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**Board of Officers**  
**Regular Meeting Agenda**  
**Tuesday February 21, 2023**  
**Start Time: 06:00 PM**

**Location: Webinar**

When: Feb 21, 2023 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: Board

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## 2 Call To Order

### 3 Roll Call:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> James Murez | <input type="checkbox"/> Daffodil Tyminski | <input type="checkbox"/> Melissa Diner   |
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Nico Ruderman

James Robb

Jason Sugars

Alley Bean

Chie Lunn

Mike Bravo

Soledad Ursua

CJ Cole

Elizabeth Clay

Robert Thibodeau

Clark Brown

Michael Jensen

Zachary Best

Patrick McKinley

**Attendance: 0**

**Quorum: 11**

#### 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

06:16

#### 6 LAUSD Board Vice President, Nick Melvoin

Presentation only, no questions from the floor. Please submit any questions directly to his office at:

**Supporting Document:**

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63f179d42ef80.pdf>

#### 7 Public Safety - LAPD & LAFD Report

06:17

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](mailto:Secretary@VeniceNC.org) no less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. The Chair at His / Her discretion shall 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.

LAFD

Lance McCloskey - [Lance.McCloskey@lacity.org](mailto:Lance.McCloskey@lacity.org)

LAPD:

Five Points of Contacts

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/photos/5/page636a3e1fdc228.pdf>

Senior Lead Officer Map

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/photos/5/page636a3d534f723.pdf>

#### 8 Government Reports

06:40

- Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative, [Janet.Turner@mail.house.gov](mailto:Janet.Turner@mail.house.gov)
- State Senator Ben Allen, Representative, [Liliana.Pond@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Liliana.Pond@sen.ca.gov)
- State Assemblywoman Tina McKinnor, Staff: [Brandon.Stansell@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Brandon.Stansell@asm.ca.gov)
- LA County Supervisor Horvath, Deputy Zac Gaidzik [zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov)
- Mayor Karen Bass, Deputy, TBD

- Councilwoman Traci Park, Ashley.Lozada@lacity.org
- Empower LA, Advocate, Freddy.Cupen-Ames@lacity.org 213-978-1551
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC)-Jim Murez,
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC), Yolanda Gonzalez
- LA DWP Advocate, Yolanda Gonzalez
- Budget Advocates – vacant
- City Clerk Office, Naima.Pulliam@lacity.org, VNC Elections 2023 Administrator

## 9 Committee Chair Reports

06:44

### 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
- Venice Arbor Committee
- Discussion Forum Committee
- Preserving Public Places

**Election Report:** Michael Lynn, Elections@VeniceNC.org

~~Candidates Introductions: (state your name & the office your running for)~~ Canceled

### President Report:

Returning to live meetings March 1st.  
Seeking Community Officer to Chair for Rules and Selections

## 10 Approval of prior Board Minutes

### Description:

Discussion and possible action, prior Minutes from meetings dated Special 1-9-2023, Special 1-17-2023 and Regular 1-17-2023 linked below.

**Attachments:** Reg.:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63c81222483a6.pdf>  
Spe.:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63c811fd8960e.pdf>  
Spe.:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63bcd1dc8047.pdf>

**MOTION:**

Board of Officers approves the Special Meeting Minutes of 1-9-2023 and 1-17-2023 and the Regular Meeting Minutes dated 1-17-2023 as presented.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

**11 Treasurer Report**

Budget Amount  
\$42,000.00  
Budget: \$32,000.00  
Adjustments: \$10,000.00

Expense-to-Date  
\$9,211.78  
Funding Requests: \$0.00  
Credit Card : \$9,211.78

Total Outstanding  
\$2,000.00  
Commitments: \$2,000.00  
Pending Payments: \$0.00

Net Available  
\$30,788.22  
Cash Balance: \$32,788.22

**12 Monthly Expenditure Report(s)**

**Description:**

The two documents linked below are the November and December Monthly Expenditure Reports.

**Attachments:** 11/22:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63e80dcab7745.pdf>  
12/22:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63e80dcab8cc8.pdf>

**MOTION:**

Board of Officers approves the November and December 2022 Monthly Expenditure Reports.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

**13 Community Improvement Project application**

**Description:****Committee:** Budget & Finance Committee **Dated:** 2023-01-31 **Vote:** 5/1/0

Using <https://pocketsights.com/> software we will create a mobile app that enables users to take free self-guided tours or to randomly discover and roam sites (including historic, cultural, public art, parks, trees, OFW, surfing, and public facilities), throughout Venice using a Browser or Android or IOS application.

