

Venice Neighborhood Council

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VNC Neighborhood Committee Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: January 3, 2012 Meeting Time: 8:00am - 9:30am

Meeting Location: Extra Space Storage Meeting Room - 658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, CA 90291

Contact: Marc.Saltzberg@VeniceNC.org

1. 8:00am - Call to Order & Roll Call & Introductions

Adam Glick	Linda Lucks (ex-offcio)	
Bill Boyd	Lydia Pelosi	
Colleen Saro	Marc Saltzberg (Chair)	
DeDe Audette	Margot Michon	
Gogi Overhoff	Michael Nelson	
Jay Cole	Michael Stenger	
Jerry Jaffe	Nicholas Hippisley-Coxe	
Jessica Martinez	Robin Rudisil	
Joshua Blacker	Tom Sauer	
Guests:		
Antoinette Reynolds		
Nadine Semer		

- 8:20 Approve Agenda and appoint secretary to take minutes
- 3. 8:25 Consider Antoinette Reynolds as representative from Oakwood: North Click <u>HERE</u> to see application Consider Nadine Semer as representative from the Silver Triangle Click <u>HERE</u> to see application
- 4. 8:30 ANNOUNCEMENTS Information about specific events important to Venice
- 5. 8:35 PUBLIC COMMENT non-agendized items related to Neighborhood Committee only
- 6. 8:40 Approve minutes from previous meetings Click links to see DRAFT minutes: 10/25/12 and 11/29/12
- 8:45 Discussion & possible action regarding Speed Monitoring Radar Signs (see page 2)
- 8:50 Neighborhood Committee Organizational Issues
 - a. Email addresses
 - b. Responsibilities of Committee Members
 - i. Representing the Neighborhood
 - 1. Outreach to neighborhood (community email groups, door knocks and greeting packets, neighborhood and Home Owner Associations, non-profits and Businesses)
 - 2. Communication of neighborhood concerns and motions Neighborhood Committee and City
 - 3. Communication of City / VNC issues to neighborhood
 - ii. Community Improvement Projects
 - c. Brown Act: it applies to Committees Click HERE for way too much information from the City Attorney
 - d. MOTION: Resolved, the VNC Neighborhood Committee shall follow the VNC Code of Civility (see page 4)
 - e. Conduct of meetings & Robert's Rules (holding meetings with 20 people reporting)
 - Neighborhoods possible changes: defining Rose Corridor & adding Oakwood: West Neighborhood
 - g. Quorum and next meeting date (Jan 24 at 7:30PM)
- 9. 9:30pm Adjourn

Resolution: Speed Monitoring Radar Signs on Pacific Ave. in Venice

Whereas, it is the responsibility of the City of Los Angeles to provide for the safe flow of traffic on city streets, roads and boulevards and,

Whereas, traffic on Pacific Blvd in Venice does not flow safely as evidenced by the high number of accidents between Navy Street and Washington Blvd (see Appendix 1) and,

Whereas, a comprehensive traffic study has not been completed for Pacific Blvd but excessive vehicle speed has been a factor in many of the reported accidents and,

Whereas, Speed Monitoring Radar Signs are known to have a "calming" effect on traffic;

Therefore be it resolved, the Venice Neighborhood Council agrees to set aside "\$xxx" for installation of Speed Monitoring Radar Signs to demonstrate its commitment to improve traffic safety in the Pacific and Brooks area and asks Council District 11 and the Mayor's Office to find ways to provide the additional funding required to complete the installation of Speed Monitoring Radar Signs on Pacific in the vicinity of Brooks Ave. When these funds are identified the VNC asks CD11 to introduce a City Council Motion asking the City to install the Speed Monitoring Equipment on an expedited schedule.

This resolution shall be sent to Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, City of Los Angeles Council District 11, the Los Angeles City Council and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation.

APPENDIX to Resolution re: Speed Monitoring Radar Signs

Accident Summary for Pacific between Navy Street and Washington Blvd.

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		A c c i d e n t s Speed		
Street	Year	Total	Related?	Injuries
Brooks	2006	4	4	3
	2007	3	3	3
	2008	4	4	3
	2009	4	4	4
	Total:	15	15	13
Navy	2006	2	2	1
	2007	4	4	5
	2008	3	3	5
	2009	2	2	2
	2010	2	2	3
	2011	1	1	1
	Total:	14	14	17
Rose	2006	4	4	4
	2007	3	3	6
	2008	3	3	4
	2009	1	1	1
	2010	7	7	4
	2011	3	3	1
	Total:	21	21	20
Washington	2006	2	1	3
	2007	4	0	1
	2008	3	1	2
	2009	3	3	3
	Total:	12	5	9
Windward	2006	4	3	3
	2007	5	4	6
	2008	1	0	0
	2009	1	1	2
	2010	4	2	2
	Total:	15	10	13
Others	2006	2	2	2
	2007	2	2	1
	2009	1	1	1
	2010	1	0	1
	Total:	6	5	5
	Grand Total:	83	70	77

Venice Neighborhood Council Code of Civility

- 1. I will conduct myself in a professional and civil manner at all times as a representative of the Venice Neighborhood Council.
- 2. I will treat each member of the board, the committee and members of the public with respect at all times, regardless of an individual's opinion, ethnicity, race, sexuality, age, disability, or religion.
- 3. Even in the face of disagreement or differences of opinion, I will demonstrate esteem and deference for my colleagues and the public.
- 4. Under no circumstances during Neighborhood Council meetings, committee meetings, functions, or events will I engage in or threaten to engage in any verbal or physical attack on any other individual.
- 5. I will commit to communicate my ideas and points of view clearly, and allow others to do the same without interruption.
- 6. I will not use language that is abusive, threatening, obscene, or slanderous, including using profanities, insults, or other disparaging remarks or gestures.
- 7. Derogatory language about an individual's ethnicity, race, sexuality, age, disability, or religion is not acceptable.
- 8. I will take responsibility for my own actions, and will work to fulfill my role and responsibilities as specified in the bylaws.
- 9. I will commit to learn the applicable laws that govern Neighborhood Council, including bylaws, standing rules, the Brown Act, ethics rules, city ordinances, and the City Charter, and will not knowingly violate any of the above.
- 10. I will abide by the Neighborhood Council's meeting procedures or rules in order to create a safe and effective environment for conducting business.
- 11. I will promote and enforce a safe meeting environment at all times. At moments when members of the public become disruptive and violate the rules of civility that we have pledged to follow, I will join my fellow board members in demanding that the persons conduct themselves in a respectful and orderly manner even if I agree with the point of view that is being expressed.
- 12. I will seek to present information truthfully, and will not knowingly misrepresent, mischaracterize, or misquote information received from others.
- 13. I pledge to truly listen to and hear other points of view.
- 14. I will practice the art of being able to disagree without being disagreeable.
- 15. If I find myself representing my personal interests before my community's interests, I will publicly disclose the differences and recuse myself from voting on such matters.
- 16. I will commit to good faith efforts to resolve any grievances that come before the board as specified in the bylaws.
- 17. I owe it to my fellow board members, the public, and the decision-makers who we are trying to influence to make the best possible effort to understand the issues before me. I will "do my homework".