



Venice Neighborhood Council

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VNC to Hear Report on Changes at Vera Davis Center on April 26th

The Venice Neighborhood Council will hear reports from the City of Los Angeles on changes at the Vera Davis Youth and Family Center at its next meeting on Tuesday, April 26th. The meeting will be held in the Westminster Elementary School Auditorium, 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd. starting at 7PM.

Word of changes in the funding, management and programs at the Vera Davis Center (VDC) spread several weeks ago; in response, Councilman Rosendahl's office released the following statement:

It is the intention and goal of Councilmember Rosendahl, the Community Development Department, and the Department of Cultural Affairs [DCA], to keep the VDC operating and open to the public, with a wide variety of services offered to the community. We are working dilligently [sic] on means to keep the center operating until a Request for Proposal for an operator to manage the VDC and all such City-owned facilities is released, a contractor is selected, and the recommended contractor is approved by Council and the Mayor. That process will be open and fair to all responding agencies. Management of the VDC is planned to be transferred to the DCA on June 30, 2011. There are no plans to close the VDC.

In addition to the agencies who currently occupy space at the VDC, other community services are offered and managed by CDD staff. It is our intention that those services will continue to be provided, if not at the VDC, then in other facilities nearby.

In other business, the VNC will hear a presentation from the US Post Office on plans to move the Venice Post Office to the Postal Annex across the street and additional plans to sell the old post office building with historical status preserved. Motions will be introduced to support a solar waste compactor pilot program in Venice and to oppose the use of any public funding for a proposed Downtown sports stadium and Convention Center renovations.

A detailed agenda has been posted on the internet at www.venicenc.org/node/1714 and at posting places in the community.

There is no charge for this event. It is open to the public. Comments are encouraged.

What: Venice Neighborhood Council Board Meeting

Where: Westminster Elementary School Auditorium, 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd (enter from Westminster)

When: Tuesday, April 26th, 2011

Time: 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM

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