



City of Venice

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Meeting Minutes

City Council

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

Broadcast

[22-5877](#)

Meeting Instructions and Request to Speak Form

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pachota called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Mayor Nick Pachota, Dr. Mitzie Fiedler, Vice Mayor Jim Boldt, Ms. Helen Moore, Mrs. Rachel Frank, Mr. Dick Longo and Mr. Rick Howard

ALSO PRESENT

City Attorney Kelly Fernandez, City Clerk Kelly Michaels, City Manager Ed Lavallee, Assistant City Manager James Clinch, Deputy City Clerk Mercedes Barcia, Deputy City Clerk Toni Cone, Recording Secretary Amanda Hawkins-Brown and for certain items on the agenda: Fire Chief Frank Giddens, Police Captain Andy Leisenring, Finance Director Linda Senne, Planning and Zoning Director Roger Clark, Director of Public Works and Asset Management Rick Simpson, Assistant Director of Public Works and Asset Management Ashlee Castle, Building Official Steve Beckman, and Arborist Jim Yelverton.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Clerk Michaels provided the invocation and Ms. Frank lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. RECOGNITION

[22-5878](#)

Swearing in: Firemedics Matthew McKenzie, Sarah Wengerd, Cory Storch, and Joel Neagles

Clerk Michaels performed this swearing in.

[22-5879](#)

Swearing in: Firefighter/Paramedics Eric Huovinen, David Montiel, and Anthony Fontaine

Clerk Michaels performed this swearing in.

[22-5880](#)

Swearing in: Firemedic Brandon Dilmore Promoted to Lieutenant

This swearing in was postponed.

[22-5881](#)

Swearing in: Lieutenant Christopher Ripo Promoted to Battalion Chief

Clerk Michaels performed this swearing in.

[22-5882](#)

Swearing in: Lieutenant Matthew Tomer Promoted to Division Chief

Clerk Michaels performed this swearing in.

[22-5883](#)

Swearing in: Battalion Chief Kyle Hartley Promoted to Assistant Fire Chief

Recess was taken from 9:10 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.

Clerk Michaels performed this swearing in.

A motion was made by Dr. Feidler, seconded by Mrs. Frank to move Item No. 22-5895 to follow Item No. 22-5890 on the agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION will be limited to one hour.

Curt Whittaker, 613 W Venice Ave, spoke on Land Development Regulation (LDR) petition.

Steve Thomaston, 329 Montelluna Drive, representative of the Venetian Golf and River Club (VGRC), spoke on objections to commercial development on south side Laurel Road.

Ruth Cordner, 246 Montelluna Drive, spoke on text messages received regarding Laurel Road Development.

Tom Jones, 338 Montelluna Drive, spoke on changes to the noise ordinance.

III. CONSENT SECTION:

A. CITY CLERK

[22-5885](#)

Minutes of the November 29, 2022 Certification of Election Results and Regular Meeting

These minutes were approved on the Consent Agenda.

[22-5884](#)

Appoint Steve Carr to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to Serve a Term From 1/1/2023 to 12/31/2025

This appointment was approved on the Consent Agenda.

B. CITY MANAGER

Engineering

[22-5886](#)

Authorize the Mayor to Accept Utility Easement from Hatchett Creek Associates, LLC, Identified as Waterfront on Hatchett Creek

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

[22-5887](#)

Authorize the Mayor to Execute the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection Standard Grant Agreement Number 22SRP76 for \$625,000 to Design and Construct Tarpon Center Drive Nature Based Flood Mitigation Pilot Project

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

IV. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT

V. PRESENTATIONS AT 10 A.M.

[22-5889](#)

Diane Cominotti, Planning Department Director, Sarasota County Schools, and Amy Anderson, Planning Analyst, Sarasota County Schools: 2022 Educational Facilities Impact Fees (10 min.)

Diane Cominotti, Sarasota County Schools Director of Planning, and Amy Anderson Planning Analyst, Sarasota County School, presented adopted impact fees for educational facilities, 2022 Educational Impact Fees Study, fee schedule by dwelling type, and Florida county comparisons.

[22-5888](#)

Dr. Shawn Landry, Research Associate Professor, School of Geosciences, Director, University of South Florida Water Institute, and Jim Yelverton, City Arborist/Tree Program Administrator: 2020 City of Venice Tree Canopy Analysis Presentation (15 min.)

