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Agenda for Joint Meeting of Neighborhood Committee and Venice Neighborhood Council Board

Meeting Date: 12/03/2021

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order (8:30 a.m.)

2. Roll Call

Daffodil Tyminski (Chair)		Darryl Dufay	
Charles Rosin		William Wood	
Yolanda Gonzalez		Cassie Hemiston-Boyd	
Reta Moser		James Murez, <i>ex officio</i>	
Sergio Perez			

3. Committee Organization

Chair to set regular meeting time and Committee to discuss priorities and potential action items

4. PUBLIC COMMENT as to items not on the Agenda and related to Neighborhood Committee only.

OLD BUSINESS

5. FEMA Coordination; Committee Member to act as liaison on the issue with the City, our Congressional office, and other relevant agencies.
6. RV Guidelines; Appointment of a Committee Member to act as liaison on the issue with the City, CD11, LAPD, and other relevant agencies.

7. Pickleball and Recreational Activities at Penmar Tennis Courts (and/or possibly other locations in Venice) (Daffodil Tyminski)

- a. **Possible Presentation by Pickleball Association and/or the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks**
- b. **Item for discussion and possible action:** Presentation regarding pickleball and other activities at Penmar Park and other Venice locations.
- c. **Public Comment**
- d. **Committee Discussion**
- e. **Motion:** *WHEREAS, seniors tend to be underrepresented in public park facilities; WHEREAS Pickleball, which is growing rapidly in popularity among seniors and younger people alike; WHEREAS four pickleball courts can fit on one tennis court, thereby allowing for more than double the public engagements in pickleball than in tennis; WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Department and Recreation has installed pickleballs courts in other locations in the City, but not in Venice; WHEREAS the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks have received multiple requests for pickleball courts in our Venice Parks; and WHEREAS certain pools of funding now exist which will for either the building of new pickleball courts or the modification of existing tennis courts into pickleball courts. NOW THEREFOR, the Venice Neighborhood Council supports the Los Angeles Departments of Parks and Recreation finding locations in Venice to place pickleball courts in Penmar Park as well as in other locations.*
See <https://www.west-losangeles-pickleball.info/resources> (West LA Pickleball Report (click on Resources tab))
See <https://usapickleball.org/about-us/organizational-docs/pickleball-fact-sheet/> (USA Pickleball factsheet)
See <https://www.latimes.com/sports/story/2020-06-03/what-is-pickleball> (LA Times article giving background of pickleball).
See <https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-56324048> (BBC article on Pickleball's popularity)
- f. **Appointment of a Committee Member to act as liaison on the issue with the City, CD11, and the Department of Recs and Parks.**

NEW BUSINESS

8. Sidewalk Maintenance and Repair (Daffodil Tyminski)

- a. **Possible Presentation by Department of Public Works or other City Official**
- b. **Item for discussion and possible action:** Venice sidewalks are in a notorious state of disrepair. While the City of Los Angeles has developed some programs to fix/maintain sidewalks, it does not appear as though repairs are being made in Venice. The Neighborhood Committee seeks to have the City – either directly or in concert with homeowner/BID programs – repair existing broken sidewalks.
See <https://lacontroller.org/audits-and-reports/sidewalks/> (November 2021 City of Los Angeles Controller report on sidewalks);
See <https://dpw.lacity.org/blog/la-city-board-public-works-approves-motion-establish-community-level-contracting-program> (May 2021 Los Angeles Department of Public Works announcement re: Community Contracting);

See <https://safesidewalks.lacity.org>
<https://www.lacity.org/highlights/safe-sidewalks-project> (City of Los Angeles 2017 Safe Sidewalks Program); and

See

<https://cao.lacity.org/Reports/20150526%20CAO%20NEW%20POLICY%20FOR%20REPAIR%20OF%20SIDEWALKS%20ADJACENT%20TO%20PRIVATE%20PROPERTY.pdf>
(2015 City of Los Angeles policy re: sidewalk maintenance).

c. Public Comment:

d. Committee Discussion:

e. Motion: *WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has long struggled to keep its sidewalks accessible and safe for pedestrians; WHEREAS, Venice, in particular, has a large number of broken or impassable sidewalks that have remained unaddressed for years; WHEREAS, the City of Los Angeles has recently enacted various programs (including the Community Contracting Program (May 2021) among others to address broken sidewalks); NOW THEREFOR, the Venice Neighborhood Council seeks to have the City begin fixing sidewalks in Venice, in a manner consistent with City policies, objectives, and partnerships, as problem sidewalks are identified by the Community.*

f. Appointment of a Committee Member to act as liaison with CD11, DWP, and other agencies to identify and develop a plan for addressing urgently needed repairs.

9. Trash and Street Cleaning (Chuck Rosin)

a. Item for discussion and possible action: In recent years, trash collection and street cleaning have become more erratic in Venice, such that, on some blocks, no recycling at all is ever picked up by the City and/or streets are no longer cleaned on a weekly basis.

b. Public Comment

c. Committee Discussion

d. Motion: To be determined at the Neighborhood Committee meeting.

e. Appointment of a Committee Member to act as liaison if necessary

10. ADJOURN (9:30 a.m.)

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