



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Board of Officers Meeting Agenda Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium) 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291 Tuesday, July 16, 2013 at **6:30 PM**

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (6:30PM – 5 minutes)**

Meeting called to order in memory of Clarence Bourne, Venice YouthBuild graduate
Certificate of Appreciation to Daryl Barnett for service to VNC as caterer.

2. **Approval of the Agenda (6:35PM – 5 minutes)**

3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (6:40PM – 5 minutes)**

<http://www.venicenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/12/130618BoardMinutes.pdf>

4. **Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (6:45PM --10 minutes)**

[5 speakers, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]

5. **Welcome to newly elected Councilman Mike Bonin and his staff, serving Venice and the entire CD11 (6:55PM -- 10 minutes)**

6. **Consent Calendar (7:05PM -- 5 minutes)**

[No discussion or Public Comment. Items may be removed and they will go to the end of the agenda]

A **Create Standing Rule 25 - Web Posting Authority** Ira Koslow on behalf of REC

ira.koslow@ca.rr.com

MOTION: The VNC President, and Communications Chair shall have universal authority to change the VNC web site.



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B Revise SR 24 (Ira Koslow on behalf of REC) ira.koslow@venicenc.org

[Language red and underlined is **new**, strikethrough language has been removed]

MOTION: The VNC revises SR 24 to read:

SR24. Posting of agendas, meeting notices and ~~of~~ Minutes

The VNC Committee Chairs are responsible for posting agendas and meeting announcements for their committee meetings in accordance with the Brown Act and the Plan for Neighborhood Councils.

The VNC Secretary is responsible for producing accurate minutes of Stakeholder, Board of Officers and Administrative Committee meetings. The VNC Standing & Ad Hoc Committees chairs are responsible for producing accurate minutes of their respective committees. The VNC Secretary and the VNC Standing & Ad Hoc Committees chairs are responsible for ~~submitting the minutes for~~ public posting **of minutes** on the VNC website no later than seven (7) days after the meeting at which they are approved but not more than 45 days after the meeting at which the minutes were taken.

C Bicycle Path Cleaning Jeffrey Solomon info@venicebeachwalkingtours.com

MOTION: The VNC Board requests that Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky direct Los Angeles Beaches and Harbors to sweep the bike path from Navy Street to Washington Boulevard every Friday and Monday.

D Support of reappointment of Grayce Liu to the position of General Manager to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Ivan Spiegel on behalf of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition

MOTION: Whereas the City of Los Angeles has elected a new Mayor, and
Whereas all Department heads must reapply for their positions, and
Whereas Grayce Liu, appointed interim General Manager on August 2, 2012 and confirmed as permanent General Manager on January 19, 2013 has dramatically changed the culture of the Neighborhood Council system since taking the General Manager position, and
Whereas the Neighborhood Council system is now being managed and moved forward in a positive light,
Therefore, the Venice Neighborhood Council moves to strongly request to Mayor Garcetti that Ms. Liu be reappointed as soon as possible to the position of General Manager for the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to allow both staff and elected board members and their stakeholders to continue moving forward with programs and trainings beneficial to the Neighborhood Council system and to fulfill the demands of the Los Angeles Charter.



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7. **Scheduled Announcements (7:10PM -- 35 minutes)**

[No discussion or Public Comment]

