

## **Board Composition Proposal**

Submitted by Steve Bradbury, VNC Board Member

The following proposal is respectfully submitted for your consideration at the upcoming committee meeting on March 27, 2024.

1. Board Composition and proposed changes to current composition.

Five neighborhood areas defined as follows (based on census data):

- a. East Venice North & South - 18.29% of pop
- b. Oakwood East & West -19.14% of pop
- c. Millwood/President's Row/Canals/Silver Triangle - 22.02% of pop
- d. Windward Circle/Oceanfront - 17.74% of pop
- e. Peninsula/Oxford Triangle - 22.78% of pop

Note: If six or seven neighborhood areas are approved, please see alternate Attachment B scenarios below

2. Details on voting with any proposed changes regarding who runs and votes (see Bylaws Attachment B) – one primary scenario, two alternate scenarios based on more than five neighborhood areas, appended below.
3. A map, only if area/zone/district representation is included – appended below
4. Description of the "internal boundaries" if included areas/zones/districts are included in your proposal – the boundaries align with major streets within Venice.
5. Explain how your plan is equitable and/or will increase geographic diversity – All areas are relatively the same size (17.74% - 22.78% of pop). Any plan based on geography will necessarily increase diversity rather than the current random 100% at-large voting scenario. Divisions are adjacent to each other so there will be some common interests.
6. Explain how your plan provides more voting opportunities for Stakeholders - Divisions are adjacent to each other so there will be some shared interests. This should increase voter engagement and participation in the voting process. In addition, stakeholders may vote for up to three (3) At-Large Board Officers, thereby substantially increasing voting opportunities.

**Changes to Attachment B**  
**Scenario #1 - 5 Neighborhood Districts**

As follows are proposed changes to Attachment B:

1. Chair of Land Use and Planning Committee (**LUPC**) (No changes to # Elected, who may run and vote-Lives Works, Owns Real Property except to standardize to Empower: Run/Vote will read: A Stakeholder, **who is at least 18 years of age** and lives, works or owns real property within the VNC boundaries who is 18 years or older.)
2. **Chair of Communications Officer Committee** (No changes to # Elected or who may run and vote except as noted in #1.)
3. **Chair of Outreach Officer Committee** (No changes to #Elected or who may run and vote except as noted in #1.)
4. **Neighborhood Area Board Members – Five (5)**
  - a. Who may run: **A Stakeholder, who is at least 18 years of age and lives, works or owns real property within the respective stated neighborhood boundaries of the VNC as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the bylaws.**
  - b. Who may vote: **Stakeholders who are at least 16 years of age and live, work or own real property within the respective stated neighborhood boundaries of the VNC as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the bylaws.**
5. **At-Large Community Officers Board Members - 13 Six (6)** (No change to who may run or vote-i.e. stakeholders who live work or own real property except to rearrange to conform to standardized bylaws as noted in #1.)
  - a. **Stakeholders may vote for up to three (3) At-Large Board Officers**
6. **Renter Board Member - One (1)**
  - a. **WHO MAY RUN: Any Stakeholder who rents their primary residence within the boundaries of the VNC and is at least 18 years of age.**
  - b. **WHO MAY VOTE: (No change to who may vote-i.e. stakeholders who live work or own real property except to rearrange to conform to standardized bylaws as noted in #1.)**
7. **Youth Board Member - One (1)**
  - a. **WHO MAY RUN: Any Stakeholder between the ages of sixteen (16) and twenty-five (25). If less than eighteen (18) years of age, the Youth Board member shall be precluded from voting on matters regarding the expenditure of funds, contracts, or recommendations to enter into contracts.**
  - b. **WHO MAY VOTE: (No change to who may vote-i.e. stakeholders who live work or own real property except to rearrange to conform to standardized bylaws as noted in #1.)**
8. **Community Interest/Community Officer Board Member - One (1)**
  - a. **WHO MAY RUN: Stakeholders who do not live, work or own real property within the VNC boundaries who are 18years or older and who affirm a substantial and ongoing participation within the Neighborhood Council's boundaries and who may**

be in a community organization such as, but not limited to, educational, non-profit and/or religious organizations. **Any Stakeholder who is at least 18 years of age and lives, works or owns real property within the boundaries of the VNC or is a Community Interest Stakeholder (as defined in Article IV of the bylaws).**

- b. WHO MAY VOTE: Stakeholders who do not live, work or own real property within the boundaries who are 18years or older and who affirm a substantial and ongoing participation within the Neighborhood Council's boundaries and who may be in a community organization such as, but not limited to, educational, non-profit and/or religious organizations. **Any Stakeholder, who is at least 16 years of age, and lives, works or owns real property within the boundaries of the VNC or is a Community Interest Stakeholders (as defined in Article IV of the bylaws).**

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**Scenario #2 - 6 Neighborhood Districts**

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2. **Chair of Communications Officer Committee** (No changes to # Elected or who may run and vote except as noted in #1.)
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4. **Neighborhood Area Board Members – Six (6)**
  - a. Who may run: **A Stakeholder, who is at least 18 years of age and lives, works or owns real property within the respective stated neighborhood boundaries of the VNC as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the bylaws.**
  - b. Who may vote: **Stakeholders who are at least 16 years of age and live, work or own real property within the respective stated neighborhood boundaries of the VNC as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the bylaws.**
5. **At-Large Community Officers Board Members - 13 Five (5)** (No change to who may run or vote-i.e. stakeholders who live work or own real property except to rearrange to conform to standardized bylaws as noted in #1.)
  - a. **Stakeholders may vote for up to three (3) At-Large Board Officers**
6. **Renter Board Member - One (1)**
  - a. **WHO MAY RUN: Any Stakeholder who rents their primary residence within the boundaries of the VNC and is at least 18 years of age.**
  - b. **WHO MAY VOTE: (No change to who may vote-i.e. stakeholders who live work or own real property except to rearrange to conform to standardized bylaws as noted in #1.)**
7. **Youth Board Member - One (1)**
  - a. **WHO MAY RUN: Any Stakeholder between the ages of sixteen (16) and twenty-five (25). If less than eighteen (18) years of age, the Youth Board member shall be precluded from voting on matters regarding the expenditure of funds, contracts, or recommendations to enter into contracts.**
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8. **Community Interest/Community Officer Board Member - One (1)**
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**Scenario #3 - 7 Neighborhood Districts**

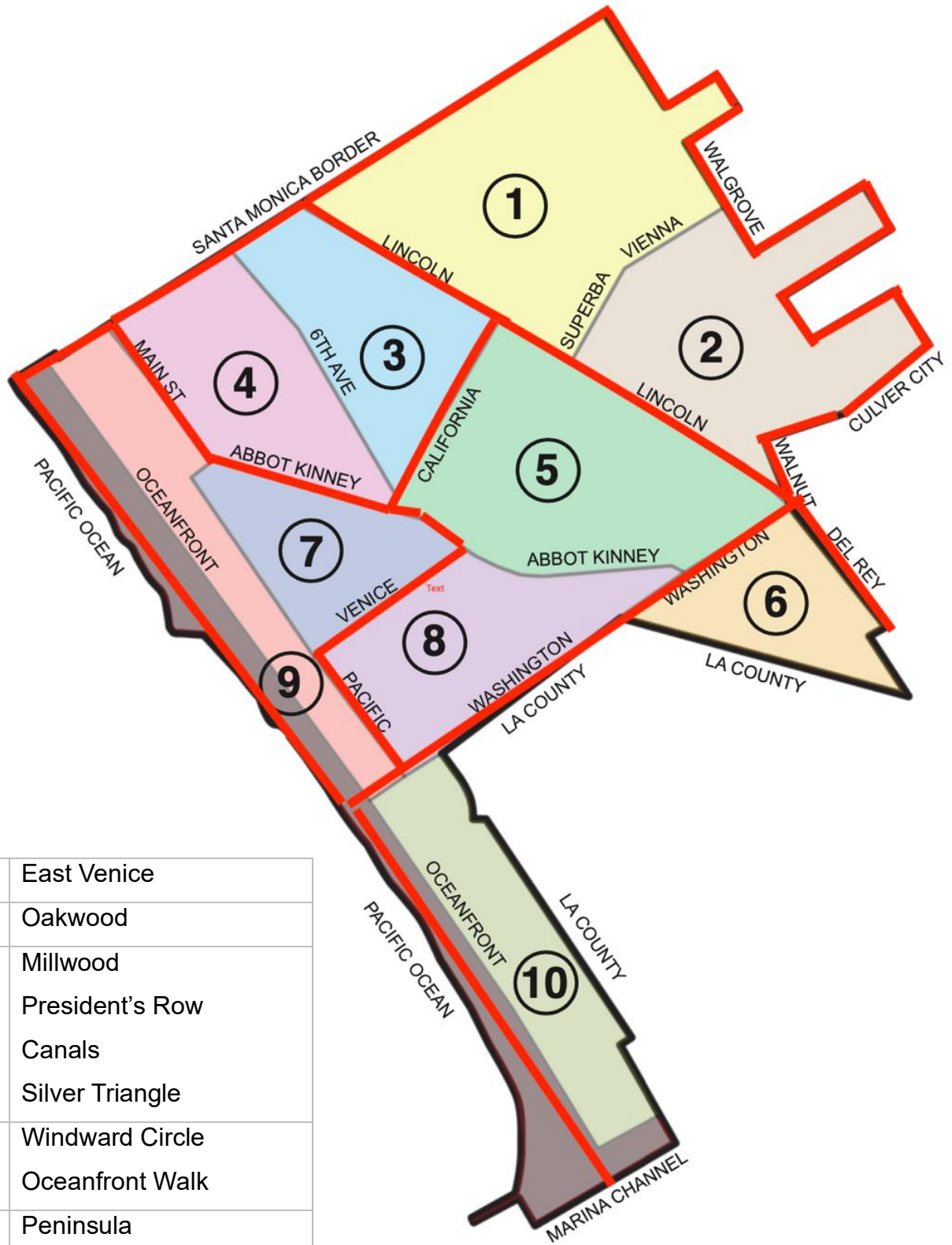
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3. Chair of Outreach Officer Committee (No changes to #Elected or who may run and vote except as noted in #1.)
4. Neighborhood Area Board Members – Seven (7)
  - a. Who may run: A Stakeholder, who is at least 18 years of age and lives, works or owns real property within the respective stated neighborhood boundaries of the VNC as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the bylaws.
  - b. Who may vote: Stakeholders who are at least 16 years of age and live, work or own real property within the respective stated neighborhood boundaries of the VNC as defined in Article III, Section 2 of the bylaws.
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c. bylaws).

## Five Neighborhood Areas



1 & 2	East Venice
3 & 4	Oakwood
5 & 8	Millwood President's Row Canals Silver Triangle
7 & 9	Windward Circle Oceanfront Walk
6 & 10	Peninsula Oxford Triangle