



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Board of Officers Regular Meeting Agenda

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)

1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291

Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 6:30 PM

NOTE: EARLIER START TIME

1. Call to Order and Roll Call I (6:30 -- 1 minute)

PRESENT: Ira Koslow, George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, Robert Thibodeau, James Murez, John Reed, Jaime Paige, Alex Neiman, CJ Cole, Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Christian Wrede, (18)

ABSENT: Bruno Hernandez, Jim Robb, Mark Ryavec, (3)

2. Pledge Of Allegiance (1 minute)

Bruno Hernandez arrives 6:45PM

3. Approval of the Agenda (1 minute)

AG, GF (19, 0, 0)

FAVOR: Ira Koslow, George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, John Reed, Jaime Paige, Alex Neiman, CJ Cole, Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

AGAINST

ABSTAIN

13B Pulled

11A to LUPC Consent failed as JR did not want it on consent

RT, 13I

Fails for lack of a second

Public Comment :

Out of order Helen Fallon

Out of order Lisa Pastor

Mark Ryavec arrives 7:01pm

4. Approval of the Board Minutes (1 minute)

GF, HH (19,0,0)

(19, 0, 0)



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5. Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (1 minute)

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

Recusals

CJ Cole 11A 131 Recusal
Mark Ryavec 13GH 13I
Jaime Paige 13A

Communications only:

Jaime Paige 13C
Christian Wrede 13GHI
James Murez 13 FEGHICB 11C 11Cii 11B 11A
John Reed spoke to someone 11A 13I
Matt Fisher spoke to 13GH
Mark Ryavec 13 GH1
Sima 13 AI

6. Scheduled Announcements and Presentations (6:35 -- 50 minutes)

6A Live Stream of Meetings (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!

<https://www.facebook.com/VeniceNC/>

Audio recording only

6B Spanish Translation Available (2 minutes)(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), SLO Michael Putrah - 40498@lapd.online, SLO Jennifer Muther - 36051@lapdonline SLO Adrian Acosta - 37285@lapd.online, SLO Javier Ramirez - 39174@lapd.online, Venice Beach Task Force - SGT Theresa Skinner - 31142@lapd.online.

Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.



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- 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 Morgan Bostic, 310-568-8772 (morgan.bostic@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 Zac Gaidzik (310)231-1170, zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov
 - Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Ami Fields-Meyer, 323 552-6730 (ami.fields-meyer@lacity.org)
 - Empower LA Neighborhood Council Advocate, Jasmine Elbarbary, 213-978-1551 (jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org)
- 6E VNC Announcements and Reports (5 minutes)**
- President -Ira Koslow (President@VeniceNC.org)
President has appointed Charles Rials and Frank Murphy chairs of the Homeless Committee
VP Report
 - Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Ira Koslow, VNC Representative (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
 - Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
 - VNC Representative to DWP/Gas Company: Yolanda Gonzales
 - Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer
 - Secretary email changes to sec@venicenc.org moving forward
 - Inaugural coffee with a cop super successful Nisa
- 6F Internship Program Update (5 Minutes)** (Joedmur@gmail.com)
Paul Davis to provide the first of the promised periodic updates of the progress of his DFC sub-committee in creating the Youth Internship Program endorsed by the VNC Board at its March 19, 2019 meeting.
Uploaded Documents: [Download 1564090483.pdf](#)
- 6G Presentation on Affordable/Homeless Services (10 minutes)**(Frank Murphy, frank.murphy.venice@gmail.com)
A presentation on data collected about City wide services and housing offered to affordable and homeless persons. Where does Venice rate!