- 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. Paola Kreeft, Beach Detail lapdpaola.kreefft@gmail.com. *This report includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*
- B PATH (People Assisting the Homeless) (5 minutes)** Update on Councilman Rosendahl's Roadmap to Homes Program, Joel Roberts, Joel.Roberts@epath.org, Tomasz Babiszkiwicz (tomaszb@epath.org); *This report includes statistics on the number of people placed in permanent and temporary housing (from Venice) as well as the numbers of people in process.*
- C VNC Monthly Committee Report: Outreach Committee (5 minutes)**
[A monthly report on one of the VNC's standing or Ad Hoc committees.]
This month's report will be from the Outreach Committee.- Matt Kline
- D VNC Community Barbeque Saturday, August 3 Noon - 4:00PM** Barklie Griggs and BBQ Committee members **(5 minutes)**
Report on planned activities; Call for Volunteers. side dishes and Outreach to the Community by Outreach Committee and Board.
- E Government Reports (10 minutes)** [Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend]
- **Congressman Henry Waxman**, Representative Lisa.Pinto; Lisa.pinto@mail.house.gov
 - **State Senator Ted Lieu**, Representative, Veronica Zendejas Veronica.Zendejas@sen.ca.gov 310-318-6994
 - **State Assemblyperson Steve Bradford** , Darryn Harris, District Director Darryn.Harris@asm.ca.gov 310.412.6400
 - **LA County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky**, Flora Gill Krisiloff 213-974-3333
 - **Mayor Eric Garcetti** . tbd/
 - **City Councilmember Mike Bonin**, Cecilia Castillo, Field Deputy (310-568-8772); (Cecilia.castillo@lacity.org); Mark Grant (Mark.Grant@lacity.org)



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8. **Community Improvement Projects (7:45PM -- 30 minutes – 2 minutes each applicant)**
MOTION: The VNC Board approves the rankings of the 2013-2014 Community Improvement Projects as recommended by the Neighborhood Committee.

Rank	Project Name	Applying Organization or Stakeholder	Recommended Budget
1	Art Tile Rescue	Venice Arts Council	\$ 2,000
2	Venice Beach-Canals Coastal Access Pathway	Venice Canals Foundation	\$ 1,500
3	Replace Venice Canals Saltbushes	Venice Canals Association	\$ 1,948
4	Occupy Venice Film Series	Occupy Venice	\$ 2,000
5	Venice Chamber In Action	Venice Chamber of Commerce	\$ 2,000
6	Surf & Skate Festival	Brady Walker	\$ 1,500
7	Farm Style Cooking For Kids	Sarah Seelinger	\$ 1,000
8	Melvyn Hayward, Jr. Back To School Event	Oakwood Rec Center	\$ 1,000
		Total Recommended:	\$ 12,948

See link: <http://www.venicenc.org/neighborhood-committee/2013-2014-ranked-cip/>

9. **LUPC (8:15PM -- 140 minutes);** Jake Kaufman on behalf of LUPC chair-lupc@venicenc.org
- A **BevMo! at 4214 S Lincoln Blvd (30 minutes – 5 minutes for applicant, 5 minutes for LUPC Staff, 10 minutes for public comment, 10 minutes for board comment) [EXHIBIT]**

MOTION: The VNC Board supports the project as presented, with the following conditions:

- Landscaping plan to conform to the LA City landscape ordinance
- No relief from the Lincoln Blvd. CDO
- No relief from physical on-site parking requirements
- Meeting all alcohol conditions noted in VNC's LUPC Staff Report

LUPC MOTION MADE BY JAKE, SECONDED BY JIM MUREZ
 PASSED BY 7-0

Background Information:

<http://cityhood.org/ReportCaseActivityDetail.cncx?CID=32283&UGP=Anonymous>



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B Bay Market at 22 E Washington Blvd (30 minutes – 5 minutes for applicant, 5 minutes for LUPC Staff, 10 minutes for public comment, 10 minutes for board comment) [EXHIBIT]

MOTION: The VNC supports the applicant’s request for a Conditional Use Permit (Beverage) with the following conditions:

1. That it conforms to the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan parking requirements.
2. Maintains the following hours of alcohol sales: 7am to 2am, daily
3. The applicant observes and voluntarily conditions himself to conditions of alcohol use as appended in the LUPC Staff Report.
4. The applicant observes the usual conditions as determined by Planning and Building & Safety.
5. All sale of fortified alcohol be in 750ml or larger containers
6. Plan Approval in 18-months.

LUPC MOTION MADE BY MIA HERRON, SECONDED BY SARAH DENNISON
PASSED 3-0-4.

