



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Board of Officers Regular Meeting Agenda

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)
1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291

Monday, September 17, 2018 at 7:00 PM

NOTE: CHANGE OF MEETING DAY DUE TO RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY

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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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

PRESENT: Ira Koslow, George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, Brads Aarons, William Hawkins, Joslyn Williams, Hollie Stenson, Michelle Meepos, James Murez, John Reed, Colleen Saro, Robert Thibodeau, (15)

ABSENT: Justin Brezhnev, Evan White, Cindy Chambers, Stephen Livigni, Ilana Marosi, (5)

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

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



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WH, SB (14, 0, 1)
Unanimous

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OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

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

10A

11B

Requested to be postponed

MM, GF (14, 0, 1)

Unanimous

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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.

MM Recusal 11 A

MD 11 A, B & 13

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)

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), acting SLO Joe Roberts - 41448@lapd.online SLO Adrian Acosta -



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39174@lapd.online SLO Javier Ramirez - 39174@lapd.online, Venice Beach Task Force - LT Michael Soliman - 32906@lapd.online. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*

6D Government Reports (7:08PM --15 minutes) (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)

- City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy Taylor Bazley, 310-568-8772 (taylor.bazley@lacity.org)
- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 (janet.turner@mail.house.gov)
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Olin Wibroe (Olin.wibroe@sen.ca.gov)
- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, West Los Angeles Field Representative, Brandon Stansell, (310) 412-6400, (brandon.stansell@asm.ca.gov)
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy FYI, Zac Gaidzik (310)231-1170, zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy,
- Empower LA Neighborhood Council Advocate, Jasmine Elbarbary, 213-978-1551 (jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org)

CINDY CHAMBERS ARRIVES 7:27PM

6E VNC Announcements and Reports (7:23PM---5 minutes)

- President -Ira Koslow (President@VeniceNC.org)
- Vice President - George Francisco (Vice_President@VeniceNC.org)
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Ira Koslow, VNC Representative (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
- Election Update - Ivan Spiegel, Election Chair
- VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
- Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer
- Outreach - Hollie Stenson

ILANA MOROSI ARRIVES 7:38PM

6F Presentation by Venice Community Resiliency Committee (7:28PM--- 15 minutes)

(Keith.Harrison@venicenc.org, 310 740-6718) Report of activities and goals and a presentation by Faye Cousins of the Los Angeles Emergency Management Department on the Ready Your Los Angeles Neighborhood (RYLAN) Program.

6G Presentation from the LADWP, Dan Barnes (daniel.barnes@ladwp.com) (7:43PM---15 minutes)

- A. Outage Impacts due to the heat wave we are experiencing.
- B. Climate Extremes



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C. New Construction Impacts
Backlog on our grid affecting old systems not being updated.

7. **Treasurer's Report (7:58PM---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]

7A **Approval Monthly Expenditure Report**

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the monthly expenditure report for July 2018.

Recommend by Budget and Finance 3-0-0 on 9/4/18

Uploaded Documents:

[Download 1536109307.pdf](#)

HH, GF (16, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Matthew Royce, Sunny Bak, Brad Aarons, Cindy Chambers, William Hawkins, Josyln Williams, Ilana Marosi, Holly Stenson, Michelle Meepos, James Murez, John Reed, Colleen Saro, Robert Thibodeau,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

7B **Budget Reallocation**

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the attached re-allocated budget to reflect additional costs for election outreach for electronic voting.

Uploaded Documents:

[Download 1536109536.pdf](#)

Recommend by Budget and Finance 3-0-0 on 9/4/18

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8. **Announcements and Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (8:08PM - 10 minutes)**

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

9. **General Consent Calendar (8:18PM -- 5 minutes)**



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10. LUPC Consent Calendar (8:23PM -- 5 minutes)

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10A 1205 Abbot Kinney Blvd

Case: ZA-2018-3675-CUB
Applicant: ABS/Blatteis 1205 Abbot Kinney, LLC
LUPC Staff: Michael Jensen
Representative: Elizabeth Peterson Group
Description: A new CUP to permit an upgrade to full-line of alcoholic beverages for onsite consumption.

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented.
Recommend by LUPC 6-0-1

Postponed by applicant

11. LUPC (8:28PM – 40 minutes) (Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)
(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php>)

11A 2308 Pisani Place Case: DIR-2015-3883-CDP-SPP-MEL

Applicant: Steve Meepos
LUPC Staff: Tim Bonefeld
Representative: Breakform Design
Description: DEMOLITION OF 6 LEGAL UNITS (THREE DUPLEXES) AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A THREE-STORY MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE (6 CONDOMINIUM UNITS)

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project if the agreement with the tenants can be modified to include a long term affordability deed restriction and sliding scale for resale value.
Recommended by LUPC 4-2-1 BS, RD Recused

President Postponed until next Month

11B 1011 5th Avenue



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Case: DIR-2018-1082-CDP-MEL, AA-2018-1081-PMLA-SL
Applicant: 1011 5th Avenue LLC
LUPC Staff: Mehrnoosh Mojalalli
Representative: Breakform Design; Karen Corletto, Handleman Consulting, Inc.
Description: New 2 unit small lot subdivision

MOTION: The VNC Board recommends approval of the project as presented
Recommended by LUPC 5-2-0

Postponed by applicant

12. Old Business (8:48PM- 0 minutes) See attached addendums at
<http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
[Discussion and possible action]

13. New Business (8:48PM – 70 minutes)

13A Selection of Stakeholder to fill vacant Community Officer Seat (15 minutes)

MOTION: The Venice NC Board shall select a stakeholder from previously submitted applications to fill a vacant Community Officer Board seat.

