

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-27**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A COMMITTEE TO CREATE AN ACTION PLAN COMBINING A FLOODPLAIN 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), AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Venice desires to establish a committee responsible for creating a plan to assess its natural flood hazards, the associated problems with flooding, possible solutions, flood insurance coverage of its residents and create public outreach programs to inform and engage residents on flood hazards, preparation, insurance and mitigation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, as follows:**

**Section 1.** Established. There is hereby established a joint CRS Floodplain Management Plan (FMP), Program for Public Information Plan (PPI) and Coverage Information Plan (CIP) Committee, hereafter referred to as the "Committee." The city engineer shall appoint the members and determine the terms of office.

**Section 2.** Duties and Responsibilities. The Committee shall provide opportunities for the public to comment on the plan; coordinate with other agencies; assess local flood hazards; assess local flooding problems; set goals and draft an action plan; review possible activities that could reduce or prevent the severity of local flood hazards; present the action plan to the Venice City Council for adoption; implement, evaluate and suggest revisions to the plan on an ongoing basis; write an annual evaluation report on the progress of the plan; and update the plan and submit the updated plan to city council for adoption by October 1 every five years. An initial action plan is to be completed and adopted by City Council by September 16, 2014.

**Section 3.** Composition. The Committee shall be comprised of nine members, with one representative from a local insurance agency, one representative from a local bank or lender, a minimum of two additional local stakeholders, the city's marketing and communications officer and one representative from each of the following city departments: planning and zoning, building, and engineering.

**Section 4.** Compensation. Members shall receive no compensation for their service on the Committee.

**Section 5. Meetings.** The Committee shall initially have six meetings to: (1) assess the natural flood hazards in the city; (2) assess the associated flood problems and flood insurance coverage; (3) set quantifiable goals to improve information outreach and insurance coverage; (4) review possible activities; (5) draft a plan of action to be adopted by city council; and (6) evaluate progress and recommend changes. After these initial meetings, the Committee shall meet quarterly to evaluate the plan and revise as needed. Meetings of the Committee shall be called and scheduled by the city engineer. The Committee shall comply with all applicable requirements of Florida's Sunshine Law, Public Records laws, the Code of Ethics and all city policies for public representatives. If, at any meeting, the number of representatives from city departments is greater than half of the total in attendance, that meeting shall be cancelled and rescheduled.

**Section 6. Removal.** Members serve at the pleasure of the city engineer and may be removed from the Committee by the city engineer at any time with or without cause.

**Section 7. Effective Date.** This resolution shall take effect immediately.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE VENICE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2014.**

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John W. Holic, Mayor

**ATTEST**

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Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk