



Venice Neighborhood Council

LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

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Land Use and Planning Committee

Joint With

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Regular Meeting Agenda

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When: Apr 28, 2022 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: LUPC

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1. INTRODUCTION AND RULES

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Virtual Meeting Rules

1. Raise your hand (or when accessing by telephone, press *9) if you have a public comment only when we get to that specific item.
2. After you speak, please lower your hand.
3. All panelists (committee members) and attendees (public) will be muted until the administrator unmutes you for comment.
4. Board members will get one chance to speak for a max of two (2) minutes per item.
5. Public comment will be limited to one comment for one (1) minute per item.
6. Please do not raise your hand more than once per item.
7. Raise your hand at the start of the items you want to speak on. We will then close public comment and announce the last person to speak a few minutes after the start of the item.
8. No ceding your time to others will be allowed.



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- 9. The meeting is being video and audio recorded.
- 10. The public will be able to listen and speak but their video will be disabled.

All presenters that have items to present should send them to Chair-LUPC@VeniceNC.org to have them shared with the meeting. Keep a copy of them on your desktop as a backup.

2. CALL TO ORDER

3. ROLL CALL

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corinne Baginski	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barry Cassilly	<input type="checkbox"/> Andrew Mika
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lauren Siegel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matthew Royce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mehrnoosh Mojallali
<input type="checkbox"/> Chris Plourde	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Jensen	<input type="checkbox"/> (Vacant Seat)

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. MINUTES FROM 4/14/22 LUPC MEETING

Draft Minutes available at:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting625f6c7802076.pdf>

Motion to Approve.

Motion: Corinne Baginsky / 2nd Barry Cassilly

Yea: 6 / Nay: 0 / Abstain: 0 / Recuse: 0 / Ineligible: 0

5. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

LUPC members to declare any conflicts of interest or *ex-parte* communications relating to items on this meeting’s agenda.

6. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment is limited to one (1) minute per speaker with a total comment time not to exceed twenty (20) minutes, unless adjusted by the presiding officer. No comment on items appearing on the Agenda are permitted. No committee member announcements are permitted.

7. CNC Report

App. Date	Case Number	Address	Description	Staff
03/29/22	DIR-2019-262-CDP-MEL-AMDT1	1008 S Oakwood Ave	TO MODIFY THE DESIGN OF THE SFD AND PROPOSE THE MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT OF 29'-2' AS MEASURED FROM THE CENTER LINE.	CB



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04/08/22	ZA-2022-2418-F; ENV-2022-2419-CE	621 E California Ave	WALL HEDGE VARIANCE FOR EXISTING 6'-6" TALL FENCE AND 8' TALL HEDGE IN FRONT YARD.	BC
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8. De Minimus Cases

Address	Case No.	Description	LUPC Staff
426 S Venice Blvd	DIR-2022-1148-CDP-MEL; ADM-2022-1150-VSO-ADU	COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AND MELLO ACT COMPLIANCE REVIEW FOR CONVERSION OF EXISTING RECREATION ROOM TO ADU. NO CHANGE IN HEIGHT OR FLOOR AREA.	LS
5101 S Pacific	ADM-2022-2059-VSO-ADU; DIR-2022-2057-CDP-MEL-HCA	THE CONVERSION OF A PORTION OF AN EXISTING THREE-UNIT APARTMENT BUILDING INTO AN ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT.	MJ
431 E 28th Ave	DIR-2021-2003-CDP-MEL; ADM-2021-2005-VSO-ADU	COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT WITH MELLO ACT COMPLIANCE TO REMODEL/ADDITION TO AN EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING (2,016 SF) AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW ATTACHED ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT (ADU)	MJ
2412 Frey	DIR-2021-7388-CDP-MEL; ADM-2021-8144-VSO	DEMOLITION OF AN (E) SFD AND GARAGE AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW 2,821 SQ. FT. SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING WITH ATTACHED GARAGE.	BC

Motion to recommend VNC President transmit de minimus letter.

Motion: Barry Cassilly / 2nd Lauren Siegel

Yea: 6 / Nay: 0 / Abstain: 0 / Recuse: 0 / Ineligible: 0

9. Cases

A. 209 WINDWARD

Address:	209 E. Windward Ave.
Applicant:	Sascha A Tohidi
LUPC Staff:	Michael Jensen
Case Number(s):	APCW-2019-6284-SPE-CUB-ZV-SPP-CDP
Representative:	None
Description:	CDP TO ALLOW CHANGE OF USE, SPE AND SPP TO PERMIT 0 PARKING, CUB TO ALLOW FULL LINE OF ALCOHOL



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LUPC Staff Report:	https://www.venicenc.org/ncfiles/viewCommitteeFile/29281
Link to Planning Case:	https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/caseid/MjMzMTA20
Motion:	<p>LUPC recommends the VNC withhold support of this project denial of the project unless Applicant engages with VNC/LUPC process.</p> <p>LUPC recommends the VNC approve this project as presented.</p>
Maker / Second	Lauren / Mehrnoosh
Vote:	Yea: 6 / Nay: 0 / Abstain: 0 / Recuse: 0 / Ineligible: 0

B. 709 BROOKS

Address:	709 Brooks
Applicant:	Wilshire View LLC
LUPC Staff:	Michael Jensen
Case Number(s):	DIR-2019-6455-CDP-MEL-1A
Representative:	None
Description:	DEMOLITION OF TWO EXISTING SFDS AND NEW CONSTRUCTION OF TWO SMALL LOT UNITS
LUPC Staff Report:	https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting626746d49c949.pdf
Link to Planning Case:	https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/caseid/MjMzMjkw0
Motion:	LUPC recommends approval of the project as presented.
Maker / Second	Barry / Matt
Vote:	Yea: 6 / Nay: 0 / Abstain: 0 / Recuse: 0 / Ineligible: 0



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10. PRESENTATION BY PLANNING DEPARTMENT REGARDING COMMUNITY PLAN, SPECIFIC PLAN, AND LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM UPDATES

Presentation by City of Los Angeles Department of Planning.

Links to Planning Department Page Resources:

<https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/community-plan-area/venice>

<https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/community-plan-update/planning-westside>

<https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/community-plan-update/venice-local-coastal-program>

11. MEETING ADJOURNED