



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Joint meeting of Public Health and Safety Committee and Board of Directors – Agenda

Meeting Date: 09/01/2021
Meeting Time: 5pm Pacific
Meeting Location: Webinar online zoom meeting
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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (5:00pm-5:05)**

Soledad Ursua (Chair)			
Eva Greene (Co-chair)			
John Baginski			
Helen Fallon			
Chie Lunn			
Allan Parsons		Jim Murez (ex-officio)	

2. **Approval of Agenda** (Start time + 00:05)
3. **Review, Comment and Adopt Minutes from prior meeting** (2 minutes)
4. **Chair Report** (5 minutes)
5. **Committee Member Announcements** (5 minutes)
6. **Public Safety Enforcement Discussion** (60 minutes): Includes a crime report and updates on law enforcement and public safety issues in Venice. Invited panelists-
 Los Angeles Police Department, Steven Embrich (30993@lapd.online), Brian Cook (36258@lapd.online), Monique Contreras (38228@lapd.online);
7. **Public Comment – 60 Seconds** on non-agendized items related to Public Health and Safety Committee only (10 minutes)
8. **Storm Drain Upgrades**
 - a. Item for discussion and possible action: The Storm Drains west of 5th Street in Venice drain out directly on to the beach and anything entering these storm drains is not rerouted to the Hyperion treatment facility. The result is that raw, untreated sewage (human and animal waste), along with trash

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and debris including hypodermic needles ends up on the beach and in the ocean creating a public health hazard for visitors to the beach and ocean.

b. Public comment – 1 minute per person (10 minutes)

c. Committee discussion – (10 minutes)

d. Motion: The VNC requests that the storm drains that are not connected to a pumping station be properly grated, screened and filters installed in order to prevent debris including needles from entering the storm drains, blocking the storm drains and ending up on the beach and in the ocean. The VNC further recommends that Los Angeles upgrade all Storm Drains located near homeless encampments and where RVs have been allowed to park to prevent another raw sewage spill at the Hyperion Plant.

9. **Warning to Venice Stakeholders about Leptospirosis: a Rare Dog Disease**

a. Item for discussion and possible action: A Rare Dog Disease on the Rise in West LA County. Leptospirosis, a bacterial disease that can lead to kidney failure and even death.

b. Public comment – 1 minute per person (10 minutes)

c. Committee discussion – (10 minutes)

d. Motion: The Venice Neighborhood Council will send an email blast and post on its website posting a warning to constituents.

10. **Adjourn**

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