



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## **Joint Meeting of the Board & Administrative Committee Agenda**

Extra Space Storage, Presidents Row Room

658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, 90291

**Monday, September 8, 2014 at 7:00 PM**

Note (i) The Administrative Committee does not address or consider the merits of proposed agenda items. Its function is to determine whether a proposed agenda item will be placed on the next Board meeting agenda, postponed, referred to a specific committee for review and recommendation, treated as an announcement, or considered and resolved as a non-Board administrative matter. (ii) The Administrative Committee has the discretion to reorder consideration of matters on the agenda to accommodate stakeholders or for other reasons.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda**
3. **Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes**  
<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/05/VNC-140811AdComMinutes.pdf>
4. **Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda**
5. **Old Administrative Committee Business**
6. **New Administrative Committee Business**  
*[Discussion and possible action.]*
- A **Amendment to Ex Parte Communications Language for Board Members (Linda Lucks, [Past-President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Past-President@VeniceNC.org))**

The ex parte item on future Board agendas should be amended to read:

Declaration of Ex Parte Communications and Conflict-Of-Interests (1 minute) All Board members shall declare any ex parte communications relating to items on the meeting's agenda and also any items for which they might have a conflict-of-interest and will be recusing themselves.

## **B Consideration and approval of September 16, 2014 Proposed Board Agenda**

### **7. Adjourn**

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## **DRAFT Board of Officers Meeting Agenda** **Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)** **1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291** **Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 7:00 PM**

**BOARD MEETINGS:** The Venice Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act. All are welcome to attend.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:** The public is requested to fill out a "**Speaker Card**" to address the Board on any Old or New Business item on the agenda and the Treasurer's Report. Comments from the public on these agenda items will be heard only when that item is being considered. Comments from the public on other agenda matters or on matters not appearing on the agenda but within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to one minute per speaker, unless modified by the presiding officer of the Board. No new speaker cards will be accepted once Public Comment has begun.

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**ALL AGENDA TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE ON THE NIGHT OF THE MEETING.**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00PM – 1 minute)**
2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**
3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:02PM – 1 minute)**
4. **Approval of the Agenda (7:03PM – 1 minute)**
5. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications (7:04PM -- 1 minute)** All Board members shall declare any ex parte communications relating to items on the meeting's agenda
6. **Scheduled Announcements and Presentations (7:05PM – 25 minutes)**  
*[No discussion or Public Comment]*
- A **Public Safety - LAPD Report (5 minutes)**: Senior Lead Officers Peggy Thusing ([25120@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:25120@lapd.lacity.org)), Kristan Delatori ([32914@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:32914@lapd.lacity.org)), Gregg Jacobus, [35162@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:35162@lapd.lacity.org), Sgt. Theresa Skinner, Lt. Lydia Leos, OFW Beach Detail Supervisor.  
*Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*
- B **Government Reports (15 minutes)** (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)
  - **City Councilmember Mike Bonin**, Cecilia Castillo, Field Deputy, [Cecilia.Castillo@lacity.org](mailto:Cecilia.Castillo@lacity.org) (310-568-8772);
  - **LA County Department of Beaches & Harbors: OFW Safety**, John Kelly 310-305-9532



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- **Congressman Henry Waxman**, Representative Lisa Pinto; [Lisa.Pinto@housemail.gov](mailto:Lisa.Pinto@housemail.gov)
- **State Senator Ted Lieu**, 310-318-6994
- **State Assemblyperson Steve Bradford** 310.412.6400 Matt Stauffer [Matt.Stauffer@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Matt.Stauffer@asm.ca.gov)
- **LA County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky**, Maria Chong [mccastillo@bos.LACounty.gov](mailto:mccastillo@bos.LACounty.gov)
- **Mayor Eric Garcetti**, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, ([Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org](mailto:Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org)) 213-978-0836
- **Venice Abbot Kinney Memorial Branch Library**, Rachel Bindman, Librarian ([rbindman@lapl.org](mailto:rbindman@lapl.org))

