



MEMORANDUM TO VENICE CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH CHARTER OFFICER: Edward Lavalley, City Manager **E-SIGN:**
FROM: Javier Vargas, Utilities Director, Kathleen Weeden, City Engineer, and R. David Jackson,
Assistant City Attorney
DEPARTMENT: Utilities Department
DATE: February 16, 2024 **MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, February 27, 2024

SUBJECT / TOPIC: Utility Easement and Agreement Regarding Utility Easement with Venetian Golf & River Club Property Owners Association, Inc.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The City will be constructing a new 16-inch potable water main that will run from the site of the City's new Booster Pump Station generally to the south to Laurel Road. A portion of this new water main will be located on a portion of the property owned by the Venetian Golf & River Club Property Owners Association, Inc. ("VGRC"); therefore, the City is required to have a utility easement on this portion of the VGRC property in order to construct, operate, and maintain the water main in perpetuity. VGRC is willing to grant the requested Utility Easement to the City subject to certain conditions to address potential concerns of the VGRC community regarding security and buffering related to the Booster Pump Station project. Accordingly, City staff has negotiated the Agreement Regarding Utility Easement (the "Agreement") to set forth these conditions.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Under the proposed Agreement, VGRC will grant the Utility Easement to the City, which will allow the City to construct, operate, and maintain the new water main on VGRC property. The City will construct a chain link fence on a specific area of the VGRC property, which will be maintained by VGRC. In addition, the City will reimburse VGRC up to \$16,050.00 for landscaping in the vicinity of the fence and related irrigation. The City will also agree not to remove any of the existing trees from a ten-foot wide area (approximately 1500' in length) along the south side of the City's Booster Pump Station property, which currently provides buffering for the VGRC community from this site.

VGRC has approved and executed the Utility Easement and the Agreement. Accordingly, the Utility Easement and the Agreement between the City and VGRC are provided for approval by the City Council and execution by the Mayor.

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

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED: For Council Adoption by Consent Motion

Original(s) attached: Utility Easement and Agreement Regarding Utility Easement

Cc: Kelly M. Fernandez, City Attorney
Kelly Michaels, City Clerk
Linda Senne, Finance Director
James Clinch, Assistant City Manager