



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## **Joint VNC Board & Administrative Committee Meeting Agenda**

**Monday, May 13, 2019 at 7:00PM**

**Extra Space Storage, President's Row Room  
658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, 90291**

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- 2. Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda**
- 3. Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes**
- 4. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda**
- 5. Old Administrative Committee Business**
- 6. New Administrative Committee Business**
- 6A Consideration and approval of May 21, 2019 Draft Board Agenda**
- 7. Adjourn**



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

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)  
1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291  
**Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 7:00 PM**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00 PM)**
2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**
3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:07PM – 1 minute)**  
<http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
4. **Approval of the Agenda (7:08PM – 1 minute)**
5. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:09PM -- 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**
- 6A **Live Stream of Meetings (7:05PM -- 3 minutes)**  
**All VNC Board meetings are streamed live online.** Please log onto facebook and share the live stream on the VNC homepage to promote community participation. Click here to share!  
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- 6B **Spanish Translation Available** (Esteban Pulido, [pulido.esteban@gmail.com](mailto:pulido.esteban@gmail.com))  
Spanish Interpretation services and agendas are available with advance notice.
- 6C **Public Safety - LAPD & LAFD Report (10 minutes)**: Senior Lead Officers Kristan Delatori ([32914@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:32914@lapd.lacity.org)), SLO Jennifer Muther [36051@lapdonline](mailto:36051@lapdonline) SLO Adrian Acosta - [39174@lapd.online](mailto:39174@lapd.online) SLO Javier Ramirez - [39174@lapd.online](mailto:39174@lapd.online), Venice Beach Task Force - SGT Theresa Skinner - [31142@lapd.online](mailto:31142@lapd.online). *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*
- 6D **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 Olin Wibroe ([Olin.wibroe@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Olin.wibroe@sen.ca.gov))



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- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, West Los Angeles Field Representative, Brandon Stansell, (310) 412-6400, ([brandon.stansell@asm.ca.gov](mailto:brandon.stansell@asm.ca.gov))
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy Zac Gaidzik (310)231-1170, [zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov)
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Ami Fields-Meyer, 323 552-6730 ([ami.fields-meyer@lacity.org](mailto:ami.fields-meyer@lacity.org))
- Empower LA Neighborhood Council Advocate, Jasmine Elbarbary, 213-978-1551 ([jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org](mailto:jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org))

## 6E **VNC Announcements and Reports (5 minutes)**

- President -Ira Koslow ([President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:President@VeniceNC.org))  
Yolanda Gonzalez appointed representative to Southern California Gas Co.
- Vice President - George Francisco ([Vice President@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Vice President@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))
- Election Update - Ivan Spiegel, Election Chair
- VNC Representative to DWP/Gas Company: Yolanda Gonzales
- Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer
- Outreach - Hollie Stenson

## 6F **Road to 2020 Census Presentation** (Mariecris Treece, Partnership Specialist Los Angeles Regional Census Center, U.S. Census Bureau 424-581-9579 E-mail: [mariecris.d.treece@2020census.gov](mailto:mariecris.d.treece@2020census.gov) [census.gov](http://census.gov)) (10 minutes)

This presentation will offer valuable material regarding the Census Bureau's upcoming activities

## 6G **Presentation on the Hyperion Water Recycling Initiative (10 minutes)**

LADWP Engineer, Chris Ripp will do a presentation on the Hyperion Water Recycling Initiative.

## 6H **Presentation on the upcoming Weatherization Program for low income households (10 minutes)**

This is a program that the DWP and Gas Company put together as part of their budget initiative. If low income households qualify, the program includes led light bulbs, a new refrigerator, Microwave, furnace repair or replacement, seal air leaks and weather-stripping, new doors, or windows and glass replacement. It also Includes smoke detectors, and carbon monoxide detectors. Tenants may also qualify through this program with authorization from their landlord.

## 7. **Treasurer's Report (10 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee) ([Treasurer@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Treasurer@VeniceNC.org))

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



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## 7A Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report

**MOTION:** The Venice NC approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for March.

**Uploaded Documents:** [Download 1557278959.pdf](#)

*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 5/7/2019*

## 7B Approval of Expenditure to Date Report

**MOTION:** The Venice NC approves the Expenditure to Date report for March 2019.

**Uploaded Documents:** [Download 1557279032.pdf](#)

*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 5/7/2019*

## 7C Approval of Election Expenses

**MOTION:** The Venice NC approves the following expenses for the 2019 NC election: NOTE: Complete list of expenses will be submitted by time of Ad Com meeting.