## C VNC Announcements (5 Minutes)

- **President** - Mike Newhouse ([President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:President@VeniceNC.org))  
Resignation of Helen Stotler as Board Secretary and opening of nominations for replacement.
- **Vice President** Marc Saltzberg ([VicePresident@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))
- **Westside Regional Alliance of Neighborhood Councils**- Mike Newhouse, WRAC President, Marc Saltzberg, VNC Representatives. ([Chair@westsidecouncils.org](mailto:Chair@westsidecouncils.org)),
- **Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)** Ivan Spiegel ([Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org))
- **Venice Chamber Of Commerce**: Catherine Chevalier, President VCC ([Catherine@notmaurice.com](mailto:Catherine@notmaurice.com))  
Eduardo Manilla, ([Eduardo.Manilla@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Eduardo.Manilla@VeniceNC.org))

## 7. Consent Calendar (7:30PM -- 1 minute)

*[All agenda items on the Consent Calendar will pass when the Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any board member or stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of the agenda and be treated as regular agenda items with discussion and public comment.]*

## A **CIS in Support of Council File 14-0163-s4, Sidewalk Repair Program (Marc Saltzberg, [VicePresident@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))**

**Attachment:** [http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/VNC-140916\\_Sidewalk-Repair-Program-Ltr.pdf](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/VNC-140916_Sidewalk-Repair-Program-Ltr.pdf)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board requests a report with recommendations for a city sidewalk repair program that will identify, prioritize and budget for the repair of damaged city-owned sidewalks throughout all Los Angeles neighborhoods, with particular focus on those sidewalks that hold the highest potential for liability and present the most significant challenges to mobility and public access to the public's facilities.

## B **Traffic Control Officer at Washington and Pacific (Marc Saltzberg on behalf of Neighborhood Committee, [VicePresident@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))**

**MOTION:** The Neighborhood Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the Board of the VNC pass the following resolution regarding improving summer weekend traffic flow at the intersection of by stationing a traffic control officer at the Intersection:

WHEREAS, the Intersection of Washington Boulevard and Pacific Avenue ("the Intersection") is the gateway to the Venice Pier (to the west), the Marina del Rey and Venice Beaches (to the south and north), the major parking lot south of the Venice Pier, the Venice boardwalk and bike path, as well as the exit point for all of these attractions; and

WHEREAS, there are scores of restaurants, bars and retail establishments immediately east and



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west of the Intersection, all of which attract traffic; and

WHEREAS, the Intersection is a prime chokepoint for automobile, bicycle, skateboard and pedestrian traffic into and departing from the Venice – Marina del Rey beachfront and environs; and

WHEREAS, traffic has become unmanageable during busy periods leading to gridlock, congestion, flaring tempers, jaywalking and a host of other traffic violations, significant exhaust emission, fender benders, road rage and general urban distress; and

WHEREAS, the Intersection necessarily receives much of the traffic in the area because of the limited number of north and south through streets and no westbound egress because of the “edge of the continent;” and

WHEREAS, the combined traffic and resulting bottlenecks greatly restrict access of emergency vehicles and personnel responding to a natural or manmade disaster or other fire / police / medical / infrastructure emergency, thus constituting a clear and present danger to the community. The recent tragic lightning-strike fatality and injuries and the vehicular homicide on the Venice Boardwalk along with other common and/or statistically unusual but likely scenarios point out the need for substantially improved ability to evacuate the beach area, while control and regulation of the density of traffic of all kinds in the vicinity of the Intersection are critical for smooth traffic flow; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Venice Neighborhood Council Board recommends that the City of Los Angeles station a traffic control officer at the intersection of Washington Boulevard and Pacific Avenue during summer weekends and Holidays to direct and divert traffic.

This Resolution shall be sent to: Los Angeles City Councilman Mike Bonin, Los Angeles Department of Transportation General Manager Jon Mukri, Parking Enforcement & Traffic Control Group Executive Officer Greg Savelli, Marina Peninsula Community Council President Sandie West and posted to MyLADOT.

