



City of Venice

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Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, August 12, 2014

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Holic called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Mayor John Holic, Council Member Emilio Carlesimo, Council Member Kit McKeon, Council Member David Sherman, Council Member Jeanette Gates and Council Member Bob Daniels
Absent: 1 - Council Member Jim Bennett

Also Present

City Attorney Dave Persson, City Clerk Lori Stelzer, City Manager Ed Lavallee, Recording Secretary Heather Taylor, and for certain items on the agenda: Police Chief Tom McNulty, Utilities Director Len Bramble, Finance Director Jeff Snyder, City Engineer Kathleen Weeden, Director of Administrative Services Alan Bullock, Public Works Director John Veneziano, and Community Development Director Jeff Shrum

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Stelzer offered the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Ms. Gates.

I. RECOGNITION

14-0833 Proclaim August 2014 to be Florida Water Professionals Month, Presented to Gerry Schoonmaker, Florida Water & Pollution Control Operators Association Region XII Director
Mayor Holic presented this Proclamation to Sarasota County Chief Plant Operator, Mark Harris.

II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Linda Wilson, Venice Farmers Market Manager, introduced Dr. Robert Kluson and Carmen Franz, and commented on the partnership to implement a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) incentive program at the Venice Farmers Market.

Ms. Franz, Community Food Project Coordinator of Florida Organic Growers (FOG), discussed her organization to include grant funding, previous work with farmers markets, and the organization's goals.

Dr. Kluson, University of Florida/Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) Extension Agent, commented on a survey to determine the economic value of the program to farmers markets, educational opportunities, and benefits to local farmers and businesses.

Ms. Wilson invited council members to attend the grand opening October 2, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Mike Pachota, Sharky's owner, expressed his support for new parking lots, spoke to expected funds from Venice Pier Group's buyback of parking spaces, rent revenue over the last two years, maintenance at the pier, and Sharky's commitment to provide transportation downtown from the new parking areas.

Discussion followed regarding the use of the shuttle, additional lighting and new striping for the north parking lot.

III. CONSENT SECTION:

Following the motion, discussion took place regarding the commitment of the reappointed board members, Mr. Ryan's resignation, and Mr. Smolarick's appointment, and concern was expressed with regards to board members commenting to press on behalf of the city.

Mr. Persson stated there is no change to the jurisdiction of the boards, and recommended further discussion to avoid conflicting situations.

Further discussion took place on the disconnect with boards and the strategic plan, distribution of the plan to board members, Mayor Holic's upcoming meeting with board chairs, and validation of advisory board decisions.

Mayor Holic referenced the purchase of a bucket truck, and commented on piggy backing of future purchases, the utilities cooperative purchase savings, and bidding procedures.

A motion was made by Council Member Carlesimo, seconded by Council Member Sherman, to approve the Items in the Consent Section. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

A. MAYOR

14-0811

Reappointments to the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals: Ryan Kelley, Seth Hill, Greg Hassler, and Don Greenwood to Serve

Terms from August 1, 2014 until July 31, 2017

This Appointment was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 14-0812** Appoint Timothy Smolarick to the Economic Development Advisory Board to Serve the Unexpired Term of John Ryan from August 12, 2014 until March 31, 2015

This Appointment was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 14-0834** Approve Letter of Support to the Office of Criminal Justice Grants for the Distribution of \$120,879 of Federal Fiscal Year 2015 Justice Assistance Grant Program Funds for Mental Health Court

This Item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

B. CITY CLERK

- 14-0813** July 22, 2013 Consent Agenda Workshop, August 7, 2013 Budget Workshop, December 9, 2013 MSTU Workshop, January 17, 2014, Convocation of Governments, May 5, 2014 CIP Workshop, July 29, 2014 Special Meeting

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Agenda.