*Recommended by Budget & Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 5/7/2019*

## 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 -- 5 minutes)

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## 10. LUPC Consent Calendar (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>)

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## 10A 922 California Ave

Case: DIR-2019-2654-CDP

Applicant: Morris Davidson

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Representative: Gavin McKiernan

Description: Major Remodel/Addition to an existing triplex

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project with the condition that all Roof Access Structures be removed

*Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0*



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## 10B 561 San Juan Ave

Case: DIR-2018-7226-CDP-MEL

Applicant: Morris Davidson

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Representative: Rick Gunderson

Description: New Construction of 3 Story SFR with 3 Car Garage

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

*Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0*

## 10C 72 Market

Case: ZA-2018-7544-CUB

Applicant: Tony Bill

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: EPG

Description: ON-SITE SALE OF A FULL-LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN CONJUNCTION WITH A NEW PROPOSED 2,520 SQ. FT. RESTAURANT WITH 98 SEATS. PROPOSED HOURS OF ALCOHOL SALES FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 2:00 A.M.

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

*Recommended by LUPC 5-1-0*

## 10D 738 Palms Ave

Case: DIR-2018-6377-CDP-MEL

Applicant: Diane Cabo

LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: Electric Bowery

Description: New Single Family House

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project with roof deck railing setback 5 feet at the southwest corner.

*Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0*

## 10E 931 Superba Ave

Case: DIR-2019-1360-CDP

Applicant: Marla Berns

LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali

Representative: Jefferson Schierbeek

Description: Remodel and 2nd story addition to a single family residence

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

*Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0*



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## 10F 51-71 Woodward Ave

Case: DIR-2018-3706-CDP-SPP-MEL  
Applicant: Angelica H. LLC  
LUPC Staff: Michael Jensen  
Representative: Marcia Davalos  
Description: Addition of an enclosed car elevator, patron elevator and subterranean parking garage to create a mixed use structure with 2 Artist in residence units, commercial office space and underground parking. Residential garages will be reallocated to new uses. Total addition of 7,829 sq ft. Change of use from Single Family and AIR unit to one Mixed Use structure.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends denial for the following reasons:

1. No visitor serving uses are proposed as is required by the LUP
2. No staging area for the parking lift entrance
3. Blank wall along Woodward does not provide any street articulation as required by the LUP

*Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0*

## 10G 78 Market St

Case: ZA-2018-3595-CU-CUB-ZV, DIR-2018-4410-CDP-SPP  
Applicant: 78 Market Street, LLC  
LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld  
Representative: Marcia Davalos  
Description: Change of use of 2,179 sq ft of medical office to restaurant, in conjunction with a 1,531 sf 2nd story addition. The project proposes 1,631 sf of new service floor area with patios on both levels. 73 seats and a CUB to allow full line alcohol for on-site consumption. Hours of operation 8am- 1am daily. 20 vehicle parking spaces are required, the restaurant will provide 14 vehicle parking spaces (5 on-site 9 off-site) and replace 6 vehicle parking spaces with 24 bicycle parking stalls.

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval of the project with the following conditions:

1. LOI for the parking lease for 10 year minimum term which shall be tied to the CUB
2. The CUB shall be tied to the Owner's name, and/or the members of the LLC which owns the property and any tenant

*Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0*

11. **LUPC (PM – minutes)** (Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, [Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org))  
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## 11A 1808 Lincoln Blvd

Case: DIR-2019-1133-TOC-CDO

Applicant: Primo Lofts, LLC

LUPC Staff: Carlos Zubieta & Tim Bonefeld

Representative: Reed Architectural Group

Description: DEMOLITION OF AN (E) ONE-STORY COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION, USE, AND MAINTENANCE OF A (N) 2 TO 6-STORY, MIXED-USE, BUILDING INCLUDING 9 APARTMENT UNITS, (1 ELI UNIT AND 8 MARKET RATE UNITS).

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends denial of the project in its current form due to lack of proper outreach to the neighboring community in regards to parking, height, setback, sun/shade studies, housing unit types, etc. The VNC further recommends that the developer to propose a new project which contains as many smaller housing units as is feasible including the required affordable units and perform proper community outreach.

*Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0*

## 11B 3233 S. Thatcher Yard

Case: CPC-2018-5593-CDP-DB-CU-SPR-WDI-SPP-MEL

Applicant: Thomas Safran & Associates

LUPC Staff: Robert Aronson

Representative: Dana Sayles

Description: PUBLIC-PRIVATE JOINT REDEVELOPMENT OF CITY-OWNED SITE INTO 98 AFFORDABLE RENTAL UNITS FOR SENIORS AND FAMILIES, ACROSS MULTIPLE BUILDINGS RANGING FROM 1-3 STORIES (OVER SEMI-SUBTERRANEAN GARAGE).

**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends approval with all requested entitlements and the following conditions:

- 1.Haul Route to be limited to Princeton Ave
- 2.Parking for workers during construction to be outside of the neighborhood
- 3.Roads to be maintained in good condition during construction and completely restored to new condition after construction
- 4.Harbor Crossing entrance to be relocated and made 2 way.