Jim Ylverton, Arborist, and Dr. Shawn Landry provided a presentation on Tree Canopy Analysis including research contributors, changes from 2010 to 2020, map of coverage, potential planting sites, urban heat island, canopy by neighborhood, canopy on City properties, canopy in right-of-ways, stormwater benefits, estimated potential storm debris from trees, post Hurricane Ian losses, and answered Council questions regarding canopy loss compared to similar cities, the City adjusting toward the median, types of trees that are more storm resistant, recommendation list for developers in Land Development Regulations (LDRs), Florida friendly tree list, future planning of replacing trees, urban heat levels in specific areas, and outreach to residents for tree recommendations.

Recess was taken from 10:15 a.m. to 10:25 a.m.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING

ORD. NO.
2022-29

An Ordinance of the City of Venice, Florida, Amending the 2017-2027 Comprehensive Plan Pursuant to Petition No. 22-36CP by Amending Strategy LU-LR 1.1.1 Mixed Use Corridor (MUC) by Changing the Percent Allocation of Residential and Non-Residential Uses Within the Laurel Road Neighborhood; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Pachota opened the public hearing.

Written communications were provided in advance and no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Pachota closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Boldt, seconded by Ms. Moore, that Ordinance No. 2022-29 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

ORD. NO.
2022-30

An Ordinance of the City of Venice, Florida, Amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 46, Parks and Recreation, Article III, Conduct in Parks, Section 46-62, General Rules and Regulations for All Parks, Beaches and Recreational Areas; By Prohibiting Smoking Except as Exempted by the Florida Legislature; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Pachota opened the public hearing.

Written communications were provided in advance and no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Pachota closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Longo, that Ordinance No. 2022-30 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

ORD. NO.
2022-31

An Ordinance of the City Of Venice, Florida, Amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 87, Land Development Code, Section 1.7.2 Specific Application Requirements, Section 1.10.1 Preliminary Plat (Quasi-Judicial Application), Section 1.15.3 Minor Site and Development Plan, Section 1.15.4 Minor Preliminary Plat Amendment, Section 2.2.2 Residential Zoning Districts, Section 3.1.4 Building Placement Requirements, Section 3.5.2 Exempt Signs, Section 3.5.4 Permitted Signs, Section 3.6.2 Electrical Vehicles and Charging Standards, Section 3.7.5 Parking Lot Landscaping Requirements, Section 6.2.2 Exemptions, Section 6.7. Residential Garage Sales, Section 7.3. Manager of Historic Resources, Figure 7.6.3 Architectural Control Districts Overlay Map, Section 7.7. Local Register and Landmarks, Section 7.8.1 Certificate of Architectural Compliance (CAC), Section 7.10.9 Fences and Walls, Section 8.5. Nonconforming Structures, and Chapter 88, Building Regulations, Sections 3.2 and 3.3, Pursuant to Text Amendment Petition No. 22-54AM, by Correcting Clerical Errors, Omissions, and Other Regulatory and Procedural Issues; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Pachota opened the public hearing.

There were no written communications and no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Pachota closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Boldt, seconded by Mr. Howard, that Ordinance No. 2022-31 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

ORD. NO.
2022-32

An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Venice, Florida, Chapter 6, Alcoholic Beverages, Article II, Alcoholic Beverage Establishments, Section 6-40, Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages or Possession of an Open Container on Public Property and Right-of Way Prohibited; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Pachota opened the public hearing.

Written communications were provided in advance and no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Pachota closed the public hearing.

Discussion took place regarding concerns of the ordinance commencement, and increased complaints in areas where allowed.

A motion was made by Mr. Howard, seconded by Mr. Longo, that Ordinance No. 2022-32 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Pachota, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank and Mr. Howard

No: 2 - Dr. Fiedler and Mr. Longo

ORD. NO.
2022-33

An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Venice, Florida, Chapter 2, Administration, Article VIII, Boards, Section 2-383, Public Art Advisory Board, Modifying the Membership Composition; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Pachota opened the public hearing.

There were no written communications and no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Pachota closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Ms. Moore, seconded by Vice Mayor Boldt, that Ordinance No. 2022-33 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

ORD. NO.
2022-35

An Ordinance of the City of Venice, Florida, Providing an Annual Update of the Five Year Capital Improvement Schedule for Fiscal Years 2023-2027 Including a Long Range Schedule of Capital Improvements for Years 2028-2032 Contained in the Appendix of the City of Venice 2017-2027 Comprehensive Plan; Providing for Repeal of all Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Pachota opened the public hearing.

There were no written communications.

Planning and Zoning Director Clark provided an update on the changes made, ranking remained the same and adding the widening of Jacaranda.

