



# Venice Neighborhood Council

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## JOINT MEETING OF Board and Rules and Selections Committee Agenda- **Draft Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Date: October 27, 2016  
Meeting Time: 8:00AM – 9:00AM  
Meeting Location: Extra Space Community Room, 656 Venice Blvd.  
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### 1. 8:00am – Call to Order and Roll Call

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| Chairperson (Chair) |  | John Reed               | X |
| Committee Member    |  | Jim Murez               | X |
| Committee Member    |  | George Francisco        | X |
| Committee Member    |  | Yolanda Gonzalez        | X |
|                     |  | Hugh Harrison           | X |
|                     |  | Ira Koslow (ex-officio) | X |
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John Reed appointed Hugh Harrison to the committee- vote 4-0-0

### 2. 8:05 am – Approve Agenda as presented or amended

Agenda approved 5-0-0

### 3. 8:06 am – Approve Minutes of last meeting as presented or amended

Last meeting minutes approved as presented 4-0-1

### 4. 8:07 am – ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair welcomes committee members John Reed welcomed all committee members and thanked them for their continued community involvement as volunteers.

### 5. 8:10 am – Public Comment –Public comments will be heard at 8:10 am for 5 minutes for items related to the Rules and Selections Committee only which are not on the agenda, and is limited to 1 minute per speaker, unless adjusted by the chair.

None

### 6. 8:15 am Close Public Comment

### 7. 8:16 am – Chair Report

As this is the chairs 1<sup>st</sup> meeting- no chair report

### 8. 8:20 am – Item for Discussion and Possible Action

a) Discuss current Standing Rules to determine if any should be reviewed by the committee

Ira submitted a copy of the current Standing Rules and Committee Guidelines which were relined with rules and guidelines which should be deleted or amended based upon DONE changes to procedure and or committee responsibilities. (see attached redline)

b) Discuss Election procedures

Ivan discussed the confusion with the ballot in the prior election which was based upon the community interest stakeholder and community officers located on the same ballot page with a “vote for only one” instruction. Ivan suggested we assemble a ballot voting model for the next election.

### 9. 8:40 am – Old Business – None



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## 10. 8:41 am -- New Business - Discussion and possible action

The following items were discussed- no action was taken at the meeting.

- 1) Remove Education Committee as a Standing Committee which would permit a stakeholder the ability to chair a Ad Hoc committee.
- 2) Discussion should there be an Ad Hoc Indigenous Persons Committee to raise awareness of the community diversity that exists in Venice.
- 3) The wording and definition of a "Community Interest Stakeholder" needs to be addressed.
- 4) Attendance of VNC Board members to board meetings was discussed to determine how many meeting a board member could be absent from without automatically being removed without a 2/3 vote from the board. Missing four meetings was discussed as the possible number.
- 5) Discussion regarding The City of LA's current notification process to Neighborhood Councils is lacking with regard to multiple agencies such as BOE-Street Tree Division, DWP, Street Maintenance etc.
- 6) Discussion that there is a need to define Outreach Chairs responsibilities in the By Laws.

## 11. 9:00 am – ADJOURN – approximate

**Adjourn 8:54 am.**

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