Out of Order People of California (person)

Digital copy to be sent and posted of Frank Murphy's presentation



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7. Treasurer’s Report (7:25 PM -- 15 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 Approve Purchase of Replacement Canopy
MOTION: The Venice NC approves up to \$300 for the purchase of a replacement canopy for use at Outreach Events, including weekly Farmer’s Market.
Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

HH, GF 17, 1, 1
FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, John Reed, Jaime Paige , Alex Neiman, CJ Cole , Brian Averill, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,
OPPOSED: Matt Fischer
ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

7B Monthly Expenditure Report
MOTION: The Venice NC approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for June 2019.
Uploaded Documents: [Download 1565132068.pdf](#)
Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

7C Approve Expenditure to Date Report
MOTION: The Venice NC approves the Expenditure to Date Report.
Uploaded Documents: [Download 1565132132.pdf](#)
Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

HH, GF (16, 0, 1)
FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, John Reed, Jaime Paige , Alex Neiman, CJ Cole , Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,
OPPOSED:
ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

James Murez and Sima Kostovetsky not in room

7D Reallocated Budget with Rollover Funds
MOTION: The Venice NC approves the attached reallocated budget for 2019-2020 to account for rollover funding from 2018-2019.
Uploaded Documents: [Download 1565135047.pdf](#)
Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

HH, GF (17, 0, 1)



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OPPOSED:
ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

James Murez not in the room

7E Funding for Web Up-Grades

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the expense of \$2,325 for up-grades to the Venice NC Website as per the attached proposal.

Uploaded Documents: [Download 1565135227.pdf](#)

Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

HH, GF (17, 1, 1)

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OPPOSED: CJ Cole

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

7F Purchase of Sandwich Board for Outreach

MOTION: The Venice NC approves up to \$1000 for the purchase of sandwich board public service announcements in conjunction with LAPD.

Uploaded Documents: [Download 1565135744.pdf](#)

Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

HH, GF (14, 4, 1)

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OPPOSED: Matt Fisher, Bruno Hernandez, Charles Rials, Christian Wrede,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

7G Funding for Congress of Neighborhood Councils

MOTION: The Venice NC approves \$1000 to help defray the costs of the 2019 Congress of Neighborhood Councils.

Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

HH, GF (17, 0, 2)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, John Reed, Jaime Paige , CJ Cole , Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow, Alex Neiman



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7H \$200 for the purchase of Mevo Producer

MOTION: The Venice NC approves \$200 for the purchase of Mevo Producer to allow the streaming of Board meetings directly to the VNC web page.

Recommended by Budget & Finance 5-0-0 on 8/6/19

HH, GF (16, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, John Reed, Jaime Paige, Alex Neiman, CJ Cole, Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

8. Announcements and Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (7:40 PM - 10 minutes)

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

Lidia Ponce out of order with language swear words

Lets go Fishing event Venice Pier August 31, 2019

9. General Consent Calendar (7:50 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.]

9A Add Line item to board agenda --Trainings (secretary@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council will add a line item to board agenda for all members to check monthly if their trainings are current.

UNANIMOUS

10. LUPC Consent Calendar (7:55 PM – 5 minutes) (Alix Gucovsky on behalf of LUPC,

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 652 Santa Clara Ave

Case: DIR-2019-1037-CDP-MEL & ADM-2019-1039-VSO & ENV-2019-1038-CE

Applicant: 652 Santa Clara Ave by CMLA, LLC LUPC

Staff: Tim Bonefeld

Representative: Tony Russo



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Case Description: Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.20.2, a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) for demo of an existing single-family dwelling and construction of a new 2-story single family dwelling with roof access structure, roof deck and 2-car garage. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 65590 and 65990.1 (the Mello Act) and the City of Los Angeles Interim Mello Act Compliance Administrative Procedures, a Mello Act Compliance Determination. Pursuant to the Venice Coastal Zone Specific Plan, an exemption from the Project Permit Compliance procedures (VSO)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends approval of the project as presented provided that the applicant shows at the Board meeting that the project is measured from the center line of the street.

Recommended by LUPC 7-0-0 on 7/25/19

10B 3209 Ocean Front Walk

Case: DIR-2018-6400-CDP-MEL-SPP; ENV-2018-6401-CE

City Hearing date: TBD

Applicant: Diane Shoda, Trustee of the High Tide Trust

LUPC Staff: Shep Stern

Representative: Mattie Shelton, Jeff Shelton Architects

Case Description: Coastal Development Permit (CDP), Mello Act Compliance Determination (MEL) and Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance permit (SPP) for the demolition of an existing single-family dwelling & construction of 2 dwelling units with 4 parking spaces, in the R3-1 zone in the Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone.

