



# Venice Neighborhood Council

PO Box 550, Venice, CA 90294 / [www.VeniceNC.org](http://www.VeniceNC.org)  
Email: [info@VeniceNC.org](mailto:info@VeniceNC.org) Phone: 310-421-8627



## **Board of Officer Meeting Minutes**

Westminster Elementary School (Auditorium)  
1010 Abbot Kinney Blvd, Venice, 90291  
**Tuesday, July 17, 2012 at 7:00 PM**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call (7:00PM – 5 minutes)**  
**ABSENT: Clark McCutchen**
2. **Approval of the Agenda (7:05PM – 5 minutes)**  
**ACTION: 7C moved before 7A**  
**Agenda approved as amended (JK/KW 12-0-1)**
3. **Approval of Outstanding Board Minutes (7:10PM – 5 minutes)**  
**<http://venicenc.org/files/120619BoardMinutes.pdf>**  
**ACTION: Minutes approved as written (IK/JM 14-0-1)**

**Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (7:15 -- 10 minutes)**  
*[5 speakers, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]*  
**Public Comment: Breanna Norton, Abraham, DeDe Audet, Shelly Gomez, Steve Geller, Jean Harrington, Eileen Pollack Erickson, Carisa Kaplan, Suzanne Thompson**

4. **Consent Calendar (7:25PM – 5 minutes)**  
*[No discussion or Public Comment. Items may be removed and they will go to the end of the agenda]*
  - A **Fracking ban in California** Barbara Lonsdale on behalf of the Environmental Committee  
[barblonsdale@yahoo.com](mailto:barblonsdale@yahoo.com) **[EXHIBIT A]**

**MOTION:** The VNC supports LA City Councilmember Paul Koretz's resolution to include in the City of Los Angeles 2011-2012 Legislative Program support for Governor Jerry Brown, for the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, and for the State of California's Division of Oil, Gas & Geothermal Resources (DOGGR) to move swiftly to place a moratorium on hydraulic fracturing and on the disposal of fracking wastewater by injection wells until DOGGR, in conjunction with local and state authorities and an independent third party reviewer, makes a determination that such processes are safe for public health, for the Los Angeles water supply, for the environment and from initiating seismic activity.  
**ACTION: Consent Calendar approved unanimously (IK/HH)**
5. **Old Business (7:30 - 30 Minutes)**  
*[Discussion and possible Action]*
  - A **Approval Of Community Improvement Project Rankings** Ivan Spiegel on behalf of Neighborhood Committee [parliamentarian@venicenc.org](mailto:parliamentarian@venicenc.org)



# Venice Neighborhood Council

PO Box 550, Venice, CA 90294 / [www.VeniceNC.org](http://www.VeniceNC.org)

Email: [info@VeniceNC.org](mailto:info@VeniceNC.org) Phone: 310-421-8627



**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council Board approves the rankings of the 2012-2013 Community Improvement Projects as submitted by the Neighborhood Committee.

**ACTION:** Motion approved unanimously (MS/IK)

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Adjusted Amount Requested</u>	<u>Recommended Amount</u>
1	Boys & Girls Sewing Club	Sew What? Sewing Club	1,000	1,000
2	826LA	Venice Wave Newspaper	1,000	1,000
3	Safe Place For Youth	Venice Volunteer Fair	2,000	2,000
4	Westside Global Awareness Magnet	Westside Magnet Beautification	1,000	1,000
5	Marina Peninsula Neighborhood Assn	Doggie Bag Dispensers	2,000	2,000
6	Venice Vintage Motorcycle Club	Venice Vintage Motorcycle Rally	1,000	1,000
7	Walgrove Elementary School	Schoolyard Murals	1,000	1,000
8	Brady Walker	Venice Surf & Skate Festival	2,000	2,000
9	Venice MoZaic	Youth Poetry & Spoken Word	1,075	1,075
10	Venice Community Housing Corp	Centennial Park Improvement	2,000	1,125
			<b>14,075</b>	<b>13,200</b>

**6. Scheduled Announcements (8:00PM – 70 minutes)**

*[No discussion or Public Comment]*

- A** **PATH** (People Assisting the Homeless) **(5 minutes)** Update on Councilman Rosendahl's Roadmap to Homes Program, Joel Roberts, [Joel.Roberts@epath.org](mailto:Joel.Roberts@epath.org), Tomasz Babiszkiwicz ([tomaszb@epath.org](mailto:tomaszb@epath.org)); *This report includes statistics on the number of people placed in permanent and temporary housing as well as the numbers of people in process.*



# Venice Neighborhood Council

PO Box 550, Venice, CA 90294 / [www.VeniceNC.org](http://www.VeniceNC.org)

