

## **Safe Parking Program to be Unveiled at Venice Neighborhood Council Board Meeting Next Tuesday**

Sophia Heller, a consultant working with the LA City Council District 11 office, will update the Venice Neighborhood Council on the CD11 safe parking program. Ms. Heller's report will be presented at the VNC's next board meeting, on Tuesday, July 20, 2010, in the Auditorium of the Westminster Elementary School, 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, starting at 7:00PM.

The new program's design will serve as the guideline for the "Streets to Homes Program" to be administered by the LA Housing Services Authority (LAHSA) in close coordination with the CD11 community. It will focus on helping people who use their vehicles for sleeping and shelter to access safe and secure overnight parking and enroll them in case management systems that provide access to permanent low cost housing while making available a program liaison to the community at large. Additional details, including timing and program goals, will be provided at the meeting.

The VNC Board will also hear a motion to support the LA City Council in developing a city-wide Valet Parking Permit Program. The Council has asked the City Attorney to submit language for an ordinance that will address, in part "community intrusion problems." Under the proposed ordinance, "valet companies will need to determine the anticipated number of customers and locations where customer vehicles will be parked... a key component is an auditable ticketing system that will allow the tracking of... the location where the vehicles are parked. This system will not only track the valet operations, but establish and monitor parking capacity.

In other actions, the Board will review a letter to be submitted to elected officials supporting a ban on "touch and goes", "taxi backs" and other operations connected with pilot training at the Santa Monica Airport. And hiking trails proposed for the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve will be reviewed, with the possible endorsement of alternative routes. Applications for the VNC's Land Use and Planning Committee (LUPC) and Neighborhood Committee will be considered and members selected for a two year term.

Snacks and coffee will be provided.

A detailed agenda will be posted on the internet at [www.VeniceNC.org](http://www.VeniceNC.org) and at posting places in the community.

There is no charge for this event. It is open to the public. Comments are encouraged.

Contact Marc Saltzberg, [Outreach@VeniceNC.org](mailto:Outreach@VeniceNC.org) with questions.

**What:** Venice Neighborhood Council Board Meeting

**Where:** Westminster Elementary School Auditorium, 1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd (enter from Westminster)

**When:** Tuesday, July 20, 2010

**Time:** 7:00 PM until 10:00 PM