**Attachments:** Application: <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/committee63dda16155565.pdf>**MOTION:**

Budget committee requests the Board of Officers to approve the C.I.P. attached, subject to the City Clerk Approval.- to come from CIP budget

**Maker:****Second:****Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0****14 Purchase Table Cloth****Description:****Committee:** Budget & Finance Committee **Dated:** 2023-01-31 **Vote:** 5/1/0

Outreach Committee is requesting the purchase of five table clothes (2 for resiliency and 3 for general VNC outreach) The cost per table cloth is \$175.00 each which includes the artwork.

**MOTION:**

Budget committee requests the Board of Officers to approve \$875.00 for the purchase of five table cloths. Funds to come from outreach budget

Invoice required but not present at time of posting

**Maker:****Second:****Voter Tally ( 0 ): Yea:0 / Nay:0 / Abstain:0 / Recuse:0 / Ineligible:0****15 Election Plan 2023 - Proposed Amendment - Voter Guide****Description:****Committee:** Budget & Finance Committee **Dated:** 2023-01-31 **Vote:** 5/1/0

The Election Plan 2023 did not consider the cost to do direct mailing of the Voter Guide. This guide at present will be delivered by private delivery company (Walking Man for example) to 20,000 addresses within the VNC region.

Based on comments made in VNC meetings, the Election Administrator has determined to provide direct mail (USPS EDDM) to roughly 23,000 addresses is only possible if additional funds are approved.

**MOTION:**

Budget committee requests the Board of Officers to approve additional \$4,000.00 for direct mailing of the voter guide.

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

## 16 VNC Election Plan 2023 - Budget Amendment

**Description:**

**Committee:** Budget & Finance Committee **Dated:** 2023-01-31 **Vote:** 5/1/0

This item includes item 14 above.

**Attachments:** Revised <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63d5a38a7f356.pdf>  
Election  
Budget:

**MOTION:**

Budget committee requests the Board of Officers to approve the amended election budget as attached. Plus poll location \$280

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

## 17 VNC Election Plan 2023 - Budget Amendment

**Description:**

**Committee:** Budget & Finance Committee **Dated:** 2023-01-31 **Vote:** 5/1/0

**MOTION:**

Budget committee requests the Board of Officers to amend the annual budget allocation to move \$1000.00 from NPG and. \$3,280.00 from outreach and increase election budget by \$4,280.00.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

## 18 LAUSD Meeting Room Fees

**Description:**

**Committee:** Budget & Finance Committee **Dated:** 2023-02-13 **Vote:** 4/0/0

With respect to the fee structure, there is a onetime \$90 for processing the request. There is a \$5.00 fee for each date we use the space to provide restroom supplies. The rest of the cost is based on the number of hours we book the space for at \$38 per hour. I requested 5pm to 10pm for each board of officer meeting. This gives us one hour from 5p to 6p to setup. He had problems with asking for anything past 10pm so the meetings will need to end prior so we have a few minutes to strike. \$90 processing fee (one time) \$ 5 supply fee each meeting \$38/Hour X 5 hours = \$190 (\$190 + \$5) X 4 months = \$780 + \$90 = \$870 Invoice to follow as soon as LAUSD approves the application.

**MOTION:**

Board of Officers approves the LAUSD \$870 fees to use Westminster Elementary School auditorium for VNC General Board meetings through June 2023.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

## 19 Retroactive motion

**Description:**

**Committee:** Budget & Finance Committee **Dated:** 2023-02-13 **Vote:** 3/1/0

The Venice neighborhood council approved \$500 to be spent with Westside Current in the last fiscal year. This bill was never paid due to the shut down of the event itself, but the ad did run and the city is committed to pay. This is a formality to again approve it for this year's budget and have it paid forthwith.

**MOTION:**

Motion to approve \$500 expenditure for Westside Current for the campaign candidate forum in the last fiscal year that was not paid during that fiscal year.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

## 20 REQUESTING EXTENDED POLL HOURS

**Description:**

**Stakeholder:** Ivan Spiegel **Dated:** 2023-02-13 **Vote:** none, removed by chair

The Election Poll is currently scheduled to be open for 6 hours. In the past it's been open for 8 hours but the Board has to request the extended hours. The City Clerk has agreed to do this, but they need a formal request from the Board.

