

Meeting of the Land Use and Planning Committee

DATE: Thursday December 5, 2019 TIME: 7:00 pm – 9:45 pm

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|  | **Oakwood Recreation Center** |  |
|  | **767 California Ave, Venice** |  |

BOARD MEETINGS: The Venice Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the third Tuesday of the month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act. All are welcome to attend.

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| Name | Present | Name | Present |
| Alix Gucovsky, Chair | x | Matthew Royce | x |
| Barry Cassilly | x | Shep Stern | x |
| Tim Bonefeld | x | Daffodil Tyminski |  |
| Michael Jensen | x | Chris Zonnas | x |
|  |  | Carlos Zubieta | x |

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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENTS: Any action taken by the Board may result in the filing of a related CIS

DISABILITY POLICY: See last page.

ALL AGENDA TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE ON THE NIGHT OF THE MEETING.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of Minutes

see draft minutes for November 12, 2019 at: <http://venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php>

Barry motion to approve/Carlos seconds-passes 6-2-0 Michael and Chris abstain

4. Approval of Agenda

Matt motion to remove item 9A and approve the agenda/Tim Seconds 7-1-0 Alix abstain

5. LUPC members to declare any conflicts of interest or ex parte communications relating to items on this

meeting’s agenda

6. Chair’s Report

7. General Public Comment on non-agendized items related to Land Use and Planning - 15 minutes

CJ Cole and Mark Ryavek to speak in opposition to SB 50 and the importance of weighing in on this before the bill goes back to the Senate.

8. CASES FOR REVIEW

(see project files for more detailed info at <http://venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php> )

A.

Case: DIR 2018-5452-CDP; ZA-2018-5453-ZAA ENV 2018-5454-CE

City Hearing TBD

Address: 2329 South Grand Canal

Applicant: Brad Gluckstein 2329 grand canal llc

LUPC Staff: Carlos Zubieta

Representative: Peters Architecture contact: [ngoc@capeters.com](mailto:ngoc@capeters.com)> and austin@capeters.com

City Planner: Jeff Khau contact jeff.khau@lacity.org

Case Description:

* Construction of a new 3 story plus roof deck single family residence with attached two car garage.

Public comment and possible action: Motion Matt Royce approve as presented/Carlos seconds 6-1-1 Michael abstains, Shep no

B.

Case: DIR-2019-4231-CDP-MEL, ZA-2019-4232-ZAA, ENV-2019-4233 CE

City Hearing date: December 16, 2019

Address: 579 East Venice Bouleard

Applicant: Jeffrey J Martin contact: [jeff@blueviewre.com](mailto:jeff@blueviewre.com)

LUPC Staff: Shep Stern

Representative: Tony Russo Crest Real Estate contact tony@crestrealestate.com

City Planner: Jeff Khau contact: Jeff.Khau@lacity.org

Case Description:

* The Director of Planning and Zoning administrator shall consider an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA guidelines, section 15301, 15303, and 15331 and determine that there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception t the categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA guidelines section 15300.2 applies.
* Pursuant to LAMC section 12.20.2 a coastal development permit for the demolition of an existing one story duplex and the construction of a new three story 3824 sq ft single family dwelling with an attached accessory dwelling unit (ADU) an attached three car garage, and a roof deck, on a lot located in the dual permit jurisdiction area of the California coastal zone.
* Pursuant to government code sections 65590 and 65590.1 and the city of Los Angeles Interim Mello Act Compliance Administrative procedures, a Mello act compliance review for the demolition of two residential units and the construction of two residential units within the California Coastal Zone.
* Pursuant to LAMC 12.28 a zoning administrator’s adjustment to allow a reduced front yard 5 feet along Grand View Boulevard and a reduced front yard of 5 feet along Venice boulevard in lieu of the 15 feet otherwise required per section 12.10 C.1

Public Comment & Possible Action: Motion Matt motion to approve as presented/Carlos Seconds 6-1-1 alix abstain, shep no

C.

