



Neighborhood Council

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Joint VNC Board & Administrative Committee Minutes

Monday, March 13, 2017 7pm

James Beach, 2nd Floor Meeting Room

60 N Venice Blvd, Venice, CA 90291

Note (i) The Administrative Committee does not address or consider the merits of proposed agenda items. Its function is to determine whether a proposed agenda item will be placed on the next Board meeting agenda, postponed, referred to a specific committee for review and recommendation, treated as an announcement, or considered and resolved as a non-Board administrative matter. (ii) The Administrative Committee has the discretion to reorder consideration of matters on the agenda to accommodate stakeholders or for other reasons.

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: MD, GF, WH, IM, IK

Absent: HH, CS

2. Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda

GF, WH

Unanimous

3. Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes

<http://www.venicenc.org/docs/34484087-6621.pdf>

Postponed until next meeting

3. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda

11th Neighborhood Council, celebrating 15 years.



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5. **Old Administrative Committee Business**
[Discussion and possible action.]
6. **New Administrative Committee Business**
[Discussion and possible action.]
7. **Consideration and approval of March 21, 2017 Proposed Board Agenda**
8. **Adjourn**

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Draft Board of Officers Meeting Agenda

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)

1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291

Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 7:00 PM

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00PM – 1 minute)**

2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**

3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:02PM – 1 minute)**

<http://www.venicenc.org/docs/34484073-6531.pdf>

4. **Approval of the Agenda (7:03PM – 1 minute)**

5. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:04PM -- 1 minute)**

All Board members shall declare any ex parte communications or conflicts-of interest relating to items on this meeting's agenda.

6. **Scheduled Announcements and Presentations (7:05PM – minutes)**

A Public Safety - LAPD Report (10 minutes): Senior Lead Officers Peggy Thusing (25120@lapd.lacity.org), Kristan Delatori (32914@lapd.lacity.org), Gregg Jacobus, 35162@lapd.lacity.org, Lt. Lydia Leos 23216@lapd.lacity.org , OFW Beach Detail Supervisor. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*



B Government Reports (15 minutes) (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)

- City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy Taylor Bazley, 310-568-8772 (taylor.bazley@lacity.org)
- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 (janet.turner@mail.house.gov)
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Fernando Morales, 310-318-6994 (fernando.morales@sen.ca.gov)
- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, Rep Ari Ruiz 310-412-6400
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy Rachel Zaiden, 213-974-3333 (rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov)
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, 213-978-0836 (Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org)

WH, GF

Unanimous

C VNC Announcements and Reports (5 minutes)

- President -Ira Koslow (President@VeniceNC.org)
The selection to fill the vacant Board seat has been postponed until the April meeting.

JR to repost to reflect April Adcom closing deadline

- Vice President - George Francisco (VicePresident@VeniceNC.org)
 - Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- ,Ira Koslow, VNC Representative (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
- VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
 - Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer
 - Film LA & Recs & Parks liaison - Cathy Dreyfuss
 - Beaches & Harbors liaison - Noel Johnston
 - SnapChat Meeting & concerns from the public - Colleen Saro

D Update on the Mayor's Budget for FY 2017-2018 (Matt Szabo, Deputy Mayor for Budget and Innovation and Deputy Chief of Staff) **(10 minutes)**

E Venice Heritage Foundation Update on their History Museum (5 minutes) (Grant Francis, grantffrancis@gmail.com, President, Venice Heritage Foundation)

WH, GF

Unanimous

7. **Treasurer's Report (10 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee) (Treasurer@VeniceNC.org)
See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>



[Discussion and possible action]

A Expenditure Reports

MOTION: The VNC Board approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for February 2017. Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on 3/6/2017.

B Expenditure to date Report

MOTION: The VNC Board approves the Expenditure to Date report for February 2017. Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on 3/6/2017.

JR, GF

Unanimous

8. Announcements and Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (PM - 10 minutes)

[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]

9. General Consent Calendar (PM -- 0 minutes)

[All agenda items on the Consent Calendar will pass when the Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any board member or stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of the agenda and be treated as regular agenda items with discussion and public comment.]

10. Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar (PM -- 0 minutes)

[All agenda items on the Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar will pass when the LUPC Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any Board member or Stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of agenda item 11. Land Use and Planning Committee and will be treated as regular LUPC agenda items, with discussion and public comment]

JR, GF

Unanimous

11. LUPC (PM – minutes) (Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)

(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/committees/lupc/>)

[Discussion and possible action]

A — ~~LUPC Recommendation to the VNC Board for position on SurveyLA community impact~~

~~**MOTION:** The VNC Board demands that the City of Los Angeles adopt the following policy:~~

- ~~1. The results of SurveyLA do not constitute fair argument of substantial evidence of a potential significant impact to historic resources under CEQA or otherwise. This should be noted on all published documents including Zoning Information Bulletins available on ZIMAS.~~



