

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-01

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, APPROVING A 100 PERCENT AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR TEN YEARS FOR QUALIFIED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 640 W. VENICE AVENUE LISTED IN THE LOCAL REGISTER OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Chapter 66, Article VII of the City of Venice Code of Ordinances ("City Code") allows for the exemption of ad valorem taxes on the value of qualifying improvements to a property that has been designated as historic under the terms of Chapter 87, Section 7.7; and

WHEREAS, the Venice City Council granted historic designation to the property located at 640 W. Venice Avenue, Venice, FL (the "Property"), owned in fee simple by Stephen and Ellen Clouse, (the "Owners"); and

WHEREAS, the City of Venice Historic and Architectural Preservation Board ("HAPB") reviewed the application submitted by the Owners for an ad valorem tax exemption for the value of the qualifying improvements made to the Property, and recommended approval to the Venice City Council; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2024, the Venice City Council considered the recommendation of the HAPB and approved the application submitted by the Owners for an ad valorem tax exemption for improvements to the Property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 196.1997(7), Florida Statutes, the Owners have executed a Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Covenant in favor of the City of Venice, providing the character of the Property and the qualifying improvements to the Property shall be maintained throughout the exemption period; and

WHEREAS, the Venice City Council desires to approve this Resolution to further evidence its approval of Owners' application, as required by Section 196.1997(10), Florida Statutes.

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

SECTION 1. The historic property located at 640 W. Venice Avenue, Venice, Florida (the "Property"), meets the requirements for ad valorem tax exemption set forth in Section 196.1997, Florida Statutes.

SECTION 2. Subject to the provisions of Chapter 66, Article VII of the City Code and that certain Historic Preservation Covenant, dated November 19, 2024, by and between the City of Venice and Stephen and Ellen Clouse, the owners of the property, the Venice City Council hereby grants an ad valorem tax exemption for 100% the value of the qualifying improvements made to the Property for a ten-year period commencing on January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2034.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE VENICE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 14TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025.

Nick Pachota, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Michaels, MMC, City Clerk

I, Kelly Michaels, 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 the City Council of the City of Venice, Florida, at a meeting thereof duly convened and held on the 14th day of January 2025, a quorum being present.

WITNESS my hand and official seal of said City this 14th day of January 2025.

Kelly Michaels, MMC, City Clerk

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Approved as to form:

Kelly Fernandez, City Attorney