



Venice Neighborhood Council

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BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

Date: August 15, 2024 | Time: 6:00 P.M.

Location: Extra Space Storage Community Room
658 Venice Blvd.

AGENDA

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CALL TO ORDER Time:

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

Helen Fallon, Chair		
Lisa Redmond		
Eric Hartnack		VNC President, ex officio

APPROVAL of PRIOR MINUTES: Motion to approve minutes of July 11, 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 Report: No report back from Communications on reducing e-mail expenses by switching services to WebCorner. Constant Contact is increasing the monthly fee from \$145 to \$157 in September. We have been paying a reduced rate of \$87 that expires in August. The current budget is now understated by \$44.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and possible motion regarding how to allocate carryover (\$5267.07) City clerk has indicated that balance in account at 6/30/24 can be considered the carryover if no adjustments are anticipated.
2. Possible Motions from Outreach-none submitted.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review of MER and Excel Budget Spreadsheet as of 7/31/24. (see supporting documents)

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



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2. Further Discussion/review of possible VNC guidelines for NPG applicants:

Previously Agreed (see July minutes) that

1. Applicants must be Current on the CA Attorney General's Charity Registry.
2. Prior year IRS 990 or IRS-N must be submitted
3. Application must be accurate, fully completed, signed and include All required documentation, incomplete applications will not be considered.
4. Establish twice a year application deadlines: possibly 11/15 and 3/15
5. Applicants who receive a grant in the prior year are not disqualified
6. There is not a limit to maximum grant amount
7. Applicant organization's assets will be taken in to consideration if they exceed \$75,000.
(Other option is to disqualify applicants with revenue in excess of a certain amount)

Would like to make the process easier by putting this on-line. Jason Sugars to provide the link to a fill in application form that Venice Heritage is using. Mid Cities NC created an on-line page on their website dedicated to applying for grants: <https://www.mincla.org/npg> It's primary purpose is linking to the City's NPG info but it does include the NC's expectations from applicants.

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