



## MEMORANDUM TO VENICE CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH CHARTER OFFICER:** Edward Lavallee, City Manager

**E-SIGN:**

**FROM:** Derek Applegate, CBO

**DEPARTMENT:** Building

**DATE:** February 18, 2025

**MEETING DATE:** February 25, 2025

**SUBJECT / TOPIC:** Removal of Resolution 2022-07 (30%) Building Fees Reduction.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** This resolution was introduced in March of 2022 with the intention of further reducing building permit fees and bringing the building fund into compliance with section 553.80(7) F.S.

Through a series of building permit fee refunds, reductions in fees and a temporary fee waiver due to recent hurricanes and other settlements, we are now in compliance with section 553.80 (7)F.S.

- A. The "actual" September 30, 2024 fund balance was \$2.54 million. Our "Expected" 2025 projections currently reflect \$1.8 million. Roughly a \$700K deficit.
- B. The Building Department is performing a rate fee study to evaluate and update the City's permitting fees and processes.
- C. A portion of the building permit fees will be used to upgrade technology hardware and software systems to enhance services.

**SUPPORTS STRATEGIC PLAN:** Goal Three: Ensure a Fiscally Sound City

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED:** For Discussion and Immediate Action

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