



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Board of Officers Meeting Minutes Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium) 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291 **Tuesday, July 21st, 2015 at 7:00 PM**

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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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 (7:00PM – 1 minute)**

Thank you to Whole Foods, Abbot's Habit, and Jessica Blumenthal for the food and refreshments.

PRESENT: Marc Saltzberg, Kristopher Valentine, Ira Koslow, Joe Murphy, Jed Pauker, George Gineris, Abigail Myers, Hugh Harrison, Matt Kline, Sylvia Aroth, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis, Eduardo Manilla, Robin Rudisill, Melissa Diner, Eduardo Manilla, Erin Darling,

ABSENT: Mike Newhouse, Bud Jacobs, Mike Bravo, Max Sloan, George Francisco

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

3. **Recognition of Challis Macpherson (7:02PM -- 10 minutes)** (Ivan Spiegel, et al)

Robin Rudisill, Melissa Diner, and Eduardo Manilla arrived.

4. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:12PM – 1 minute)**

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/150616BoardMinutes.pdf>

ACTION: Minutes approved (HH/MK 14-0-1)

IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Melissa Diner, Eduardo Manilla, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Joe Murphy, Abigail Myers, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis,



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AGAINST: NONE

ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg,

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5. **Approval of the Board Agenda (7:13PM – 1 minute)**

ACTION: Minutes approved (HH/MK 14-0-1)

IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Melissa Diner, George Francisco, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Joe Murphy, Abigail Myers, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis,

AGAINST: NONE

ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg

6. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:14PM -- 1 minute)**

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

Sylvia Aroth, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Abigail Myers, Marc Saltzberg

7. **Scheduled Announcements and Presentations (7:15PM – 35 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, Jesus "Chuy" D. Orozco, 310-568-8772 (jesus.d.orozco@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 Odysseus Bostick, 310-412-6400 (odysseus.bostick@asm.ca.gov)
- 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)



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- Ejjah Cooper – Oakwood Rec Park Director, 310-452-7479 (ejjah.cooper@lacity.org)

C VNC Announcements (5 Minutes)

- President - Mike Newhouse (President@VeniceNC.org)
- Vice President - Marc Saltzberg (VicePresident@VeniceNC.org)
- Secretary - Agenda Request reminder (secretary@venicenc.org)
- Budget Representatives - Hugh Harrison, George Francisco
Report of the LA City Budget Day and Budget Survey
- Rules and Elections Chair - Ira Koslow
Changes to VNC committees that require bylaws changes as requested by Committee Chairs will not take effect until the current EmpowerLA bylaws moratorium is lifted following the elections.
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Mike Newhouse, WRAC President, Marc Saltzberg, VNC Representatives. (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel
(Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
- VNC Representative to DWP: Dede Audet
- Venice Chamber Of Commerce: Catherine Chevalier, President (Catherine@notmaurice.com)

D The VNC BBQ and Picnic is on August 8 at Oakwood Recreation Center from noon to 4 PM (5 minutes) (BBQ Committee)

8. General Consent Calendar (7:50PM -- 1 minute)

[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.]

A Oppose AB 744 Limiting Local Govt. Auth. Over Parking for SB 1818 Density Bonus Projects (Marc Saltzberg, on behalf of WRAC) (vicepresident@venicenc.org) **[EXHIBIT]**

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the City Of Los Angeles oppose AB 744 which limits local government authority over parking for SB 1818 Density Bonus Projects and requests Councilmembers Mike Bonin and Paul Koretz to introduce a resolution to that effect. AB 744 would prohibit, at the request of the developer, imposition of a vehicular parking ratio in excess of 0.5 spaces per bedroom on a development receiving density bonuses under SB 1818 that includes the maximum percentage of low- and very low income units, and is located within one-half mile of a major transit stop, and there is unobstructed access to the transit stop from the development. The bill would also prohibit, at the request of the developer, imposition of a vehicular parking ratio in excess of specified amounts per unit on a development that consists solely of units with an affordable housing cost to lower income households, as specified, if the development is within one-half mile of a major transit stop and there is unobstructed access to the transit stop from the development, is a for-rent housing development for individuals that are 62 years of age or older, or is a special needs housing development, as those terms are defined.



