

City of Venice
Venice, Florida

In Appreciation of
Lenox Bramble
Assistant City Manager

A Retirement Tribute

Lenox Bramble began his 14-year career with the City of Venice on May 14, 2007, as Utilities Director and was promoted to Assistant City Manager on Nov. 17, 2014.

For those who just can't place Len's accent, it should be noted that he was born and raised in Fayetteville, North Carolina, and obtained his bachelor's in Civil Engineering at North Carolina State University. Len's prior public service included Public Works Director and County Engineer for York County, South Carolina, Public Works Director for Manatee County, (both included Utilities) and as a supervisor over the wastewater permitting group with the State of Washington Department of Ecology.

As Utilities Director, Len oversaw the operations of the potable water production plant, the reclamation facility, and the City's Utilities infrastructure. His vision, leadership and managerial skills not only changed the culture of the Utilities Department but also reshaped the City's Utilities infrastructure, and the protection of our environment for all City residents to enjoy for many years to come. Venice Utilities, under Len as Director, was the recipient of the prestigious 2013 Earle B. Phelps Award from the Florida Water Environment Association, for the wastewater treatment facility.

As Assistant City Manager, Len provided leadership and guidance to department directors and managers city-wide, and worked on a variety of survey and analysis assignments, reporting his findings and making recommendations for implementation of selected concepts. He was a very effective liaison to City Council and staff, and could speak with confidence on any topic asked of him.

Len possesses vast analytical skills. He never met a set of data points he couldn't convert into a graph or chart, which he does often and with zeal, making all kinds of information much clearer and digestible for his co-workers. He also has a fondness for maps, points of the compass, sharpies, flipcharts, Dilbert comics, and anything to do with pecans.

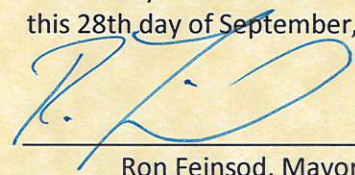
Like a true engineer, Len made it his mission to make the City of Venice a better place to live and to work. He also made people a primary focus, encouraging his staff and praising them often, and helping to solve problems for the good of this community.

Len's door was always open to discuss any issue and he made time for everyone, whether it was staff or residents with concerns. His lighthearted humor – he especially delighted in pointing out the obvious – created an easygoing work environment. This made it a pleasure to work with and for him.

Len's plans include relocating to Spokane, Washington, his wife Monica's hometown. There, he will be working as a consultant and senior project engineer, managing a variety of municipal projects for local cities and counties, and spending quality time with family and many friends.

Len, on behalf of the Venice City Council and city staff, thank you for your service and we wish you the greatest success and joy in this next chapter of your life. Your skills as a dedicated manager, leader, mentor, and coach will be missed, and we thank you for all you have done for our City.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto
set my hand and caused the Seal
of the City of Venice to be affixed
this 28th day of September, 2021.



Ron Feinsod, Mayor