Email: [info@VeniceNC.org](mailto:info@VeniceNC.org) Phone: 310-421-8627



**B Public Safety - LAPD Report (10 minutes):** Lt. Paola Kreeft, Venice Beach Detail; Senior Lead Officers Peggy Thusing/Kristan Delatore [32914@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:32914@lapd.lacity.org), Gregg Jacobus, (310-622-3968; [25120@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:25120@lapd.lacity.org), [35162@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:35162@lapd.lacity.org), [31142@lapd.lacity.org](mailto:31142@lapd.lacity.org)). *This report includes crime reports, updates on the enforcement of the OFW Vending ordinance (LAMC 42.15) and outcomes of enforcement in Venice in general*

**C Governmental Reports (10 Minutes)**

- **U.S. Congress Representative Janice Hahn**, Deputy Natalie Rodgers, ([Natalie.Rodgers@mail.house.gov](mailto:Natalie.Rodgers@mail.house.gov)) 310-831-1799
- **State Senator Ted Lieu**, Representative, Veronica Zendejas ([Veronica.Zendejas@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Veronica.Zendejas@sen.ca.gov)) 310-318-6994
- **State Assemblyperson Betsy Butler**, Representative, Stephanie Romero, [Stephanie.Romero@asm.gov](mailto:Stephanie.Romero@asm.gov) 310-615-3515
- **LA County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky**, 213-974-3333
- **Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa**; Joseph Hari, West Area Representative ([Joseph.Hari@lacity.org](mailto:Joseph.Hari@lacity.org)) 310-479-3823
- **Los Angeles County Beaches and Harbors Department, Ken Foreman, Facilities and Property Maintenance Division Chief**, [KForeman@bh.lacounty.gov](mailto:KForeman@bh.lacounty.gov), 310.305.9559
- **City Councilmember Bill Rosendahl**: Cecilia Castillo, Field Deputy (310-568-8772); ([Cecilia.castillo@lacity.org](mailto:Cecilia.castillo@lacity.org)); Arturo Pina, District Director ([Arturo.Pina@lacity.org](mailto:Arturo.Pina@lacity.org))

**D Venice BBQ (5 minutes)** Mindy Meyer Chair, BBQ Committee  
This year's Venice BBQ will be on August 4 at Oakwood Park.

**E Fresh & Easy Express (5 minutes)** Alisa Karlan [alisa@cerrell.com](mailto:alisa@cerrell.com)  
Presentation of a proposed Fresh & Easy Express at Lincoln and Washington.

**F 2012 NC Election Report (10 Minutes)** Ivan Spiegel [parliamentarian@venicenc.org](mailto:parliamentarian@venicenc.org)  
**VNC Board elections - Sunday, Oct. 28, Westminster School 10-5.**

[2012 Neighborhood Council Election Manual](#)  
[2012 Elections Acceptable Forms of Documentation](#)  
[Elections - FAQ](#)

**G Update on Zip Line (10 Minutes)** Matt Kline [Outreach@venicenc.org](mailto:Outreach@venicenc.org) [EXHIBIT B]

**H J-Pods - Fast Modern Privately Funded Personal Rapid Transport Presentation (5 Minutes)** Nick Garzilli [nickgarzilli@gmail.com](mailto:nickgarzilli@gmail.com)

**I Lincoln Blvd Community Design Overlay (10 minutes)** Laura Silagi on behalf of Venice Community Coalition [lrsilagi@gmail.com](mailto:lrsilagi@gmail.com)  
Update on the Lincoln Blvd Community Design Overlay including current threats, key features, intent and relevance today. Other efforts to improve Lincoln.



# Venice Neighborhood Council

PO Box 550, Venice, CA 90294 / [www.VeniceNC.org](http://www.VeniceNC.org)  
Email: [info@VeniceNC.org](mailto:info@VeniceNC.org) Phone: 310-421-8627



**Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda (9:10 - 5 minutes)**  
*[5 speakers, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]*  
**Public Comment: Eden Andes, Terese Diethin, Abraham, Nick Antinchello, Shelly Gomez**

**7. New Business (9:15 - 80 minutes)**

*[Discussion and possible action.]*

**A Renewal of VNCSMO Ad Hoc Committee (5 minutes)** Laura Silagi on behalf of VNC Santa Monica Ad Hoc Committee [lsilagi@gmail.com](mailto:lsilagi@gmail.com)

**MOTION:** The VNC Board shall extend the termination date of the Santa Monica Airport Committee until the seating of the newly elected VNC Board in Fall 2012.