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends approval of the project as presented with the verification that the roof vents are permitted projections and are to code.

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19

UNANIMOUS

11. **LUPC (8:00 PM – 45 minutes)** (Alix Gucovsky 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 421 East Carroll Canal (15 minutes)

Case: DIR-2019-2006-CDP-MEL-SPP; ENV-2019-2007-CE

City Hearing date: August 19, 2019, 10 am

Applicant: Daniel Borenstein, German Quality Builders LLC

LUPC Staff: Barry Cassilly

Representative: Paola Pini, Paola Pini Architects

Case Description: Coastal Development Permit (CDP), Mello Act Compliance Determination (MEL) and Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance (SPP) for the construction of a new 3-story, 30' maximum height, 3,528 sq ft single-family dwelling with an attached 2-car garage, roof decks, & 3 parking spaces (2 covered, 1 uncovered) in the RW1 zone in the Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone.



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MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends approval of the project as presented with condition that the rear yard setback be determined from wherever Building and Safety decides the center line to be (10'vs 15' as the result may reduce the square feet of the house)
Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19

AG, GF (15, 2, 2)

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OPPOSED: James Murez, Charles Rials,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow, John Reed

CJ, Nisa Recusal

11B Removal of Venice Blvd. Arts District Designation from proposed Venice Community Plan (10 minutes)

MOTION: Whereas a major new Venice Blvd “Arts District” initiative involving both Venice and Mar Vista was unveiled at the recent July 10th Venice Community Plan and June 21st Mar Vista Community Plan update workshops at the tail end of the “share” period and had not previously been made available to the respective communities for consideration or comment; and Whereas neither the Venice Neighborhood Council nor the Mar Vista Community Council was included in the proposed new “Arts District “ designation, in violation of the City Charter requirement for Neighborhood Councils to have the opportunity to provide input to City decisions impacting their neighborhoods.

Therefore, the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that the “Arts District” designation for Venice Blvd be removed from any draft of the respective Community plans, and that the “Arts District” (be brought to the respective communities via the Neighborhood Council process for proper consideration.

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19

AG, GF (17, 1, 1)

FAVOR: Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, John Reed, Jaime Paige , Alex Neiman, CJ Cole , Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED: Ira Koslow

ABSTAIN: George Francisco

11Ci CIS in Opposition to Council File 14-1349-SI re. Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District (20 minutes)

MOTION: Whereas on July 3, 2019, the Los Angeles City Council considered an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District (EIFD) for the geographic region of Venice <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=14-1349-S1>; and



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Whereas the community of Venice as represented by the Venice Neighborhood Council (VNC) is concerned that the decision making body described within the proposed EIFD known as a Public Financing Authority (PFA) will be selected by City Officials and may not represent the constituents of the Venice Community; and

Whereas Venice is a unique Coastal Zone community that falls under the regulations of the California Coastal Act and has special development considerations that are not required in the non-coastal communities of Los Angeles; and

Whereas public outreach on the EIFD policy, which impacts our community, has been inadequate and minimal information on the details, impacts, or implementation has been provided

Therefore the Venice Neighborhood Council recommends that a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in opposition to the EIFD be submitted and that should an EIFD proceed it shall be restricted to not fund projects that will alter the original land use designations of the 1904 Abbott Kinney Company development projects.

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19

11Cii CIS in Opposition to Council File 14-1349-S1 (james.murez@venicenc.org)

MOTION: Whereas the City of Los Angeles is considering an ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE DISTRICT ("EIFD") for the geographic region of Venice

http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2014/14-1349-S1_misc_02-09-2017.pdf); and

Whereas the community of Venice as represented by the Venice Neighborhood Council is concerned that the decision making body described within the proposed EIFD known as "Public Financing Authority" will be a majority of City Council Members who do not represent the constituents of the Venice community; and

Whereas Venice is a unique Coastal Zone community that besides the LAMC falls under the regulations of the California Coastal Commission (CCC), and has special development considerations that are not required in any other community of Los Angeles City; and