Alex Neiman elected and sworn in.
13-4-0

13B Selection of Community Officer to fill vacant Administrative Committee seat (10 minutes)

MOTION: The Venice NC Board's Community Officers shall select a Community Officer to fill a vacant Administrative Committee seat.

Alex Neiman self nominated
Unanimous by affirmation

13C Request the LA City Council Designate Venice as a "Disproportionately Impacted Area" in the Cannabis Social Equity Program (Cindy Chambers, Cindy.chambers@venicenc.org) (20 minutes)

MOTION: WHEREAS the City of Los Angeles City Council created a Social Equity Program "intended to decrease disparities in life outcomes for marginalized communities and to address disproportionate impacts of Cannabis prohibition in adversely-impacted and lower income communities"; and WHEREAS the City Council adopted the Social Equity Analysis Report, dated October 18, 2017, and its addendums as the findings for the Social Equity Program; and WHEREAS the Social Equity Analysis Report excludes Venice from being designated a Disproportionately Impacted Area on page 16 of the Report



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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Venice Neighborhood Council shall send a letter to the City Council requesting that it designate Venice and its three Police Reporting Districts (1431, 1412, and 1411) as a “Disproportionately Impacted Area,” as defined by the LAMC.

Recommended by Cannabis Committee 4-0-0 on 9/4/18

Uploaded Documents: Attachments

Social Equity Analysis Report, Oct. 18, 2017

http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2017/17-0653_rpt_CLA_10-20-2017.pdf

CC, HS (11,0,3)

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OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow, Brad Aarons, Ilana Marosi,

MD Recusal

13D Scooter Enforcement and Guidelines Pertaining to OFW & Bike Path (Colleen Saro, colleen.saro@venicenc.org) (20 minutes)

MOTION: Whereas, the Venice Boardwalk is limited to pedestrians, with the exception of ADA compliance, and

Whereas, the Venice Bike Path is limited to bikes, and

Whereas, there is a need for the LAPD to enforce the abundance of Scooters (BIRD, LIME and other misc. scooters) in addition to any electrical and gas powered vehicles, which are now being used on the Boardwalk and the Bike Path illegally causing safety and littering issues, and

Whereas, the Scooters are being left in the sand, off the Bike Path, and scattered along the Boardwalk, which is becoming a littering and nuisance issue, and

Whereas, the Scooters and other electrical and gas powered vehicles are making it unsafe for pedestrians on the Boardwalk and for bikes on the Bike Path

Therefore, the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) recommends to the La City Council’s Transportation and Public Safety Committees, Councilman Mike Bonin, Council President Herb Wesson, LA County Supervisor

Sheila Kuehl, State Senator Ben Allen and State Assemblywoman Autumn Burke to:

1) create a mandate for an ordinance that all Scooters and electrical and gas powered vehicles have a Geo Fence installed so that they will be disabled if they go west of Pacific, thus keeping them off the Boardwalk and Bike Path.

2) create a Geo Fence so that a helmet needs to be within a 4’ distance from the scooters, or else it will be disabled.

3) create nesting /docking areas stationed at specific locations, like the Hulu and City Bikes, so they are not inconveniencing residents, blocking sidewalks and creating litter. As of now LAMC 56.11 is not being enforced.

4) create rules and limitations and post them on the handlebars, or the box (ride anywhere) mounted on the handlebars where the rider has to sign in.



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5) create a weight lock so that once a person steps on the Scooter, the initial weight will be registered, and if more weight is added, (by an additional person being on the Scooter), the Scooter would then be disabled.

6) Enforcement and updated enforcement of LAMC 63.44 & 63.44(o).

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Pulled by CS

12E Creation of Ad Hoc Parking And Transportation Committee (James Murez, james.murez@venicenc.org) (5 minutes)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council creates an Ad Hoc Parking and Transportation Committee with the following Mission Statement as approved by the Administrative Committee: The Parking and Transportation Committee (PTC) will evaluate existing and potential future conditions, relating to Parking and Transportation, consider stakeholders input, and propose solutions to the Board of Directors.

HH, GF (14, 0, 1)

Unanimous

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OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

President appointed Jim Murez

JR, MM not present

13. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (9:58PM - 5 minutes)

14. Adjourn (approx. 10:03PM)



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<u>Standing Committees</u>	<u>Ad Hoc Committees</u>
Administrative - Ira Koslow Neighborhood - George Francisco Outreach - Hollie Stenson Land Use and Planning - Matthew Royce Budget & Finance - Hugh Harrison Rules & Selections - John Reed Arts - Sunny Bak Ocean Front Walk - Colleen Saro	Homeless - Will Hawkins Venice Cityhood - Nick Antonicello Discussion Forum - Joe Murphy 2019 Election - Ivan Spiegel

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