



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Verdant Venice Committee Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: January 10, 2020 Meeting Time: 9:00 AM Meeting Location: The Rose, 220 Rose Ave., Venice 90291 Contact: <u>noel.johnston@venicenc.org</u>, isabelle.duvivier@venicenc.org (Chair email)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Noel Johnston (Co-Chair)		
Isabelle Duvivier (Co-Chair)		
Melissa Diner		
	Ira Koslow (ex-officio)	

- 2. Approve Agenda as presented or amended
- 3. Approve Minutes from last meeting as approved or amended
- 4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 5. Chair Report
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT 1 minute on non-agendized items related to Verdant Venice Committee only
- 7. Guest speaker: Shep Stern will speak on the subject of public property trees on Venice walk streets.
- 8. Item for Discussion and Possible Action:
 - a. Background fact: Over 20 years ago the community (under the City's aegis) planted many sycamore saplings along Venice Blvd. The community has benefitted greatly from their presence and they are now fully grown. Some of these trees have been invaded by a pest that most experts feel is sycamore borer (not shot hole borer) and this can be mitigated by proper maintenance. MOTION: Whereas the sycamores on Venice Blvd are in need of immediate attention to preserve their health and longevity, the VVV requests that the VNC write a letter to the ______ and ______ asking that the City remove the agroperm immediately and also emphasize that appropriate measures be taken in a timely manner to improve the adjacent parkway i.e., enlarge the parkway, do sidewalk repair, replace with decomposed granite, etc.
- 9. Old Business: Review of prior motions.
- 10. New Business:
 - a. The VVC would like to invite Council Members Jim Murez and Mark Ryavec to attend, address and advise us on past and future tree canopy issues.





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b. Analytic tree walks by/with the VVC. Schedule to be discussed and confirmed.c. Discuss new EIR report and how to access it online.

11. COMMITTEE COMMENTS – Comments by Committee Members on subject matters within the jurisdiction of the Verdant Venice Committee but not on the Agenda 12. ADJOURN

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