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ACTION: Pulled from Consent Calendar

- B** **Oppose AB 1373 Outdoor Advertising: the City of Los Angeles** (Marc Saltzberg, on behalf of WRAC) (vicepresident@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the City of Los Angeles oppose AB 1373 (Outdoor Advertising, the City of Los Angeles, Exempting 40 Square Blocks of Downtown LA From the CA Outdoor Advertising Act) and requests that Councilmembers Mike Bonin and Paul Koretz introduce a resolution to that effect.

The Outdoor Advertising Sign Act provides for the regulation by the Department of Transportation of advertising displays, as defined, within the view of public highways. The act exempts from certain of its provisions advertising displays that advertise the business conducted or services rendered or goods produced or sold in the property upon which the display is placed as specified. This bill would exempt from those provisions of the act advertising displays located in a specific geographic area in the City of Los Angeles if those displays meet specified conditions and requirements, including the adoption of, and compliance with, an ordinance by the City of Los Angeles. The bill would impose certain conditions if the advertising display authorized by this bill is a message center display... The bill would make the City of Los Angeles primarily responsible for ensuring that display remains in compliance with the city ordinance and the bills requirements, and would require the city to indemnify and hold the department harmless if the city fails to do so. This bill would also make findings and declarations as to the need for a special statutes relating to the City of Los Angeles.

<http://banbillboardblight.org/coming-soon-more-freeway-advertising-signs-in-downtown-l-a/>

- C** **CIS in Support of CF14-0268-S5, Ellis Act Controls** (Marc Saltzberg)(vicepresident@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council hereby files the following Community Impact Statement in support of [CF14-0268-S5](#) which calls for:

... the City Council [to] instruct the Housing and Community Investment Department (HCID), in conjunction with the Department of Building and Safety (LADBS), and the Planning Department develop a process to require a clearance from HCID for building permits for major construction, alteration, and addition to, or demolition of properties subject to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance... [and] that the HCID, in conjunction with the LADBS and Planning Department, be instructed to report on the inventory of RSO units removed through the Ellis process, and additional recommendations to strengthen enforcement, maximize preservation of the rent-stabilized housing stock, and eliminate any other "loopholes" that result in the loss of rent-stabilized units or denial of tenant protections under the Ellis provisions of the RSO.

According to a [2014 UCLA study](#) "Los Angeles is now the least affordable rental market in the country, based on the portion of a renters' income that goes to pay rent.". More recently, stories about the use (and abuse) of the [Ellis Act to evict tenants from RSO units](#) have emerged.



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The problem and short term response comes into greater focus with this motion from Cedillo (seconded by Bonin) and [endorsed by Mayor Garcetti](#). The VNC believes it is imperative that Los Angeles not lose additional rental housing stock thru overly-aggressive and sometimes illegal exercise of the Ellis Act and therefore support CF14-0268-S5

D Single Bollard Install (Melissa Diner on behalf of OFW) (melissa.diner@venicenc.org)

MOTION: Whereas the Ocean Front Walk is a pedestrian only street where cars are prohibited and for the safety of humanity as a whole,

Therefore, the Venice Neighborhood Council supports the installment of a bollard of the south end of the Rose Ave Parking lot and the entrance of the bike path which in its present condition allows for cars to enter the bike path.

RECOMMENDED BY OFW COMMITTEE 7-0 -1

E Noise and Sound Ordinance Enforcement (Melissa Diner on behalf of OFW) (melissa.diner@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council shall send a letter to Councilman Mike Bonin's office and the LAPD strongly urging them enforce all city noise and sound ordinances on Ocean Front Walk. RECOMMENDED BY OFW 7-0-1

ACTION: Pulled from Consent Calendar

F Prohibition of the Possession of High-Capacity Ammunition Magazines (Marc Saltzberg)

MOTION: The VNC Board shall submit a Community Impact Statement in support of City Council File [13-0068](#), asking for a report from the City Attorney, the Chief Legislative Analyst and the Police Department on the feasibility, effectiveness and benefits of an ordinance to prohibit the possession of high-capacity ammunition magazines within the City of Los Angeles.

G Storage or Disablement of Firearms (Marc Saltzberg)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood shall submit a Community Impact Statement in support of City Council File [14-1553](#), instructing the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance requiring gun owners to either store their firearms in a locked container or disable it with a trigger lock when not in use, modeled after the City of San Francisco's ordinance.