C. CITY MANAGER

Engineering

- 14-0814** Approve Work Assignment with King Engineering to Complete Design and Permitting for Beach and Downtown Parking Areas in the Amount of \$47,765.00

This Work Assignment was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 14-0815** Authorize the Mayor to Execute Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida, Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement No. 41691 for Four Offshore Borrow Areas to be used in Beach Renourishment

This Agreement was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 14-0816** Accept and Authorize Execution of Easement Agreement with Villas of Venice, Inc. Condominium Association for Beach Renourishment

This Agreement was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 14-0817** Accept and Authorize Execution of Easement Agreement with Mac Arthur Beach & Racquet Club, Inc. for Beach Renourishment

This Agreement was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- 14-0818** Accept and Authorize Execution of Easement Agreement with Island Shores Owners Association, Inc. for Beach Renourishment
This Agreement was approved on the Consent Agenda.
- 14-0819** Authorize the City Attorney to Execute the Attorney's Title Certificate and the Mayor to Execute the Certificate of Lands for the Venice Segment of the Sarasota County, Florida Shore Protection Project for Completion of the Beach Renourishment Project
This Agreement was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Fire

- 14-0820** Request Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Sarasota Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Contract No. 2005-265 to Renew the Lease Agreement for Advanced Life Support (ALS) Units Housed at Fire Station No. 1
This Amendment was approved on the Consent Agenda.
- 14-0821** Requesting Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Sarasota Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Contract No. 2005-266 to Renew the Lease Agreement for Advanced Life Support (ALS) Units Housed at Fire Station No. 2
This Amendment was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Public Works

- CON. NO. 10-2014** Approval of a Waiver of the Bidding Requirements for the Purchase of One Bucket Truck from Ring Power Utility Equipment in the Amount of \$174,800.00
This Contract was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Utilities

- CON. NO. 11-2014** Approval of the Cooperative Purchase with Allied Universal Chemicals Utilizing Charlotte County Contract 13-325 for Purchase of Sodium Hypochlorite not to Exceed \$150,000 per Fiscal Year
This Contract was approved on the Consent Agenda.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

- ORD. NO. 2014-20** Amending the City of Venice, Florida, Code of Ordinance, Chapter 74, Utilities, Article II, Water, Division 1, Generally, Section 74-45, Cross

Connections, by Adopting the July 2014 Revision of the City of Venice Cross Connection Control Manual

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing.

Ms. Stelzer stated that no written communications had been received and that no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that Ordinance No. 2014-20 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr. Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

ORD. NO. 2014-17 Amending the City of Venice, Florida, Code of Ordinance, Chapter 2, Administration, Article VI, Code Enforcement, Division 2, Code Enforcement Board, Section 2-321, Established; Membership, by Deleting an Ex-Officio Member; Chapter 86, Land Development Code, Article II, Administration and Review Authorities, Sections 86-23(b) and (c), Planning Commission, Ex Officio Members and Term of Members, by Deleting Subsection (b) Amending Subsection (c) and Relettering the Remaining Subsections, to Delete Appointment of an Ex Officio Member; Section 86-25(a)(3), Architectural Review Board, Composition, by Deleting the Appointment of an Ex Officio Member; Section 86-28(a)(4)c, Historic Preservation Board, by Deleting Subsection (4)c, Ex Officio Members; and Relettering the Remaining Subsections, to Delete Appointment of Ex Officio Members

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing.

Ms. Stelzer stated that no written communications had been received and that no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Gates, that Ordinance No. 2014-17 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr. Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

ORD. NO. Annexing Certain Lands Lying Contiguous to the City Limits, as
2014-18 Petitioned by Harry Issacs and Burda Isaacs, Into the Corporate Limits
of the City of Venice, Florida, and Redefining the Boundary Lines of the
City to Include Said Additions (Vacant Lot on Everglades Drive)

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing.

Ms. Stelzer stated that no written communications had been received
and that no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

**A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member
Carlesimo, that Ordinance No. 2014-18 be approved and adopted. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr.
 Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES

ORD. NO. Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Venice, Florida,
2014-23 Chapter 50, Personnel; Article III, Pensions and Retirement; Division 3,
Municipal Police Officers' Pension Trust Fund, Section 50-131,
Definitions; Section 50-132, Membership; Section 50-135,
Contributions; Section 50-136, Benefit Amounts and Eligibility

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only and noted the revised
ordinance provided to council members.

