



# Neighborhood Council

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## Joint VNC Board & Administrative Committee Agenda

**Monday, May 8, 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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**DISABILITY POLICY:** See last page.

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

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

**IM, CS, HH, IK, GF, WH, MD,**

**2. Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda**

**GF, MD**

**Unanimous**

**3. Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes**

Insert link when available

**HH, GF**

**Unanimous**

**4. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda**

**5. Old Administrative Committee Business**

*[Discussion and possible action.]*

**6. New Administrative Committee Business**

*[Discussion and possible action.]*



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**MOTION:** The Administrative Committee shall approve the following Mission Statement for a proposed Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee:

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**GF, MD**

**Unanimous**

**7. Consideration and approval of March 21, 2017 Proposed Board Agenda**

**8. Adjourn**

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## **Draft Board of Officers Special Meeting Agenda**

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)

1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291

**WEDNESDAY May 17, 2017 at 7:00 PM**

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00 PM – 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/34484133-6711.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.

**GF, HH**

**Unanimous**

6. **Selection to fill vacant Community Officer Board member seat (7:05PM –20 minutes)**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council will fill the vacated Community Officer seat at the April meeting. The following candidates submitted an application by the deadline of Monday April 10, 2017. Applications are available to review here:

[http://www.venicenc.org/readpost.php?news\\_id=265](http://www.venicenc.org/readpost.php?news_id=265)



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Spud Anderson  
Brad Aarons  
Barry Cassilly  
Erie Feragne

Yolanda Gonzalez  
Jason Moore  
Lindsay Young

**GF, MD**

**Unanimous**

## 7. Scheduled Announcements and Presentations

**7A Public Safety - LAPD Report (10 minutes):** Senior Lead Officers Joe Roberts (41448@lapd.lacity.org), Kristan Delatori ([32914@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:32914@lapd.lacity.org)), Gregg Jacobus, [35162@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:35162@lapd.lacity.org), Lt. Lydia Leos [23216@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:23216@lapd.lacity.org) , OFW Beach Detail Supervisor. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*

*George send updated contacts*

**7B 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](mailto:taylor.bazley@lacity.org))
- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 ([janet.turner@mail.house.gov](mailto:janet.turner@mail.house.gov))
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Fernando Morales, 310-318-6994 ([fernando.morales@sen.ca.gov](mailto: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](mailto:rzaiden@bos.lacounty.gov))
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Daniel Tamm, 213-978-0836 ([Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org](mailto:Daniel.Tamm@Lacity.org))

**GF, CS**

**Unanimous**

## 7C VNC Announcements and Reports (5 minutes)

- President -Ira Koslow ([President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:President@VeniceNC.org))
- Vice President - George Francisco ([VicePresident@VeniceNC.org](mailto:VicePresident@VeniceNC.org))
  - Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- ,Ira Koslow, VNC Representative ([Chair@westsidecouncils.org](mailto:Chair@westsidecouncils.org)),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel ([Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org))
- VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
  - Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer
  - Sunny Bak, announcement call for artists

*William Hawkins to resign from adcom, at June adcom board member needs to volunteer.*



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**Appt Board Member (typically VP) to be the representative for LANC financial.**

**7D DWP Presentation on Water Facilities (10 minutes)**(Yolanda Gonzales) **Postponed until next month.**

**HH, GF**

**Unanimous**

**8. 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]

**8A Expenditure Reports**

**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for April 2017.  
*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on May 2, 2017.*

**8B Expenditure to date Report**

**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves the Expenditure to Date report for March 2017.  
*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on May 2, 2017.*

**8C Reallocated Budget**

**MOTION:** The VNC reallocates its budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year as per attached revised budget. *Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on May 2, 2017.*

**8D Purchase of translation equipment**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council shall allocate \$1,000 for the purchase of new translation equipment. *Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on May 2, 2017.*

~~**8E Arts Fair**~~

~~**MOTION:** The VNC shall allocate up to \$1,200 for a Venice Arts Fair on Ocean Front Walk in June 2017 to be hosted by the VNC Arts Committee.  
*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on May 2, 2017. Postponed*~~

**8F Go Fishing**

**MOTION:** The VNC shall allocate up to \$500 in support of the Go Fishing gathering on June 3, 2017, at the Venice Pier. *Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on May 2, 2017.*

**8G Congress of Neighborhood Councils/Budget Advocates**

**MOTION:** The VNC shall allocate an additional \$1,410 for the Congress of Neighborhoods and \$470 for the Budget Advocates. If additional funds are available at the end of the fiscal year, and if no roll-over is approved, all unspent VNC funds shall be allocated to the Congress and

Budget Advocates at a 75% to 25% proportion. *Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 4-0-0 on May 2, 2017.*

WH, HH

Unanimous

9. **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]*
  
10. **General Consent Calendar (PM -- 5 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.]*
  
- 10A **Request for baseline data on population density and zoning capacities for growth** (Ira Koslow, [president@venicenc.org](mailto:president@venicenc.org) on behalf of WRAC)  
**MOTION:** The Westside Regional Alliance of Councils formally requests: that LA City Planning compute the maximum build out under existing zoning for low, medium and high density residential zones as well as commercial zones. These calculations shall include the highest possible SB 1818 and JJJ density bonuses, as well as Accessory Dwelling units ('granny flats') for each of the Neighborhood and Community Councils in the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils area. updated current figures on population and population density in the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils area and including a comparison to 2010 figures.
  