ACTION: Items A and E pulled. Consent calendar approved (HH/MK 14-0-1)

IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Melissa Diner, George Francisco, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Joe Murphy, Abigail Myers, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis,

AGAINST: NONE

ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg,



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9. Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) Consent Calendar (7:51 PM -- 1 minute)
[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.]

A Motion to amend: 10 Washington Blvd (“The Venice Whaler” restaurant expansion), Marina Peninsula Subarea, C4-1 zone, Land Use Plan designation: Community Commercial, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone (aka “Appealable Area” post LCP) APCW-2014-4703-SPE-SPP-PAB-PAD-CDP and ENV-2014-4704-MND
<http://www.venicenc.org/10-washington-blvd-the-venice-whaler/>
CITY HEARING NOT YET SCHEDULED
Project Description: To permit the use and maintenance of an existing 754 sq ft patio service area operating in conjunction with an existing restaurant, including:
 a) A Specific Plan Exception (SPE) from VCZSP Section 13.D to permit zero (0) on-site parking spaces in lieu of the 28 required parking spaces;
 b) A VCZSP project compliance permit (SPP);
 c) A determination of a “Deemed-to-be-Approved” conditional use status as per LAMC 12.24-L (PAD) for the sale of a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with an existing 3,096 sq ft 2-story restaurant accommodating 214 patrons and having interior hours of operation from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily, currently selling a full line of alcoholic beverages;
 d) An Approval of Plans as per LAMC 12.24-M (PAB) to allow the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption on an existing 754 sq ft (24%) patio having 36 patron seats and hours of operation from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily, in conjunction with a “Deemed-to-be-Approved” 3,096 sq ft 2-story restaurant accommodating 214 patrons and having interior hours of operation from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily, currently selling a full line of alcoholic beverages;
 e) A Coastal Development Permit, in the dual permit jurisdiction coastal zone

Applicant: Dafne Gokcen / LUPC Staff: Ramsey Daham & Robin Rudisill

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends a modification to the 10 Washington Blvd (“The Venice Whaler”) original, May 19, 2015, VNC Board Motion recommending approval of the project*, to correct the number of required parking spaces to be 28 parking spaces in the SPE parking exception clause of the Project Description

RECOMMENDED BY LUPC 7/7/15 by a vote of 4-1-1

Original motion may be found at: <http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/150519BoardAgendaRevised.pdf>

ACTION: Pulled from consent calendar. Moved to end of LUPC agenda.

Erin Darling arrived.



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10. Approval Of 2015-2016 Community Improvement Projects (7:52 PM -- 30 minutes) (Marc Saltzberg on behalf of the Neighborhood Committee VicePresident@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The VNC Board approves the following Community Improvement Projects (CIP) and budgets for the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year as ranked by the Neighborhood Committee:

Rank	Project Name	Applying Organization or Stakeholder	Neighborhood Committee Recommended Budget
1	<u>Centennial Park Rejuvenation</u>	Centennial Park Rejuvenation Mavens	\$ 3,750
2	<u>Doccupy Film Series</u>	Occupy Venice	\$ 1,000
3	<u>Abbot Kinney Triangle Neighborhood Watch Signs</u>	AK Triangle Neighborhood Watch	\$ 2,250
4	<u>Community Healing Project</u>	Mildred Kursh Foundation	\$ 2,200
5	<u>Tree Trimming at Venice Beach Post Office</u>	Venice Stakeholders Association	\$ 5,000
6	<u>Pocket Potty Project</u>	Deborah Lashever	\$ 1,000
7	<u>Green Art Event</u>	Venice Art Crawl	\$ 5,000
8	<u>Share Change Service Learning Program</u>	Share Change	\$ 1,612
9	<u>Veteran's Wall Restoration & Beautification</u>	Venice Chamber of Commerce	\$ 3,750
10	<u>Operation Alley Cleanup</u>	Various Residents	- 0 -

Rankings were determined according to the eight criteria which can be found on Page D at: 2015 CIP Application Guidelines. The recommended budget is based on the amount requested in the project application, City of Los Angeles regulations, and the 2015 Application Guidelines.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lydia Ponce, Barbara Lonsdale, Yolanda Gonzalez, Irv Katz, Ivonne Guzman

ACTION: Amendment: In lieu of ranking, move item #3 and #5 to the bottom. Move #8 before #7 approved (IK/GG 9-6-1).