Case: CPC 2019-2282 CDP-MEL SPP DB-CUB

City Hearing: TBD

Address: 811-815 Ocean Front Walk

Applicant: Vera Sutter Ocean Front Walk LC

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld/Daffodil Tyminski

Representative: John Reed[John@reedarchgroup.com](mailto:John@reedarchgroup.com)>

City Planner: Juliet Oh contact Juliet.oh@lacity.org

Case Description:

* Pursuant to LAMC 12.22.A.25, Density Bonus Compliance Review to permit the construction of a project totaling 9 dwelling units, including 1 dwelling unit for Low-Income household occupancy for a period of 55 years, utilizing Parking Option No. 1, with the following requested incentives:

a.       Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.22.A.25(f)(5)(i), an On-Menu Incentive to permit 39 feet main building height with a less than 100 square foot elevator penthouse structure at 41 feet in height in lieu of 35 feet otherwise permitted by Venice Coastal Zone-Specific Plan Section 10.F(3)(a).

b.       Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.22.A.25(g)(3), a Waiver of Development Standard to permit a 6-foot passageway in lieu of a 12-foot passageway otherwise required by LAMC Section 12.21.C(2)(b).

c.       Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.22.A.25(f)(5)(i), a Waiver of Development Standard to permit a 2’-9” X 2’-6” triangular portion of the upper portion of the building to encroach  into the 45 degree step-back plane otherwise permitted by Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan Section 10.F(3)(a).

* Pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code 11.5.7.C, Project Permit Compliance Review with the Venice Coastal Zone-Specific Plan.
* Pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code 12.20.2, a Coastal Development Permit for a project in the Dual Permit Jurisdiction California Coastal Zone.
* Pursuant to Government Code Sections 65590 and 65590.1, and the City of Los Angeles Interim Mello Act Compliance Administrative Procedures, a Mello Act Compliance Review for a project in the California Coastal Zone.
* Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15332, an Exemption from CEQA (Class 32), and that there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.
* CUB for the restaurant with a full line of Alcohol service

Public Comment & Possible Action: Motion

Tim Motion/Alix seconds 8-0

Motion: To approve with the following conditions

1. Operator of the restaurant will bring back the CUB with 12 months of operation to the VNC
2. Operator of the restaurant will install scrubbers on the hoods to mitigate the smell of food.
3. Future wiring will be in place to accommodate a minimum of 14 EV chargers
4. LADOT will create signage for right turn only out the garage.

D.

Case: DIR-2019-2188-CDP-SPP, ZA-2019-5777-ZV, ENV-2019-2189-CE

City Hearing: December 12, 2019

Address: 1423-1425 South Abbott Kinney Boulevard

Applicant GSW Creative Corporation

LUPC Staff: Michael Jensen

Representative: Three6ixty contact Dana Sayles [dana@eka360.net](mailto:dana@eka360.net)

City Planner: Ira Brown contact ira.brown@lacity.org

Case Description:

* Change of use from a 782 sq ft office with a two story mixed use building into a retail store, one residential unit, and one parking space dedicated to the residential unit will be maintained on isste.
* The director of planning and zoning shall consider an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA guidelines, section 15301 and that there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to the categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA guidelines section 15300.2 applies
* Pursuant to LAMC section 12.20.2 a coastal development permit for a change of use from a 782 sq ft office into a retail store, located within the Single Permit Jurisdiction of the Coastal Zone.
* Pursuant to LAMC section 12.27 a zone variance to remove the requirement for an onsite loading zone as required by section 12.21-C.6
* Pursuant to LAMC section 11.5.7 a project permit compliance review for a project within the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan

Public Comment & Possible Action: Motion Matt Royce motion to approve as presented/Barry seconds 5-0 Alix, Matt, Barry, Carlos, Shep recused are Tim, Michael, and Chris

E.

Case: DIR-2019-5672-CDP-SPP, ZA-2019-5674 CUB ZV

City Hearing: TBD

Address: 1635 Abbott Kinney

Applicant GSW Creative Corporation

LUPC Staff: Michael Jensen

Representative: Dana Sayles contact: [dana@eka360.net](mailto:dana@eka360.net)

City Planner: Jeff Khau contact jeff.khau@lacity.org

Case Description:

* Coastal Development permit and Venice Coastal Zone specific plan change of use to restaurant: conditional use permit for alcohol sales
* Zone variance to eliminate onsite loading zone requirements.

Public Comment & Possible Action: Motion

Matt motion to approve as presented/Shep seconds 5-1-0 Carlos Abstains, Michael and Tim recuse

9. For Discussion

1. SB 50

Senator Scott Wiener plans to bring back SB 50 to the Senate floor as early as January 24, 2020. What position should the VNC take on this bill.

Public comment and Possible action: Motion Removed from agenda to be discussed at a later date

10. Adjourn

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