



# GRASS ROOTS VENICE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD OF OFFICERS MEETING

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2006, 7:00 PM



## AGENDA

PUBLIC Comment: The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any item on the agenda. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when that item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters, not appearing on the agenda but within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, unless modified by the presiding officer of the Board.

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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of the Minutes from the November 15, 2005 and December 13, 2005 Board of Officers Meetings
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Consent Calendar - Motion Required
  - A. **Venice Boulevard Easements** - Approve the recommendation from LUPC to send a letter to the California Coastal Commission expressing GRVNC's desire to retain the Venice Boulevard easements in public domain.
  - B. **Rooftop Structures** - Approve the recommendation from LUPC to send a letter to the LA City Planning Department requesting that they modify the Venice Specific Plan to allow only one rooftop structure per building in lieu of one per unit now allowed.
  - C. **Urban Retreat Hotel** - Approve the recommendation from LUPC to send a letter to The Ambrose Group that GRVNC approves their project concept subject to 8 conditions outlined in the letter.
  - D. **Amuse Cafe** - Approve the recommendation from LUPC to send a letter to the LA City Planning Department requesting that they deny the request of the Amuse Cafe for several variances.
  - E. **Verizon Wireless** - Approve the recommendation from LUPC to send a letter to LA City Councilmember Rosendahl requesting his support for GRVNC's disapproval of Verizon Wireless's request for a variance from the Q conditions and the Venice Specific Plan.
  - F. **The Olson Company's Mixed-Use Development at 13480 Maxella Avenue** (at Lincoln) - Approve the recommendation from LUPC to send a letter of support for the developer's responsiveness to the community to Greg Asher, Rosendahl's Chief Planning Director.
  - G. **Lincoln Blvd Community Design Overlay** - Approve the recommendation from LUPC to send a letter to LA City Councilmember Rosendahl in support of the a Community Design Overlay for Lincoln Boulevard.
  - H. **Marina del Rey Retirement Hotel Parcel OT (DCB #05-015)** - Approve the recommendation from LUPC to send a letter to LA City Councilmember Rosendahl and LA County Regional Planning Commission expressing the project's negative impacts on Venice.
6. Old Business: **Report from the Chair**
7. New Business - Motions Required
  - A. **Budget, Finance & Fundraising Committee**
    - i. Approve rolling the balances remaining in the 2nd quarter Budget Allocation into 3rd quarter Budget Allocation.
    - ii. Approve the LUPC Budget Allocation Request dated 1/1/06.
    - iii. Approve 3rd quarter trial program: \$1500 for taking & preparing the Board & EC minutes, \$580 for data entry/clerical services.
    - iv. Approve \$1000 for purchase of business cards for Board members & committee chairs.
    - v. Approve \$500 for purchase of ink cartridges & paper for committee chairs to use to print handouts on their personal computers.
  - B. **Executive Committee** - Approve creation of an ad hoc Wi-Fi Services Committee with David Buchanan as Chair.
  - C. **LUPC** - Approve LUPC recommendation not to approve the MTA/RAD project as presented.
8. Committee Reports
  - A. **Executive Committee**
    - i. Presentation of the new Agenda Request Form.
    - ii. Grievance filed by Rick Selan referred to Rules & Election Committee for hearing.
  - B. **Ocean Front Walk Committee** - Report on 1/10/2005 public meeting
  - C. **Bylaws Committee** - Report on Bylaws Committee progress
  - D. **Disaster Preparedness Committee** - Report on upcoming town hall meeting
  - E. **LUPC** - Report on upcoming Planning Seminars
9. Announcements & Public Comment
  - A. Daniel Wei, LA City Department of Water and Power - Presentation of DWP report.
  - B. Linda Lucks - Martin Luther King Rally accepting donations.
  - C. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items - The Board may not take any action on matters discussed during the public comment period.
10. Adjourn

RECONSIDERATION of a Motion: The Board may make a Motion to Reconsider and alter its action taken on any item listed on this agenda during this meeting or at its next regular meeting. A Motion for Reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who voted on the prevailing side of the action to be reconsidered. If the Board member moving for reconsideration wishes the motion to be heard at the next regular meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that next meeting: 1) the Motion for Reconsideration of the described matter and 2) the motion on the actual matter, should the Motion for Reconsideration be approved. If a Motion for Reconsideration is not heard on the same date the action originally was taken, a Board member on the prevailing side of the original action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting.

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