



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Rules & Selections Committee
Wednesday, February 28, 2024, 6:00 PM
Extra Space Storage, 658 Venice Blvd, CA 90291

MINUTES

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Current Bylaws 7/1/2022 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/committee63d2e3ea0ffff.pdf>

Old Standing Rules 3/14/2017 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/committee6361686a6d150.pdf>

New Standing Rules 2/19/2024 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/committee65d52429c30eb.pdf>

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: _____ 6:05 PM _____

CJ Cole, Co-Chair	Christopher Lee	
Lisa Redmond, Co-Chair		
Helen Fallon		Brian Averill ex officio

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:

12/27/2023 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65d0ffe3b8a60.pdf>

1/3/2024 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65d11cd9e5ab9.pdf>

1/10/2024 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65a33b823adf0.pdf>

1/13/2024 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65da92e23e008.pdf>

1/24/2024 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65d1120dd89d1.pdf>

2/8/2024 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65c6c83fc84b3.pdf>

2/13/2024 - <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65d102ebd03b2.pdf>

Motion to approve all minutes: Helen Fallon; second CJ Cole, vote 4-0-0

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Rules & Selections Committee’s subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed one (1) minute(s) unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Proposed Bylaws Modifications to Article VI: Officers

- a. Purpose: For further consideration to updating the VNC bylaws after failing to the receive necessary approval votes required for passage at the 2/20/2024 Board meeting: <https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65c1506932c41.pdf>
- b. Additional proposed modifications to Article VII of the bylaws
- c. **Motion: The VNC Rules and Selections Committee approves the Proposed Bylaws Modifications to Article VII: and requests the Board to place it on their next meeting for consideration/acceptance.**
- d. Public Comment



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- e. Committee Discussion/Vote

Item was not heard as was incorrectly listed on the agenda

2. Proposed Bylaws Modifications to Article VIII: Meetings

- a. Purpose: For further consideration to updating the VNC bylaws after failing to the receive necessary approval votes required for passage at the 2/20/2024
<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65c03da1cbb64.pdf>
- b. Additional proposed modifications to Article VIII of the bylaws:
- c. **Motion: The VNC Rules and Selections Committee approves the Proposed Bylaws Modifications to Article VIII: and requests the Board to place it on their next meeting for consideration/acceptance.**
- d. Public Comment
- e. Committee Discussion/Vote

Reviewed comments received from Board members.

Motion to accept minor grammatic changes: Helen Fallon; second CJ Cole; vote 4-0-0

Motion to postpone until March 4th meeting as are waiting for answer from Empowerment on whether it is a Brown Act violation if a Board member submits and/or signs a Stakeholder Petition: Helen Fallon; second CJ Cole second; vote 4-0-0

3. Discussion of the Venice Neighborhood Council Composition and Voting

- a. Review the 1/13/2024 community survey results:
<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65dbb2ffb8b15.pdf>
- b. Review various options for representation:
<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65dbce9773f26.pdf>
- c. Public comment
- d. Committee discussion, and possible motion recommending the Committee's choice

Helen Fallon presented a proposal for a Board make-up with neighborhood representation comprised of 10 unique area neighborhoods; 3 at-large community officers and 1 community interest officer:

<https://www.venicenc.org/assets/documents/5/meeting65e126773cabe.pdf>

The total Board would remain at 21 members. The need for 10 area neighborhoods came from the attempt to make the areas comparable in population while recognizing boundaries for neighborhoods.

Discussion with stakeholders and committee members let to an agreement to move the proposed boundary between Areas 4 and 5 from Pacific Ave to Main Street which would place the walk-street properties in the same area.

The committee will draw a simplified boundary map for presentation at their next meeting.

No action or vote was taken on the proposal.

ADJOURNMENT: Time _____ **7:45 PM** _____

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