Discussion took place regarding moving mitigation of Pinebrook Road to number three and widening of Jacaranda Boulevard to number four, and

aligning with priorities of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

No one signed up to speak.

Mayor Pachota closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Dr. Fiedler, seconded by Mr. Longo, that Ordinance No. 2022-35 be approved and adopted, with the addition of the widening of Jacaranda Boulevard from Laurel Road to Border Road to number four in the schedule. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES

ORD. NO.
2022-34

An Ordinance of the City of Venice, Florida, Amending the Code of Ordinances Chapter 62, Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places, Article V, Public Right-Of-Way and Public Property Permits, Section 62-121, Activities Requiring Permit, Section 62-122, Exemptions, Section 62-123, Application, Section 62-124, Issuance; Conditions; Transfer, Section 62-125, Prohibitions, Section 62-126, Schedule of Fees and Charges, Section 62-127, Liability Insurance; Identification of City, Section 62-128, Violations; Enforcement, and Sections 62-129 to 62-150, Reserved; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Assistant City Manager Clinch and Planning and Zoning Director Clark presented on the history of the permitting process, code modified to alleviate congestion on sidewalks and to implement a more administratively efficient process, two workshops held, collected data from other cities, proposing an annual approval, increased cleanliness standards, enforcement provisions through code enforcement, complexity of larger fee bases, small number of participating businesses, and answered Council questions on fairness for business size, staff discretion, clarifying language, one time permit unless changes take place, current permit holders, enforcement logistics, option of space rental fee, monitoring staff cost compared to revenue, and one time fee compared to an annual fee.

City Attorney Fernandez and City Manager Lavallee clarified current ordinance language, the cost to be set by City Manager, and ability to proceed with clarification of details reviewed and final approved given at second reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Longo, seconded by Ms. Moore, that Ordinance No. 2022-34 be approved on first reading and scheduled for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

Recess taken from 11:21 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

ORD. NO.
2022-36

An Ordinance of the City of Venice, Florida, Amending the Code of Ordinances Chapter 34, Environment, Article II, Noise Control, Section 34-31, Definitions, Section 34-32, Penalty, Section 34-33 Additional Remedies, Section 34-34 Prohibited Noise Generally, Section 34-35, Specific Prohibitions, Section 34-36, Maximum Permissible Sound Levels by Receiving Land Use, Section 34-37 Exemptions From Article, Section 34-38 Method of Measurement, Section 34-39, Special Permit to Exceed Noise Limits, and Section 34-40 to 34-60, Reserved; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Assistant City Manager Clinch and Police Captain Leisenring presented information on the noise ordinance comprehensive rewrite to include history, enforcement, consistency with Sarasota County code, revision to measuring process, review of historical complaints, tiers of enforcement, adjustments to allowable noise level to compensate for changes to measuring method, and answered Council questions on tables clarifications, time scales, and clarification of review by property use.

Discussion took place regarding concerns for tables, need for update, and benefits of using Sarasota County data.

A motion was made by Ms. Moore, seconded by Vice Mayor Boldt, that Ordinance No. 2022-36 be approved on first reading, with the correction of changing the reference in subsection 18 regarding power tools from 17 to 19, and scheduled for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Mayor Pachota, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

No: 1 - Dr. Fiedler

Recess taken from 12:05 p.m. to 1:05 p.m.

ORD. NO.
2022-38

An Ordinance of the City of Venice, Florida, Amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, Article II, Mayor and Council, Division 1, Generally, Section 2-31, Compensation, and Division II, Meetings, Subdivision II, Rules of Procedure, Section 2-75, Presiding Officer; Voting; Motions and Debate; Preservation of Order; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability;

and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Boldt, seconded by Ms. Moore, that Ordinance No. 2022-38 be approved on first reading and scheduled for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

B. RESOLUTIONS

RES. NO. 2022-31

A Resolution of the City of Venice, Florida, Authorizing the Venice City Council to Participate in a Joint Meeting with Sarasota County, the Cities of North Port and Sarasota, the Town of Longboat Key and the Sarasota County School Board to Receive, Discuss and Act Upon Matters of Mutual Interest; and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Longo, seconded by Vice Mayor Boldt, that Resolution No. 2022-31 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

RES. NO. 2022-32

A Resolution of the City of Venice, Florida, Accepting Utilities and Improvements Installed by Hatchett Creek Associates, LLC and Accepting a One Year Developers Maintenance Bond and Bill of Sale, and Providing an Effective Date (Waterfront at Hatchett Creek)

City Clerk Michaels read the resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Ms. Moore, seconded by Mr. Longo, that Resolution No. 2022-32 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

RES. NO. 2022-33

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Venice, Sarasota County, Florida, Adopting an Amended Policy for Board Appointments; Superseding Resolution No. 2020-38 and all Policies in Conflict Herewith; and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Howard, seconded by Dr. Fiedler, that Resolution No. 2022-33 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

C. COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

22-5890

City Attorney Kelly Fernandez, Planning and Zoning Director Roger Clark,

and Assistant City Manager James Clinch: Land Development Regulations (LDR) Citizen Petition Update

City Attorney Fernandez reviewed the outside counsel memorandum.