**ACTION: Motion approved unanimously (HH/BL)**

**B Right of Way Enforcement (45 minutes)** Daffodil Tyminski & Nicolas Hippisley-Coxe on behalf of the Public Safety Committee [Daffodil.Tyminski@venicenc.org](mailto:Daffodil.Tyminski@venicenc.org) **[EXHIBIT C]**

**MOTION:** The Venice Neighborhood Council calls upon the Los Angeles Police Department to consistently enforce the above (see: Exhibit B) laws, while offering referrals to those who may need services and housing.

Approved at the Public Safety Committee on Thursday May 31st. 2012. The committee voted 3-2 to forward this motion to the Ad Com Committee for inclusion on the Board Agenda.

**Public Comment: Carolyn Rios, Tibby Rothman**

**For: Gary Harris, Barbara Gelson, Bonnie Felix**

**Against: Colleen Saro, Abraham, Shelly Gomez, W Chris Jackson, Michael Lindley, Carol Beck, Sylvia Aroth, Bree Walker, Lisa Green, Eden Andes, Mark Lipman, Suzanne Thompsen, Carisa Kaplan, Mike Chamness, Wes, Rita Hart, John Raphling, David Busch, Steve Clare, David Ewing, "People of California," Sue Kaplan**

**ACTION: Motion made to postpone substitute motion indefinitely failed (IG/CC – 7-10-1)**

**Substitute motion failed (IK/MA – 5-12-2)**

**Motion failed (DT/IK 0-15-4)**

**Public Comment: Carolyn Rios, Barbara Gelson, Mark Ryveck, Eden Andes, David Busch**

**C 1621 Crescent Place** Jake Kaufman on behalf of LUPC (30 minutes) **[EXHIBIT D]**

**MOTION:** The VNC approves the project at 1621 Crescent Place, which will allow for the construction of a new 2-story, single family dwelling (SFD) with a basement and roof deck, and a detached 3-car garage with a 2nd story studio and roof deck and a new pool.

**Public Comment: Sophie Hawkins**



# Venice Neighborhood Council

PO Box 550, Venice, CA 90294 / [www.VeniceNC.org](http://www.VeniceNC.org)

Email: [info@VeniceNC.org](mailto:info@VeniceNC.org) Phone: 310-421-8627



**Against: Sue Kaplan, Eilene Erickson, GiGi Gaston, Valerie Prager, Arnold Rosenblatt**

**ACTION: 7C moved before 7A**

**Motion made (IK/KW)**

**Motion to send back to LUPC for further review (MS/KW 13-2-2)**

- 8. **Treasurers Report (10:35 -- 5 minutes);** Hugh Harrison ([Treasurer@Venicenc.org](mailto:Treasurer@Venicenc.org))  
*[Discussion and possible action]*

**[EXHIBIT E]**

**MOTION:** The VNC Board approves the attached report on expenditures for the period June 22, 2012 through July 21, 2012, and the itemized purchase card invoice.

**ACTION: Motion approved unanimously (HH/KV)**

- 9. **VNC Announcements (10:40 -- 10 Minutes)**
  - **President:** Linda Lucks ([president@venicenc.org](mailto:president@venicenc.org))
  - **Vice President:** Marc Saltzberg ([Vicepresident@Venicenc.org](mailto:Vicepresident@Venicenc.org))
  - **LA Alliance of NC's Representative:** Ivan Spiegel, ([parliamentarian@venicenc.org](mailto:parliamentarian@venicenc.org))
  - **Plancheck NC:** VNC Rep Challis Macpherson ([Challis.Macpherson@Verizon.net](mailto:Challis.Macpherson@Verizon.net))
  - **LA Dept of Water & Power/Memoranda of Understanding:** VNC Rep DeDe Audet ([daudet@ca.rr.com](mailto:daudet@ca.rr.com))
  - **LAPD Community Police Advisory Board:** Daffodil Tyminski ([Daffodil.Tyminski@Venicenc.org](mailto:Daffodil.Tyminski@Venicenc.org)) , Nicolas Hippisley-Coxe, ([hippisleys@earthlink.net](mailto:hippisleys@earthlink.net))
  - **Westside Alliance of Neighborhood Councils-** Mike Newhouse, President, Marc Saltzberg , VNC Representatives. [Chair@westsidecouncils.org](mailto:Chair@westsidecouncils.org), [VicePresident@Venicenc.org](mailto:VicePresident@Venicenc.org)

**Announcements & Public Comment on items not on the Agenda**

*[20 minutes, no more than 1 minute per person – no Board member announcements permitted]*

- 10. **Board Member Comments on subject matters within the VNC jurisdiction**  
 [ 10:50 -- 5 minutes, no more than 1 minute per person]
- 11. **Adjourn (11:35)**  
**ACTION: Meeting adjourned (IK/KW)**