



Venice Neighborhood Council

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VNC Neighborhood Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: March 27, 2014

Meeting Time: 7:30PM to 9:00pm

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

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

1. 7:30PM – Call to Order & Roll Call

Adam Glick	Present	Linda Lucks (ex-officio)	
Antoinette Reynolds		Lydia Pelosi	Present
Bill Boyd	Present	Marc Saltzberg (Chair)	Present
Daffodil Tyminski	Present	Michael Nelson	
DeDe Audette	Present	Michael Stenger	
Gogi Overhoff	Present	Nicholas Hippisley-Coxe	Present
Jay Cole	Present	Robin Rudisill	Present
Jerry Jaffe	Present	Ron Sittler	
Joshua Blacker	Present		
Guests: Yolanda Gonzales		Cassei Boyd	
Yolanda Gonzales			

2. Approve Agenda – Motion: [DT/NH Agenda approved unanimously](#)

3. 7:35 – ANNOUNCEMENTS – Information about specific events important to Venice

- Venice Elections are coming on May 18th! See: <http://empowerla.org/vnc/venice-nc-2014-elections/>. Over 30 people will be running for 21 Board of Officer seats... join in!
- DeDe talked about Sea Grant Study (and info regarding flooding) – DeDe & Robin will discuss with Bonin
- LA Planning for the Future meeting to gather input would be from 6p to 9p on April 2, 2014 at the Westwood United Methodist Church
- Dafodil tkd about LA Times story abt Venice and OFW. She asks that Bonin weigh in on the proposal
- “Save Our Streets” briefing session on the proposed city amendment to increase the sales tax to raise money to fix streets and sidewalks. This meeting will be held at City Hall at 6p on April 2, 1014.

4. 7:45 – PUBLIC COMMENT – non-agendized items related to Neighborhood Committee only.

[Yolanda has requested CPAC meetings be held in various locations, perhaps suggested they try to hold a meeting in Venice. She will follow-up.](#)

5. 7:50 – Approve minutes from previous meetings – [02/27/2013 Motion AG/JC approved unanimously](#)

6. 7:55 – Report on Last VNC Board Meeting

- LUPC Project 1414 Main defeated & Firestone Brew Pub approved
- Ice Skating at Venice Beach presented by Bonin – pilot plan from Thanksgiving thru January
- New "Housing" Committee will identify, coordinate and support keeping affordable housing in Venice

7. 8:00 – Old Business

- Community Improvement Projects – Who has been contacted to apply? Deadline: 4/2/2014!
- From Bill Boyd: Accomplishments of Neighborhood Committee in current term and goals for 2014.
 - Bill started a list of our accomplishments and goals. He requested input.
 - From Jay: we should have neighborhood specific goals.
 - Gogi suggested the accomplishment of creating and handing out neighborhood introduction cards.
 - Marc mentioned the accomplishment of Jay’s work on the bridges and that Mike Bonin will be asking for money to be set aside.

Possible additional goals that were discussed:

- Yolanda: reintroduce outreach tables at 1st Friday

- Adam: enforcement of Quality of Life ordinances like public drunkenness and noise from trash trucks?
- Jay: Revise SB 1818 (state law that allows bonus densities for affordable housing) ordinance – related accomplishment: Bonin and the city attorney said that it is not mandated but discretionary. Led to refusal of 522 Venice development. Another goal is to get control back to Venice so that projects are not overridden by the city.
- Adam: neighborhood committee members should attend LUPC (Land Use and Planning) meetings for projects scheduled in their areas.
- Yolanda: members should attend PlanCheck meetings.
- Marc: Prioritize repair issues, like sidewalks that need repair (this fits well with passing out introduction cards)

Marc requested everyone to think of more goals and accomplishments and to remember that we can increase perceived value of the committee through advocacy.

- c. Discussion and possible action re: Neighborhood Committee as a filter for LUPC cases.

City clerk distributes a list for the whole city. You can email to get on the list for early notification reports (another report is the "hot sheet"). Robin, on behalf of LUPC, will gladly accept help.

8. 8:15 – New Business

- a. Resignation: Margot Michon has resigned from the Neighborhood Committee
- b. Street Conditions and Monitoring

Marc said that we will get 1 small truck for all of April 1st to do minor street repairs. He would like us to give feedback on how/if it helped. Dafodil asked if we can bring street repair issues to Bonin because we can't pay them privately and we would like more of their time to do additional repairs.

- c. Neighborhood Reports - postponed

9. Next Meeting – April 23 at 8AM

10. 9:00 – Adjourn