Background information:

<http://cityhood.org/ReportCaseActivityDetail.cncx?CID=31708&UGP=Anonymous>

C House of Pies at 1020 Venice Blvd (SW corner of Venice and Lincoln) (30 minutes – 5 minutes for applicant, 5 minutes for LUPC Staff, 10 minutes for public comment, 10 minutes for board comment) [EXHIBIT]

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council supports the project as presented based on the following conditions:

Type 47 Alcohol license (onsite sale general eating place)

PARKING:

- Parking shall be free at all times for customers and employees of the restaurant.
- The owner of the restaurant shall provide free offsite parking to all employees who drive.
- Employees shall not park on any residential street but may park on Lincoln Blvd and Venice Blvd.
- The applicant will implement an employee parking incentive program to encourage the use of bus, bicycle and ride sharing
- Restaurant staff shall monitor the parking lot to insure its use by customers only and not beach parking
- The bicycle-parking area will be moved closer to the entrance

DELIVERIES-LOADING AREA:

- All deliveries and trash pick up shall occur during non-peak hours
- Loading shall be on-site, no loading and unloading of goods shall be permitted on any public street.
- Delivery vehicles shall not exceed (add gross vehicle weight)



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OTHER:

- Standard BMP conditions.
- No music shall be audible at adjacent properties.
- The cleaning of kitchen mats shall occur on-site between 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. and the location shall have an area drain.
- The trash enclosure shall be covered and the area shall have an area drain
- No street widening of Lincoln Blvd. is supported. Any dedicated area should be used for additional landscaping.
- If the restaurant is sold, the new owner shall file for a plan approval to review the CUB and CCR

LUPC MOTION MADE BY JOHN REED, SECONDED BY JAKE KAUFMAN
MOTION PASSED 7-0-0

Background Information at:

<http://www.cityhood.org/ReportCaseActivityDetail.cncx?CID=30045&UGP=Anonymous>

D Brickhouse Kitchen at 826 Hampton Dr (30 minutes – 5 minutes for applicant, 5 minutes for LUPC Staff, 10 minutes for public comment, 10 minutes for board comment) [EXHIBIT]

MOTION: The VNC supports this application for only adding on-site beer and wine sales with the following conditions:

(NOTE: We were not able to confirm (with documentation) that the current restaurant use is legal. If the City is able to confirm that the current use is in fact legal then this application is only for adding a CUB (not increasing sqft, change in hours or conditions, adding a patio, etc)

PARKING:

- Parking shall be free at all times for customers of the restaurant.
- The owner of the restaurant shall provide free offsite parking to all employees who drive. Employees shall not park on any residential streets.
- The applicant will implement an employee parking incentive program to encourage the use of bus, bicycle and ride sharing
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- The trash enclosure shall be covered and the area shall have an area drain
- If the restaurant is sold, the new owner shall file for a plan approval to review the CUB.

LUPC MOTION MADE BY JAKE KAUFMAN, MIA HERRON
MOTION PASSED 6-0 (JIM MUREZ RECUSED).

Background information:

<http://cityhood.org/ReportCaseActivityDetail.cncx?CID=32143&UGP=Anonymous>

E New SFD at 745 Amoroso Place (20 minutes – 5 minutes for applicant, 5 minutes for LUPC Staff, 5 minutes for public comment, 5 minutes for board comment) [EXHIBIT]

MOTION: The VNC supports the project as presented noting:

- The SFD is in compliance with the VCZSP
- Is setback 20ft from the walk street
- Is within the Character and Mass of the community as it is well below high limits, roofline allows for greater light to abutting properties, the articulation of the patio breaks up the mass and has significant landscaping.

LUPC MOTION MADE BY SARAH DENNISON, SECONDED JIM MUREZ
MOTION PASSED 7-0

Background information:

<http://cityhood.org/ReportCaseActivityDetail.cncx?CID=31980&UGP=Anonymous>

**10. Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (10:35 - 5 minutes)
*[5 speakers, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]***

**11. Treasurers Report (10:40 PM -- 20 minutes); Hugh Harrison (Treasurer@Venicenc.org)
*[Discussion and possible action]***

A Approval of monthly expenditure reports [EXHIBIT]

MOTION: The VNC Board approves the attached report on expenditures for the period May 22, 2013, through June 21, 2013, and the itemized purchase card invoice.