*Recommended by LUPC 4-2-0*

## 11C Commercial Corridor and Spot Zoning Realignment

**MOTION:** Whereas commercial corridors in Venice have over many decades been subject to spot zoning and/or otherwise have been inadvertently rezoned without outreach to the Property Owners or Neighboring Residents and

Whereas the Venice Land Use Plan Policy I. B. 2. states, The design of mixed-use development is intended to help mitigate the impact of the traffic generated by the development on coastal access roads and





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reduce parking demand by reducing the need for automobile use by residents and encouraging pedestrian activity, and

Whereas, the City Planning Dept and Coastal Commission are in the process of updating the LCP and Venice Community Plan;

Therefore the VNC shall recommend to the City Planning Dept and the Coastal Commission that Properties per the list below along commercial corridors in Venice be rezoned to Commercial Use as part of the LCP and Community Plan update in order to: (i) create consistency with the adjacent and neighboring properties; (ii) to remedy the past spot zoning of certain commercial corridors of Venice; and (iii) that the rezoned properties

be in compliance with all land use requirements set forth in the applicable Los Angeles zoning code, including, but not limited to, any uses which may require a conditional use permit.

Properties to be included in the rezoning back to commercial use:

100 Venice Way

401-507,1901-2015 Ocean Front Walk

305-373 Rose Ave

*Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0*

**11. Old Business (PM - 0 minutes)**

*[Discussion and possible action]*

**12. New Business (PM – minutes)**

*[Discussion and possible action]*

**12A Measure EE on June 4 Ballot (James Murez [murez@venice.net](mailto:murez@venice.net))**

**MOTION:** Discussion and possible action to support or oppose Measure "EE" on the June 4th ballot and to send a letter to the LA City Council with the VNC's position.

United Teachers of LA Board Member Julie Van Winkle in attendance to speak in support of EE

**12B Approval of PTC 2016-2019 PTC Report (James Murez on behalf of Parking & Transportation Committee [murez@venicnc.net](mailto:murez@venicnc.net))**

**MOTION:** The VNC shall send a letter to LA Dept of Transportation, LA Dept of Planning and the California Coastal Commission recommending consideration of the information described in the PTC report and possible inclusion in the upcoming LUP and Community Plans.

*Recommended by Parking and Transportation Committee 4-0-0*

**12C 3d Crosswalks (James Murez on behalf of Parking & Transportation Committee [murez@venicnc.net](mailto:murez@venicnc.net))**

**MOTION:** The VNC shall send a letter to LA Dept of Transportation recommending a trial intersection be marked with a 3d design as shown in the following link. The recommended intersection is the corner of Cadiz Court and Abbot Kinney (Roosterfish intersection). The trial period to be determined by the VNC after installation.

<https://abc7chicago.com/society/girls-idea-for-3d-crosswalk-may-help-save-lives/5270138/>

*Recommended by Parking & Transportation Committee 4-0-0*



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- 12D Approval of VNC Survey Questions** (Hollie Stenson on behalf of Outreach Committee [hollie.stenson@venicenc.org](mailto:hollie.stenson@venicenc.org))  
**MOTION:** Whereas the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) would like to conduct a survey to assess levels of satisfaction with city programs and services, explore stakeholder attitudes about issues facing Venice and identify concerns the incoming VNC Board should prioritize, and Whereas the concept of a survey was voted on and approved by the current Board pending approval of the survey questions, and Whereas the survey questions were created by a few members of the Outreach Committee that are qualified to prepare a non-biased questionnaire, one of whom is a PhD candidate at Stanford in Anthropology and Network Science studying human networks and community development, and the other the CoFounder and Director of Civic Innovation Lab, an organization dedicated to engaging the ingenuity of citizens to solve our most pressing social and civic challenges, and Whereas many of the questions included were taken from the survey the City of Santa Monica uses to assess levels of satisfaction among their residents and adapted for Venice-specific purposes and their survey is developed and distributed by a professional research firm, Therefore the VNC Board approves the attached survey questions as presented for both paper and digital distribution to Venice Stakeholders.  
[Uploaded Documents: Download 1557236246.pdf](#)  
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- 12E Safe Sidewalks** (George Francisco on behalf of the Neighborhood Committee [vp@venicenc.org](mailto:vp@venicenc.org))  
**MOTION:** Whereas California Vehicle Code Section 21206 allows local governments to regulate operation of bicycles on pedestrian facilities and; Whereas the City of Los Angeles does not strictly prohibit said operation Therefore the VNC recommends to CM Bonin, the LA City Council, LAPD and LADOT that bicycle riding be prohibited on all sidewalks except where there is no reasonable safe alternative in an effort to restore walkability and increase public safety.  
*Recommended by Neighborhood Committee 8-0-1 and Parking & Transportation Committee 4-0-0*
- 13. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (PM - 5 minutes)**
- 14. Adjourn (approx. PM)**



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