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IN FAVOR: Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, George Gineris, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis,

AGAINST: Marc Saltzberg, Kristopher Valentine, Melissa Diner, Matt Kline, Joe Murphy, Abigail Myers,

ABSTAIN: Hugh Harrison

Amendment: Item 6 budget changed to \$2000 (SA/AM 7-5-3)

IN FAVOR: Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, George Gineris, Ira Koslow, Abigail Myers, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis,

AGAINST: Marc Saltzberg, Kristopher Valentine, Melissa Diner, Eduardo Manilla, Joe Murphy,

ABSTAIN: Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker,

NEW RANKING:

CIP APPLICATIONS - as Ranked & Funded by VNC Board - Board's Decision

Rank	Applicant	Project Name	City / VNC Allwd Funding	VNC Funding	CIP Budget Balance	Project Funding
				2016 CIP Budget:		\$13,000
1	Centennial Park Rejuvenation Mavens	Centennial Park Rejuvenation	3750	3750	\$13,000	\$ 3,750
2	Occupy Venice	Doccupy Film Series	2500	1000	\$9,250	\$ 1,000
3	Mildred Kursh Foundation	Community Healing Project	2200	2200	\$8,250	\$ 2,200
4	Deborah Lashever	Pocket Potty Project	5000	2000	\$6,050	\$ 2,000
5	Share Change	Share Change Service Learning Program	1612	1612	\$4,050	\$ 1,612
6	Venice Art Crawl	Green Art Event	4120	5000	\$2,438	\$ 2,438
7	Venice Chamber of Commerce	Veteran's Wall Restoration & Beautification	3750	3750	\$0	\$ -
8	Various Residents	Operation Alley Cleanup	5000	0	\$0	\$ -
9	AK Triangle Neighborhood Watch	Abbot Kinney Triangle Neighborhood Watch Signs	4484	2250	\$0	\$ -



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10	Venice Stakeholders Associations	Tree Trimming at Venice Beach Post Office	5000	5000	\$0	\$	-
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Amended Ranking & Funding approved (MS/MD 12-3-1).

IN FAVOR: Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Joe Murphy, Abigail Myers, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis,
AGAINST: Marc Saltzberg, Kristopher Valentine, Melissa Diner
ABSTAIN: Hugh Harrison

- 11. **Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (8:22PM -- 10 minutes)**
[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]
 Lydia Ponce, Sunny B, Matthew Beltran, Irv Katz, Carolyn Rios, Yolanda Gonzalez, Judy Goldman, Elizabeth Wright, Steve Freedman, Jared Ben Noah

- 12. **Old Business (8:32 PM -- 10 minutes)** *[Discussion and possible action]*

A Reappoint Ad Hoc Committees (Ivan Spiegel (parliamentarian@venicenc.org))

Each Committee Chair will have one minute to speak to the Board about their Committee.

MOTION: The VNC Board shall reappoint the following Ad Hoc Committees until the seating of the next Board following the 2016 elections:

- Environmental
- Communications
- Discussion Forum
- Business
- Mass/Scale Character
- Parking/Transportation
- Public Safety
- Santa Monica Airport

ACTION: Ad Hoc Committees renewed (MS/KV 14-0-2)

IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, Melissa Diner, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Joe Murphy, Abigail Myers, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis,
AGAINST: NONE
ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg, George Gineris

Tommy Walker and Joe Murphy left.



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13. LUPC (8:42PM – 70 minutes) Robin Rudisill on behalf of LUPC, (Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)
[Discussion and possible action]

A 1712, 1712 1/2 & 1712 3/4 Washington Way (2-lot small lot subdivision), (20 minutes) Southeast Venice Subarea, RD1.5-1-0 zone, Land Use Plan designation: Multiple Family Residential--Low Medium II ZA-2014-1728-CDP-ZAA-MEL and AA-2014-1730-PMLA-SL and ENV-2014-1729-MND
<http://www.venicenc.org/1712-washington-way/>

CITY HEARING NOT YET SCHEDULED

Project Description: Preliminary parcel map to create a 2-lot small lot subdivision, Mello determination, CDP, and Zoning Administrator Adjustment request to permit a 10' front yard for 1712 and a 6' front yard at the 2nd floor line for the Mildred setback, both in lieu of the required 15' front yard set back; and request to permit a 4' side yard in lieu of the required 5', and MND.

