



Venice Neighborhood Council

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VNC Neighborhood Committee Minutes of August 28, 2019 Meeting Extra Space Storage, 658 Venice Ave, Venice CA 90291

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:34am. Present were George Francisco (GF), Stewart Oscars (SO), Bill Boyd (BB), Darryl Dufay (DD), Kate Scanlon-Double (KSD), Reta Moser (RM), Christina Marquez (CM), Isabelle Duvivier (ID), John Weston (JW)
2. The agenda was approved as presented (RM, SO; 8-0-1. ID, KSD, CM DD, BB, JW, //GF)
3. Minutes of the July 24, 2019 Neighborhood Committee meeting were approved as presented. (RM, SO; 8-0-1. DD, KSD, CM, JW, ID//GF)
4. The Committee heard Public Comment
5. There were no Announcements
6. Chair Report – No Report
7. There was No Consent Calendar
8. Old Business
 - a. **ITEM FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - MOTION. Amend State Law to Allow Venice Cityhood Vote.**
(Presentation by Nick Antonicello, former Chair Venice Cityhood Committee)

Whereas, Venice was an independent city when residents voted in 1926 to annex itself to the City of Los Angeles; and Whereas, Venice residents deserve the right to consider reversing that decision free from the burden of it being rejected by other residents living in the rest of Los Angeles who have no stake in the welfare of Venice or its residents; and Whereas, Venice residents desire the increased responsiveness of municipal government seen in smaller units of local government, such as our neighbors Santa Monica, Culver City, Malibu and West Hollywood; and Whereas, Venice is not well served by a city government with only 15 council members for a population of almost four million residents;

Now, therefore be it resolved that the Venice Neighborhood Council formally requests the City of Los Angeles to sponsor and support State legislation to amend the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 to: 1. Remove the City of Los Angeles' right to cause the termination of a detachment request pending before a local area formation commission submitted by a former city which earlier voted to join the City of Los Angeles, which now borders both another city and the Pacific Ocean, and does not contain within its borders a port; and further to; 2. Amend that Act to remove the City of Los Angeles' right to subject to a vote of all voters in the jurisdiction of the City of Los Angeles the detachment of a former city now located within its borders which borders both another city and the Pacific Ocean, and does not contain within its borders a port. It is further resolved that the VNC appoints Nick Antonicello, Mark Ryavec, C.J. Cole and Yolanda Gonzalez to liaise with Mayor Eric Garcetti, the City Council's Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee, the Chief Legislative Analyst and other city officials to advance the objective of this Resolution.

Motion to Amend to remove the language "It is further resolved that the VNC appoints Nick Antonicello, Mark Ryavec, C.J. Cole and Yolanda Gonzalez to liaise with Mayor Eric Garcetti, the City Council's Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee, the Chief Legislative Analyst and other city officials to advance the objective of this Resolution." PASSED 8-0-1. (RM, JW; ID, BB, KSD, DD, CM, SO//GF)

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Motion PASSED 6-2-1. (RM, BB; For: RM, BB, SO, DD, ID, CM. Against: JW, KSD. Abstain: GF)

9. There was No New Business
10. There were No Committee Comments
11. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:09am.