



Venice Neighborhood Council

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Joint VNC Board & Administrative Committee Meeting Agenda

Monday, February 11, 2019 at 7:00PM
Extra Space Storage, President's Row Room
658 South Venice Blvd, Venice, 90291

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of the Administrative Committee Agenda**
3. **Approval of outstanding Administrative Committee minutes**
4. **Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda**
5. **Old Administrative Committee Business**
6. **New Administrative Committee Business**
- 6A **Consideration and approval of February 19, 2019 Draft Board Agenda**
7. **Adjourn**



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Draft Board of Officers Regular Meeting Agenda

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)
1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291
Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 7:00 PM

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00 PM)**
Call the meeting to order in memory of renowned Venice artist Guy Webster.
2. **Pledge Of Allegiance (7:01PM -- 1 minute)**
3. **Approval of Outstanding Board minutes (7:07PM – 1 minute)**
<http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
4. **Approval of the Agenda (7:08PM – 1 minute)**
5. **Declaration of Ex Parte Communications or Conflicts-Of-Interest (7:09PM -- 1 minute)**
All Board members shall declare any ex parte communications or conflicts-of interest relating to items on this meeting's agenda.
6. **Scheduled Announcements and Presentations**
- 6A **Live Stream of Meetings (7:05PM -- 3 minutes)**
All VNC Board meetings are streamed live online. Please log onto facebook and share the live stream on the VNC homepage to promote community participation. Click here to share!
<https://www.facebook.com/VeniceNC/>
- 6B **Spanish Translation Available** (Esteban Pulido, pulido.esteban@gmail.com)
Spanish Interpretation services and agendas are available with advance notice.
- 6C **Public Safety - LAPD & LAFD Report (10 minutes)**: Senior Lead Officers Kristan Delatori (32914@lapd.lacity.org), SLO Jennifer Muther 36051@lapdonline SLO Adrian Acosta - 39174@lapd.online SLO Javier Ramirez - 39174@lapd.online, Venice Beach Task Force - LT Michael Soliman - 32906@lapd.online. *Includes a monthly Venice crime report and updates on law enforcement issues in Venice.*
- 6D **Government Reports (15 minutes)** (Representatives have standing place on the agenda, but are not always available to attend)
 - City Councilmember Mike Bonin, Field Deputy Taylor Bazley, 310-568-8772 (taylor.bazley@lacity.org)
 - Congressman Ted Lieu, Representative Janet Turner, 310-496-9896 (janet.turner@mail.house.gov)
 - State Senator Ben Allen, Representative Olin Wibroe (Olin.wibroe@sen.ca.gov)



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- State Assemblyperson Autumn Burke, West Los Angeles Field Representative, Brandon Stansell, (310) 412-6400, (brandon.stansell@asm.ca.gov)
- LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl Westside Field Deputy Zac Gaidzik (310)231-1170, zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov
- Mayor Eric Garcetti, Westside Deputy, Ami Seals-Meyer, 323 552-6730 (ami.seals-meyer@lacity.org)
- Empower LA Neighborhood Council Advocate, Jasmine Elbarbary, 213-978-1551 (jasmine.elbarbary@lacity.org)

6E **VNC Announcements and Reports (5 minutes)**

- President -Ira Koslow (President@VeniceNC.org)
- Vice President - George Francisco (Vice President@VeniceNC.org)
- Westside Regional Alliance of Councils- Ira Koslow, VNC Representative (Chair@westsidecouncils.org),
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Ivan Spiegel (Parliamentarian@VeniceNC.org)
- Election Update - Ivan Spiegel, Election Chair
- VNC Representative to DWP: Yolanda Gonzales
- Budget Advocates - Hugh Harrison, Treasurer
- Outreach - Hollie Stenson

7. **Treasurer's Report (10 minutes)** (Hugh Harrison on behalf of Budget & Finance Committee) (Treasurer@VeniceNC.org)
*See attached addendums at <http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>
[Discussion and possible action]*

7A **Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report**

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for December 2018.