Mr. Bullock provided a brief introduction, and clarification to the revised
ordinance.

Mike Schade, retired Venice Police Officer, expressed his concern with
the effect of changes to current pension recipients.

Mayor Holic noted there are no retroactive changes to the pension plan.

Discussion followed on the negotiation process to ensure funding of the
pension plan, and projected tax rates in regard to funding pensions.

**A motion was made by Council Member Carlesimo, seconded by Council Member
Sherman, that Ordinance No. 2014-23, as revised, be approved on first reading
and scheduled for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr. Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

ORD. NO. 2014-22 Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Venice, Florida, Chapter 50, Personnel; Article III, Pensions and Retirement; Division 2, Municipal Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund, Section 50-81, Definitions; Section 50-82, Membership; Section 50-85, Contributions; Section 50-86, Benefit Amounts and Eligibility

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only and stated that no one signed up to speak.

Mr. Bullock provided a brief introduction, and noted the provision in Section 4(a) regarding member contributions.

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Gates, that Ordinance No. 2014-22 be approved on first reading and scheduled for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr. Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

ORD. NO. 2014-19 Amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, by Adding Article VIII, Boards, Section 2-381, Economic Development Advisory Board, Section 2-382, Environmental Advisory Board, Section 2-383, Public Art Advisory Board

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only and stated that no one signed up to speak.

A motion was made by Council Member Carlesimo, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that Ordinance No. 2014-19 be approved on first reading and scheduled for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr. Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

B. PRESENTATIONS

Recess was taken from 10:10 a.m. until 10:20 a.m.

Without objection, the Mayor reordered the agenda to hear Item Nos. 14-0827 and 14-0828 following Item No. 14-0823.

14-0822 Jim Shirley, Executive Director, Arts & Cultural Alliance of Sarasota County: Sarasota Tourist Development Council (TDC) Cultural Arts (10 min.)

Mr. Shirley provided a brief update on the arts in Sarasota County to

include the economic impact of arts to the community, grant programs, and development of the Guide to Arts and Culture in Sarasota County, and expressed his desire to work with the city with regards to arts.

Discussion followed regarding the grant process, five percent tourist development tax, state legislature appropriations, and grant writing workshops.

This Presentation was presented.

14-0823 City of Venice Marketing Plan: Economic Development Advisory Board Chair Mack Wilcox and Board Member Bob Cushing (15 min.)

Mr. Wilcox provided an overview of the proposal.

Mr. Cushing discussed marketing plan goals, the 2011 Visit Florida Visitor Study results, tourist development tax to include total dollars and growth rates, city lodging and short term rentals in comparison to Sarasota County, marketing plan insights, overviews, and recommendations, planning, and management, compared the city special event calendar with Delray Beach's event calendar, and commented on ways to measure success, and benefits.

Discussion followed on tourism growth, sporting events, the need for a special events position within the city manager's office, condo rentals, and funding dedications.

Mr. Lavalley commented on the need for an identifiable resource, and further discussion.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Sherman, to direct the city manager to review the proposal and report back to city council. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

14-0827 Request from Donald and Irene O'Connell to Waive Public Workshop Requirement and the Application Fee for Same (\$200) for Property at 500 Hauser Lane

Jeff Boone, Boone Law Firm, noted he would address both requests as one, provided a background of the property to include involuntary annexation, reviewed the request for waivers of the rezoning application fee, and public workshop requirement and filing fee.

Mr. Persson noted council had the right to grant these waivers and recommended council amend the resolution to explicitly allow council to approve these types of waivers.

Mr. Shrum and Mr. Lavalley concurred that staff has no objections to the requests.

Mr. O'Connell responded to council's questions regarding rezoning and land use, assignment of a zoning classification, and road improvements.

Responding to council's questions, Mr. Shrum spoke to the number of enclaves left within the city.

