



Venice Neighborhood Council

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VNC Neighborhood Committee Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: October 30, 2014

Meeting Time: 7:30AM to 9:00AM

Meeting Location: IHOP Restaurant, 4070 Lincoln Blvd, Marina Del Rey, CA 90292

Contact: Marc.Saltzberg@VeniceNC.org see: VeniceNC.org/neighborhood-committee for more information

1. 7:30AM – Welcome and Introductions – see VeniceNC.org/neighborhood-committee to see member names
2. 7:35 – Call to Order & Roll Call – Kathryn Nelson has resigned. She represented Venice Beach South.

Adam Glick		John Weston	
Bill Boyd		Lydia Pelosi	
Carmen Navarro		Marc Saltzberg (Chair)	
Carolyn Rios		Marianna Aguilar	
Daniel Pinedo		Mark Kanights	
DeDe Audette		Michael Nelson	
Jay Cole		Mike Newhouse (ex officio)	
Jerry Jaffe		Nicholas Hippisley-Coxe	
Joan Wrede		Sarah Shoup	
Joe Verrone			
Guests:			

3. 7:40 – Approve Agenda
4. 7:45 – ANNOUNCEMENTS – Information about specific events important to Venice
 - 1) Holiday Announcements – Mariana 2) Director's Interpretation of SLSO upheld on appeal - Marc
5. 7:50 – PUBLIC COMMENT – non-agendized items related to Neighborhood Committee only.
6. 7:55 – Approve minutes from previous meetings – 10/02/2014
7. 8:00 – Report on Last VNC Board Meeting
8. 8:05 – Report from LAPD
9. 8:15 – Old Business:
 - a. Review and possible action re: Neighborhood Committee Goals see: Exhibit 1
 - b. Discussion and possible action of Alley Parking (illegal with people receiving citations – but sometimes needed for drop-off)
 - c. Discussion and possible action re: Neighborhood Committee Outreach Program and Introduction Cards
 - d. Discussion and possible action regarding Motion from Carolyn Rios, Oakwood South: Support for Installation of New Bathrooms at Oakwood Park
 - e. Discussion and Possible action re: Transient problem on the northwest side of the Penmar golf course, outside the fence.
10. 8:30 – New Business:
 - a. Discussion and Possible action re: alternate committee members at Neighborhood Committee meetings
 - b. Neighborhood Reports
 - c. 8:55 – Next Meeting – December 4th at 7:30PM Holiday Mtg Schedule: 12/4 PM, 1/08 AM, 1/29 PM
11. 9:00 – Adjourn

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EXHIBIT 1

PROPOSED GOALS: 2014 - 2015

1. Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Improvement Program that will identify, prioritize and advocate for:
 - Street repairs, sidewalk repairs and infrastructure improvements to address street flooding
 - Traffic safety improvements such as crosswalk installations, bike lane placement and signage & signal improvements to reduce transportation and traffic hazards
2. Completion of city projects initiated and / or prioritized by the VNC Neighborhood Committee and approved by the Venice Neighborhood Council such as:
 - Canal bridge repairs
 - Traffic / Pedestrian improvements near Washington Blvd and Pacific Ave
 - Traffic Signal installation at Abbot Kinney and Coeur d'Alene
 - Installation of a park on Via Dolce
3. Explore funding alternatives for projects the City can't / isn't moving forward on such as:
 - Grants
 - Special assessment districts
 - Corporate support (Google, tour companies, film companies, etc)
 - Community fundraising events
 - Crowd Sourcing
 - Establishment of tax-deductible non-profit foundations.
4. Work with VNC Public Safety Committee to increase Neighborhood Watch programs
5. Work with VNC committees and other entities (LUPC, Safety, L.A. County, private non-profits) regarding issues arising from proliferation of liquor licenses such as noise abatement, traffic safety, sanitation, crime.
 - Work with LUPC and other committees to identify areas where concentration should be limited.
 - Develop motion to recommend City Policy on concentration and a definition of "public convenience vs necessity."

EXHIBIT 2

Motion: Installation of Bathrooms at Oakwood Park

The Neighborhood Committee of the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the VNC Governing Board pass the following motion recommending installation of bathrooms at the north end of the ball field at Oakwood Recreation Center near the picnic tables

WHEREAS, Oakwood Park is used by hundreds of people in Venice each day but the only bathroom facilities are located inside the Recreation Center, a building that is locked after hours (hours of operation: Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 10:00 pm; Friday: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm; Saturday: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm; Sunday: Closed); and

WHEREAS, the picnic tables at the north end of the ball field attract large groups of people, especially on the week-ends, but the only bathrooms are two blocks south inside the Oakwood Recreation Center; and

WHEREAS, residents living near the park have complained for years about feces found in alleys and public urination problems, which results in public health and safety issues for both users of the park and nearby residents; and

WHEREAS, the Oakwood Park Advisory Board and the Oakwood Senior Group have recommended that the Los Angeles Department Recreation and Parks install new bathrooms at the north end of the Oakwood Recreation Center near the picnic tables;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Venice Neighborhood Council Governing Board recommends the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks install permanent bathrooms at the north end of the ball field at Oakwood Park with appropriate provisions for the security of the building and facilities to prevent vandalism and improper use.

This Resolution shall be sent to: Los Angeles City Councilman Mike Bonin; Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks General Manager Michael Schull; LA Dept of Recreation and Parks Assistant General Manager of Recreation Operations Kevin Regan; Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks Valley Region Supervisor Charles Singer; Oakwood Park Manager Lizka Mendsoa; CD11 Venice Field Deputy Cecilia Castillo