Uploaded Documents:

[Download 1549415481.pdf](#)

Recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 2/5/19

7B **Approve of Expenditure to Date Report**

MOTION: The Venice NC approves the Expenditure to Date Report for December 2018.

Uploaded Documents:

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Recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 2/5/19

7C **Approval of Campaign Coordinator Services.**

MOTION: The Venice NC approves \$3,100 from the Election budget for the hiring of Michael Lynn as an Election Facilitator through Bridge Gap.

Recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 2/5/19



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7D **Approval of Expenditure for Election Brochure**

MOTION: The Venice NC approves up to \$1,800 for the creation of an election brochure. \$300 is allocated to design and \$1,500 allocated to production.

Recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee 5-0-0 on 2/5/19

8. **Announcements and Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (PM - 10 minutes)**

[No more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]

9. **General Consent Calendar (PM -- 5 minutes)**

[All agenda items on the Consent Calendar will pass when the Consent Calendar is approved. No discussion or Public Comment is allowed on any item. Items may be removed by any board member or stakeholder. Removed items will go to the end of the agenda and be treated as regular agenda items with discussion and public comment.]

10. **LUPC (PM – minutes)** (Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, Chair-lupc@VeniceNC.org)

(see project files for more detailed info at <http://www.venicenc.org/land-use-committee.php>)

11. **Old Business (PM - 0 minutes)** See attached addendums at

<http://www.venicenc.org/minutes-and-agendas.php>

[Discussion and possible action]

11A **Senate Bill 50**

NOTE: There are two conflicting motions that have been submitted on this issue, one by LUPC and one by WRAC LUPC. They will be discussed concurrently. If the motion to support passes, then the motion to oppose will not be heard.

Description per Senator Weiner: SB 50 creates new zoning standards for the construction of housing near job centers and public transportation, while protecting against the displacement of renters and vulnerable communities living in those areas. SB 50 eliminates hyper-low-density zoning near transit and job centers, thus legalizing apartment buildings in these locations so that more people can live near transit and near where they work. It also reduces or eliminates minimum parking requirements for new developments. SB 50 will help relieve California's acute housing shortage (currently a deficit of 3.5 million homes), make housing more affordable, increase the supply of low-income housing, and reduce pressure to create more sprawl and build in wildfire zones. The bill will also reduce carbon emissions by allowing more people to live near transit and near where they work. SB 50 is modeled on SB 827, which Senator Wiener introduced earlier this year and which did not advance. Since SB 827's demise, Senator Wiener has worked with a broad coalition of stakeholders to recraft the bill, in order to protect vulnerable communities.

Motion to support (Matthew Royce on behalf of LUPC, chair-lupc@venicenc.org)

MOTION: The VNC Board shall send a letter to the Los Angeles City Council recommending that they vote to support SB 50.

Recommended by LUPC 5-0-0 1/10/19



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Addendums: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB50

Motion to oppose (Ira Koslow, on behalf of WRAC LUPC, president@venicenc.org, 310 392-0868)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council opposes SB 50 and urges our City Councilmembers to introduce a resolution in Council forthwith, opposing SB50.

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12. **New Business (PM – minutes)**

[Discussion and possible action]

12A **Developer Contribution Restrictions** (Ivan Spiegel, on behalf of LANCC)

(parliamentarian@venicenc.org, 3104884487)

MOTION: The Venice Neighborhood Council shall submit a CIS strongly SUPPORTING Council File 19-0046 (Developer Contribution Restrictions – Ryu, Krekorian, Koretz, Martinez, Bonin, and Buscaino) to reform the Los Angeles City campaign finance system in order to reduce the influence of developer interests at City Hall and urges the Los Angeles City Council to schedule this item and approve it as soon as possible.

