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# AdCom/Board Draft Regular Meeting Agenda Tuesday March 15, 2022 Start Time: 06:00 PM

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## 2 Call To Order

3 Roll Call:			
☐James Murez	Daffodil Tyminski	☐Melissa Diner	
☐Andrea Boccaletti	□Nico Ruderman	□Jason Sugars	
□Alley Bean	Mike Bravo		
	Attendance: 0	Quorum: 4	

### 4 Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest

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

### **5** Scheduled Announcements and Presentations

# 6 Public Safety - LAPD & LAFD Report

Questions to the presenter(s) will be limited to the time allotted to this item. Furthermore, all questions from the public must be submitted in writing to Secretary@VeniceNC.org no less than 72 hours prior to Page 5 of 11 the meeting. The Chair at His / Her discretion shell present questions or a summary thereof to the presenter. Questions from Members of the Body will be limited by time allotment for this agenda item following public questions.

## 7 Government Reports

- City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy, Tristen Marler tristen.marler@lacity.org
- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative, Janet.Turner@mail.house.gov
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative, Liliana.Pond@sen.ca.gov
- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, Representative Brandon.Stansell@asm.ca.gov
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, Deputy Zac Gaidzik zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Deputy TBD
- Empower LA, Advocate, Freddy.Cupen-Ames@lacity.org 213-978-1551
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC)-James Murez,
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC), Ivan Spiegel
- Budget Advocates Andrea Boccaletti

### 8 Committee Chair Reports

### Standing Committees:

- Budget & Finance
- Land Use & Planning
- Neighborhood
- Ocean Front Walk
- Outreach & Event Planning
- Rules & Selections
- Arts

### Ad Hoc Committees:

- Community Resiliency Committee
- Homelessness Committee
- Parking and Transportation Committee

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- Venice Arbor Committee
- Discussion Forum Committee

**President Report** 

## 9 Treasurer Report

## 10 Approve November and December Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERS)

### **Description:**

Committee: Budget & Finance Committee On: 2022-01-18 Vote:

Vote from Budget and Finance Committee will take place on January 18,2022 at 5:15 P.M.

### **MOTION:**

Motion to approve the VNC's November and December Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERS)

Maker:

Second:

Voter Tally (0): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

## 11 Announcements and Public Comment on items not on the Agenda

Public comment is limited to 1 minute per speaker with a total comment time not to exceed 20 minutes, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. No comment on Items appearing on the Agenda. No Board member announcements permitted.

**NOTE**: The public is strongly advised to bring comments up in committees where time restrictions are more flexible and where recommendations from the public can become the bases of action items for Board consideration.

## 12 Old Business

## 13 Boundary Adjustment along VNC and DRNC border

### **Description:**

Committee: Rules & Selections Committee On: 2022-02-04 Vote:

There is a portion of land that lies along east of Lincoln Blvd and is within the Venice Neighborhood council overlay. Del Rey Neighborhood Council has requested that we adjust the boundaries so this area lies within the Del Rey Neighborhood Council District.

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### **MOTION:**

Motion to amend VNC Boundary to exclude lots along eastside of Lincoln Blvd. between Maxella and Washington Blvd so as to include them within the Del Rey Neighborhood Council overlay. VNC wording to read as follows (with yellow highlight strike out removed if adopted in final version).

B. EAST – Walgrove Avenue south to Morningside Way, Morningside Way east to Maplewood Avenue, Maplewood Avenue South to Appleton Way,

Appleton Way west to Walgrove Avenue, Walgrove Avenue South to Victoria Avenue, Victoria Avenue east to Beethoven Street, Beethoven Street South to Lucille Avenue, Lucille Avenue west to Walgrove Avenue, Walgrove Avenue South to Venice Boulevard, Venice Boulevard east to Lyceum Avenue, Lyceum Avenue south to Zanja Street, Zanja Street west to Walnut Avenue, Walnut Avenue (name changes at Washington Boulevard) south to Washington Boulevard, Del Rey Avenue south to Maxella Avenue, Maxella Avenue west to Lincoln Boulevard, Lincoln Boulevard south to the border of Marina Del Rey.

Maker: Second: Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

## 14 General Consent Calendar - Items

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## 15 Land Use and Planning Committee Consent Calendar - Items

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## 16 LUPC New Business

## 17 New Business

## 18 Proposed Ad Hoc Committee - Racial Justice + Equity Committee

**Description:** 

Stakeholder: Mike Bravo Dated: 2022-03-10

Approval of mission statement to be presented to Board of Officers.

