

MINUTES OF A WORKSHOP
CITY COUNCIL, VENICE, FLORIDA

FEBRUARY 11, 2013

A workshop of the City Council to consider the consent agenda was held this date in Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Holic called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND OTHERS PRESENT

Roll was called with the following elected officials present: Mayor John Holic, Vice Mayor Bob Daniels and Council Members Jim Bennett, Emilio Carlesimo, Jeanette Gates, Kit McKeon, and Dave Sherman.

Also present: City Clerk Lori Stelzer, City Manager Ed Lavallee, and for certain items on the agenda: City Engineer Kathleen Weeden.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. McKeon.

I. CONSENT SECTION:

CITY CLERK

1. Approval of Minutes from the January 8, 2013 and January 22, 2013 Regular Meetings

MAYOR

1. Appoint Phillip Ellis to the Sarasota County Bicycle/Pedestrian/Trails Advisory Committee to Serve a Term from March 2013 until March 2016

Responding to Ms. Gates, Mayor Holic revised this appointment to be a recommendation.

2. Appoint Richard Cautero to the Fire Pension Board of Trustees to Complete the Term of Fred Lugar from February 12, 2013 until September 30, 2015

CITY MANAGER

Engineering

1. Accept Grant of Easement from Agree Venice LLC to City of Venice for Water Utility Easement, Chase Bank, 401 S. Tamiami Trail

Mr. Lavallee reviewed this item and noted there was no cost to the city.

2. Approve Execution of the Agreement for Consulting Services between the City of Venice and Kimley-Horn and Associates to Conduct a Downtown Mobility Study in the Amount of \$240,000

Mr. Lavallee reviewed the item and answered questions relating to Ms. Weeden being the staff liaison and the list of tasks.

Ms. Weeden answered questions concerning project funding, the city being the project manager, contract approval process, including input by council members in the project scope, Sarasota County Area Transit (SCAT) extending bus routes to Sharky's Restaurant and the Crow's Nest Restaurant, trolley service, wayfinding signage, transportation service to workforce housing, scheduling of traffic counts during season, downtown parking, bus shelters, bike lanes, Mobility Study timeline, sharing information with Sarasota County government and the Tourist Development Council, providing updates to city boards and Venice MainStreet, prior studies, updating council on the progress of all studies, looking for cost savings, meeting conditions for federal funding, and tracking study results and impacts.

Marketing and Communications

1. Approve Fiscal Year 2013 Federal Appropriations Requests

Mr. Lavallee provided a review of the requests and answered questions relating to justification for the combined fire and police complex.

Public Works

1. Approve Street Lighting Agreement with FPL for Cobra Head Street Light at 1301 East Gate Drive

Mr. Lavallee reviewed this item.

Ms. Weeden answered questions concerning energy efficient light options, long range city street lighting.

All items will remain on the Consent Section.

II. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

ATTEST:

Mayor – City of Venice

City Clerk