Approved by the Neighborhood Committee on 8/28/14 by a vote of 12-0-1

**C One-Way Traffic on Strongs Drive (Marc Saltzberg on behalf of Neighborhood Committee, [VicePresident@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))**

**MOTION:** WHEREAS Strongs Drive south of Washington to Driftwood is a residential street with a diverse and relatively heavy traffic mix due to the access provided to the area's multi-family zoning, a bordering pre-kindergarten through Jr. High Magnet School, access to the beach and availability of street parking, proximity to a very heavy concentration of drinking and dining establishments on Washington (which requires street parking for all employees and many patrons), and functions as one of the only exit / egress roads for the west side of the Marina del Rey Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, Strongs Drive south of Washington Blvd is only 27 feet wide, including parking on both sides of the street but the standard for a two-way street width in the City of Los Angeles is 50 feet; and

WHEREAS, Traffic on Strongs Drive becomes gridlocked whenever a truck (or large van) tries to



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travel in one direction while another vehicle attempts to travel in the other direction and is frequently gridlocked on weekends when the volume of traffic swells; and

WHEREAS many autos parked along Strongs Drive sustain damage as a result of drivers attempting to negotiate the tight street or who try to make "U" turns; and

WHEREAS pedestrian safety is compromised because there are no sidewalks on either side of Strongs Drive (the Venice Grand Canal is adjacent to the eastern side of Strongs which provides a walking path); and

WHEREAS the residents who live along Strongs Drive are often subjected to excessive noise resulting from the automobile horns used by drivers frustrated by the near constant gridlock of Strongs drive; and

WHEREAS residents on Marina Peninsula are concerned about emergency evacuation of the peninsula while LAUSD is concerned about traffic flow around the school to insure student safety;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that Strongs Drive between Washington Blvd and Driftwood St. be posted as a one-way street and that a working group composed of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (DOT) personnel, local residents, representatives of Los Angeles Unified School District and the Venice Neighborhood Council determine whether to make Driftwood St between Pacific and Strongs Drive one-way and the direction one-way traffic should flow.

This Resolution shall be sent to: Los Angeles City Councilman Mike Bonin, Los Angeles Department of Transportation General Manager Jon Mukri, Senior Transportation Engineer, Brian Gallagher, Transportation Engineering Associate, Rudy Guevara, Los Angeles School Board Member Steve Zimmer, Westside Global Awareness Magnet School Principal Cyril Baird, Marina Peninsula Community Council President Sandie West and posted to MyLADOT.

Approved by the Neighborhood Committee on 8/28/2014 by a vote of 12-0-1

**D Installation of Crosswalk(s) across Washington Blvd near Venice Beach (Marc Saltzberg on behalf of Neighborhood Committee, [VicePresident@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))**

**MOTION:** WHEREAS, the Venice Neighborhood Council has recognized the need for a safe pedestrian crossing of Washington Blvd. between the intersections of Washington and Pacific Ave. and Washington and Dell Ave, having passed a motion on 7/19/2011 to recommend a "scramble" crosswalk at Washington and Pacific and a second motion on 3/20/2012 recommending a crosswalk at Washington and Strongs Drive; and

WHEREAS, the first of these recommendations was denied with the message that DOT would install no additional "scramble" crosswalks in the City of LA; and

WHEREAS, no determination regarding the second recommendation was ever communicated to the VNC; and





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WHEREAS, the Venice Neighborhood Council continues to be concerned about the potential for traffic accidents resulting from jaywalking across Washington Blvd between the east side of Pacific Ave and Dell Ave, in part because there are no pedestrian crosswalks at any corner along that section of Washington;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the Los Angeles Department of Transportation meet with community representatives to determine a suitable location for a crosswalk(s) crossing Washington Blvd. between Pacific Ave. and Dell Ave. and insure that the crosswalk(s) design meet LA DOT standards for pedestrian safety; and then that LA DOT install such a crosswalk(s).

This Resolution shall be sent to: Los Angeles City Councilman Mike Bonin, Los Angeles Department of Transportation General Manager Jon Mukri, Senior Transportation Engineer, Brian Gallagher, Transportation Engineering Associate, Rudy Guevara, Los Angeles School Board Member Steve Zimmer, Westside Global Awareness Magnet School Principal Cyril Baird, Marina Peninsula Community Council President Sandie West and posted to MyLADOT.