Applicant: Alon Zakoot / LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojallali & Robin Rudisill

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends denial of the project, on the grounds that:

1. There is insufficient evidence that the project is Mello Act compliant
2. There is no evidence that the tenants were informed of their Mello Act-related rights
3. There is no evidence that Replacement Affordable units were correctly determined
4. The project is inconsistent with the Mass, Scale and Character of the Community, in terms of over 100% density on the lot (FAR of >1.0) vs. the rest of the block, which averages approximately 37%, and as of the 30 homes on the block, < 20% (6) are multi-story homes

RECOMMENDED BY LUPC on 7/7/15 by a vote of 5-0-2

PUBLIC COMMENT: Lydia Ponce

ACTION: Motion to deny project approved (RR/JP 13-0-1).

IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, Melissa Diner, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Abigail Myers, Kelley Willis

AGAINST: NONE

ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg

B 425 Rose Ave (change of use from restaurant and market/deli to restaurant with beer & wine), (20 minutes) Oakwood Subarea, C4-1 zone, Land Use Plan designation: Community Commercial Area of Special Interest--Oakwood Community Commercial Area (Rose Avenue between 4th and 7th Avenues, to be used for residential, neighborhood retail and services, personal services, and small scale businesses oriented to the local community)

ZA-2014-1877-CDP-CUB-SPP and ENV-2014-1878-MND

<http://www.venicenc.org/425-rose-ave/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON APRIL 23, 2015, City determination held open by ZA for VNC advisement for July 21, 2015 VNC Board meeting vote on project recommendation.



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Project Description: CDP & SPP (VCZSP compliance permit) for change of use from existing 2,696 sq ft restaurant & market/deli to a 2,306 sq ft restaurant with accessory retail (of less than 10% annual gross revenues) and a new 410 sq ft outdoor covered patio dining area, with an increase in seating from 38 interior seats to 48 interior seats & 24 outdoor patio seats, on a 6,294 sq ft lot, with 18 on-site parking spaces, comprised of 11 spaces existing, 4 spaces grandfathered, and 16 bicycle stalls (equivalent to 4 car parking spaces as per Bicycle ordinance); and CUB for sale and dispensing of beer and wine for on-site consumption in conjunction with a new, 72-seat restaurant operating according to the Operating Procedures dated July 6, 2015 (found at link above). Hours of operation are 10 am to 11 pm Sunday through Thursday, and 10 am to 12 am Friday & Saturday. Patio service will stop no later than 10 pm on weeknights and 11 pm Friday & Saturday.

Applicant: Bruce Horowitz / LUPC Staff: Maury Ruano

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the proposed restaurant, as per the modified Project Description (above), and Applicant will provide a written Parking and Traffic document once the project is implemented, in order to work with the Neighborhood to assess the parking and traffic. RECOMMENDED BY LUPC on 7/7/15 by a vote of 4-3-0

PUBLIC COMMENT:

For: Owner of 425 Rose, Liz Levy, Dina Shulman, Tamara Harrell, Fumi Kimura, Isreal Martinez, Amber Fisher, Judy Goldman, Patrick Gorgen,
Against: Irv Katz, Lydia Ponce, Deborah Lashever, William & Lenore Marquez, Ravi Shah, Holly Mosher, Tyrus Wilson, William Beinbrink, Bud Gilson, Nancy Camarena, Curtis Hoekzema, Ivvone Guzman, Jared ben Noah

Amendment: Approval contingent on applicant providing Parking and Traffic document fails (RR/KW 4-8-1).

IN FAVOR: Robin Rudisill, Erin Darling, George Gineris, Kelley Willis,
AGAINST: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Melissa Diner, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Abigail Myers
ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg
RECUSED: Eduardo Manilla

ACTION: Motion approved (RR/AM 7-4-2).

IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Sylvia Aroth, Melissa Diner, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Abigail Myers,
AGAINST: Jed Pauker, Erin Darling, George Gineris, Kelley Willis,
ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg, Robin Rudisill,
RECUSED: Eduardo Manilla

C 731 Oxford Ave (lot line adjustment & new SFD), (15 minutes) Oxford Triangle Subarea, R1-1 zone, Land Use Plan designation: Single-Family Dwelling – Low Density



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ZA-2014-3176-CDP and ENV-2014-3177-CE
(ALSO AA-2014-3172-PMEX and DIR-2015-2264-MEL and DIR-2015-2451-VSO)

<http://www.venicenc.org/731-oxford-ave/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON JULY 2, 2015

Project Description: proposed construction of a new 3-story, 30' tall, 2,950 sq ft SFD, with an attached 338 sq ft garage, located on a 3,033 sq ft vacant lot

Applicant's Representative: Howard Robinson / LUPC Staff: Mark Kleiman

~~**MOTION:** The VNC Board recommends that the project be denied, as it is not compatible with the existing surrounding neighborhood with respect to Mass, Scale and Character; as the garage is on Howard Street and not the alley; and as the front door is on Howard Street but should face Oxford Ave as that is the street address.~~

~~RECOMMENDED BY LUPC on 6/30/15 by a vote of 4-3-0~~

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR C & D

Against: Martin Wertlieb, Ranier Poermer, Yumio Dornberg, Eric Bress, Pamela Michaels, Judith Wyluda, Ivonne Guzman, Todd Darling, Steve Freedman, Daniel Robinson, Barbara Ducker

ACTION: Amendment to language of motion approved (RR/KV 11-1-2):

MOTION:

The VNC Board recommends that the project be denied as presented because:

1. it is incompatible with the existing surrounding neighborhood with respect to Mass, Scale and Character (compatibility requirement in the Venice Community Plan Land Use Plan), including the ratio of square footage of the dwelling to square footage of the lot, both on a current basis and for the related cumulative adverse impact thereof to the surrounding neighborhood, the single-family dwelling/low density Oxford Triangle Subarea, and the Venice Community,
2. the garage is on Howard Street and not the alley, and
3. the front door is on Howard Street but should face Oxford Ave as that is the street address.

In addition, VNC Board strongly encourages that the Applicant's representative work with the Neighborhood representatives, the Land Use & Planning Committee, and the Coastal Commission, to try to agree on some modifications to the project that would help make it satisfactory to the Neighborhood with respect to the above-mentioned concerns.

Approved by LUPC 6/30/15 by a vote of 4-3-0 (RR/TD)

IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Kelley Willis

AGAINST: Melissa Diner

ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg, Abigail Myers

Amended motion approved (RR/KW 9-2-2).



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IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, Melissa Diner, George Gineris, Ira Koslow
AGAINST: Matt Kline, Abigail Myers
ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg, Kelley Willis

D **733 Oxford Ave (lot line adjustment & new SFD), (15 minutes)** Oxford Triangle Subarea, R1-1 zone, Land Use Plan designation: Single-Family Dwelling – Low Density ZA-2014-3174-CDP and ENV-2014-3175-CE (ALSO AA-2014-3172-PMEX and DIR-2015-2266-MEL and DIR-2015-2452-VSO)

<http://www.venicenc.org/733-oxford-ave/>

CITY HEARING TOOK PLACE ON JULY 2, 2015

Project Description: proposed construction of a new 3-story, 30' tall, 2,950 sq ft SFD, with an attached 381 sq ft garage, located on a 2,996 sq ft vacant lot

Applicant's Representative: Howard Robinson / LUPC Staff: Mark Kleiman

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends that the project be approved as presented.
RECOMMENDED BY LUPC on 6/30/15 by a vote of 4-2-1

ACTION: Motion to approve project fails (RR/KV 4-9-1).

IN FAVOR: Melissa Diner, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Abigail Myers,
AGAINST: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, George Gineris, Eduardo Manilla, Kelley Willis,
ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg,

MOTION: The VNC is against the proposed 733 Oxford Ave project (RR/GG 9-3-2).

