



Venice Neighborhood Council

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EXTRA JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE AND NEIGHBORHOOD COMMITTEE TO REVIEW CONCENTRATION OF ALCOHOL LICENSES IN VENICE

Meeting Date: September 10, 2013

Meeting Time: 7pm – 8:30pm

Meeting Location: Oakwood Recreation Center, 767 California Ave, Venice, CA 90291

Contact: Marc.Saltzberg@VeniceNC.org • Jake.Kaufman@VeniceNC.org

1. 7:00pm - Call to Order & Roll Call:

Neighborhood Committee

Adam Glick		Joshua Blacker	
Antoinette Reynolds		Linda Lucks (ex-officio)	
Bill Boyd		Lydia Pelosi	
Colleen Saro		Marc Saltzberg (Chair)	
Daffodil Tyminski		Margot Michon	
DeDe Audette		Michael Nelson	
Gogi Overhoff		Michael Stenger	
Jay Cole		Nicholas Hippisley-Coxe	
Jerry Jaffe		Robin Rudisill	
Jessica Martinez		Ron Sittler	

Land Use and Planning Committee

Jake Kaufman		Mia Herron	
James Murez		Robert Aronson	
John Reed		Sarah Dennison	
Mehrnoosh Mojallali		Steve Traeger	

2. 7:05 - Purpose of Meeting / Introductory Comments – Marc Saltzberg & Jake Kaufman
3. 7:10 - Approve Agenda as presented or amended
4. 7:15 Introduction of Committees
5. 7:25 - ANNOUNCEMENTS – Information about specific events important to Venice
6. 7:30 - PUBLIC COMMENT – non-agendized items related to Alcohol Licensing only
7. 7:35 - Review current map of Conditional Use – Beverage (CUB) license map of Venice
8. 7:40 – Discussion and possible action regarding designating certain areas of Venice as s
 - Saturated with CUBs – new licenses not available
 - Moderate number of CUBs – new licenses possible based on case-by-case review but saturation "imminent"
 - No current CUBs – new licenses allowed based on case-by-case review

9. 8:10 – Discussion and possible action regarding motion submitted by Stuart Oscars:

Motion Regarding Alcohol Dispensing Outlets in Venice

Given:

1. that Venice has twice the number of alcohol dispensing businesses per area than is the Los Angeles County average (reported in “The Argonaut,” April 25, 2013, source: Westside Impact Project);
2. that Venice is experiencing a continued growth in establishing new alcohol related businesses (VNC regularly votes to establish new licenses);
3. that neither Los Angeles City Council nor the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control nor Venice Neighborhood Council appear to be determining if this growth is proper for our community;
4. that the City Government recognizes that alcohol dispensing establishments create neighborhood problems, such as: both public and domestic violence, crime, and vagrancy, and has enacted ordinances to address such impacts by banning establishments that become public nuisances; but no city ordinance has been enacted to address the impacts of alcohol and alcohol abuse on patrons of such establishments, nor do current city ordinances address alcohol advertisements on billboards and street furniture that promote alcohol use; and that the easy availability of alcohol can be a factor in teen alcohol abuse;
5. and that between 25% to 35% of gross receipts from alcohol sales is profit;

Resolved:

I move that the Venice Neighborhood Council call on the City Council Member for CD11 to determine the feasibility of a measure that would apply a tariff to alcohol sales with monies raised used to benefit organizations working to address and correct alcohol abuse on all levels; and that if such an ordinance is deemed feasible, to introduce it for passage by the Los Angeles City Council.

10. 8:40pm - Brainstorming Session – Conditions that should appear on a template of conditions to be applied to CUB license applications
11. 9:00pm - Adjourn

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