Whereas Venice has a CCC Certified Land Use Plan that described community character, scale and mass and how it relates to the historic nature and preservation of its prior geographic designation as a City in California, "Venice of America"; and

Whereas in 1925 the City of Venice of America was incorporated into the City of Los Angeles along with the requirement for the City of Los Angeles to maintain all Venice of America holdings which includes all public right-of-ways, public streets, alleys, parking lots, walk streets, waterways, park lands and other open spaces including the beaches; and

Whereas the streets of Venice have not been maintained and does not comply in many cases to current City of Los Angeles standards nor to State or Federal public access standard, railroad tracks in our streets that were abandoned in the 1950's still remain, the street surfaces are cluttered with temporary pothole patches, sidewalks that do not provide ADA compliance, landscaping along our streets is non-existent or dead weeds, street trees go unpruned and in some cases when a tree is killed within the right-of-way the City does not replace them; and

Whereas many properties in Venice were constructed at a time when public transportation was the primary service to the region and a local circulating miniature train and trolley services moved people into and around the community, and many most properties in Venice do not have onsite automobile parking. In the 1970's the City of Los Angeles started requiring all projects to provide parking and properties prior to this new law would be credited or grandfathered with phantom stalls. But the



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demand for parking as more and more people live and visit Venice has caused a tremendous need for additional parking.

Therefore, the VNC recommends the EIFD shall fund only projects that will improve the lack of off street parking, maintenance of public right-of-ways including landscape areas, or beautify open spaces including enhancing public services in the Venice Beach recreation areas. All such funds shall be used only for projects that comply with the current Venice Local Land Use Plan (CCC certified 2001). The VNC shall appoint the two public members to the EIFD. *Recommended by PTC 4/0/0 on 8/5/19*

GF, AG Hear them combined ci cii

GF, JM Substitute MOTION without amendments as is:
(8,6, 4)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, Jaime Paige , Alex Neiman, CJ Cole ,

OPPOSED: Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow, Brian Averill, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky,

JM, JR Amendment: (6, 10, 3) FAILS

FAVOR: Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, John Reed, CJ Cole ,

OPPOSED: George Francisco, Jaime Paige , Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow, Alex Neiman, Brian Averill,

Substitute MOTION: CIS in Opposition to Council File 14-1349-SI re. Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District

The VNC shall file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in opposition to CF 14-1349 SI including the following statements and recommendations:

1. That the Public Financing Authority (PFA) which will control the Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District (EIFD) be ~~strictly~~ composed of a majority of residents ~~constituents and stakeholders~~ **appt by the Venice Neighborhood Council** ~~the Venice Community including 2 members appointed by the VNC.~~
2. That all requirements of the California Coastal Act be complied with in any actions taken by the EIFD.
3. That full and forthright public outreach be performed on all proposed policies of the EIFD, its practices and impacts prior to its creation.
4. That the EIFD shall fund only projects that will improve the lack of off street parking, maintenance of public right-of-ways (including landscape areas) and beautify open spaces including enhancing public services in the Venice Beach recreation areas.
5. That all EIFD funds shall be used only for projects that comply with the current Venice Local Land Use Plan (CCC certified 2001).

Recommended by PTC 4/0/0 on 8/5/19

Recommended by LUPC 6-0-0 on 8/8/19



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<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=14-1349-S1>

http://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2014/14-1349-S1_misc_02-09-2017.pdf);

Table motion IR, CW 4, 15, 0 FAILS

FAVOR: Ira Koslow, Matt Fisher, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials,

OPPOSED: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, John Reed, Jaime Paige, Alex Neiman, CJ Cole, Brian Averill, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

ABSTAIN:

12. Old Business (8:45 PM - 0 minutes)

[Discussion and possible action]

13. New Business (8:45 PM – 145 minutes)

[Discussion and possible action]

John Reed leaves

13A Rose Avenue Beach Cleanup (5 minutes) (SimaK@VeniceNC.org)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council supports promoting The Rose Ave. Beach Clean Up without any financial expenditures on the part of the VNC. It will be organized by local Rose Ave. businesses and residents and is scheduled for Saturday, Sept 21st.