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Daniels, that Item No.14-0827 be approved. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

- 14-0828** Request from Donald and Irene O'Connell to Waive Rezone Application Fee (\$2,908) for Property at 500 Hauser Lane

Discussion on this item can be found in Item 14-0827.

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Gates, that Item No. 14-0828 be approved. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

- 14-0826** Authorize Sending a Letter Requesting Florida Department of Transportation, Metropolitan Planning Organization, and Sarasota County Board of County Commission and Any Other Funding Sources to Beautify the I-75/Laurel Road Interchange with a Landscaping Project

Without objection, Mayor Holic reordered the agenda to discuss Item 14-0826 at this time.

Following approval of the motion, Jerry Jasper, 130 Burano Court, spoke to the Venetian Golf and River Club Community Association's support for the enhancement of I-75/Laurel Road gateway, and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) landscaping mission.

A motion was made by Council Member Carlesimo, seconded by Council Member McKeon, that Item No.14-0826 be approved. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

- 14-0778** Finance Director Jeff Snyder: History of Infrastructure Surtax Phase III (One Cent Sales Tax) (20 min.)

Due to timing this item was moved until later in the meeting.

C. RESOLUTIONS

- RES. NO.** Authorize City Council Members to Serve as Liaisons to Designated
2014-24 Boards, Commissions and Committees

Ms. Stelzer read the Resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Daniels, that Resolution No. 2014-24 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr. Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

RES. NO. Establish a Committee to Create an Action Plan Combining a Floodplain
2014-27 Management Plan, Program for Public Improvement Plan, and Flood
Insurance Coverage Improvement Plan, as Pertains to Criteria for the
National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Ratings System
(CRS)

Ms. Stelzer read the Resolution by title only.

Ms. Weeden stated there is a temporary employee designated for the
revamping of the CRS program.

**A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member
Sherman, that Resolution No. 2014-27 be approved and adopted. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr.
Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

RES. NO. Accept Utilities and Improvements Installed by WCI Communities, LLC,
2014-28 at Venetian Golf & River Club, A Re-Plat of Phase 3F

Ms. Stelzer read the Resolution by title only.

Following the motion, discussion took place regarding citizens served by
the Curry Creek Utility.

**A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member
Gates, that Resolution No. 2014-28 be approved and adopted. The motion carried
by the following vote:**

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr.
Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

RES. NO. Authorize the City of Venice to Proceed with the Subordination of City
2014-29 Utility Interests for Florida Department of Transportation US 41 ByPass
Project Easement

Ms. Stelzer read the Resolution by title only.

**A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member
Daniels, that Resolution No. 2014-29 be approved and adopted. The motion
carried by the following vote:**

Yes: 6 - Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates and Mr.
Daniels

Absent: 1 - Mr. Bennett

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Recess was taken from 11:55 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Bud Lefebvre, 249 Rio Terra, presented the idea of an indoor sports arena located at the circus area, and displayed photos of solar skin buildings, and indoor tennis and racquetball courts.

14-0778 Finance Director Jeff Snyder: History of Infrastructure Surtax Phase III (One Cent Sales Tax) (20 min.)

Mr. Snyder provided an overview of the one cent sales tax to include terms, usage, adoption of the resolutions establishing rates, and the purpose of the one cent oversight committee, reviewed project types, approved projects, the Venice Performing Arts Center, the utility infrastructure improvement amended project schedule, recommended requests for fiscal year 2014-2015, revenue projections, and Phase II referendum results.

Discussion followed regarding support of sports tourism, the stakeholders group meeting regarding \$1.8 million towards utility infrastructure, the purpose of the citizen tax oversight committee, and council's ability to modify the project list.

Mr. Persson stated the interlocal agreement with the county requires an oversight committee, that there is a description attached to each item for spending, and that the list could be amended by vote but may require an amendment to the interlocal agreement. He further stated that if the funds have been pledged for bonds, bond counsel would have to extricate the city from that commitment.

