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May 23, 2022

Mark A. Cunningham Assistant County Administrator Sarasota County 1660 Ringling Blvd., 2nd Floor Sarasota, FL 34236

Re: Road and Mobility Fees Transportation Project Priorities

Dear Mr. Cunningham:

The City of Venice (City) is in receipt of the April 22, 2022 transportation letter from Sarasota County (County). This correspondence requested endorsement of proposed funding priorities for the use of Sarasota County Mobility and Road Impact Fees collected in the City of Venice (Mobility Fees), approval of the Locally Funded Agreement (LFA) for Laurel Road Final Design and a joint formal request for ROW donation from adjacent developers on Laurel Road.

This information was presented to our City Council on May 10, 2022 and the following items were approved by Motion:

- 1) Approval of the Laurel Road Final Design Locally Funded Agreement.
- 2) Support of Sarasota County's future funding projections but reserve the right to work with Sarasota County during the design phase to find an alternative solution to traffic concerns on Ridgewood Avenue.
- 3) Authorize City staff to draft a joint letter with Sarasota County to request right-of-way donation by adjacent developers on Laurel Road.

This letter constitutes concurrence with the County recommendations in compliance with our 2017 Interlocal Agreement for Mobility Fee Collection. On May 10, 2022, the City executed and transmitted the Laurel Road Final Design LFA for County approval. City staff will be available to coordinate the drafting of the joint right-of-way donation letter for Laurel Road.

The City of Venice appreciates the collaboration with the County to address these important Venice area transportation projects. Planning & Zoning Director Roger Clark and City Engineer Kathleen Weeden will continue to serve as the direct staff contacts as these projects move forward.

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Thank you for your partnership on this topic and if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at 941-882-7397 or iclinch@venicefl.gov.

Sincerely,

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