



Venice Neighborhood Council

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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

Date: April 11, 2024 | Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Extra Space Storage Community Room
658 Venice Blvd.

AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL WITH DECLARATION OF EXPARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST if any:

Helen Fallon, Chair		
Lisa Redmond		
Eric Hartnack		

APPROVAL of PRIOR MINUTES: Motion to approve minutes of March 14, 2024 meeting.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Budget Committee's subject matter jurisdiction.

Chair Report and Committee Member Reports/updates

Chair: sent e-mail to Communications Officer Nico Ruderman and Board President Brian Averill regarding status and consideration of more cost effective alternatives to using Google for VNC e-mails and using Constant Contact for Outreach. Cost is increasing by \$40/month. Nico says he will look in to this. Venice Verdant will be submitting a report on the NPG that was funded in November 2023

OLD BUSINESS: Creation and/or review of a letter to be sent via Constant Contact advising that funds are available for NPGs and CIPs (assigned to Lisa last month) Discussion and possible motion to approve.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review of MER and Excel Budget Spreadsheet as of 3/31/24

Motion: The VNC Board of Officers approves the March 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER). (See supporting documents)

2. Review of 2023-2024 VNC Budget versus actual and projection for last quarter of our fiscal year and discussion of possible carryover. (see supporting documents)

3. Review, discussion and possible motion to recommend approval of an NPG for \$2,610.60 submitted by the Friends of the Venice Library for tables and chairs for the children's area in the Venice Branch Library. (see supporting documents)



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Motion: The VNC Board of Officers approves a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) for \$2,610.60 submitted by the Friends of the Venice Library to purchase tables and chairs for the designated children's area in the Venice Branch Library.

4. Review, discussion and possible motion to recommend approval of an NPG for \$4,502.90 from Venice Verdant/Venice Chamber Community Foundation for trees to implement a city approved "Small Parkway Pilot Project" and to replace trees at Oakwood Park. (see supporting documents)

Motion: The VNC Board of Officers approves a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) for \$4,502.90 submitted by the Venice Chamber Community Foundation on behalf of the Venice Verdant Group to implement a "Small Parkway Pilot Program" and replace eight trees and Oakwood Park. (see supporting documents)

5. Committee Comments and general discussion

Adjournment:

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