

## MEMORANDUM TO VENICE CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH CHARTER OFFICER: Edward Lavallee, City Manager E-SIGN:

**THRU**: Kathleen Weeden, City Engineer **FROM**: Christina Rimes, CRS Coordinator

**DEPARTMENT**: Engineering

**DATE**: March 14, 2025 **MEETING DATE**: April 8, 2025

**SUBJECT**: Cockrill Street Sidewalk Project, Phase 2, Field Avenue south to Airport Ave.

CDBG Contract Number B-24-UC-12-0014

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City is a sub-recipient of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Sarasota Office of Housing and Community Development for Phase 2 of the Cockrill Street Sidewalk Project. Phase 2 extends the sidewalk previously completed by Phase 1 from Field Avenue South to Airport Avenue. This provides a sidewalk on the west side for the full length of Cockrill Street. This Cockrill Street Sidewalk Project will offer connectivity in an important low to moderate income census tract, provide Student Leadership Academy, shopping and Chuck Reiter Park. The sidewalk will be constructed along with necessary drainage and water main replacement. The total grant amount is \$700,000 which will include design and construction costs. CDBG is a federally funded grant program. A consultant will be contracted for assistance meeting the federal grant requirements.

**SUPPORTS STRATEGIC PLAN**: Goal Four: Upgrade and Maintain City Infrastructure and Facilities

**COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**: For Council Adoption by Consent Motion

Authorize the Mayor to Execute Subrecipient Agreement Between Sarasota County, Florida, and the City of Venice, Florida, to Provide Community Development Block Grant Funds for the Cockrill Street Sidewalk (Phase 2) Project in the Amount of \$700,000.

Yes	N/A	
$\boxtimes$		Document(s) Reviewed for ADA compliance (required if for agenda posting)
$\boxtimes$		City Attorney Reviewed/Approval
	$\boxtimes$	Risk Management Review
$\boxtimes$		Finance Department Review/Approval
		Funds Availability (account number): N/A – grant funds