### MOTION:

Mission Statement: To address, analyze, and educate stakeholders on the social, racial, and economic equity & justice concerns and dynamics of the Venice community via academically informed education, empirical research, and best practices; community engagement/discussions; cultural presentations; and work collaboratively towards solutions that create a just, equitable, accessible, and anti-racist community.

Maker: Second:

Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

## Description: Stakeholder: Brian Averill Dated: 2022-03-15

WHEREAS the City and County of Los Angeles, along with the Department of Mental Health, recently announced the deployment of Psychiatric Mobile Response Teams based in 5 LAFD locations around the city, and WHEREAS Venice is inexplicably not one of these locations, THEREFORE the Venice Neighborhood Council requests that a team be based here in Venice with letters sent to Mayor Eric Garcetti, LAFD Chief Ralph Terrazas, Councilmember Bonin, Councilmember Rodriguez, Supervisor Hilda Solis, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health Deputy Director Miriam Brown, and LAPD Captain Steven Embrich. https://www.lafd.org/news/lafd-and-la-county-mental-healthdebut-therapeutic-van-program

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Maker:

Second:

Voter Tally (0): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

## 20 Creation of an ad hoc Committee to monitor the progress of the 2028 Summer Olympics

### Description:

Stakeholder: Nicholas Antonicello Dated: 2022-03-08

WHEREAS, the 2028 Summer Olympics is a \$1.7 billion dollar, 17-day international extravaganza that will take place here in Los Angeles in multiple sites and locations, and WHEREAS, the community and neighborhood of Venice has not been designated for any events as per the LA28 website, and WHEREAS, all the water-related and skate related events are currently reserved for Santa Monica Beach and Long Beach, and WHEREAS, as the #1 tourist destination in California that is free, it is disturbing that the neighborhood of Venice has been left out and not part of these 2028 Summer Game events, and WHEREAS, the President of the Venice Neighborhood Council has the authority to appoint an "ad hoc committee" that will report back to the full board as it is the stated preference of this President that such work be done at the committee level, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the Venice Neighborhood Council appoint a willing and able individual to chair a 2028 Olympic Review Committee and create a "mission statement" that will give this neighborhood a voice in a process that has not engaged this community and that our voice be heard and that we make it known that Venice has been unfortunately ignored and passed over which needs to be corrected and that this ad hoc committee be created no later than the March meeting of the Venice Neighborhood Council to correct the current conditions which has the Venice Community left out and under represented. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Venice Neighborhood Council advertise for this ad hoc chair so that individuals can apply and provide the President with choices for chairperson as well as members of this 2028 Olympic Review Committee.

### MOTION:

Maker: Second:

### 21 Removal of tents and encampments at Centennial Park

#### **Description:**

Stakeholder: Nicholas Antonicello Dated: 2022-03-08

WHEREAS, the duty of the Venice Neighborhood Council is to be a reflection of the wishes of the overwhelming majority of Venetians who demand that encampments here in Venice be removed from public spaces and parcels, and WHEREAS, the current conditions that exist at Centennial Park serve as a detriment to those who frequent the Venice Public Library and have made it unsafe to visit this public facility, and WHEREAS, the recreational vehicles that are accumulating and are now stationary causing a parking dilemma for residents, and WHEREAS, open drug use is obvious and rampant, and many are out-of-state transients who have criminal records and are unwilling to function as reasonable and rational adults, and WHEREAS, the number of tents are now approaching close to 100 encampments, now as large as the Bridge Housing facility population located on Main Street, and WHEREAS, the Venice Neighborhood Council as a duly elected body must acknowledge and deliberate on issues important to the Venice Community, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Venice Neighborhood Council officially go on the record and call for the immediate removal of these encampments and tents at Centennial Park and that this opinion be communicated to CD-11 as well as the Mayor of Los Angeles by letter.

### MOTION:

Maker: Second: Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

### 22 Resignation of Councilman Mike Bonin

### **Description:**

Stakeholder: Nicholas Antonicello Dated: 2022-02-21

WHEREAS, the Venice Neighborhood Council is already on the record as endorsing a position of "no confidence" as to the the record, policies and positions of Councilman Mike Bonin, and WHEREAS, Councilman Bonin continues to ignore and disengage from the Venice community when it comes to the issue of homeless encampments and the rising crime associated with these structures and tents, and WHEREAS, the new and increasing encampment at Centennial Park east of the Free Public Library has now close to one hundred illegal campers and transient individuals who openly break the law and engage in drug abuse, and WHEREAS, the policies of Councilman Mike Bonin are failed, flawed, exhaustive and in open conflict with a clear majority of Venetians who want and demand that these encampments be removed and that the residents of Venice be heard by Mr. Bonin, and WHEREAS, the purpose of neighborhood council is to provide a strong voice for community values and sentiment and that grass roots opinion be heard in lieu of the lack of communicative engagement with CD-11 or Mr. Bonin and with many other neighborhoods he represents, primarily Venice, and WHEREAS, it is crucial that this neighborhood council go on the record and oppose Mr. Bonin's positions as they apply to rampant homelessness and the rising crime associated with his point-of-view that is outof-step with Venice and threatens our ability as residents to enjoy peace, privacy and the expectations of clean public spaces, and WHEREAS, the primary reason of Mr. Bonin's decision not to seek reelection was based on his own personal health concerns that apparently have forced him from this race for reelection and that he needed to make a decision to choose between his own health over continued public service, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Venice