Addendum:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1aljWKMhUCBpg-F5NQYcURID7gFKrtuiL/view?usp=sharing>

12B **Opposition to BONC Ad Hoc Committees** (Ivan Spiegel on behalf of LANCC) (parliamentarian@venicenc.org, 310 488-4487)

MOTION: The VNC Board shall send a letter to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) at commission@empowerla.org strongly opposing their use of Ad Hoc committees to discuss the business of Neighborhood Councils. The Neighborhood Council system is built on transparency and communication but BONC Ad Hoc committees do not have to comply with the Ralph M. Brown Act which does not allow for the public or Neighborhood Councils to weigh in on the subject.

12C **Additional Parking between Windward and Marine on Pacific** (James Murez on behalf of the Parking & Transportation Committee james.murez@venicenc.org)

MOTION: Whereas, LA City Vision Zero program has identified the intersection of Rose and Pacific as a 2019 priority intersection to address and reduce automobile accidents and deaths, and automobiles vs. pedestrian injuries and deaths; and

Whereas, LADOT has acknowledged and confirmed that a reduction in traffic speed is the most effective means to reduce automobile incidents and automobile vs. pedestrian injuries and deaths; and

Whereas, allowing parking on both sides of Pacific Ave. between 8am and 8pm will provide a buffer between pedestrians and traffic and slow traffic on Pacific Blvd.

Now therefore, VNC recommends that LADOT provide for parking along Pacific Ave. between Marine and Windward from 8am-8pm with a minimum of 4 hour parking.

Recommended by the Parking and Transportation Committee 3-0-0 on 2/4/19



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- 12D Removal Ramsey Daham from LUPC** (Matthew Royce, chair-lupc@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The VNC Board removes Land Use and Planning Committee ("LUPC") member, Ramsey Daham, pursuant to Venice Neighborhood Council Bylaws Article VII, Section 1(F), which states that "A LUPC member may be removed from service by a majority of the full Board of Officers."
- 12E Removal of Robert Aronson from LUPC** (Matthew Royce, chair-lupc@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The VNC Board removes Land Use and Planning Committee ("LUPC") member, Robert Aronson, pursuant to Venice Neighborhood Council Bylaws Article VII, Section 1(F), which states that "A LUPC member may be removed from service by a majority of the full Board of Officers."
- 12F Addition of Oversized Vehicle Restriction Signs** (Alexander Poe, alexanderpoe@gmail.com)
MOTION: Whereas there is a lack of parking in North Venice with oversized RV vehicles taking up a significant amount of street parking and
Whereas the DOT requires the agreement of 2/3rds of property owners in order to request oversized vehicle restriction signs,
Therefore the VNC Board asks that the city agree to oversized parking restrictions on the west side of Main Street between Rose Avenue and Sunset Avenue as they are the property owner of the parking lot on that block.
Addendum:
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B3mH1-U7kxwHazdiQWllemJtZIFIYzF6YXo1RGp1YnVjODFn/edit>
- 12G Compliance Request of City Charter IX, section 900 & 907** (John Reed on behalf of the Rules And Selections Committee, john.reed@venicenc.org)
MOTION: The VNC requests the City Council comply with the City Charter IX section 900 and more specifically section 907 Early Warning System, establishing procedures for receiving input from neighborhood councils prior to decisions by the City Council, City Council Committees and boards and commissions.
Recommended by Rules and Selections Committee 0-0-0 on 2/11/19 PLACEHOLDER
- 13. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction (PM - 5 minutes)**
- 14. Adjourn (approx. PM)**

List of Venice Neighborhood Council Committees & Chairs – Volunteers Welcome



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Standing Committees

Administrative - Ira Koslow
Neighborhood - George Francisco
Outreach - Hollie Stenson
Land Use and Planning - Matthew Royce
Budget & Finance - Hugh Harrison
Rules & Selections - John Reed
Arts - Sunny Bak
Ocean Front Walk - Colleen Saro

Ad Hoc Committees

Discussion Forum - Joe Murphy
Education - Justin Brezhnev
2019 Election - Ivan Spiegel
Parking & Transportation - James Murez
Resiliency - Keith Harrison

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