



## MEMORANDUM TO CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH CHARTER OFFICER:** James R. Clinch, City Manager      **E-SIGN:**  
**FROM:** James R. Clinch, City Manager  
**DEPARTMENT:** City Manager

**DATE:** February 13, 2026

**MEETING DATE:** February 24, 2026

**SUBJECT / TOPIC:** Invitation to Consider a Joint Meeting with the Sarasota County Commission

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The City has received a formal invitation from the Sarasota County Administrator, on behalf of the Sarasota County Board of County Commissioners, inquiring whether the Venice City Council would like to schedule a joint meeting with the Sarasota County Commission in 2026.

The last joint meeting with the County Commission was held on May 16, 2025. These meetings have historically provided opportunities to discuss issues of mutual interest and to collaborate on regional matters affecting our community.

If City Council would like to pursue a joint meeting for 2026, staff will notify the County and work towards scheduling a date that works for both boards. The City Manager will then coordinate with the County Administrator to develop a mutually beneficial agenda focused on regional topics for Council's consideration.

**SUPPORTS STRATEGIC PLAN:** Goal Two: Provide Efficient, Responsive Government with High Quality Services

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:** Council direction regarding a future joint meeting.

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