Neighborhood Council request that Councilman Mike Bonin immediately resign the remainder of his term of office and that the LA City Council select a temporary or acting council member as was the case with Councilman Mark Ridley-Thomas who has been replaced by former Councilman Herb Wesson so that this community have reliable representation that is reflective of the wants and needs of CD-11 and in particular the neighborhood of Venice so that majority of residents be heard again and that a copy of this motion be sent to the Mayor of Los Angeles as well as the Los Angeles City Council.

## MOTION:

Maker: Second: Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

## 23 Direct Election of the position of Parliamentarian

### Description:

Stakeholder: Nicholas Antonicello Dated: 2022-02-15

WHEREAS, the position of Parliamentarian is a "direct" appointment by the President of the Venice Neighborhood Council, and WHEREAS, there is no vetting process for this position and only one candidate is considered with no transparency or accountability to the full board or the stakeholders of Venice, and WHEREAS, the position of Parliamentarian does not include "advice & consent" by the full board and has no input in the nominating process, even thought the position of parliamentarian reports to the full board, and WHEREAS, the current parliamentarian is actively deliberating on three (3) standing committees in violation of Article 12 of the VNC's current BY-LAWS, and WHEREAS, the current committee chair of the Rules & Selections Committee has appointed the parliamentarian to amend and revise the very BY LAWS he supposed to interpret which is yet another violation of Article 12, and WHEREAS, the parliamentarian is currently immune from any scrutiny, accountability, vetting or board transparency, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the position of Parliamentarian become a duly elected position by the Venice Stakeholders beginning with the next scheduled election in June of 2023 to ensure the viability, independence, credibility and overall competence of the position that will become evident with multiple candidates vying for the position that will create the accountability and transparency that does not exist.

## MOTION:

Maker: Second:

Voter Tally (0): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

## 24 HeadMaze Sculpture at Windward Plaza Park

### **Description:**

Stakeholder: Zanna Wise Dated: 2022-02-15

HeadMaze seeks the support of the Venice Neighborhood Council in exploring the possibility of bringing a monumental sculpture to Venice Beach. HeadMaze is a sculpture created by Burning Man artist collective, The Pier Group, and brought to you by Hillary Clark, Zanna Wise, Jon Levy, and Lead Artist Matthew Schultz. We are in conversations with the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks about a temporary art installation at Winward Plaza Park. From the outside, the HeadMaze is a public art piece to be enjoyed by locals and visitors alike. On the inside HeadMaze has a ticketed immersive arts and theater experience that is designed to evoke an introspective exploration of the mind, using art to open dialogue around mental health. HeadMaze has the ability to positively impact Venice, through partnerships with the local community-based organizations and small businesses and restaurants. This project will create jobs, help address the needs of the homeless community and provide an outlet for local artist and performers while creating a new destination and revenue in Venice. We are looking forward to sharing our project and answering any questions you may have. Thank you, Zanna Bear Wise Headmaze Founder and CCO

### MOTION:

Maker: Second:

Voter Tally (0): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

## 25 Head Maze presentation to VNC Board

### Description:

Committee: Ocean Front Walk Committee On: 2022-02-09 Vote: 6/3/0

Head Maze would like to do a short presentation on a proposed interactive, immersive public art piece. The beach is their first choice, but they are completely open to any suitable location in Venice. At this point, they are only seeking board feedback, not a recommendation. Website: https://www.headmaze.com/

### MOTION:

Maker:

Second:

Voter Tally (0): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

## 26 MOVE ALL ROSE AVE BEACH LOT FOOD DISTRIBUTION TO A NEW LOCATION

### **Description:**

Committee: Ocean Front Walk Committee On: 2022-02-09 Vote: 7/0/1

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Voter Tally (0): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0

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	see above and attachment. these were items 34 and 35 on 12/21/21 agenda and minutes of the 12/21/21 bd meeting. They were consolidated and continued for hearing as old business for the 1/18/22 bd meeting.
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MOTION	see attachment. The motion, item 34 for the 12/21 meeting, erroneously lacked para. (3) on this attachment
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