

Re: CRA & Other Options

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Thu 5/1/2014 11:29 AM

To: Emilio Carlesimo <ECarlesimo@Venicegov.com>;

Emilio,

Thank you for the information, however it is extremely difficult to attend meetings during the business day. I would think that many business owners are like myself and really can't be away from their businesses during the day.

The CRA would seem to be a topic that council would want to have maximum input from downtown stakeholders. Perhaps polling the downtown owners on their time preference would be helpful to insure maximum participation by all interested parties.

Rosanne

In a message dated 5/1/2014 11:16:09 A.M. Eastern Daylight Time, ECarlesimo@Venicegov.com writes:

Dear Roseanne,

Currently the Workshop on the possible possibilities for some kind of stimulus in downtown Venice is scheduled for day-time on May 22nd.

I know you have an interest in this issue, so I am forwarding an e-mail, sent by me, requesting an evening session with audience participation.

The time of the workshop will be discussion by Council at our regular meeting on May 13th.

Regards,

Emilio

From: Emilio Carlesimo

Sent: Friday, April 25, 2014 3:59 PM

To: Lori Stelzer

Cc: Edward Lavallee; Mack Wilcox; John Ryan; Kat Quast; emiliocc; Robert Cushing

Subject: CRA & Parking Workshops

Lori,

The only question I have is: Will the meetings be "open-forum", similar to the "Think Tank" format?

Since the discussion may include plans that could have an effect on the general fund, Venice residents should be afforded an opportunity to speak. In addition, members of the Economic Development Advisory Board, MainStreet's Board of Directors, and the Venice Area Chamber of Commerce's, EDGIT Committee, have also expressed an interest in being notified and included.

I believe Council should consider an "open-forum" type meeting, and schedule evening sessions for each of these subjects, since business/property owners may be otherwise occupied during the day, and the CRA discussion may take longer than three hours.

Please advise.

Emilio

From: Lori Stelzer

Sent: Friday, April 25, 2014 2:10 PM

To: City Council

Cc: All Directors Assistants; dpersson@swflgovlaw.com

Subject: CRA Workshop

Mayor and council members,

The workshop has been set for Thursday, May 22 at 1:30 p.m. in Council Chambers. (Total expected duration – 5 hours; CRA-3 hours and parking-2 hours). Due to the ribbon cutting and tour of Venetian Walk at 10 a.m. and service club luncheon meetings, I was unable to find time in the morning. If there are too many conflicts with a meeting going later into the evening, I will need to reschedule the parking portion to another day/time. Let me know if you have a conflict with this schedule.

Also, please provide me with no more than 5 questions you would like Carol Westmoreland to answer during her presentation on CRAs. This will assist her with preparing for the workshop.

Thank you.

Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

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