- ~~2. SurveyLA is a planning tool only that may be used when updating community plans, specific plans and coastal plans; it should not be used on an individual case by case basis~~
- ~~3. The burden is on the City to prove substantial evidence of a potential significant impact to historic resources on a case by case basis~~
- ~~4. No clearances related to SurveyLA shall be required on discretionary or non-discretionary permits unless the City proves substantial evidence exists above and beyond information in SurveyLA~~

~~Recommended by LUPC (RD/TB 6-0-0)~~

~~Master Report: http://preservation.lacity.org/sites/default/files/SurveyLA_MasterReport_0.pdf~~

~~Venice Reports: <http://preservation.lacity.org/surveyla-findings-and-reports#Venice>~~

Postponed until April meeting

JR, GF

FAVOR: JR, GF, WH, MD

Opposed: IM

B Prevent SurveyLA info from being used by LA City Planning (Elizabeth Wright)

MOTION: In order to prevent LA City Planning from erroneously restricting development, the Venice Neighborhood Council shall send a letter to Councilmember Bonin requesting that the LA City Department of Planning destroy all lists of POTENTIAL candidates for landmark or historic districts, which is what SURVEYLA produced, and enable access only to the list of officially approved areas and properties.

Postponed to April Meeting

MD, WH

FAVOR: JR, GF, WH, MD, IM

OPPOSED: 0

C 2334 Cloy Ave (30 minutes)

Case: DIR-2016-4357-CDP-MEL, DIR-2017-389-VSO

Applicant: MDB Silicon Beach Cloy II Investors, LLC

LUPC Staff: Daffodil Tyminski

Representative: Jefferson Schierbeek

Description: Demolish (E) 1- story single family dwelling and construct (N) 3 story 3,172 sf single family dwelling with attached two car garage + guest parking (3 parking spaces total)

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 6-1-0

GF, MD

Unanimous



D 656 California Ave (20 minutes)

Case: ZA-2014-3040-CDP-MEL, AA-2014-3038-PMLA-CN

Applicant: Lewis Futterman

LUPC Staff: Joe Clark

Representative: Robert Thibodeau

Description: New 3-Story, 2-Unit Condo

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.

Recommended by LUPC 6-1-1

GF, JH

Unanimous

12. Old Business (PM - 0 minutes) See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>

[Discussion and possible action]

A Rescind Oxford Trial Resolution (Steve Freeman and Dan Whalen) (20 minutes)

MOTION: The VNC Board rescinds the following motion which was approved on Feb. 21, 2017:

Be it resolved, that the Venice Neighborhood Council recommend to Mayor Eric Garcetti and Councilman Mike Bonin to honor the request of Oxford Triangle residents and the recommendations of the 1988 Oxford Triangle Neighborhood Study to either rebuild maintenance facilities on the property known as Thatcher Yard to resume City maintenance operations or rezone the property to multi-family status to complement and protect the Scale and Character of the adjoining single-family residential neighborhood and then sell the property to a developer who intends to redevelop the site in a manner consistent with existing Oxford Triangle single-family homes.

WH, GF

Unanimous

13. New Business (PM – minutes)

[Discussion and possible action] See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>

A Social Media Contest #VeniceNCArts (Sunny Bak on behalf of Arts Committee)

sunny.bak@venicenc.org

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council shall host a social media contest using hashtag #VeniceNCArts on Intstagram and will develop a social media task force.

Recommended by Arts Committee 3-0-0 on 3/6/2017

MD, JR

Unanimous



B Support for Landside Access Modernization Program at LAX (Michael Leonard
mleonard@lawa.org)

MOTION: The VNC Board states its support for the Landside Access Modernization Program at Los Angeles International Airport and directs that a letter of support be sent to the operator of the airport, Los Angeles World Airports urging that the Los Angeles City Planning Commission, Los Angeles County Airport Land Use Commission and the Los Angeles City Council approve this project.

Motion to approve draft agenda

MD, WH
Unanimous

C CD11 & 5 Planning Bulletins (Ira Koslow on behalf of WRAC) president@venicenc.org

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council requests that Council Districts 5 and 11 prepare regular email planning bulletins that compile current land use issues, including citywide policy issues, current hearing dates, and details about Westside developments being considered by the City.

GF, WH
Unanimous

14. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (PM - 5 minutes)

IM in bathroom

JR, GF
Unanimous

15. Adjourn (approx. PM)



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Standing Committees

Administrative - Ira Koslow

Neighborhood - George Francisco

Outreach - Matthew Kline

Land Use and Planning - Matthew Royce

Budget & Finance - Hugh Harrison

Rules & Selections - John Reed

Arts - Sonny Bak

Ocean Front Walk - Colleen Saro

Ad Hoc Committees

Public Safety - Matt Shaw & Will Hawkins

Homeless - Will Hawkins

Parking & Transportation - Jim Murez

Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello

Discussion Forum - Joe Murphy

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