Approved by the Neighborhood Committee on 8/28/2104 by a vote of 12-0-1

**E Additional boardwalk lighting and Westminster Dog Park tree lighting (Melissa Diner on behalf of the Ocean Front Walk Committee, [Melissa.Diner@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Melissa.Diner@VeniceNC.org))**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council Board recommends that the City of Los Angeles and LADWP install additional lighting on the boardwalk and on all the trees in Westminster Dog park in an effort to keep the entire Ocean Front Walk and surrounding dog park safe and beautiful after dark. Approved by the Ocean Front Walk Committee on 8/25/14 by a vote of 7-0-0

**F Venice Proud (Sylvia Aroth on behalf of Outreach Committee, [chair-outreach@VeniceNC.org](mailto:chair-outreach@VeniceNC.org))**

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends adopting "Venice Proud" as an additional marketing slogan in order to attract more community involvement.

Approved by Outreach Committee on 7/30/14 by a vote of 7-0-0

**8. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (7:31PM -- 10 minutes)  
*[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]***

**9. Old Business (\_\_\_ PM -- 0 minutes) *None.***

**10. LUPC (\_\_\_ PM -- 120 minutes) (Robin Rudisill on behalf of LUPC, [Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org))**

**A 225 S. Lincoln Blvd. (“Whole Foods Market”) aka “Mrs. Gooch’s Natural Foods Markets, Inc.”;  
Case Nos: APCW-2014-1761-SPE-CE-ZV-CDP-SPP and ENV-2014-1762-MND;  
CITY HEARING: September 8, 2014 (15 minutes)**

Project Description: installation of a new 14’ high sound wall (causing loss of 1 existing parking space), installation of a 72 sq ft canopy over an existing landing area and enclosure of a 1,719 sq ft



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existing loading dock (8 parking spaces required but not provided), legalization of an existing 8' x 40' cargo container for incidental storage, and loading from the front of the store between the hours of 5 – 7 am, daily

**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves the project at 225 S. Lincoln Blvd. as presented, with the following conditions of approval—summary of conditions provided below, see detailed conditions in LUPC Staff Report (at link below):

Applicant shall maximize deliveries in the front of the store between 5 -7 am, daily

1. Applicant shall construct a new sound wall as per the plans at Exhibit A
2. Applicant shall enclose the loading dock as per the plans at Exhibit B
3. Applicant shall manage deliveries inside of the enclosed loading dock
4. Applicant shall minimize noise by actively managing pallets, carts, etc.
5. All loading/unloading for the existing store or any future expansions will be managed under these conditions
6. Applicant shall make every effort to control noise
7. Applicant shall ensure that any contracts with vendors abide by the delivery conditions herein
8. Applicant's employees shall park either on site, or at a designated off-site location and not on residential streets
9. Applicant shall remove the shipping container if sufficient, designated off-site parking is not provided for employees
10. Applicant shall provide a monitored, 24-hour telephone number to address neighbor complaints
11. Applicant shall conduct quarterly, noticed meetings with neighbors and the VNC
12. Plan approval for the CUB shall be combined with Plan Approval for this application
13. Condition non-compliance shall be monitored and addressed by the ZA
14. Applicant shall create a Transportation Demand Management Plan with alternate transportation incentives for employees

NOTE\*\*\*\*\*Conditions 1-7 are agreed to by the Applicant, conditions 8-14 are not.\*\*\*\*\*

Approved by LUPC on 8/26/2014 by a vote of 6-2-1

LUPC Staff Report (including detailed conditions for Motion) and Supporting Documentation:  
<http://www.venicenc.org/225-lincoln/>

**B 701 Lincoln (“Locali”); (10 minutes)**  
**Case Nos: ZA-2014-1701-CUE and ENV-2014-1702-CE;**  
**CITY HEARING: August 28, 2014**