SK, MD

Unanimous (16, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, Alex Neiman, CJ Cole, Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

Jaime Paige Recusal

13B Commercial Corridor and Spot Zoning Realignment (25 minutes) (ira.koslow@veniceenc.org)

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



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~~roads and 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 recommends 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 Ocean Front Walk, 1901 2015 Ocean Front Walk, 305 373 Rose Ave~~

~~Removed from agenda during approval of agenda~~

13C Creation of Dog Park Adhoc Committee (5 minutes) (james.murez@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The VNC Board creates a Dog Park Adhoc Committee with the following Mission Statement as approved by the Administrative Committee: The VNC Dog Park Committee shall assess the current needs of dog owners in Venice and LA City Rec and Parks concerning the Westminster Park Dog Park and propose solutions to the VNC Board that address these community interests.

JM, GF (17, 0, 1)

Jaime Paige appointed Chair

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, Jaime Paige, Alex Neiman, CJ Cole, Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

13D Creation of Verdant Venice Adhoc Committee (5 minutes) (isabelle@idarchitect.com & noel.only@verizon.net)

The VNC Board creates a Verdant Venice Adhoc Committee with the following Mission Statement as approved by the Administrative Committee: The Verdant Venice Committee supports and encourages the creation and maintenance of green space, biodiversity, and the tree canopy in the Venice neighborhood. The VVC will work with residents, City government(s), schools, developers and other stakeholders and make recommendations to the VNC Board to ensure that Venice protects and expands upon its existing resources to achieve a balanced ecology, healthy and attractive for all, now and in the future.

MD, AG (17, 0, 1) George Abstain

Isabelle and Noel co chairs appointed.



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Out of Order Matt Fisher threatening his is confirming after someone for changing their motion after adcom

FAVOR: Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, Jaime Paige, Alex Neiman, CJ Cole , Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede, Ira Koslow

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: George Francisco

***Add both new committees to template

13E CIS for CF 18-0519 Requesting a Parking Inventory (10 minutes) (james.murez@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The VNC Board shall submit a Community Impact Statement for CF 18-0519 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. This motion was previously approved by the VNC Board on May 17, 2017. <https://www.venicenc.org/docs/34483815-5734.pdf>

Recommended by PTC 4/0/0 on 8/5/19

JM, GF (17, 0, 1)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, Jaime Paige, Alex Neiman, CJ Cole , Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Mark Ryavec, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED:

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow

13F Culver City Storm Water Project - Joint NC Outreach (10 minutes)

MOTION: Culver City is proposing a Storm Water project that will have MAJOR traffic impact on Mar Vista, Del Rey, Marina Del Rey and Venice communities. Almost no outreach has been done to date. This request to to ask for funding to book the use Westminster School for a Town Hall meeting in early September (date TBD) which will include inviting Culver City officials, LA City officials, County officials and be joined with Del Rey and Mar Vista NC's. If possible get local CCC staff to attend.

Recommended by PTC 4/0/0 on 8/5/19

ProjectLink:

<https://www.culvercity.org/city-hall/city-government/city-projects/washington-boulevard-stormwater-and-urban-runoff-project>

JM, AG (15, 1, 0)

FAVOR: Hugh Harrison, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, Jaime Paige , Alex Neiman, CJ



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Cole , Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Sima Kostovetsky, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Christian Wrede,
OPPOSED: Ira Koslow
ABSTAIN: George Francisco

13G Planting On Parkways (20 minutes)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council strongly urges the City’s Bureau of Engineering to support and rule on all applications within 60 days for removal of concrete over parkways along city streets for the planting of said parkways for the purpose of beautification, rain infiltration and containment

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Recommended by Neighborhood Committee 8-0-1 on 7/24/19

GF, CJ (7, 7, 4)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, Jaime Paige , CJ Cole , Sima Kostovetsky, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED: Ira Koslow, Alex Neiman, Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Bruno Hernandez, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials,

ABSTAIN: Hugh Harrison, James Murez, Alix Gucovsky,

MOTION FAILS

13H Planter Boxes On Parkways (20 minutes)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council strongly urges the City’s Bureau of Engineering to support and rule on all applications within 60 days for removal of concrete over parkways along city streets for the installation of planter boxes on parkways for the purpose of beautification, rain infiltration and containment.