**MOTION:**

The VNC Board shall send an email to the Los Angeles City Clerk requesting that the Election Poll be open for 8 hours (10 A M to 6 PM) to accommodate the usual heavy turnout of Venice voters.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

## 21 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..

## 22 General Consent Calendar - Items

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.

## 23 Motion to Use Federal, State, or Local Funds to Improve Sidewalks and Infrastructure in Venice



**Description:**

**Committee:** Neighborhood Committee **On:** 2023-01-27 **Vote:** 7-0-0

WHEREAS, the City previously passed a Safe Sidewalks Program, which has never been significantly activated in Venice; WHEREAS, Previous requests have been made by this Committee to upgrade sidewalks in Venice that are in bad need of repair and are unsafe for pedestrian passage, and these requests have gone completely unacknowledged and unaddressed; WHEREAS, on November 13, 2021, President Biden signed into law the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, which provides funding for sidewalk repair; and WHEREAS, the new City Council will approve the FY 2023-2024 budget in about May 2023, and funds should be also be available in CD11's AB1290 Fund and/or CD11's Real Property Trust Fund;

**MOTION:**

NOW THEREFOR, Venice Neighborhood Council moves: 1. Request that CD11 ask our U.S. Representative Ted Lieu and our County Supervisor earmark federal funds to improve Venice Sidewalks; 2. to have CD 11 earmark funding from whatever federal, state or local source to improve sidewalks in Venice and budget accordingly in the Los Angeles FY 2023- 2024 City Budget; and 3. to work with the VNC and/or Neighborhood Committee in identifying sidewalks and infrastructure in need of repair (including Main Street, the Silver Triangle, and the Venice Canals' bridges) many of which have already been discussed by the Committee.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

**24 Old Business**

**25 Land Use and Planning Committee Consent Calendar - Items**

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**26 2524 S. Pacific**

**Description:**

**Committee:** Land Use & Planning Committee **On:** 2023-02-02 **Vote:** 8-0-0-0

REQUEST TO RENEW THE EXISTING COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AND ZONE VARIANCE ENTITLEMENTS UNDER ZA-2012-2188-ZV

**Attachments:** plans:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63ea893ace0ce.pdf>

**MOTION:**

Approve project as presented with the following findings: 1. That the strict application of the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance would result in practical difficulties or unnecessary hardships inconsistent with the general purpose and intent of the zoning regulations. 2. That there are special circumstances applicable to the subject property such as size, topography, location or surroundings that do not apply generally to other property in the same zone and vicinity. 3. That the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right or use generally possessed by other property in the same zone and vicinity but which, because of such special circumstances and practical difficulties or unnecessary hardships is denied to the property in question. 4. That the granting of such variance will not be materially detrimental

to the public welfare, or injurious to the property or improvements in the same zone or vicinity in which the property is located. 5. That the granting of such variance will not adversely affect any element of the General Plan.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

### 27 613 E Brooks Ave

**Description:**

**Committee:** Land Use & Planning Committee **On:** 2023-01-12 **Vote:** Yea (6-0-0)

Case Number: DIR-2022-4465-CDP-MEL Staff Report:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63c1b6da5dc9b.pdf>

PROJECT PROPOSES REMODEL AND ADDITION OF THE (E) SFD W/ ATTACHED 2-CAR GARAGE, ROOF DECK, POOL, DECK, RETAINING WALL, ASSOCIATED GRADING AND HARDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS. DEMOLITION OF DETACHED GARAGE.

**Attachments:** plans:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63c1b6da5dc9b.pdf>

**MOTION:**

Approve as presented

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

### 28 1935 Walgrove

**Address:**1935 Walgrove

**LUPC Member:**Lauren / Jeff

**LUPC Hearing:**2-3-2023

**LUPC Vote:**6/0/0

**Case Number(s):**ZA-2021-5040-CU

**Description:**

CONDITIONAL USE TO PERMIT THE CONVERSION OF AN EXISTING CHURCH INTO A CHILD CARE FACILITY SERVING 68 CHILDREN IN THE R1V2 ZONE

**LUPC Report:**

**Attachments:** plans:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63ea8c34a0c1c.pdf>

**MOTION:**

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

### 29 LUPC New Business

### 30 1338 Electric Ave.

**Description:**

**Committee:** Land Use & Planning Committee **On:** 2023-02-02 **Vote:** Yes 8-0-0-0

PARTIAL DEMO AND ADDITION OF 2 STORY. CHANGE OF USE TO ADD ADU  
\*According to Applicant, ADU is no longer being sought. LUPC motion expressly excludes from recommendation. See Staff Report for additional information and case materials.