Project description: CUB—ZA determination to permit the sale and dispensing of beer and wine only for on-site consumption in conjunction with an existing 1,085 sq ft deli/café seating 16 patrons, with hours of operation from 7 am to 11 pm daily

**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves of the application as presented, without modification.

Approved by LUPC on 8/26/2014 by a vote of 8-0-1

LUPC Staff Report and Supporting Documentation: <http://www.venicenc.org/701-lincoln-blvd-locali/>

**C 665 Vernon Ave;**



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**Case No: ZA-2014-1084-CDP-ZAA-MEL and AA-2014-1082-PMLA-SL and ENV-2014-1083-EAF**

**[PLACEHOLDER]**

- D 672 Brooks Ave;**  
**Case No: ZA-2014-1088-CDP-ZAA-MEL and AA-2014-1086-PMLA-SL and ENV-2014-1087-EAF**  
**CITY HEARING: not yet scheduled**

Project description: Demo existing single-family residence and studio above garage, subdivide lot & replace with 2 SFR ("Small Lot Subdivision"), each with 3 BR, 2.5 BA, 2,400 sq ft. Home facing the street is 2-story with roof deck, rear home is 30' high, with sloped roof (at VSP limit); 21' separation between homes and 5 parking spaces, as per VSP for multi-units (6th space can be located within the setback area). ZAA for 15' front yard setback reduced by 7' to 8' to be in line with existing neighboring buildings.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves the project as presented.

Approved by LUPC on 8/26/2014 by a vote of 6-2-1  
LUPC Staff Report and Supporting Documentation: [www.venicenc.org/672-brooks/](http://www.venicenc.org/672-brooks/)

- E 920 Superba Ave;**  
**ZA-2014-1710-CDP and ENV-2014-1711-CE;**  
**CITY HEARING: October 9, 2014**

**[PLACEHOLDER]**

<http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/projects/#920%20Superba>

- F 1235 Vienna Way;**  
**ZA-2014-1748(F) and ENV-2014-1749-CE;**  
**CITY HEARING: September 25, 2014**

**[PLACEHOLDER]**

<http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/projects/#1235%20Vienna%20Way>

- G 1515 South Pacific Ave (T-Mobile);**  
**ZA-2004-7596(CU)(PA3);**  
**CITY HEARING: September 25, 2014**

**[PLACEHOLDER]**

<http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/projects/#1515%20South%20Pacific%20Ave%20%28T-Mobile%29>

- H 1136 Abbot Kinney Blvd;**  
**ZA-2013-3013(CDP) and ENV-2013-3014-MND;**  
**CITY HEARING: October 2, 2014**

**[PLACEHOLDER]**

<http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/projects/#1136%20Abbot%20Kinney%20Blvd>





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- I** 416 Grand Blvd;  
ZA-2014-1356(CDP) and ENV-2014-1357-MND;  
CITY HEARING: October 2, 2014

**[PLACEHOLDER]**

<http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/projects/#416%20Grand%20Blvd>

- J** 418-422 Grand Blvd;  
ZA-2014-1358(CDP) and ENV-2014-1357-MND;  
CITY HEARING: October 2, 2014

**[PLACEHOLDER]**

<http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/projects/#418-422%20Grand%20Blvd>

- K** 600 Mildred (fka "Kim's Market");  
ZA-2013-4108-CDP-CUB-SPP and ENV-2013-4109-MND;  
CITY HEARING: May 22, 2014 (hearing cancelled by Applicant, revised application/new hearing date pending)

**[PLACEHOLDER]**

Applicant not responding to request to provide updated application "project description" and "action requested" (LUPC has proceeded with Applicant since the Community Outreach Meeting based on a revised application request—decrease in hours by 2 hours to 10 pm closing on Friday & Saturday, and by 1 hour to 11 pm closing on Friday & Saturday; and 25% fewer seats, from 80 to 60—and we need a copy of their submission to the ZA for the new City hearing)

LUPC Staff Report & Supporting Documentation:

[www.venicenc.org/600-mildred-ave-fka-kims-market/](http://www.venicenc.org/600-mildred-ave-fka-kims-market/)

