

Committee Name	Purpose	Meeting Schedule
Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors	Promote business growth and success.	Monthly-Fourth Monday, 4 p.m.
Coastal Advisory Committee	Advise and make recommendations to the County Commission on matters pertaining to coastal issues, projects and programs.	Bimonthly-Third Wednesday, usually at 3 p.m.
Coastal and Heartland National Estuary Partnership (CHNEP) Program Policy Committee	Establish the general policy for the CHNEP and has ultimate authority in program administration. It appoints members to other committees and approves the CHNEP's budget.	Fourth Thursday of January, May and September, 9 a.m.
Community Action Agency	Advise and make recommendations to the County Commission on programs and services for low-income households, as well as barriers that low-income households face regarding their ability to be self-sufficient or upwardly mobile.	Quarterly-Second Thursday of February, May, September, and November, 4 p.m.
Criminal Justice Commission	Discuss the planning and development of additional criminal justice facilities and programs that are important public safety assets, evaluate the effectiveness of current criminal justice programs, monitor potential legislation changes and recommend changes that improve the criminal justice system in Sarasota County.	Quarterly-Fourth Monday or last Monday, 12 p.m.
Economic Development Corporation (EDC)	Public and private leaders are committed to being a catalyst for a sustainable, globally competitive, vibrant economy.	Monthly-Third Thursday, 8 a.m.
Manasota League of Cities	Work closely with Florida League of Cities (FLC) and is dedicated to a strong, united, and active advocacy program, committed to advocating on behalf of municipalities (preservation of Home Rule is at the top of the priority list).	Bi-monthly, Second Thursday, 9:00 a.m.
Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)	Carry out the Transportation Planning Process in the Sarasota/Bradenton Urbanized Area.	Mostly Bi-monthly (summer break), Fourth Monday, 9:30 a.m.

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Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (Ft. Myers)	Provide a means to permit local governmental units to make the most efficient use of their powers to cooperate for mutual advantages in order to provide services and facilities that will accord best with geographic, economic, social, land use, transportation, public safety resources and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities within Planning District No. 9.	Bi-monthly, Third Thursday, 9 a.m.
Tourist Development Council (TDC)	Recommend tourism policy to the County Commission and oversees the use of tourist development tax revenues, pursuant to Florida law. The TDC discusses factors affecting tourist development, local culture, and beach maintenance and restoration, as well as the needs of the tourist industry.	Monthly - Second Thursday, 4 p.m.
Venice Area Beautification, Inc. (VABI)	Make Venice a beautiful place to live, work, and play.	
Venice Housing Authority	Find affordable rentals and housing options for low income families and individuals.	March and September, 4th Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.
Venice MainStreet	To preserve and enhance the historic character of Venice.	Monthly -Third Tuesday, 8 a.m.