December 27, 2021

Lori/Kelly,

Please put the attached documents on our next meeting.

History of Resolution 2021-02

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## History of Resolution 2021-02

Today we are once again discussing advisory liaison appointments.

I have asked for Resolution 2021-02 to be included to give us an understanding of the purpose of advisory groups.

In years past we had a number of advisory groups come before us and request us to either give them direction or disband them. Resolution 2021-02 was our answer.

In this Resolution each advisory group will appear before us and present their achievements for the past year and a proposed agenda of priorities, areas of concern, activities, tasks, and goals for the subsequent calendar year. It is up to us to comment on, modify, or amend the proposed agenda to meet the goals and objective established by City Council. For boards that meet six times a year or more, the Board Chair will report periodically to City Council on their progress.

In the past, the Council liaison job has been to attend advisory board meetings and report to council on their progress. They did not help set the agenda or participate in the meetings. Simply reading the minutes of the advisory boards achieves the same results.

However, because of Resolution 2021-02, the advisory boards will be reporting to Council their progress on a periodic basis. Council members no longer need to do this. Council members as always may still attend any meetings they wish; however, they still do not participate in the meetings.

Regarding our external advisory groups, Mr. Lavallee stated that he would advise us as to which groups required our participation and which groups benefited the City. I have not seen that list.

Mr. Lavallee also shared his suggestion as to the appointment of liaisons. He suggested that we select assignments according to seniority. The most senior Council member selects an assignment, and the selection process continues through seniority until all assignments are selected. This provides transparency and takes subjectivity out of the process.

It is my hope that we can find agreement on two things:

- We no not need to have City Council liaison assignments to our local advisory groups. The advisory group chair will be reporting to council on a periodic basis.
- 2. The process to appointing council members to external groups that have value to the City and require participation is by seniority.

I am looking for consensus on both points

Prepared by: City Manager and City Clerk Offices

Requested by: City Council

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-02**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR CITY COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES (BOARD); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**WHEREAS**, the Venice City Council establishes various commissions, boards and committees (Board) to serve in both decision making and advisory capacity to City Council; and,

**WHEREAS**, details of each Board have been established by ordinance and are included in the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the details of each Board include, but are not limited to, length of Board members term of office, process for filling vacancies, duties and responsibilities, compensation, selection of officers, meeting requirements and removal of members; and

WHEREAS, each Board operates on initiatives to meet their goals and satisfy their duties and responsibilities, as well as operating under direction provided by City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the city that the Boards' initiatives be in support of City Council's strategic plan and that the Boards have clear direction, which is enhanced with regular and standardized communication protocols.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Each January, the Environmental Advisory Board, Historic Preservation Board, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and Public Art Advisory Board will appear before City Council and present their achievements for the past year and a proposed agenda of priorities, areas of concern, activities, tasks, and goals for the subsequent calendar year. City Council may comment on, modify, or amend the proposed agenda to serve the goals and objectives established by City Council.

**SECTION 2.** During the first quarter of the calendar year or as otherwise determined by City Council, the Architectural Review Board, Fire Pension Board of Trustees, Planning Commission, and Police Pension Board of Trustees will appear before City Council and present a report on their achievements for the past year.

**SECTION 3.** On an annual basis, the mayor, or his designee, will host a meeting of all Board chairs and charter officers to discuss issues of common interest and to review performance, achievements and future goals and direction of the Boards.

**SECTION 4.** For Boards scheduled to meet six times or more a year, each Board chair, or his designee, will report periodically to City Council the progress, achievements and related issues to tasks, goals and projects undertaken by the Board for the current year. After hearing the report, City Council will determine the next reporting date and may amend such tasks, goals, or projects.

**SECTION 5.** In addition to the criteria established by ordinance, all Board members shall: 1) complete the mandatory sunshine and public records training provided in the new board member orientation packet within one month of initial appointment; 2) attend the annual mandatory sunshine and public records training; 3) attend orientation training when offered by the city; and 4) comply with the Information Technology Usage Policy.

**SECTION 6.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

THE 13TH DAY OF APRIL 2021.	7.
	Ron Feinsod, Mayor
ATTEST	

I, Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk of the City of Venice, Florida, a municipal corporation in Sarasota County, Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and complete, true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by Venice City Council at a meeting thereof duly convened and held on the 13th day of April, 2021, a quorum being present.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of the said city this 13th day of April, 2021.

Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

(SEAL)

Approved as to form:

Kelly Fernandez, City Attorney