

**MINUTES VENICE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL OCEAN FRONT WALK COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:10 PM

**ATTENDANCE:** Fran Solomon (Chair), Deborah Keaton, Nick Antonicello, Todd Eichenberger, Noel Johnston, Clark Brown (Secretary), Gary Pearl (Ex Officio)

**DECLARATIONS OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:**

None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** There were no minutes to approve because the Committee did not meet in January 2026.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** 9 people spoke on various matters, including the Pagodas, installing left hand turn signs at the intersection of the bike path and Washington Blvd., and barriers to stop motorized bikes on Ocean Front Walk ("OFW")

**CHAIR REPORT:** Fran Solomon reported on events and special events planned on and near OFW for the upcoming Olympics and Para Olympics.

**GOVERNMENT REPORTS:**

Sean Silva, the CD11 Venice Deputy, reported on: The barriers and signs soon to be installed on OFW to stop motorized vehicles from using OFW. Providing attendants for the bathrooms next to OFW. Events planned for or near OFW as part of the World Cup. Plans to rehabilitate and repair the Pagodas.

LAPD Sergeant, Kyle Douglas, reported on: LAPD staffing for OFW during the summer. Special LAPD weekend details. LAPD efforts to reach out and coordinate with other City departments which provide services to OFW.

Eswein Faena, the BID Operations Manager, reported on the BID's public safety, Clean Team and maintenance activities on OFW.

Sonia Jiminez, the Venice Representative for LA Recreation and Parks ("RAP"), reported on RAP tree trimming on and near OFW. The estimated costs to repair and repaint the pagodas.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Fran Solomon and Deborah Keaton presented a Resolution for an Ocean Front Walk Cultural Preservation Plan. The Committee voted to consider the Resolution and heard public Comment on it. Clark Brown proposed an amendment to the Motion portion of the Resolution which requires a Report to the City Council. The Amendment states: "Initiation, and completion of the Report shall take priority over all other items in this resolution and shall not be delayed pending initiation and completion of any other matter identified herein." The Resolution, as amended, was seconded and unanimously passed.

Sarah Mahir presented a Resolution prepared by herself and Lisa Redmond entitled "Immediate Action to Preserve, Restore and Enable Continue Cultural Vitality of Venice Beach Boardwalk." The Committee declined to consider it,

**ADJOURNMENT:** 8:05 PM

Clark Brown, Secretary