**Venice Arbor Committee (VArb) Meeting Minutes**

**NO OFFICIAL MEETING HELD AS BROWN ACT REQUIREMENT FOR NOTICE NOT MET**

Meeting Date: March 21st, 2025

Meeting Time: 11:00 AM Pacific Time  
Meeting Location: Zinque, 1440 Lincoln Ave., Venice, CA

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| Sarah Wauters, Co-Chair |  | Andreas Kemkes, Co-Chair |  |
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| Isabelle Duvivier |  | Barry Campion |  |
| Janin Paine |  | Eric Schiff |  |
| Nico Ruderman (ex-officio) |  |  |  |

1. Call to Order – Approve last month’s minutes
2. PUBLIC COMMENT (will be limited to 1 minute to the general public only, at this time).

Comments on items not on the agenda for consideration.

1. REPORTS
   1. Chair Report – Andreas Kemkes or Sarah Wauters
   2. Report from CFAC - Isabelle Duvivier
   3. VVG Report – Noel Johnston or Isabelle Duvivier
   4. Pollinator Project - Janin Paine
2. NEW BUSINESS
   1. LA Park Needs 2025 Survey - should we do a letter?
      1. Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion
      2. Public comment
      3. Committee discussion
      4. Motion
3. OLD BUSINESS
   1. Livable Communities Initiative - Presentation to Joint Meeting with LUPAC, Venice Community Plan, Parking & Transportation, Schools & Parks
      1. Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion
      2. Public comment
      3. Committee discussion
      4. Motion
   2. Shell Circle Project
      1. Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion
      2. Public comment
      3. Committee discussion
      4. Motion
   3. Dell Project on LADOT Parking Lot 701
      1. Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion
      2. Public comment
      3. Committee discussion
      4. Motion
   4. MTA Housing at Main and Sunset
      1. Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion
      2. Public comment
      3. Committee discussion
      4. Motion
   5. Santa Monica Mountains Fires
      1. Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion
      2. Public comment
      3. Committee discussion
      4. Motion
   6. Billboards - Excessive tree trimming
      1. Items for Discussion, Action, and Possible Motion
      2. Public comment
      3. Committee discussion
      4. Motion
4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
5. ADJOURNED

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