

**Venice Neighborhood Council**  
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**Ocean Front Walk Committee**  
 Canal Club 2025 Pacific Ave. Venice, CA 90291  
 Monday, November 23, 6:00-8:00pm



**Ocean Front Walk Committee Roll Call**

<b>Roll Call</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>NP</b>		<b>P</b>	<b>NP</b>
Thomas Elliott	CUT		Gail Rogers	P	
Ron Kramer	CUT		Shelly Gomez	P	
Melissa Diner, Chair	P		Therese Dietlin	P	
Noel Johnston	P		Carl Lambert	P	
Jodi Maroni	CUT		Colleen Saro	P	

Wendy L. Kaysing P

**A.) APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**B.) ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- i. Red Bull event on Windward Plaza Nov. 6, 2015
- ii. Jessie Holzer, presentation Santa Monica bike share program, Mobility Deputy, Councilmember Mike Bonin (possibly motion for where they should be placed next meeting, where the money is going etc. re Shelly, Gail, Colleen)
- iii. Passing of community liaison position and requirement for Recreation and Parks to communicate electronically about events.
- iv. Addition: Noel researching grant awarded to the city for OFW planning purposes. Will report back next meeting.

**C.) PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

**D.) NEW BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

- E.) The Venice Neighborhood Council Supports the proposed development at 601 Ocean Front Walk (The Ocean Front Walk Committee Understands the land use committee will

speak to the compliance of the Venice coastal specific plan) (case file to be presented at meeting along with project description/images.)

POLL VOTE 2:2:2 No Motion made.

Comments made in regards to space between adjacent building and proposed development on the Southside, allowing affordable, market rate parking to neighbors, and adopting green knoll areas close to building.

**F.)** The Venice Neighborhood Council supports changing 42.15 to allow **handmade** jewelry and instruments. The Venice Neighborhood Council further recommends the consideration of handmade jewelry and instrument sales in all parks citywide as the city continues to develop street vending standards.

**Amendment: Shelly motion, second Melissa**

The Venice Neighborhood Council supports changing 42.15 to allow **handmade** jewelry and instruments. The Venice Neighborhood Council further recommends the consideration of handmade jewelry and instrument sales in all parks citywide as the city continues to develop street vending standards with the following conditions: All items must be unique, one of a kind, made by the person solely selling it and within spirit of 42.15 and free speech expression. Volunteer liaisons can be outreach personnel for police force to help regulate.

**Ocean Front Walk Committee Roll Call**

<b>Roll Call</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>O</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>O</b>
Thomas Elliott	CUT		Gail Rogers	F	
Ron Kramer	CUT		Shelly Gomez	F	
Melissa Diner, Chair	F		Therese Dietlin		O
Noel Johnston	F		Carl Lambert	F	
Jodi Maroni	CUT		Colleen Saro	F	

Wendy O

6: 2 :0 Motion Carries.

**A.)** In continuation of the Pagoda Beautification Project the Venice Neighborhood Council supports light shows on all the Pagodas every evening from 8-9pm weekdays and 9-10pm weekends.

Amendment Carl

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Colleen good idea:

**Melissa motion, Carl second**

Ocean Front Walk Committee Roll Call

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Thomas Elliott	CUT			Gail Rogers	F	
Ron Kramer	CUT			Shelly Gomez	F	
Melissa Diner, Chair	F			Therese Dietlin		A
Noel Johnston	F			Carl Lambert	F	
Jodi Maroni	CUT			Colleen Saro	F	

Wendy L. Kaysing **A**

**6:0:2**

**Motion carries**

**A.)** The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the bus depot behind the Veterans Wall between Thornton Ave and Paloma Ct East of Pacific be considered for an area for homeless storage. The Venice Neighborhood Council does not recommend that Westminster Dog Park be utilized exclusively for homeless storage as the RFI specifically states “provide community services and/or of a recreational nature,” for ALL. (see RFI attached.)

Melissa Motion, Carl

Ocean Front Walk Committee Roll Call

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Thomas Elliott					Gail Rogers	O		
Ron Kramer					Shelly Gomez		F	
Melissa Diner, Chair		F			Therese Dietlin			A
Noel Johnston		F			Carl Lambert		F	
Jodi Maroni					Colleen Saro	O		

Wendy A

4:2:2 Motion Carries.

B.) The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the Art walk, Art block, Venice Art Crawl and possibly other art organizations consider collaborating on an evening event to activate Ocean Front Walk and the boardwalk.

Amendment: Shelly Motion, Carl second.

