From: Charles Newsom Sent: Sunday, March 18, 2018 6:47 AM To: Lori Stelzer <<u>LStelzer@Venicegov.com</u>> Subject: Council Agenda Topic

Good Morning Lori,

Please include on the next available Council Agenda the topic of Highschool and University student Interns working with the City Departments staff and or Advisory Boards.

Background; The Historic Preservation Advisory Board has a highschool student intern working with them this school year. One of the members of the advisory board has pledged \$1000.00 as a scholarship to the intern upon completion of the school year working with the advisory board.

Council discussion; Should staff formalize this practice for City Staff departments and Advisory Boards? Should the City encourage individuals and or businesses to sponsor interns with a scholarship for working with City Staff and or Advisory Boards? Possibly promote the program on the City Web-site and or City newsletter?

Possible direction to the City Manager and Staff to research the intern topic and come to council with recommendations prior to the school year beginning August 2018. Discussions with legal council, school administration and possibly student government officers. Select City departments that would offer a valuable learning experience with meaningful participation for students. Use the same selection process for Advisory Boards. The real question is should the City Departments actively encourage an intern program?

Thank you Chuck Newsom