- L** 1620 Electric Ave;  
ZA-2014-1550-CDP and ENV-2014-1549-CE;  
CITY HEARING: September 4, 2014

Project description: Demo existing 1-story single-family dwelling and construct new, approx. 4,066 sq ft 3-story & basement, single-family dwelling w/attached 3-car garage and swimming pool, on property located within the R2-1 Zone, and the Calvo Exclusion Area of the Coastal Zone Commission Authority Area of the California Coastal Zone, located within the single permit jurisdiction of the California Coastal Zone.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board denies the project on the grounds that it is not in character with the mass and scale of the immediately adjacent community, based on height, which is inappropriate for the neighborhood and absent a sun-shade study it is impossible to determine its effect on surrounding homes.

Approved by LUPC on 9/2/2014 by a vote of 4-1-2



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LUPC Staff Report and Supporting Documentation: [www.venicenc.org/1620-electric/](http://www.venicenc.org/1620-electric/)

**M 425 Washington Blvd. ("Charcoal");  
ZA-2014-2337-CUB and ENV-2014-2338-CE;  
CITY HEARING: October 2, 2014**

**Project Description:**

Sale of a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with an existing restaurant

**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves the project as presented, with the currently existing CUB conditions and the following two additional conditions:

1. The premises shall be maintained as a bona fide restaurant with an operating kitchen and shall provide a menu containing an assortment of foods normally offered in restaurants. Food service shall be available at all times during normal operating hours.
2. The quarterly gross sales of alcohol shall not exceed the quarterly gross sales of food; and the business operator shall maintain records which reflect these numbers and make them available to the Police Department upon request.

Approved by LUPC on 9/2/2014 by a vote of 7-0-0

LUPC Staff Report and Supporting Documentation: [www.venicenc.org/425-washington-blvd-charcoal/](http://www.venicenc.org/425-washington-blvd-charcoal/)

**N 2707 Ocean Front Walk;  
ZA-2014-407-CDP-ZAA-SPP-SPPA and ENV-2014-408-MND;  
CITY HEARING: September 11, 2014**

**Project Description:**

CDP in Dual Jurisdiction Zone for construction of a 636sq ft addition to existing 2-story duplex over basement w/roof deck, creating an additional story; Adjustment to maintain existing 3' side yard setback in lieu of 4' required; Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance (to VCZSP); Specific Plan Project Permit Adjustment (from VCZSP) to permit a height of 37'11" in lieu of a max height of 35'

**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves the project as proposed, with no conditions.

Approved by LUPC on 9/2/2014 by a vote of 7-0-0

LUPC Staff Report and Supporting Documentation: [www.venicenc.org/2707-ocean-front-walk/](http://www.venicenc.org/2707-ocean-front-walk/)

**O Sharing Economy City Council Motion 14-0593–Work Group Request & CIS**

**MOTION:** The the VNC Board shall submit the attached Community Impact Statement (CIS) to the L.A. City Council Sharing Economy Work Group; and that the VNC Board send a letter to the L.A. City Council Sharing Economy Work Group, recommending and making it very clear that the Venice Community deserves to be included in preparing the Work Group's report and recommendation to the City Council; and that the VNC Board recommends that as the L.A. community most severely negatively affected by short-term rentals that our City Councilperson strongly support us in having a seat at the table of the Work Group; and further the VNC Board recommends that the CAO, CLA and



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other members of the Work Group focus on the positive and negative impacts of the recent exponential expansion of the short-term rental market on Venice as a distinct residential community of the City of L.A., and that they carefully research and analyze the impact of non owner-occupied short-term rentals on the availability of long-term housing stock in Venice, the number of rent controlled units in Venice, and on the quality of life and socio-economic diversity in Venice's residential neighborhoods (including commercial zones with rent-controlled properties). See Community Impact Statement, attached.