IN FAVOR: Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, George Gineris, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Kelley Willis,
AGAINST: Melissa Diner, Matt Kline, Abigail Myers
ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg, Kristopher Valentine

E **Motion to amend: 10 Washington Blvd (“The Venice Whaler” restaurant expansion)**, Marina Peninsula Subarea, C4-1 zone, Land Use Plan designation: Community Commercial, Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone (aka “Appealable Area” post LCP) APCW-2014-4703-SPE-SPP-PAB-PAD-CDP and ENV-2014-4704-MND

<http://www.venicenc.org/10-washington-blvd-the-venice-whaler/>
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CITY HEARING NOT YET SCHEDULED

Project Description: To permit the use and maintenance of an existing 754 sq ft patio service area operating in conjunction with an existing restaurant, including:



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- a) A Specific Plan Exception (SPE) from VCZSP Section 13.D to permit zero (0) on-site parking spaces in lieu of the 28 required parking spaces;
- b) A VCZSP project compliance permit (SPP);
- c) A determination of a "Deemed-to-be-Approved" conditional use status as per LAMC 12.24-L (PAD) for the sale of a full line of alcoholic beverages in conjunction with an existing 3,096 sq ft 2-story restaurant accommodating 214 patrons and having interior hours of operation from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily, currently selling a full line of alcoholic beverages;
- d) An Approval of Plans as per LAMC 12.24-M (PAB) to allow the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption on an existing 754 sq ft (24%) patio having 36 patron seats and hours of operation from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily, in conjunction with a "Deemed-to-be-Approved" 3,096 sq ft 2-story restaurant accommodating 214 patrons and having interior hours of operation from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily, currently selling a full line of alcoholic beverages;
- e) A Coastal Development Permit, in the dual permit jurisdiction coastal zone

Applicant: Dafne Gokcen / LUPC Staff: Ramsey Daham & Robin Rudisill

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends a modification to the 10 Washington Blvd ("The Venice Whaler") original, May 19, 2015, VNC Board Motion recommending approval of the project*, to correct the number of required parking spaces to be 28 parking spaces in the SPE parking exception clause of the Project Description

RECOMMENDED BY LUPC 7/7/15 by a vote of 4-1-1

Original motion may be found at: <http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/150519BoardAgendaRevised.pdf>

ACTION: Pulled from consent calendar. Moved to end of LUPC agenda.

Public Comment: Jared ben Noah

Motion approved (GG/AM 11-0-1)

IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, Melissa Diner, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Abigail Myers, Kelley Willis,

AGAINST: NONE

ABSTAIN: Hugh Harrison

RECUSE: Marc Saltzberg, Robin Rudisill

14. New Business (9:52PM – 20 minutes)

[Discussion and possible action]

- A** **Revise paragraph a. of Standing Rule 9 (5 minutes)** (Ira Koslow on behalf of REC) (ira.koslow@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The VNC shall amend paragraph a. of SR 9 to read:



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“a. Collectively and individually, the members of the Board of Officers, the Parliamentarian, Ad-hoc committee chairs, and all members of Standing and Ad hoc committees of the Venice Neighborhood Council agree to abide by the following Code of Civility to ensure that our Venice Neighborhood Council’s business is conducted in a respectful and courteous manner, and in a way that will generate respect and credibility for the Venice Neighborhood Council.”

RECOMMENDED BY REC 2-0

ACTION: Postponed to August 18th Board Meeting

B “No support” for Council file 13-1493: Street Vending, (10 minutes) (George Francisco & Melissa Diner) (george.francisco@venicenc.org, melissa.diner@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) requests that the following statement of “no support” be attached to [Council File 13-1493: STREET VENDING](#).

The Venice Neighborhood Council does not support CF 13-1493: STREET VENDING for the following adverse impacts it will have upon the Venice community:

1. The City of Los Angeles is not adequately policing these activities currently.
2. There is a public safety hazard with Street Vendors blocking sidewalks and parkways.
3. There are documented public safety problems with current Street Vendor food preparation and storage throughout Los Angeles.
4. There are inadequate public toilet facilities in Venice to satisfy customers of Street Vendors selling food .
5. Venice Brick and Mortar Businesses have to pay for services for their customers; Street Vendors pay nothing.
6. Sales Taxes are not necessarily collected from Street Vendors.

