

# **New Venice Library Update**

**May 3, 2017**

(Note: Most recent items are first. Items added since last update are in ***bold italics font***)

## **A. Site & Development Plan**

- a. County staff hopes to present to the Venice Planning Commission on June 20<sup>th</sup>.***
- b. Venice staff provided a third round of questions and comments on May 2nd. Venice staff expects a response from the County on May 8<sup>th</sup>.***
- c. The County submitted a response to the second round of questions and comments on April 24<sup>th</sup>.***
- d. Venice staff provided a second round of questions and comments back to the County on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Venice staff expects a response at any time from the County.
- e. Sarasota County staff led a presentation and discussion to the Venice City Council on March 28<sup>th</sup> regarding issues pertaining to the new Venice Library
- f. The County submitted a revised Site & Development Plan (S&D) on March 10<sup>th</sup>. On March 13<sup>th</sup> this latest S&D was sent out to all Technical Review Committee (TRC) with responses due back by March 31<sup>st</sup>.
- g. Following a review of the S&D by City Departments, comments were provided to the applicant on February 8<sup>th</sup>.
- h. A Site & Development Plan (S&D) for the proposed new building was submitted to the Venice Planning Department on January 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **B. Building Plans**

- a. Sarasota County's architect presented to the Venice Architectural Review Board on April 27<sup>th</sup>; the plans were approved and a Certificate of Architectural Compliance (CAC) has been issued. Following approval by the Venice Planning Commission the applicant can submit application for a building permit.***
- b. As of April 6<sup>th</sup>, Sarasota County's architect plans to submit an application to the Venice Architectural Review Board in hopes of presenting to the ARB April 27<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Sarasota County and their architect had a preliminary meeting with Venice staff on March 29<sup>th</sup> to discuss building plans.
- d. As of March 8<sup>th</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup>, no building plans have been received by the City Building Department for review.

## **C. Project Area Beyond Lease Area**

- a. The Shared Parking Agreement should be considered by the Sarasota County Board of County Commissioners on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.***
- b. Venice City Council approved the Shared Parking Agreement on April 25<sup>th</sup>.***
- c. As of April 11<sup>th</sup>, staff from Sarasota County and Venice continued to work on the terms and conditions of an agreement addressing this area.
- d. As reported to City Council by Sarasota County Libraries & Historical Resources Director Sarabeth Kalajian on February 28<sup>th</sup>, Venice can expect to receive a draft agreement very soon that is meant to address certain improvements to areas outside of the County Library's current lease, including modifications to parking, traffic circulation, pedestrian circulation, vehicle access from Milan Street into the parking lot, and general vehicle and pedestrian safety features.