



Venice Neighborhood Council



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Minutes of the May 3, 2021 Discussion Forum Committee Meeting

Voting Members (Present): Joe Murphy (VNC DFC CoChair), Joelle Dumas (VNC DFC CoChair, Director of Ecole Claire Fontaine), Regan Kibbee (Co-moderator of Venice Moms), John Palka (Pastor, Venice Lutheran Church, Mehrnoosh Mojallali (Architecture/Urban Design), Paul Davis (VNC DFC CoChair, parent and architect), **(Absent):** Mehrnoosh Mojallali (Architecture/Urban Design), Jasmine Carey (Worthy Beyond Purpose - Mindfulness Mentoring), Mark Washington (LAUSD, Assistant Principal of Operations, Division of Adult & Career Education, Venice Skills Center Service Area).
Community Members: Helen Fallon, Pat Raphael.

Note: the minutes below in small blue bold print are a distillation of agenda item discussions and free-form comments from the meeting, and also feature points of discussion introduced by attendees in follow-up correspondence.

5:30 **Call to Order - Approval of Outstanding Minutes and Agenda** **Adopted unanimously**

5:31 **Introductions, Announcements, Public Comment on items not on the agenda**

5:35 **Consideration and possible adoption of the following motion:**

Whereas, per information in <https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2021-04-14/putting-homeless-people-in-shelters-still-leaves-them-homeless>:

Be it therefore resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council Board is requested to adopt the following motion to include the above Whereas clause:

The Venice Neighborhood Council Board requests that our Los Angeles elected representatives provide clarity to Venice and all of Los Angeles City as to how it proposes to provide the supply of the **permanent** housing necessary to meet the demand in order to deal with the housing shortage which has and will, unless resolved, maintain the systemic cycle of homelessness affecting our Los Angeles communities.

Adopted unanimously 5-0-0

6:30 **Discussion Topic:**

In the context of the Discussion Forum Committee Mission Statement, what are the options as to how the Committee should direct its efforts, moving forward? **Postponed to 6/7/2021 Mtg**

7:00 **Adjourn. Next meeting will be 5:30pm Monday, June 7, 2021**