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Recommended by Neighborhood Committee 8-0-1 on 7/24/19

GF, JM (9, 6, 2)

FAVOR: George Francisco, Melissa Diner, Theresa White, James Murez, Jaime Paige , CJ Cole , Alix Gucovsky, Sima Kostovetsky, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED: Alex Neiman, Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Bruno Hernandez, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials,

ABSTAIN: Ira Koslow, Hugh Harrison,

Out of order Matt Fischer

13I 600 Mildred (45 minutes) (stakeholder petition)

Case: DIR-2018-2031-SPP-CDP; ZA-2018-2032-CUB; ENV-2018-2033-CE

City Hearing date: July 15, 2019

Applicant: Tezuke LLC

LUPC Staff: Matthew Royce/Alix Gucovsky

Representative: Robert Thibodeau, Du Architects & Elisa Paster

Case Description:



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OCTOBER 4, 2018 LUPC AGENDA PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

- Change of use from retail market to restaurant
- Venice Neighborhood Council recommends approval of the project as presented with the following conditions: 1. verify the approved occupant load for the service floor area 2. Implement a TDM to pay for employees alternative transportation costs 3. Provide as much bike parking as is feasible at or near the site 4. Provide Valet parking during evening hours contracted for a parking lot to avoid parking in neighborhood streets. Passed by VNC Board on October 16, 2018.

REVISED PROJECT DESCRIPTION TO ACCURATELY REFLECT PROJECT:

- Change of use of a 904 sq ft market to a 324 sq ft market and 580 sq ft restaurant having a 134 sq ft interior service floor area and a 115 sq ft exterior service floor area. In lieu fees will be provided for the additional required two, on site, parking spaces and 5 parking spaces will be provided off-site.
- Pursuant to LAMC section 12.24-W.1 a Conditional Use Alcoholic Beverage permit (CUB) for the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with a 580 sq ft restaurant, having a 134 sq ft interior service floor area and 115 sq ft exterior service floor area, and offering 25 interior and 28 exterior seats.
- The Director of Planning and the Zoning Administrator shall consider an exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA guidelines section 15301 and 15303 and that there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to the Categorical Exemption pursuant to CEQA guidelines, section 15300.2 applies.
- Pursuant to LAMC section 11.5.7 a Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance permit (SPP).
- Pursuant to LAMC section 12.20.2 a Coastal Development Permit (CDP) for a change of use from a 904 sq ft market to a 904 sq ft market and restaurant with 249 sq ft of service floor area, within the Dual Permit Jurisdiction Coastal Zone.

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends delay of approval of the project with the conditions from the October 16, 2018 Board meeting until a new traffic study is conducted that specifically addressed the intersection of Mildred and Ocean, the parking issues, and the neighborhood cut through traffic. Furthermore, The Venice Neighborhood Council recommends denial of the CUB.

Recommended by LUPC 3-2-1 on 8/8/19

AG, MF (13, 1, 2)

FAVOR: Ira Koslow, Hugh Harrison, Theresa White, James Murez, Jaime Paige, Alex Neiman, Brian Averill, Matt Fisher, Alix Gucovsky, Bruno Hernandez, Nisa Kove, Charles Rials, Christian Wrede,

OPPOSED: Melissa Diner,

ABSTAIN: George Francisco, Sima Kostovetsky,

CJ Recusal

56 against

0 for

14. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (11:10 PM - 5 minutes)



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15. Adjourn (approx. 11:15PM)

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Administrative - Ira Koslow Neighborhood - George Francisco Outreach - Sima Kostovetsky Land Use and Planning - Alix Gucovsky Budget & Finance - Hugh Harrison Rules & Selections - John Reed Arts - Bruno Hernandez Ocean Front Walk - Jim Robb	Parking & Transportation - James Murez Resiliency - Keith Harrison Discussion Forum - Joe Murphy

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