The Venice Neighborhood Council requests that all neighborhoods be allowed to opt in to any proposed street vending ordinance as in the precedent set by the murals ordinance and that any proposed street vending ordinances be developed in reference to and in conjunction with the continued enforcement of LAMC 42.15: NO VENDING.

ACTION: Postponed to August 18th Board Meeting

C Change the Ad Hoc Housing Committee to the Homeless Committee (5 minutes)(Abigail Myers)

MOTION: The VNC Board changes the Ad Hoc Housing Committee to the Ad Hoc Homeless Committee with the following Mission Statement as approved by Ad Com:

MISSION STATEMENT: The Ad Hoc Homeless Committee will assist Venice residents, businesses, visitors, and unhoused people with issues surrounding homelessness.

ACTION: Motion approved (AM/KW 15-0-1).



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IN FAVOR: Kristopher Valentine, Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, Melissa Diner, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Joe Murphy, Abigail Myers, Tommy Walker, Kelley Willis, George Gineris

AGAINST: NONE

ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg

D Oppose AB 744 Limiting Local Govt. Auth. Over Parking for SB 1818 Density Bonus Projects
(Marc Saltzberg, on behalf of WRAC) (vicepresident@venicenc.org) **[EXHIBIT]**

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the City Of Los Angeles oppose AB 744 which limits local government authority over parking for SB 1818 Density Bonus Projects and requests Councilmembers Mike Bonin and Paul Koretz to introduce a resolution to that effect.

AB 744 would prohibit, at the request of the developer, imposition of a vehicular parking ratio in excess of 0.5 spaces per bedroom on a development receiving density bonuses under SB 1818 that includes the maximum percentage of low- and very low income units, and is located within one-half mile of a major transit stop, and there is unobstructed access to the transit stop from the development. The bill would also prohibit, at the request of the developer, imposition of a vehicular parking ratio in excess of specified amounts per unit on a development that consists solely of units with an affordable housing cost to lower income households, as specified, if the development is within one-half mile of a major transit stop and there is unobstructed access to the transit stop from the development, is a for-rent housing development for individuals that are 62 years of age or older, or is a special needs housing development, as those terms are defined.

ACTION: Pulled from Consent Calendar
ACTION: Postponed to August 18th Board Meeting

E Noise and Sound Ordinance Enforcement (Melissa Diner on behalf of OFW)
(melissa.diner@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council shall send a letter to Councilman Mike Bonin's office and the LAPD strongly urging them enforce all city noise and sound ordinances on Ocean Front Walk. RECOMMENDED BY OFW 7-0-1

ACTION: Pulled from Consent Calendar
ACTION: Postponed to August 18th Board Meeting

15. Treasurer's Report (10:12PM - 3 minutes) Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee, (Treasurer@VeniceNC.org) [Discussion and possible action] **[EXHIBIT]**

A MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council approves the attached Monthly Expenditure Reports for June 2015.



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RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE 7-6-15 3-0-0

ACTION: Motion approved (HH/IK 13-0-1).

IN FAVOR: Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Kristopher Valentine, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, Melissa Diner, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Abigail Myers, Kelley Willis,

AGAINST: NONE

ABSTAIN: Marc Saltzberg

16. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (10:15PM - 5 minutes)

ACTION: Meeting adjourned (HH/KV 14-0-0).

IN FAVOR: Hugh Harrison, Robin Rudisill, Kristopher Valentine, Jed Pauker, Sylvia Aroth, Erin Darling, Melissa Diner, George Gineris, Matt Kline, Ira Koslow, Eduardo Manilla, Abigail Myers, Kelley Willis, Marc Saltzberg

AGAINST: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

17. Adjourn (approx. 12:01AM)

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Arts	Eduardo Manilla	Discussion Forum	Joe Murphy
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Education	Bud Jacobs	Housing	Abigail Myers, Helen Stotler
Land Use and Planning	Robin Rudisill	Mass/Scale/Character	Sue Kaplan
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Outreach	Sylvia Aroth	Santa Monica Airport	Laura Silagi, Abigail Myers
Rules & Election	Ira Koslow	2015/16 Election	Elizabeth Wright, Ivan Spiegel
Environmental	Abigail Myers, Erin Sullivan-Ward, Barbara Lonsdale		

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