



**City of Venice  
Planning & Zoning Department**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: Planning Commission Members**

**FROM: Jeff Shrum, Development Services Director**

**SUBJECT: Comprehensive Plan Update – Project Schedule and Population Projections**

**DATE: March 10, 2016**

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**Project Schedule:**

Included in your packets for the March 15, 2016 meeting is an updated project schedule that the consultant and I will be discussing at the meeting. In the development of this schedule it is important to remember that our original approach to this project included a completion date of July 2016 and a start date of January/February 2015. This timeline resulted in a 17-18 month project from start to finish. While this was our target, the reality of the project thus far has been: a start date of July 21, 2015 (first meeting with staff). While the start date was 5-6 months later than anticipated, our goal of completion of the overall project in July of 2016 remained. However, as the project has progressed there are several factors that have had a significant impact on the overall project schedule including: extending initial input through January 2016 (almost 2 months longer than originally anticipated), compilation of the initial input data from multiple sources outside of the original schedule (extra meetings with neighborhood groups and citizens), and current planning commission discussions of the neighborhoods currently underway by the planning commission (anticipated to be completed by May 2016). As a result, the updated project schedule has been developed. Staff and the consultant believe, the revised schedule accounts for the delay in the start of the project, extra time needed for input, and provides flexibility for planning commission meetings to achieve completion of the project within the schedule.

**Population Projections:**

Included in the packet are two pages of population projection information from multiple sources for your information. Staff has pulled the information from Sarasota County using the Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) information for their High projections which are included in the table below. Since our Plan is a 2026 (10 year plan) plan we will need to project one year from the 2025 projections

provided in the tables. Based upon expected housing construction (units), population per household and population projections, what is anticipated for a City of Venice 2026 population is somewhere between the BEBR Medium and High projections. It should be noted that while the City of Venice anticipates between the medium and high projection ranges it is not presumed that Sarasota County as a whole will yield these same projections. In order to provide the conservative estimate based upon the BEBR high projections is proposed as follows:

	<b>YEAR</b>			
	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2020</u></b>	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2030</u></b>
<b>Sarasota County</b>	405,900	440,300	474,900	509,800
<b>City of Venice (permanent population)</b>	22,325	23,777	25,170	27,020
<b>City percentage of County population (Sarasota County data)</b>	5.5%	5.4%	5.3%	5.3%
<b>City of Venice (permanent and seasonal)</b>	27,371	29,127	30,809	33,046
<b>Percentage seasonal population (Sarasota County data)</b>	122.6%	122.5%	122.4%	122.3%