Mayor Holic questioned who authorized the pledge to a bond, commented on the rate study scenarios, and referenced two discussion in February and April 2011 regarding projected implementation dates, and prior attorney statements realitive to infrastructure surtax projects. Mayor Holic further discussed the city's fiduciary responsibility to complete only items that council selects on the projected list, and projects that have been completed that were not on the projected list.

Discussion followed regarding council refining the process, the effect the pledge had on the interest rate, backloading debt, priority of projects, and the delegation to staff to borrow money with the lowest interest rate on behalf of council.

Mr. Bramble provided a brief history to include money owed to the general fund, rate increases to stop additional borrowing, the creation of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) through rate studies, noted that the financial plan identified all sources of revenue to include the infrastructure surtax, and responded to council's questions regarding the formula used to determine this year's rates.

Discussion followed on future presentations including a breakdown of capital improvement projects, and the utility rate increase approval.

Ms. Stelzer stated that the March 2010 workshop minutes show the city approved the scenario that included the million dollars from infrastructure surtax which was put into the ordinance adopting the utility rates.

Mr. Snyder responded to council questions regarding determination for changes to the approved project list, and the funding source of the one cent sales tax in the CIP.

Mr. Lavallee commented on the responsibility to annually review the budget, the CIP process, and the fine tuning of staff recommendations.

Discussion followed regarding staff recommendations, citizen and council input, the responsibility to voters with regards to modification of the project list, the need to have a workshop to better understand the one cent sales tax, council providing the city manager with priorities in the past, and the use of a more broad based strategic plan.

Recess was taken from 2:47 p.m. until 2:53 p.m.

This Presentation was presented

D. COUNCIL ACTION

14-0824 Approve Placement of Steel Tubular Bicycle Form in Median at Intersection of Harbor Drive and W. Venice Avenue Requested by Venice Area Beautification, Inc.

Judith Keeler, President of VABI, requested approval of the bicycle structure placement, and referenced approval of the Public Art Advisory Board and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Mr. Veneziano noted staff's approval and responded to council's questions regarding the lifespan and maintenance of the structure.

Following the motion, concern was expressed regarding the location of the structure.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member McKeon, that Item No. 14-0824 be approved. The motion carried by voice vote; with Ms. Gates opposed.

14-0727 Request for Water Fountain Installation at Ruscelletto Park - Venice Area Beautification, Inc.

Without objection, Mayor Holic reordered the agenda to discuss this

item at this time.

Following the motion, Mr. Veneziano responded to council questions regarding electricity and maintenance costs to the city.

A motion was made by Council Member Gates, seconded by Council Member Daniels, that Item No.14-0727 be approved. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

14-0825 Approve Interlocal Agreement Between the City of Venice and Sarasota County, Landscape Maintenance (US41 Bypass and US41 Business Intersection)

Mr. Veneziano provided an overview of the agreement to include the installation of trees by the county, responded to council questions regarding control over signage, and stated he would further research control over the type of trees being planted.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Gates, that Item No.14-0825 be approved. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

14-0829 Request for City Council Level of Support for Sarasota Chalk Festival 2014

Mayor Holic provided an overview of the request, spoke to the use of revenue to promote further growth, and recommended a support level of \$5000.

Discussion followed on deferring the decision until a later meeting to further research potential additional income, setting precedence for other organizations, possibly funding or sponsoring the event after the first year, other ways to support the event, the economic impact of the event on the city, and equality to all organizations.

Andrea Cooper, 319 Parkdale Drive, expressed her support of the Chalk Festival, and her concern that financial sponsorship will set a precedence for other local organizations and events, and responded to council questions regarding the process of receiving funds, and sponsorship.

Barbara Quinn, Women's Sertoma President, questioned council regarding whether the chalk festival is a non profit organization and where funds go, and expressed concern with the title "Sarasota Chalk Festival".

Discussion ensued on Venice MainStreet not being self promoting, and Venice being printed on the chalk festival literature.

There was consensus to postpone this Item until the August 26, 2014 meeting.