**Attachments:** plans:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63deee41d8517.pdf>

**MOTION:**

LUPC recommends approval of the project without an ADU and with the following findings: (a) that while site characteristics or existing improvements make strict adherence to the zoning regulations impractical or infeasible, the project nonetheless conforms with the intent of those regulations; (b) that in light of the project as a whole, including any mitigation measures imposed, the project's location, size, height, operations and other significant features will be compatible with and will not adversely affect or further degrade adjacent properties, the surrounding neighborhood, or the public health, welfare, and safety; and (c) that the project is in substantial conformance with the purpose, intent and provisions of the General Plan, the applicable community plan and any applicable specific plan.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

**31 MOTION REQUESTING INVALIDATION OF DE MINIMUS WAIVER FOR VENICE LIFEGUARD STATION**

**Description:**

**Committee:** Land Use & Planning Committee **On:** 2023-02-02 **Vote:** 7-0-1-0

Links to Supporting Documents: CDP Waiver:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63d826449a5a5.pdf> Joint Powers Agreement:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63d825ac81439.pdf>

Building Assessment Report:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63d826501c9c1.pdf> Link to Draft Minutes:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63dcf3f11344.pdf>

**MOTION:**

Motion: WHEREAS, on June 27, 2022, the California Coastal Commission issued de minimis waiver 5- 22-0482-W (the "Waiver," a copy of which is available here: <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63d826449a5a5.pdf>) for the demolition of the Venice Lifeguard Station Tower (the "Tower") pursuant to an application submitted by the County of Los Angeles; WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles leases the Venice Lifeguard Station (the "Property") from the City of Los Angeles, pursuant to that certain Joint Powers Agreement with County (a copy of which is available here:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63d825ac81439.pdf>);

WHEREAS, the Waiver erroneously states that the Property and Tower are: (1) "County- owned," (2) that the Tower was subsequently added to the Property, and (3) the Tower has reached its "development lifespan"; WHEREAS, the Property and Tower are: (1) owned by the City of Los Angeles, (2) part of a single project constructed in 1968, per the Building Assessment Report ("Report"), dated as of June 30, 2014 (a copy of which is available here:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63d826501c9c1.pdf>), and

(3) which Report states the Tower has "no structural deficiencies"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the conditions of the Waiver, if the project plans or information in the application are "found to be incorrect or the plans revised, this decision will become invalid; and any development occurring must cease until a coastal development permit is obtained or any discrepancy is resolved in writing."

NOW THEREFORE, the Venice Neighborhood Council, Board of Officers requests that the California Coastal Commission invalidate the Waiver as it was granted based on incorrect information.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

## 32 New Business

### 33 File Community Impact Statement, CF 22-0560

**Description:**

**Stakeholder:** james murez **Dated:** 2023-02-05

File CIS on CF 22-0560 which requests Municipal Lobbying Ordinance to be revised. The Council File can be reviewed at the following address,

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=22-0560>

Or by opening the following link to view the original file that describes the request.

[https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2022/22-0560\\_misc\\_5-05-22.pdf](https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2022/22-0560_misc_5-05-22.pdf)

The Motion that is being considered can be viewed at the following address.

[https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2022/22-0560\\_misc\\_10-25-22.pdf](https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2022/22-0560_misc_10-25-22.pdf)

**Attachments:** CF:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63e7c09a3c647.pdf>  
motion:<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting63e7c12716885.pdf>

**MOTION:**

The Board of Officers approves of the Council File 22-0560 motion and authorizes a Community Impact Statement to be filed.

**Maker:**

**Second:**

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

## 34 Motions to Mayor Bass

**Description:**

**Stakeholder:** Jay Handal **Dated:** 2023-02-05

The mayor is proposing a new commissioner for our region. This person has not been fully vetted, and his application has false information on it. We are asking the mayor to that all applicants through the local alliances, and to withdraw this nomination until fully vetted.

**MOTION:**

MOTION: LANCC to correspond to Mayor Bass that appointments to BONC involve LANCC, appropriate, regional alliances and neighbor councils in the process prior to appointment. MOTION: LANCC requests the MAYOR withdraw the appointment of the West Area Board of Neighborhood Commissioner until an opportunity has been provided to vet the appointment with the Neighborhood Councils and the respective Alliance(s).

**Maker:**  
**Second:**

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

### **35 Board of Officer Comments, Items not on the Agenda**

### **36 Adjournment**

**Approximate Ending: 10:45**

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