



Venice Neighborhood Council

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REVISED MINUTES

Parking, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee Meeting Agenda Wednesday, October 22, 2025 - 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm Venice Library's Community Room 501 Venice Boulevard

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CALL TO ORDER: 6:30

BOARD ROLL CALL AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST STATEMENTS:

Richard Stanger, Chair √, none	Selena Inouye √, none	Andreas Kemkes √, none
Crystal Lopez √, none	Ellen Schwartz√, none	Colin Warn absent

Attendance: there were perhaps 20 attendees, most for New Business Item 1.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed one (1) minute.

One comment concerned frightening problems at the Westminster Avenue dog park at night by "homeless".

Another said his career was in transportation systems and offered his help if ever needed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 24th Meeting Approved 5-0-0

CHAIR COMMENTS: Results from October 21 VNC meeting on PTIC motions.

The AdMin Committee sent back the Committee's motion to approve Woodward Circle as the location of a possible bus transit center, and the VNC did not have time to approve the Committee's work Plan.

Scheduling the November meeting. No December meeting.

November meeting will be on November 24th.



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NEW BUSINESS: This item has been moved forward because there may be speakers.

1. Up-Date on RV Parking Problems on Washington Boulevard

- a. Description: The PTIC is now back to being the one dealing with RV parking issues. A recent petition was sent to CD 11 to ask for more enforcement along Washington Boulevard between Abbot Kinney and Ocean Avenue. (see Supporting Documents). LADOT and LAPD will increase their enforcement and do it consistently. We will see what effect that might have on this on-going problem.

Richard Stanger reiterated what is stated in the Agenda's Description (above).

- b. Public Comments:

Several speakers noted the trash and nuisance problems associated with RV parking on Washington Blvd.

Another comment concerned a person buying vans and the renting them out a la Airbnb.

The General Manager of the Kinney Hotel spoke on the problems the hotel is having with RV parking immediately outside the hotel's entrance. Guests were complaining and business seems to be affected.

Clark Brown spoke on the **48**-signature Petition and asked the Committee to endorse it and sent it to the VNC for approval. Several other speakers supported the request. Stanger's response is in Committee Discussion below.

Another speaker confirmed the Kinney Hotel problem including that there were dogs without leashes.

- c. Committee Discussion: No motion is anticipated.

Richard Stanger responded to the request to support the Petition with a Committee motion by saying that this was not possible because the possibility of a motion was not posted within time, nor was a motion needed. The Petition had already been sent to CD11 and, if it was approved by the VNC, it would also be sent to CD11. More important than any petition, he felt, was to have City Parking Enforcement staff and LAPD officers actually doing what the Petition requested, and that is what should be happening now. Time will tell if it has been effective.

Andreas Kemkes noted that he had surveyed Washington Blvd between Abbot Kinney and Ocean just before the meeting and had noticed 3 parked RVs between Abbot Kinney and Oxford, none between Oxford and Wilson, and 4 more between Wilson and Ocean. He commented on the amount and referenced



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the previously described situation at the Westminster Dog Park as well as the situation at Rose from prior years. He supported the idea of a Town Hall.

Selena Inouye noted the multi-faceted aspect of the problem that included not only parking but public safety, homeless issues, etc. Rather than repeat the approach that has been taken in the past, what is need is a Town Hall where the VNC, City agencies, and political leaders involved would discuss the matter and agree on a shared approach. That suggestion was met with general agreement.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update from the WRAC Mobility and Transportation Committee

Selena Inouye reported that there might be another WRAC motion coming to us on the MTA's Sepulveda Pass project. UCLA has asked the MTA to relocate its UCLA Station location.

2. Selection of Windward Avenue-Windward Circle Location for Possible Transit Center

The Administrative Committee of the VNC referred this item and the Committee's motion back to the PTI Committee. The item will be discussed at a later meeting of the Committee.

The Chair inadvertently skipped over this item going directly to New Business Item 1, below.

3. Correction on Quimby Fund as a Possible Sources for Committee-Related Projects

At its September 24th meeting the Committee noted that it was looking into possible funding sources for projects it plans to pursue. Four possible sources were identified. The \$81 million indicated as in a Venice Quimby Fund account was in fact the total Quimby Fund account balance in 2022. Quimby Funds used in Venice between 2017 and 2024 include the following projects:

Venice Pier Refurbishment	\$ 8,717,000
Venice High School Pool Replace.	\$ 2,587,000
Skate Park Construction	\$ 1,610,000
Public Restroom Replacements	\$ 629,000
Venice Centennial Park Improv.	\$ 300,000
Total:	\$13,841,000

This item was the last presented. It was briefly explained, and a few questions on it were answered. It was noted that it was unlikely that there would be any Quimby Funds for the projects this committee is interested in with the possible exception of the Coastal Bikeway improvements.



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NEW BUSINESS:

1. Improving the Pedestrian Environment on Windward Avenue Between Speedway and Windward Circle

- a. Description: Plans to further pedestrianize Windward Avenue between Speedway and Pacific Avenue have been around since the 1990 Draft Waterfront Restoration Plan. The 2001 Venice Land Use Plan, certified by the Coastal Commission, also noted enhancing the pedestrian environment on Windward Avenue as a policy objective. In September the Committee made this objective part of its Work Plan. Several concepts are presented. The intention is to have them reviewed by interested parties over the next several months.

Richard Stanger stated that the PowerPoint presentation on this item could not be shown because the library's projector connection had been damaged. He said that the concepts to enhance pedestrian use of Windward Avenue between Speedway and the Circle would now be shared and reviewed with the community, the Venice Beach BID, and owners over the next several months.

- b. Public Comments:

Several questions were asked by attendees (and committee members) on why the two lanes of traffic had to be retained. Stanger said that CVC Section 21101 made it almost impossible to close streets permanently and that that fight was probably not worth the time if pedestrian improvements were wanted before the Olympics.

- c. Committee Discussion: (see above)

Andreas Kemkes mentioned the option of one-way car traffic between Pacific and Speedway to retain driveway access.

- d. Motion (if any) Made by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Vote: Yes - , No - , Abstain - , Absent - .

No motion was made.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45

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