



Venice Neighborhood Council

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VNC | Ocean Front Walk AGENDA

Monday, August 3, 2026, 6 PM – 8:00 PM

The WaterFront Venice
205 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, CA 90291
(Enter on Speedway)

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Fran Solomon	Nick Antonicello	Noel Johnston
Deborah Keaton	Todd Eichenberger	Clark Brown (Secretary)

2) Declaration of Conflicts of Interest or Ex-Parte Communications

3) Motion to approve minutes of prior OFW meeting.

4) Committee Member Announcements

5) Chair Report (optional 2 minutes)

6) Presentation of Government Reports:

Sean Silva (CD11)
Sonja Young-Jimenez/Adan Polido (Recs and Parks)
Eleni Polakoff (the BID)
LAPD
Zachary Gaidzik (3rd District County Supervisor Lindsay Horvath's office).
LA28 – Matt Bracey

7) NEW BUSINESS

- A. MOTION - Request From: Stakeholder - Eric Hecht
Title: Bike-Path Wayfinding & Safety Fix at the Washington Blvd Junction (Marvin Braude Path)

Vote Count:

Request: Southbound riders on the Marvin Braude Coastal Bike Path reach Washington Boulevard with no sign, marking, or cue directing them to turn east toward the marina. A large majority continue straight onto the pedestrian-only stretch of Ocean Front Walk between Washington and Catamaran, where fast road and electric bikes are funneled into pedestrians and residents leaving their homes — a constant safety hazard. Riders then hit the dead end at Catamaran and reverse, jamming the narrow corridor with two-way traffic while lost cyclists stop to check phones and ask for directions. We ask the City to make three fixes at the junction: (1) directional signage and pavement markings routing bike traffic east onto Washington Boulevard; (2) end-of-path "no through

bike traffic" signage south of Washington; and (3) physical traffic-calming barriers (a chicane or bollards) requiring cyclists to dismount before the pedestrian segment. These are low-cost fixes that remove a daily collision risk and properly deliver one of LA's most iconic cycling experiences.

Attachments: marvin_braude_washington_junction_corrected_route.jpg, Agenda_Request_-_Marvin_Braude_Bike_Path_Safety__Washington_Bldv_.pdf

INCLUDE Fran's newspaper clippings

- B. Motion - Clean up Bathrooms - Stakeholder Nick Antonicello
Motion regarding upkeep, maintenance of publicly accessible restrooms:
Whereas the public restrooms at Venice Beach are widely criticized by locals and visitors for being unsanitary, poorly maintained, and prone to severe shortage of toilet paper, and
Whereas, these facilities are poorly maintained, and suffer from vandalism, over-usage, and lock outs caused by individuals occupying these stalls, and
Whereas, the Los Angeles Recreation and Parks Board previously approved 24-hour access for some multi-stall locations like the Venice Recreation Center, ongoing maintenance issues leave most outdoor facilities in subpar condition. The bathrooms closest to the basketball courts are sometimes cited as the only reliably clean options, leading to long lines, and
Whereas, to avoid these poorly maintained facilities, many beachgoers and tourists use restrooms in restaurants, cafes and retail shops along Oceanfront Walk, and
Therefore be it resolved that the Oceanfront Walk Committee strongly recommends to the Venice Neighborhood Council the restoration of the current restrooms and that a reliable maintenance plan be implemented immediately to accommodate those who need to use these facilities, and that a capital improvement plan be adopted to construct additional facilities before the 2028 Summer Olympics of which several events will be at the beach.
And that communication with the Mayor's Office, the CD-11 Council Office and Recreation & Parks be composed endorsing this plan of action and improvement.
- C. Tima Bell to submit revised concepts for Washington Square / Venice Pier Design Program.

8) GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (1 minute per speaker)

9). ADJOURNMENT (Minutes need to include ending time)

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