



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Minutes

Parking, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee (PTIC) Meeting

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

6:30 pm to 7:45 pm (U.S. and Canada)

**Venice Library Community Room
501 Venice Boulevard, Venice, CA 90291**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:37

1. BOARD ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

Richard Stanger ✓	Selena Inouye	Andreas Kemkes ✓
Crystal Lopez ✓	Colin Warn	David Wolf ✓

No Conflicts of Interest Were Noted.

There were about 12 attendees including three board members.

2. **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.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 27, 2026 Meeting** – Approved (4-0-0-2)

4. **CHAIR COMMENTS:** None

5. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Update on the Town Hall Concerning RVs Parked on the Streets of Venice

Selena Inouye

Ms. Inouye was absent so Erica More provided an update. The delays have been caused by the inability to get key attendees, like Councilwoman Park, to coalesce on a date. It now looks as if September 21st may be the date selected.

B. Request to Support Ticketing on Three RVs in Front of the Kinney Venice Beach Hotel at 727 Washington Boulevard ("the Kinney")

Presented by Clark Brown

Mr. Clark presented the background of the motion as generally described in the Background section below. He clarified that the enforcement was not for violations of parking laws but nuisance laws. Mr. Eduardo represented the Kinney Hotel and read a statement detailing the harm being caused to the hotel by the three vehicles (and others) parked in front of the hotel.



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Background: Pacifica Hotels has owned and operated the Kinney for more than 30 years and also operates the Inn at Venice Beach, both located on Washington Boulevard. Together, these properties have contributed more than \$1.6 million in Transient Occupancy Tax to the City of Los Angeles over the past 18 months.

For more than seven years, and with increasing frequency in recent months, oversized vehicles have occupied curb space directly in front of the Kinney for extended periods. The hotel and others have worked closely with the office of Councilmember Traci Park and have also coordinated with LADOT regarding potential parking modifications; however, enforcement of existing regulations remains a critical component of any long-term solution. The Kinney and others list the following concerns:

1. Three oversized vehicles (A Southwind motor home, a Tioga motor home and an oversized vehicle displaying an American flag, collectively "The OVs") have been parked for many months directly in front of or near the front of The Kinney.
2. The OVs take needed parking spaces otherwise available for Kinney guests and coastal visitors.
3. The OVs impair the Kinney's visibility and its attractive appearance.
4. The OVs are unattractive, dirty and dilapidated and impair the Venice Beach experience for the Kinney's guests.
5. The OVs encourage other oversized vehicles to park in front of the Kinney thereby exacerbating the negative impact such vehicles have upon the Kinney and neighboring uses.
6. The OVs present safety problems for motorists and pedestrians visiting the Kinney.
7. The Kinney's guests and visitors repeatedly complain to the Kinney about the OVs.
8. The OVs presence has impaired the Kinney's ability to attract and retain guests, obtain repeated guests. Guests have generated adverse comments on YELP and other sites.
9. The Kinney has filed reports with the LADOT and the LAPD requesting them to ticket the RVs and OVs as continuing nuisances under LAMC secs.91.9002 and 11(1).

See Supporting Documents for further information and pictures.

Motion: The Parking, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee requests that the VNC supports efforts by the Kinney Hotel and other efforts to enforce ticketing of three Oversized Vehicles in front of the hotel by: 1. urging the LADOT and the LAPD to ticket the OVs for violating LAMC secs. 91.9002 and 11(I), and 2. urging the LADOT and the LAPD to take such other steps as necessary to abate the nuisances the OVs inflict on the Kinney. The three OVs are: a Southwind motor home, a Tioga motor home, and an oversized vehicle displaying an American flag.

Public Comments:

Three public comments opposed the motion, two supported it. The opposition felt that the vehicle owners had a right to park in public parking spaces and that these owners were being unfairly targeted. If ticketed, another person noted, they would just move



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somewhere else and cause problems there. The supporting comments recognized the economic harm to the hotel by those vehicles and supported ticketing and moving them.

Committee Discussion:

Members asked clarifying questions of Messrs. Clark and Muñoz including about an incident concerning an apparent “explosion” in one of the vehicles. Mr. Muñoz said the problem with those vehicles had continued at least over the last five years.

Motion Made by: ? Seconded by: ?

Vote: Yes - 3, No - 1, Abstain - 0, Absent - 2.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Pedestrian-Bicycle Conflicts at Washington Boulevard & Ocean Front Walk - Stakeholder Request:

Mr. Joseph Nagangast will present the item as Mr. Hecht will be out of town.

Mr. Nagangast’s initial comments focused mainly on the second part of the motion, the need to block cyclists from continuing south on OFW. He noted that the City had already decided to build a chicane on the south side for this purpose.

He also explained that the bicycle-pedestrian conflicts on the north side was a problem and that something was needed to cause cyclists to dismount at this point.

Background: Mr. Eric Hecht has submitted an Agenda Request concerning safety issues at the intersection of Washington Boulevard and Ocean Front Walk. At this location pedestrian walkways and the Marvin Braude Bike Path cross. This has been an on-going safety issue made worse by the increasing use of e-bikes. Mr. Hecht has proposed that cyclists be made to dismount and walk through this intersection by adding bollards (for example) and signage.

Mr. Hecht is also asking that signage be placed on the south side of this intersection to alert cyclists that the southern extension of OFW dead ends at Catamaran Street and that this walkway is not a bikeway. The signage would point cyclists eastward to the south side of Washington to continue on the Bike Trail. Mr. Hecht’s Agenda Request is in Supporting Documents as is a graphic depicting the situation.

Motion: The Parking, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee asks the VNC to request the City: 1) to install and physical traffic-calming barriers (such as bollards) at the north side of Washington Boulevard at Ocean Front Walk to require cyclists to dismount in order to reduce pedestrian-cyclist conflicts, and 2) to install end-of-path/no-through-bike-traffic signage and pavement markings on the south side of Washington Boulevard at Ocean Front Walk to route southbound Marvin Braude bike



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path traffic east along Washington Boulevard and away from the southbound pedestrian walkway.

Public Comments:

There were two public comments, one felt that there was no problem to solve on the north side of the street where cyclists and pedestrians converged. The other felt that without requiring a physical barrier the original motion's intent would be negated.

Committee Discussion:

Member comments focused on the northside issue and whether bollards were really what was needed. Rather than design a solution for the City, the VNC should note the problem and leave the solution up to the City planners. An initial substitute motion was proposed but it was not approved. A second motion was proposed as follows:

Motion: The Parking, Transportation, and Infrastructure Committee asks the VNC to request the City: 1) to ~~install and physical traffic calming barriers (such as bollards)~~ find permanent solutions to pedestrian and bicycle conflicts with temporary barriers allowed until permanent solution can be implemented at the north side of Washington Boulevard at Ocean Front Walk to ~~require cyclists to dismount in order to reduce pedestrian cyclist conflicts~~, and 2) to install end-of-path/no-through-bike-traffic signage and pavement markings on the south side of Washington Boulevard at Ocean Front Walk to route southbound Marvin Braude bike path traffic east along Washington Boulevard and away from the southbound pedestrian walkway.

Motion Made by: David Wolf **Seconded by:** Crystal Lopez

Vote: Yes - 4, No - 0, Abstain - 0, Absent - 2.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:41

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