B Report on new funding rules

C Board appointment of Signer position

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council Board names Sylvia Aroth as the designated Signer as mandated by the new DONE funding program. The term of this position will be until the next VNC Board is seated.

APPROVED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE 6-0 AT MEETING ON 7/9/13



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D Approval of 2013-2014 Strategic Plan

MOTION: The VNC Board adopts the following Strategic Plan for budget year 2013-2014 as submitted by the Budget Committee:

THE BIG VISION:

Encourage and maintain the diverse community of Venice.

THE BIG GOALS:

1. Involve our diverse community in civic participation.
2. Increase the visibility of the VNC in the community.
3. Improve relationships with elected officials.
4. Active and engaged community participation in the new VNC elections.
5. Create community participation to improve the daily life in Venice.

THE BIG SOLUTIONS:

1. Broaden the involvement beyond the Board officers by increasing community participation in VNC committees and activities.
2. Improve outreach through electronic and personal contact with the Venice
3. Strengthen the effectiveness of the VNC interaction with elected officials by developing a more pro-active relationship.
4. Increase participation of underrepresented communities by increased outreach in the
5. Involve more individuals and community groups in the improvement project process.

THE BIG SCORE:

1. All Board members will participate in the outreach through Farmer's Market and Community events.
2. Development of new outreach materials by the Outreach Committee.
3. An increase in candidates and voters in the 2014 VNC election.
4. Increased public use of the VNC website.
5. Increased number of applicants for community improvement projects.

12. New Business (11:00-- 25 minutes)

[Discussion and possible action]

A Approval of Mirror, Mirror for VNC endorsement (15 minutes) Rachel Bujalski

rachelbujalski@gmail.com

[EXHIBIT]

MOTION: The VNC Board endorses the "Safe Place for Youth" Project "Mirror, Mirror" that will link local professional artists and at-risk-youth for a collaborative art Exhibition.



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B Ad Hoc Parking and Transportation Community Strategy Ad Hoc Committee (10 minutes)
Erin McMorrow erinmcmorrow@gmail.com

MOTION: The VNC shall create an Ad Hoc Parking and Transportation Community Strategy Committee with the following mission statement: The Ad Hoc Parking and Transportation Community Strategy Committee will work to creatively suggest to the VNC Board implementable solutions regarding parking and transportation problems affecting beach access in Venice, including automobile, bike, and pedestrian access. This committee shall sunset at the end of one year or the seating of a new VNC Board, whichever comes first.

13. VNC Announcements (11:25 PM -- 10 Minutes)

- **President:** Linda Lucks (president@venicenc.org)
- New temp Administrative Assistant Kenny Hargrove will work on VNC and LUPC letters.
- **Vice President** Marc Saltzberg (Vicepresident@Venicenc.org)
Update on Zip Line Oversight Working Group.
- **LA Neighborhood Council Coalition’s Representative:** Ivan Spiegel, (parliamentarian@venicenc.org)
- **Westside Regional Alliance of Neighborhood Councils-** Mike Newhouse, WRAC President, Marc Saltzberg, VNC Representatives. Chair@westsidecouncils.org, VicePresident@Venicenc.org,
- **Venice Chamber Of Commerce:** Erin-Sullivan Ward (erin.ward@venicenc.org)

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

[20 minutes, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]

15. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (11:35 PM -- 5 minutes, no more than 1 minute per person)

16. Adjourn (approx. 11:40 PM)

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome

Administrative	Linda Lucks	Santa Monica Airport	Abigail Myers, Laura Silagi
Neighborhood	Marc Saltzberg	Visitor Impact	Joseph Shields
Outreach	Matt Kline	Ocean Front Walk	Tom Elliot
Budget	Hugh Harrison	Public Safety	Sevan Gerard, Nick Hippisley-Coxe
Land Use and Planning	Jake Kaufman	Environment	Erin Sullivan Ward, Abigail Myers
Education	Bud Jacobs	Arts	Cynthia Rogers, Eduardo Manilla
Rules & Election	Ira Koslow	2013-2014 Elections	Elizabeth Wright, Ivan Spiegel
Communications	Helen Stotler		