Chair	X			
Helen Fallon	X			VNC President, ex officio

APPROVAL of PRIOR MINUTES:

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Rules & Selections Committee's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed one (1) minute unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Stakeholder Motion from Robin Rudisill and Richard Stanger -- Changes to Standing Rules and Bylaws re LUPC

a. Item description:

The purpose of the proposed changes is three-fold: 1) to clarify the standard of review for proposed developments within the Venice Coastal Zone, 2) to clarify steps LUPC should follow in the project review process, and 3) to establish timelines for the speedy review and processing of projects.



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b. **Motion:**

Standing Rules, pages 3-4, strike the existing Section 3 LUPC Committee and replace with:

LUPC Committee:

I. **LUPC Agendas**

The Agenda shall be prepared by the Land Use & Planning Committee (LUPC) Chair or other LUPC member assigned by the committee and shall include an agenda item ~~listing to decide the disposition of~~ all new projects in the bi-weekly Certified Neighborhood Council (CNC) City Planning Early Notification Reports since the last LUPC meeting. It will also include any agenda item(s) requested by a LUPC member, including ~~but not limited to projects that have not previously been heard by the VNC, and the public hearings for cases that were assigned to LUPC members.~~

II. **Review of Projects**

Initiating Review. The LUPC is responsible for reviewing ~~new project~~ applications ~~for new projects as a~~ listed in the CNC City Planning Early Notification Reports since the last LUPC meeting.

LUPC will determine if any projects need additional review and a public LUPC hearing by considering the project's conformance with the certified Venice Land Use Plan development standards and policies (LUP) if the project is in the Venice Coastal Zone and with the Venice Community Plan (VCP) if the project is in East Venice. If there is not a consensus of the group on whether to waive the review of a given project or not, **further review of the project** it will be put to a vote of the committee.

Projects Needing No Further Review: Those projects for which additional review is waived will appear on the next VNC Board Agenda under the Agenda Item title "Projects for which VNC Recommendation is Waived, Without Prejudice." The Board can vote to approve the list or approve a modified list and send any one of the projects listed back to LUPC for review and a public hearing.

Projects Needing Further Review: Those projects selected for further review and hearing will be assigned by the Chair during the public meeting to a ~~specific~~ LUPC member who will work with the applicant and the neighbors to prepare a written LUPC Staff Report. If there is opposition to the assignment of the ~~specific~~ LUPC member to a the given project, ~~it~~ **the assignment** will be put to a vote of the committee. ~~The Staff Report shall be reviewed by LUPC at a public hearing for the project w~~ Within one month's time, or as soon as practicable, each project assigned shall be reviewed at a LUPC meeting at which a written Staff Report is presented that includes the recommendation, project description, pros and cons, a summary of community input, and any findings.



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Projects for which a hearing is being held must contain the following minimum project information on the LUPC and VNC agendas:

Address:
All Case Numbers:
LUPC member assigned:
Applicant/Applicant's Representative:
Email for City Planner assigned:
Detailed Project Description:
Link to City Planning website where application and plans are posted:
Link to LUPC Staff Report

VNC Board Action. Those projects that have been heard at a ~~for which LUPC has held a public hearing meeting~~ will appear on the next VNC Board agenda under the Agenda Item title "Projects for which LUPC Recommends Board Action." The Board can vote to accept the recommended action, reject the recommended action, or return it to LUPC for further review.

The results of the VNC Board LUPC agenda items shall be sent by the VNC Board Secretary within 72 hours of the meeting to the current City Planning Supervisor for Venice projects and the City Planner(s) assigned, with copies to the LUPC Chair and the VNC President.

- c. **Public comment**
- d. **Committee discussion and vote**

Motion: CJ Cole
2nd : Helen Fallon

Motion with amendments: Helen Fallon
2nd: CJ Cole

Vote 3-0-0

***NOTE: See supporting document with all motion language**

2. Stakeholder Email Survey

- a. Status update

3. January 13 meeting

- a. Format planning
- b. Public comment
- c. Committee discussion

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Stakeholder suggestion/request from Elizabeth Wright – Revise name of the Venice Neighborhood Council

- a. Request:



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VNC Stakeholders within zip code 90292 are routinely omitted from outreach, especially mailings. Yet the two areas within VNC boundaries that have the greatest population are south of Washington Boulevard (zip 90292). Because the official postal address is Marina Del Rey, many of the residents have no idea they are stakeholders. They do not know where to take their problems, and have no idea the VNC can be their voice.

- b. **Public comment**
- c. **Committee discussion**

COMMITTEE COMMENT: Comments from committee members on items not on the agenda for future consideration, time permitting.

ADJOURNMENT : Time 5:34pm

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For information on the NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our website www.venicenc.org



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