



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## Venice Arbor Committee Special (VArb) Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: May 17, 2024  
Meeting Time: 11:00 AM Pacific Time  
Meeting Location: Gjusta, 320 Sunset Ave., Venice, CA  
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Sarah Wauters, Chair (SW)		Michael McGuffin	
Isabelle Duvivier		Noel Johnston	
Mark Ryavec		Barry Campion	
Janin Paine		Nico (ex-officio)	

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Review, Comment and Adopt Minutes from prior meetings
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. Reports
  - a. Chair Report - Sarah Wauters
  - b. Report from CFAC - Isabelle Duvivier
  - c. VVG Report – Noel Johnston
  - d. OFW Report – Janin /Barry
6. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. Removal of Michael McGuffin and Mark Ryavec from Committee
    - i. **Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion**
    - ii. **Public comment**
    - iii. **Committee discussion**
    - iv. **Motion**
  - b. Letter to Property Owners who Illegally Prune Trees



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- i. **Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion**
- ii. **Public comment**
- iii. **Committee discussion**
- iv. **Motion**
- c. Urban Canopy Motion Put Forward in LUPC's May 2 Meeting – follow up work.
  - i. **Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion**
  - ii. **Public comment**
  - iii. **Committee discussion**
  - iv. **Motion**

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

### a. **Venice Pilot Projects to Support Biodiversity in the Urban Environment**

- i. **Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion**
- ii. **Public comment**
- iii. **Committee discussion**
- iv. **Motion**

### b. **Planning a Celebration of our 500th tree in the Ground – Report to the VNC Board**

- i. Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion - Peter says we should have a BBQ at Dog Park, tree giveaway, Breakfast to Brunch at dog park, maybe use the rec center, permit to have one day event, fundraiser – should plant a 24inch box – big tree to celebrate.
- ii. Public comment
- iii. Committee discussion
- iv. Motion

Comments on items not on the agenda for consideration.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. ADJOURNED

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