- 10B **Support for Back to Basic Car proposal** (Ira Koslow, [president@venicenc.org](mailto:president@venicenc.org) on behalf of WRAC)  
**MOTION:** The VNC shall submit a Community Impact Statement for City Council File 17-0078 in support of the "Back to Basic Car" proposal — a smart, sensible and achievable neighborhood police patrol enhancement strategy that would result in a larger and more robust LAPD patrol force, and would greatly improve the safety of neighborhoods throughout Los Angeles.
  
- 10C **Parking Inventory of non-required Commercial and Industrial projects since 1976** (James Murez on behalf of the Parking and Transportation Committee)  
**MOTION:** The VNC shall send a letter requesting a parking inventory of commercial stalls that are not attached to any required use after 1976 such as BIZ stalls, City owned and or operated lots, etc.  
*Recommended by Transportation Committee 6-0-0 on August 20, 2016.*
  
- 10D **DEVELOP A COASTAL CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION MANAGEMENT PLAN** (George Francisco, [vp@venicenc.org](mailto:vp@venicenc.org) on behalf of the Neighborhood Committee)  
**MOTION:** The VNC shall send a letter to Councilman Mike Bonin, Mayor Eric Garcetti, the Los Angeles City Council, the Los Angeles Department of Planning and LA Sanitation recommending that the City of Los Angeles develop and institute a "Coastal Climate Change Adaptation Management Plan" based on essential elements promoted by the Surfrider Foundation which state that such a plan provide for: 1.Proactive Adaptation; 2. Maximizing



Ecosystem Resilience; 3. Installing dynamic management; 4. Establishing current baselines to identify thresholds and monitor changes; 5. Identifying key vulnerabilities unique to Venice Beach; 6. Prioritizing actions; 7. Carefully assessing adaptation options; 8. Including short-term adaptation measures; 9. Collaborating with all levels of government; 10. Recognizing potential barriers to implementation; and 11. Increasing public engagement for adaptation through robust outreach and education. *Recommended by Neighborhood Committee 9-0-1 on April 26, 2017.*

**10E Funding for Maintenance, Repair and Additional Art and Art Performance on OFW**

(Colleen Saro, [colleen.saro@venicenc.org](mailto:colleen.saro@venicenc.org) on behalf of the OFW Committee)

**MOTION:** Whereas, Venice is the 2nd largest tourist attraction in Southern California, and Whereas, the LA City Council should have a specific budget line to address the much needed attention to: the Mural Memorials, Art Tile Benches, Handball Court Mosaic Letters, Dreams Come True Column, Running of the Grunion (Restrooms @ 17th, Brooks, Horizon), Venice Beach Poet's Monument (LAPD Substation, and same 3 Restrooms as stated, 17th, Brooks, Horizon), Venice Canals @ Windward Plaza, Children's Fountain @ Windward Plaza, Voxal 2000, Children of Venice Trash Can Art and Pedestals with Historic Signage, and but not limited to include additional Art to be added along the Boardwalk, Windward Plaza, Venice Pier, Pagodas and Rose Parking Lot;

Therefore be it resolved that the VNC send a letter to Councilman Bonin's and Recreation & Park Supervisor Bob Davis, requesting that a line item be added to the LA City budget under Recs & Park or City, but specific to: OFW/Venice for: Repair, Maintain, Add to, and Expand Art on OFW in the amount of \$100,000.00 per year. *Recommended by Ocean Front Walk Committee 8-0-0 on April 24, 2017.*

**10F Funding from Beaches & Harbors to benefit OFW & Venice Beach** (Colleen Saro, [colleen.saro@venicenc.org](mailto:colleen.saro@venicenc.org) on behalf of the OFW Committee)

**MOTION:** Whereas, there is a strong need for additional restrooms, showers, trash cans and maintenance on the Boardwalk and

Whereas Beaches & Harbors contributes to other beaches along the LA County coastline; Therefore be it resolved that the VNC requests that Councilman Bonin and County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl work with John Kelly from the Dept. of Beaches & Harbors to utilize monies they have available to repair, restore and add to the existing restrooms, showers and trash cans in Venice.