The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the Art walk, Art block, Venice Art Crawl and other interested art organizations consider collaborating on an evening event to activate Ocean Front Walk and the boardwalk.

<b>Roll Call</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>A</b>				<b>F</b>	
Thomas Elliott					Gail Rogers		F	
Ron Kramer					Shelly Gomez		F	
Melissa Diner, Chair		F			Therese Dietlin		F	
Noel Johnston		F			Carl Lambert		F	
Jodi Maroni					Colleen Saro		F	

Wendy F

8:0:0 Motion Carries

A.) The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the city take further action to protect the recent remediation of the the grass knoll areas on Ocean Front walk by working with the county to implement sand fencing, berm sand or other deemed appropriate measures.

Nick Antonicello—on the grass for the city

Beaches and Harbors—Sand

Noel, Shelly

Roll Call		F	A			F	
Thomas Elliott					Gail Rogers	F	
Ron Kramer					Shelly Gomez	F	
Melissa Diner, Chair		F			Therese Dietlin	F	
Noel Johnston		F			Carl Lambert	F	
Jodi Maroni					Colleen Saro	F	

Wendy F

8:0:0 Motion Carries

Noel Looking into this with Debbie and Ken Foreman.

B.) The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends permitting green areas to be redesigned and available for community space overseen by adjunct community partners.

Shelly motion, Melissa second.

Roll Call		F	A			F	O
Thomas Elliott					Gail Rogers	F	
Ron Kramer					Shelly Gomez	F	
Melissa Diner, Chair		F			Therese Dietlin		O
Noel Johnston		F			Carl Lambert	F	
Jodi Maroni					Colleen Saro	F	

Wendy

F

7:1:0 Motion Carries

C.) The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends the implementation of free sunscreen dispensers on Ocean Front Walk, city property in designated areas. The **SnappyScreen, Inc.** has reached out and should be implemented with minimal signage similar to how Sun Shield provided sunscreen to all participants on Ciclovía Oct. 18, 2015 etc.

Carl Motion, Melissa second

<b>Roll Call</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>A</b>				<b>F</b>	<b>0</b>
Thomas Elliott					Gail Rogers		F	
Ron Kramer					Shelly Gomez		F	
Melissa Diner, Chair		F			Therese Dietlin			0
Noel Johnston		F			Carl Lambert		F	
Jodi Maroni					Colleen Saro			0

Wendy  
5:3:0

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The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends the County of Los Angeles, Public Works and the City of Los Angeles allow event permits for all for purposes such as weddings and local concerts on Ocean Front Walk, the Sand and the Washington and Rose Ave. Pier. (Amendment:) They further encourage, transparency in the permit process for all.

Nick Transparent process available to everyone.

Gail

Shelly motion, second Carl

<b>Roll Call</b>		<b>F</b>	<b>A</b>				<b>F</b>	
Thomas Elliott					Gail Rogers		F	
Ron Kramer					Shelly Gomez		F	
Melissa Diner, Chair		F			Therese Dietlin		F	
Noel Johnston		F			Carl Lambert		F	
Jodi Maroni					Colleen Saro		F	

Wendy A

7:0:1

D.) Motion to allow people to cook food from there home and be permitted through health department. Extend cottage food license. Standards by health department.

POSTPONE

E.) Discussion Topic July Goldman: Is protection money being demanded from vendors on ocean front walk. If so who is doing this?

POSTPONE

F.) Jared MOTION: Ensure that the same standards and requirements for the Zipline be implemented and committed to by the city for the Ice Rink and any concessions on Ocean Front Walk.

POSTPONE

G.) M O T I O N

To Ban Use of Spray Paint in the Venice Beach Recreation Area

Whereas, spray paint is known to the State of California as a toxic material; and

Whereas, vendors on Venice Boardwalk have for years engaged in activities utilizing spray paint; and

Whereas, these activities are carried out in close proximity to residences and in the midst of large crowds of people milling about on the Boardwalk; and

Whereas, residents, visitors and other vendors are thus subjected daily to toxic chemical propellant fumes and toxic paint mist released from cans of spray paint; and

Whereas, these chemicals can remain airborne for up to two hours and whereas this spray painting is often repeated many times throughout the day, and thus spray paint chemicals can and do remain in the air all day long; and

Whereas, this spray painting is frequently associated with sawing and sanding of materials used in conjunction of the spray painting, causing health hazards from particulate matter being spread into the air; and

Whereas, the use of spray paint along the Boardwalk is a clear danger to the health of residents, visitors and other vendors; and

Whereas, the use of spray paint by artists and others should be confined to proper paint booths with environmental controls;

Now, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Venice Neighborhood Council hereby calls upon the City of Los Angeles, the Public Health Department of the County of Los Angeles and the South Coast Regional Air Quality

Board to act to immediately prohibit the use of these toxic materials in the Venice Beach Recreation Area.