VI. CHARTER OFFICER REPORTS

City Attorney

City Clerk

City Manager

Mr. Lavallee reported that the Army Corps of Engineers is ready to bid the beach nourishment project, stated they are asking for flexibility in construction time for cost saving reasons, and noted this would push the project into the tourist season.

There was consensus to allow for flexibility in construction time for the beach nourishment project.

VII. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Holic

14-0830 Budget Analysis

Mayor Holic commented on defining sources of funds for economic development, recommended earmarking monies received from Sharky's for infrastructure improvements, and opined the need to spend money in arrears.

Discussion followed on not putting restraints on staff, and flexibility to move money if needed.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Gates, to place \$101,000 from Sharky's for 2014 into a separate budget for infrastructure.

Discussion took place on the vote being premature, and not constraining funds.

Mr. Lavallee commented on the linkage with the strategic plan and goals established by council, and the economic development program.

Discussed ensued regarding disaster funds, issues at the South Jetty, having the parking lots complete prior to tourist season, and borrowing money from reserves.

Ms. Weeden discussed costs for design and permitting, and overall construction costs for the four parking locations.

Ms. Stelzer read the motion to take \$101,000 from Sharky's to put into a separate budget for infrastructure, for clarification.

Mr. Daniels amended the motion to state "to place \$101,000 from Sharky's for 2014 into a separate budget for infrastructure use on parking areas one, two, three, and four as previously identified."

Mr. Carlesimo stated he is opposed due to the TRIM notice which included a proposed increase to pay down police and fire pensions, and opined the monies from Sharky's should be used toward pensions in order to not raise taxes.

Discussion followed on coastal permitting, and cost per phase for each lot.

The motion, as amended, carried by voice vote; with Mr. Carlesimo opposed.

Mayor Holic commented on non-bargaining employees not receiving raises, and suggested giving a one percent raise effective September 1, 2014 to equalize pay of bargaining and non-bargaining employees.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Gates, that effective September 1, 2014 non-bargaining city employees be given a one percent raise. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

Council Member Daniels

14-0831 Business Improvement District Assessment

Mr. Daniels commented on funding of the downtown area by voting to leverage a tax in a defined business district with owners of the property to pay the tax, and referenced the handout from Sarasota regarding Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) funding transfers, and a Herald Tribune article on CRAs.

14-0832 Special Events Police Costs

Chief McNulty proposed a plan administered through the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) at a cost of \$35/hour per officer, with the exception of supervisory officers at the cost of \$45/hour, and noted the cost savings to event holders and the city.

Mr. Daniels further explained the opportunity for the city and county to collaborate in building a new library and archives using library impact fees, and Venice becoming the central county-wide archive center.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Gates, to direct the city manager to conduct a feasibility study with Sarasota County to review the possibility of having a county-wide archives center located in Venice. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

Discussion ensued on structural problems at the library, relocation of the new library, and historic society donation constraints.

Council Updates

Ms. Gates requested approval to attend the advanced Institute for Elected Municipal Officials (IEMO) class.

There was consensus for Ms. Gates to attend the advanced Institute for Elected Municipal Officials (IEMO) class.

Mr. Carlesimo commented on the Coastal Advisory Committee meeting, referred to a handout with board recommendations, informed council that the board is reviewing their Post Disaster Redevelopment Plan, reviewed the CRA tour in Englewood, and noted the upcoming Manatee County tour.

Mr. Sherman discussed his desire for the Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program contribution to become part of the permanent budget.

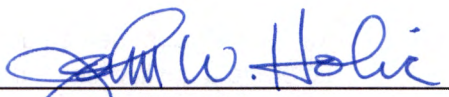
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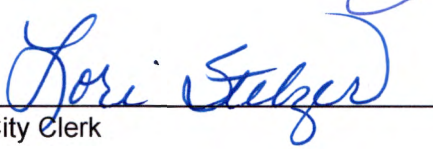
There was no audience participation.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

ATTEST:


Mayor - City of Venice


City Clerk
