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City of Venice

Meeting Minutes
Citizen Advisory Board

Wednesday, May 21, 2025 | **2:00 PM** | **Council Chambers**

I. Call to Order

Vice Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M.

II. Roll Call

Present 8 - Mr. Phillip Ellis, Ms. Kaitlyn Panfil, Mr. Roger Effron, Mr. Steve Carr, Ms. Mary Moscatelli, Mr. Hayden Heaney, Mr. Alex Dafoulas and Dr. Mary Davis

Also Present

Council Liaison Mayor Nick Pachota, Assistant City Manager James Clinch, and Recording Secretary Amanda Hawkins-Brown.

III. Audience Participation

LLoyd Weed, 330 Pensacola Road, spoke on his appointment to City Council, the upcoming hurricane after action report, and thanked the board for his time serving as chair.

IV. Approval of Minutes

25-0202 Minutes of the April 16, 2025 Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Dafoulas, to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2025 meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

V. New Business

25-0203 Election of Chair and /or Vice Chair if Needed

Dr. Davis was nominated for the Chair position. Dr. Davis declined the nomination.

Mr. Effron was nominated and accepted. There were no other nominations.

A motion was made by Mr. Carr, seconded by Mr. Ellis, to select Mr. Effron for the Chair position. The motion carried by following roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Mr. Carr, Mr. Heaney, Mr. Dafoulas and Dr. Davis

Absent: 1 - Ms. Moscatelli

25-0204 Sarasota County Neighborhood Parkland Acquisition Program - Nomination of 1220 Pinebrook Rd

Assistant City Manager Clinch presented nomination through Sarasota County's Parkland program, being a part of the Pinebrook South Planned Unit Development (PUD), City's support, connectivity to Wellfield Park, community support, the seller being willing, process for nominations, and answered Board questions on whether there are any potential concerns, and traffic and pedestrian safety.

Ms. Moscatelli joined the meeting at 2:12 p.m.

Jim Monkowski, 1233 Schooner Lane, spoke in favor of nomination, and suggestion to turn into a neighborhood playground.

Lorretta Berandinelli, 1350 Lucaya Avenue, spoke in favor of the nomination, live oaks on property, past attempts for development, complimenting Wellfield Park, and meeting the nomination criteria.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Ms. Panfil, to recommend to City Council approval of 1220 Pinebrook Road nomination for the County Parkland Acquisition Program. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Mr. Carr, Ms. Moscatelli, Mr. Heaney, Mr. Dafoulas and Dr. Davis

25-0205 Recommendation for the Honorary Renaming of City Hall Park (City Council Initiated)

Mayor Pachota presented the request to rename City Hall Park to the Lavallee Municipal Campus, and spoke on Mr. Lavallee standards of ethic, his upcoming retirement, including Lord Higel House and Fire Station 1 in the campus, City Hall name remaining, and answered Board question on time frame for change if approved.

Board recognized Mr. Lavallee's service to the City.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Heaney, to recommend to City Council approval of the renaming of City Hall Park to the Lavallee Municipal Campus. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Mr. Carr, Ms. Moscatelli, Mr. Heaney, Mr. Dafoulas and Dr. Davis

VI. Unfinished Business

24-0414 Hurricane After Action Review Next Steps

Dr. Davis thanked staff for support and presented final draft and addendums.

Discussion took place regarding correction of typos and formatting, addition to Centralized Hurricane Resource Location section, response from public, potable water in epilogue, and distribution of information.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Ms. Panfil, to approve the final draft of the Hurricane After Action report as amended for presentation to City Council. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Mr. Carr, Ms. Moscatelli, Mr. Heaney, Mr. Dafoulas and Dr. Davis

Discussion took place regarding distributing to public, presentation to City Council, and proposing further Board involvement.

VII. Board Discussion

Discussion took place regarding board members attending the Council meeting in support, Chair meeting with Mayor Pachota, Board's schedule, summer break, open seat, and Mr. Heaney's reappointment.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Heaney, to cancel the meeting scheduled for June 18, 2025. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Mr. Carr, Ms. Moscatelli, Mr. Heaney, Mr. Dafoulas and Dr. Davis

VIII. Staff Comments

There were no comments.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m.

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Chair

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Recording Secretary