Approved by LUPC on 9/2/2014 by a vote of 7-0-0

CIS and Supporting Documentation: [www.venicenc.org/sharing-economy-short-term-rentals/](http://www.venicenc.org/sharing-economy-short-term-rentals/)

## 11. **New Business** ( \_\_\_\_ PM – 0 minutes)

### **A Motion to Rescind Board Vote to Sponsor Full Circle Venice**

**MOTION:** The VNC Board rescinds its vote of May 20, 2014 which stated: *The VNC agrees to co-sponsor a solutions-oriented community forum with the Westside Impact Project, dedicated to the quality of life in Venice. There shall be no financial impact on the VNC.*

### **B Street Vending Motion (Melissa Diner on behalf of the Ocean Front Walk Committee, [Melissa.Diner@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Melissa.Diner@VeniceNC.org))**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council does not support food street vending, merchandise and non-food street vending.

Approved by the Ocean Front Walk Committee on 8/25/2014 by a vote of 6-1-0

### **C Motion to Establish a Minimum Comment Period of Sixty Seconds for Each Individual Commenter (Mark Kleiman, [mkleiman@quitam.org](mailto:mkleiman@quitam.org))**

**Attachment:** <http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/VNC-public-comment-restrictions.pdf>

(1) Each individual commenting on an item on the VNC's agenda or making a public comment shall have at least sixty seconds to make her or his remarks.

(2) Limits on the amount of time each commenter is allowed shall be uniform for each Board meeting.

(3) Nothing in the sections (1) or (2) of this Motion shall limit the right of commenters on a single agenda item to cede their individual time allotments to a commenter or commenters representing a group.



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**12. Treasurers Report ( \_\_\_\_ PM -- 10 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee, [Treasurer@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Treasurer@VeniceNC.org))

**A MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council Board approves the expenditure report for August 2014 [see attachments: <http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/VNC-Monthly-Expenditure-Report.August-2014.pdf> and [http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/VNC-Expenditures\\_to\\_Date.August-2014.pdf](http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/VNC-Expenditures_to_Date.August-2014.pdf)]

Approved by the Budget Committee on 9/2/2014 by a vote of 4-0-0

**B MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council requests cash to be allocated to its NC checking account for October 2014 in the following amounts:

<u>VNC Budget Item</u>	<u>DONE</u>	<u>Vendor (if Known)</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Recurring</u>
Office Supplies/Copies	OFF	Office Depot	\$50.00	
Staffing-LUPC	TAC	Apple One	500.00	Yes, \$250
Refreshments	EVE	Smart & Final	200.00	
Web Site/E-Mail	WEB	I Power/Constant Contact	120.00	Yes, \$90
General Outreach	OUT		300.00	
Storage	FAC	Extra Space Storage	233.00	Yes
Meeting site rental	FAC	LAUSD	360.00	Yes
Film Festival	CIP	Electric Lodge	1,075.00	
		Office Depot	202.00	
		Smart & Final	85.00	
		Blick Art Supplies	36.00	
Doggie Bags	CIP	Dog Bags and More	1,500.00	
Total			\$ 4,661.00	

Approved by the Budget Committee on 9/2/2014 by a vote of 4-0-0

**13. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction**  
**( \_\_\_\_ PM -- 5 minutes)**

**14. Adjourn (approx. \_\_\_\_ PM)**

**List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome**

<b>Administrative</b>	Mike Newhouse	<b>Communications</b>	Jed Pauker
<b>Arts</b>	Eduardo Manilla	<b>Discussion Forum</b>	Joe Murphy
<b>Budget &amp; Finance</b>	Hugh Harrison	<b>Environmental</b>	Abigail Myers, Erin Sullivan-Ward
<b>Education</b>	Bud Jacobs	<b>Housing</b>	Abigail Myers, Helen Stotler
<b>Land Use and Planning</b>	Robin Rudisill	<b>Mass/Scale/Character</b>	Sue Kaplan
<b>Neighborhood</b>	Marc Saltzberg	<b>Parking/Transportation</b>	Abigail Myers
<b>Ocean Front Walk</b>	Melissa Diner	<b>Public Safety</b>	George Francisco
<b>Outreach</b>	Sylvia Aroth	<b>Santa Monica Airport</b>	Laura Silagi, Abigail Myers
<b>Rules &amp; Election</b>	Ira Koslow		