Public comment:

Board comment:

Wendy motion, Carl second

Roll Call		F	A			F	
Thomas Elliott					Gail Rogers	F	
Ron Kramer					Shelly Gomez	F	
Melissa Diner, Chair		F			Therese Dietlin	F	
Noel Johnston		F			Carl Lambert	F	
Jodi Maroni					Colleen Saro	F	

Wendy F

8:0:0 Motion Carries

**OLD BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:**

H.) Submitted from Jordan Monkarsh: MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council Recommends that C110 Zoning returned to the 2 most southern blocks of the boardwalk (from North Venice to 19<sup>th</sup>)

Postpone

I.) MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends the installation of crosswalks from Navy to Washington on Pacific Ave. Printed on road, with flashing lights or markers. There were some installed at Market street and they have since been removed.

**Postpone**

J.) i. Original Ocean Front Walk Committee Motion voted Unanimously in favor: MOTION (Price- Huizar- Cedillo) That the Council instruct Department of Recreation and Parks to work with the Chief Legislative Analyst on the citywide effort to address the regulation and enforcement of street vending in City parks and recreational facilities.  
<http://cklrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/20143/13-1493-S2 mot 06-16-2015.pdf>



The Venice Neighborhood Council supports LAMC 42.15 NO VENDING and strongly suggests the City and LAPD regulate and enforce 42.15.

ii. VNC MOTION on August Agenda denied by VNC board:

Vending Motion for reconsideration

From: Melissa Diner

Message Body:

Title: Street Vending CIS/Motion-Correct Version

Agenda motion Request: The Venice Neighborhood Council supports street vending with the following conditions:

Supports the develop of street vending district with the following considerations:

1.) Westside of Ocean Front Walk, i.e. the Free Speech Zone as defined in 42.15, is exempt from any other city street vending ordinances and will remain and be enforced as a NO VENDING ZONE and a place that solely supports oral, visual, performance, written, musical arts and free expression.

2.) Community forums held to discuss a list of items that will be allowed to be sold, guidelines, rules and designating vending districts.

3.) As areas are designated, signs will be posted in designated areas of what items are permitted to sell as to help with enforcement and define for potential street vendor owners.

4.) The city to develop an expediting non-profit entity that serves and handles all permits for the city and serves as a resource for anyone interested in street vending.

5.) Work with Rec and Parks to ensure they fulfill their current obligations and test street vending on Windward Plaza, a potential site where a portion of the plaza can be permitted and dedicated to street vending, i.e. items not permitted in 42.15 but on a designated list of items approved by the city. Other sites can be tested as well citywide.

6.) As we continue to develop a new, citywide street vending program and regulation, the city will agree to meet with Ocean Front Walk constituents in order to better understand, refine and define 42.15.

7.) Street vendor must have signed letters of support from adjacent businesses of street vendor if on public property in predestinated areas only, i.e. a portion of Windward Plaza, etc.

8.) If on private property, they must have letter of support or lease from property owner.

9.) Must obtain all proper licenses from the city in order to operate.

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10.) Must have business insurance.

11.) A list of pre approved items in which vendors may sell. (Please see number 1)

12.) Online sales allowed.

13.) Recognize indigenous wares as being sovereign, items able to be sold.

14.) Veterans are exempt as per code.

References: <http://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=13-1493>

MOTION Melissa, Jodi Second

Thomas Elliott

Not present

Gail Rogers

F

Ron Kramer

F

Shelly Gomez

F

Melissa Diner,  
Chair

F

Therese Dietlin

F

Noel Johnston

F

Carl Lambert  
Not present

Jodi Maroni

F

Colleen Saro

NP

MOTION CARRIES Unanimously.

8-0-0

Please you this one, not the first one. The order was requested to be changed and I forgot. This is the correct version. Thank you.

Title:

Agenda Announcement Request:

File:

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Cannot resubmitted unless we change substantially.

#### K.) PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Abraham—Veterans are exempt

GPS, walk streets no barricades of cars to go up them on Thornton Ave. Motion for next meeting. Contact google maps and waze. Email photos to follow up. Beach begins too.

Carl more creative signs at entrance to the boardwalk.

#### L.) MEETING AJOURNED

#### **Meeting Adjourned**

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