*Recommended by Ocean Front Walk Committee 8-0-0 on April 24, 2017.*

**GF, HH**  
**Unanimous**

**11. 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]*

**12. LUPC (PM – minutes)** (Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, [Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org))  
(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php> )  
*[Discussion and possible action]*

**12A Parking requirements for the Accessory Dwelling Unit laws AB 2299 and SB 1069 in Venice Coastal Zone (30 minutes)**

**MOTION:** Whereas the VNC understands that the California Coastal Commission is considering parking amendments to AB 2299 and SB 1069 in the Coastal Zone

Whereas Venice has an extreme shortage of affordable housing options

Whereas Venice has a number of unpermitted, uninspected garages and other accessory buildings being used for housing

Whereas alternative transportation means continue to increase options beyond automobiles for commuters and residents in general

Whereas on September 27, 2016 Governor Brown signed AB 2299 and SB 1069 into law, which in essence allow for the legal conversion of garages into Accessory Dwelling Units without increasing parking requirements

Therefore be it resolved that the VNC Board supports the State ADU Standards as written into law in the Venice Coastal Zone.

Recommended by LUPC 6-1-0

**AB 2299 and SB 1069, Council file number**

**GF, HH**

**Unanimous**

**12B 45 N Venice Blvd (LA Louver Gallery) (30 minutes)**

Case: APCW-2015-4392-ZC-CDP

Applicant: Peter Goulds LUPC

Staff: Michael Jensen

Representative: Chris Parker

Description: A Coastal Development Permit for a change of use from an art gallery to general office without restrictions on hours of use

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented. Recommended by LUPC 4-0-2

**GF, HH**

**Unanimous**

**12C 236 Carroll Canal (20 minutes)**

Case: DIR-2016-3467-CDP-SPP-MEL

Applicant: James Tschortner & Sabine Fessler

LUPC Staff: Michael Jensen

Representative: Sorensen Architects

Description: New three story single family residence and existing house to be demolished

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

Recommended by LUPC C 6-0-0





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**12D** 1306 Cabrillo Ave (20 minutes)

Case: DIR 2016-2957-CDP-MEL

Applicant: Richard Rothstein

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojalalli

Representative: Keller Associates

Description: New construction using the existing 962 sq ft single story house foundation, keeping the same house foot print of original house and adding a 500 sq.foot second story bedroom.

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

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0

**12E** 445 Sherman Canal (20 minutes)

Case:DIR 2016-4799-CDP-SPP-MEL

Applicant: Simone Manor LLC

Representative: Ed Millan

Description:Demo of (E) one story single family residence with detached 2-car garage & construction of (N) three-story SFR with attached 2-car garage and swimming pool.

PLACEHOLDER

**12F** 5111 Ocean Front Walk (20 minutes)

Case: DIR-2016-851-VSO

Applicant: Larry Layne

Representative:aARts Architects

Description: Remodel and addition to existing 3 story triplex

PLACEHOLDER

**12G** 230 Horizon Ave (20 minutes)

Case: DIR-2016-2550-CDP-MEL

Applicant: 230 Horizon LLC

Representative: Breakform Design

Description: New Single Family Residence with attached garage

PLACEHOLDER

**12H** 842 Marco Place (20 minutes)

Case: DIR-2017-774-CEX

Applicant: Jamie Sattler

Representative: Studio Antares

Description: Addition to existing 2 story house

PLACEHOLDER



Colleen Saro Left

GF, HH

Unanimous

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

[Discussion and possible action]

14. **New Business (PM – minutes)**

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

- 14A **Support for City Council resolution to investigate President Donald Trump** (Ivan Spiegel, [parliamentarian@venicenc.org](mailto:parliamentarian@venicenc.org))

**MOTION:** The VNC shall file a CIS in support of Council File 17-0002-S45 which states: "the Los Angeles City Council hereby includes in the City of Los Angeles 2017-2018 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for any legislative action to investigate whether President Donald J. Trump has violated the Foreign Emoluments Clause of the United States Constitution or committed any other high crimes or misdemeanor sufficient to warrant commencement of impeachment proceedings.

**FAVOR: MD, GF**

**OPPOSED: IM, HH, JR, WH**

**MOTION FAILED. Will not be on agenda.**

- 14B **Creation of Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee** (5 minutes)

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council shall create the Ad Hoc Public Safety Committee with the following Mission Statement as approved by the Administrative Committee: *The Public Safety Committee shall advise the Venice Neighborhood Council on promoting the health, safety and well-being of the Venice Community.*

**HH, GF**

**Unanimous**

14C (10 minutes)

**People St Plaza Dudley Ave** ([marcia@citylanduse.com](mailto:marcia@citylanduse.com))

The Venice Neighborhood Council support the creation of a Plaza on Dudley Ave between Ocean Front Walk and Speedway. <http://peoplest.lacity.org/>

**JR, MD**

**Unanimous**

14D (10 minutes)

**NC Election Timing form**

**MOTION:** VNC Board pick one of the choices for timing of the next elections.



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HH, GF  
Unanimous

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

16. **Adjourn (approx. PM)**

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome

### **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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