



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## Ocean Front Walk Committee Meeting

June 3, 2013, Monday, 7-9p.m.  
The Bank of Venice 80 Windward Ave.  
Venice, CA 90291  
**MINUTES**

### Call to order

Roll Call		P	NP			P	NP
Thomas Elliott, Chair		P			Gail Rogers	P	
Ron Kramer		P			Therese Dietlin	P	
Barbara Duffy			NP		Shelly Gomez	P	
Melissa Diner		P					

**Approval of Agenda --- Move to approve Tom, Shelly second.**

**Outstanding Board Minutes:** Posted on [www.venicenc.org/ocean-front-walk-committee](http://www.venicenc.org/ocean-front-walk-committee)

### Announcements:

#### 1.) **UPDATE: Beach Clean and Rose Ave storm drain benefit concert**

2.) **Therese Dietlin** to quote from VBBC Venice Beach Board Walk Coalition from Bill Rosenthal on "Free Speech Zone" to document support for name change of 42.15 and read an excerpt from Abbot Kinney deed.

- Nominal Utility replaced designation of Free Speech zone. 'No commercial vending' and 1<sup>st</sup> amendment.
- Working on collecting those documents to support any changes/development etc.
- Ocean front walk is a sidewalk as stated in the Abbot Kinney deed.
- Thomas Elliott: Why is just a sidewalk a free speech zone? Limit of the free speech zone.
- Abbot Kinney deed 'pleasure park;
- Ordinance. Comment Gail Rogers in relation to noise from last meetings minutes----

On behalf of residents that live on walk streets as defined in 42.15 under:

9.) Pagoda no music within 10 feet radius around the pagoda.

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- Private map provided by Maphawk that you could get at Parks and Rec. and other locations.

- Event calendar not for public distribution, unless they are annual events held on holidays. January 1, 2013 start receiving event applications for next year. 10 days before the event Parks and Recs sends out press release or event is cancelled if event does not pay.
- New location for OFW Committee Meetings. Ideas for locations, confirm before next meeting. Maybe different places.

## **New Business: For Discussion Only:**

### **1.) Continued Line item discussion:**

**Update From Therese Dietlin in regards to research on topic:** Does Parks and Rec decide on line item and does city council vote on line item?

- Line items within Parks and Recs would be the best way to position OFW line item? Carl to meet with Arturo Wed morning to find out more this Wed.
- Could we make that calendar of events public, and press releases for every event mandatory? As part of the line item.
- Possibly vote on line item at our committee to bring in front of VNC.

### **Draft motion for next month's agenda:**

**OFW moves to bring before the VNC that the Ocean front walk should be designated as an official park within a line item in the city parks and rec budget.**

### **2.) Skate Park of Venice, VSA, Venice Skate Association, a 501c3:**

Update from **Evan White** who volunteered to connect VSA to see if they are interested in hiring private security instead of using donations to 'clean up' what is done to skate park without security in place.

- Reassigned to Melissa Diner to invite VSA to next meeting.

**3.) Warn, Tag and Bag** release will not go out do to lack of funding but valuable info is included in that release and could be modified as resources available to keep the Venice community clean. Should we modify in this manner and work with Outreach to send out?

- Wait for progress update of program from Carl at next meeting.
- Private group raising funding to put program in place want to ensure if they fund for first 6 months then the city will pick up tab there after.



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4.) Outreach Committee has proposed a **Town Hall on Ocean Front Walk** which could include topics such as: **Long Term community Plan, BID/Business Improvement District, line item, Rose Ave Pier BID/Business Improvement District, boardwalk map app, 42.15, Visitor Impact and visitor resources, Homeless/community improvement organizations with presence on the boardwalk.**

This could include:

- Explanation of BID/line item and what the OFW and Venice would like to see include in its long term plan.
- Debut of Venice Beach App for all OFW businesses after data collection and development of made is made.
- Connecting community to know what services are available on OFW so people know how to connect people in need with these services.
- Positive reinforcement presentation on what is legal to sell on boardwalk and what is not and how even if not legal there is a place for most in the sort and long term plan for west and east side of the boardwalk.

Comment: Therese Dietlin shared Downtown news article on bid. May 20<sup>th</sup> edition.

## 1.) **UPDATE: Beach Clean and Rose Ave storm drain benefit concert**

- Windward Plaza to start, connect with Venice Music Crawl.

### Old Business:

1.) **Creating a collection form of information in order to develop a map of the boardwalk.**

#### Ideas for info collection form:

- a.) Building owner info: Name email phone + slight description of nature of ownership/interest in ownership in Venice.
  - b.) Business info Name email phone + slight description of business or services or products sold.etc.
  - c.) Westside legal operators included too.
  - c.)Discuss other questions, info we should request.
- Carl has list that existed, List of many business owners and operators, Outreach should be required to volunteer to get this info in addition to OFW Committee.
  - Press Release to collect information.

2.) **Update list of current OFW community activities** already available and on calendar to be posted to OFW home page.



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## Agenda building for next meeting July 1, 2013:

- Business owner and businesses operator info collection form in final proposed form by next meeting.

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- **Abraham:** Beach is not free, it closes at 12am. Does it?

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