Assistant City Manager Clinch and Planning and Zoning Director Clark presented the process of creation of the new LDRs, the citizens referendum details, past meetings with Venice Unites, focus on the six items of concern, building height history, industry measuring standards, affects on roof lines, negative affect on property rights, causing non-conforming properties, complications with rezoning, option to add note to allow height exception to property north of Tampa Avenue only, Planned Unit Development (PUD) neighborhood description, commercial use size scale, policy 8.2 is disbursed throughout new LDRs, Unified Control percentages, the merging of boards and creation of the Historic and Architectural Preservation Board (HAPB), creation of historic districts by application, importance of maintaining property rights, protected species guidelines, and Planning Department monitoring and requesting revisions where needed.

Assistant City Manager Clinch addressed the process the petitioners selected, Council's options including continuing communications with the petitioners and public or to take no action at this time.

Discussion took place in regards to rejecting petition filing, having a special session, taking no action today, jeopardizing compliance with State of Florida, possible amendment to City Charter to address the petition process, staff recommendation to not accept filing to prevent liability to City's operations, and six month window for signatures.

A motion was made by Dr. Fiedler, seconded by Mayor Pachota, to schedule a special meeting for January 5, 2023 in the afternoon, to discuss the Land Development Regulations and Citizen Petition. The vote was postponed until after Item 22-5895.

[22-5895](#)

Attorney Ron Smith: Venice Unites (15 min.) (Dr. Fiedler)

Ron Smith, Attorney, and Jan Vertufille, Public Relations, presented the petition, signature collection, working towards a settlement, petitioner focus now for four key points, 35 feet limit to roof peak, removing streets from Edge District, PUDs protection from large commercial buildings, unified control requiring 80% of homeowners, wildlife assessment on all lots and answered Council question on number of obtained signatures.

[22-5890](#)

City Attorney Kelly Fernandez, Planning and Zoning Director Roger Clark, and Assistant City Manager James Clinch: Land Development Regulations (LDR) Citizen Petition Update

Discussion took place regarding moving public meeting to January 6, 2023, and providing revised suggestions prior to meeting to prepare staff comments.

City Attorney Fernandez recommended the City Clerk not accept petition signatures if submitted prior to January 6, 2023.

A motion was made by Dr. Fiedler, seconded by Mayor Pachota, to schedule a special meeting for January 5, 2023 in the afternoon, to discuss the Land Development Regulations and Citizen Petition.

Discussion took place regarding the scheduling of the meeting.

Dr. Fielder amended the motion, seconded by Mayor Pachota, to schedule a special meeting for January 6, 2023 between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. regarding the Land Development Regulations and Citizen Petition. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

Recess taken from 2:20 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

[22-5891](#)

Legislative Referral to Add Aquaculture to the Environmental Advisory Board's Annual Agenda for Further Study of the Environmental Effects of the Current Ocean Era Aquaculture Demonstration Project in the Gulf of Mexico

Discussion took place on timing of request, and amending to apply to 2023 agenda year.

A motion was made by Mr. Longo, seconded by Mr. Howard, to approve the addition of aquaculture to the Environmental Advisory Board's annual agenda for further study of the environmental effects of the current Ocean Era Aquaculture Demonstration Project in the Gulf of Mexico off Sarasota County, for 2022 and 2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Vice Mayor Boldt, Ms. Moore, Mrs. Frank, Mr. Longo and Mr. Howard

[22-5892](#)

Report from the Environmental Advisory Board on Council's Legislative Referral for Methods to Reduce or Eliminate Single Use Plastic Water Bottles in All Municipal Buildings (Chair Tom Jones)

This item was postponed to a future meeting.

[22-5893](#)

Discuss Revisions to Council Attendance Policy Due to Charter Amendment Passage (Attorney Fernandez)

City Attorney Fernandez provided an update on charter revisions by citizen vote, existing resolution on attendance in regards to appearing virtually, and options to either add set list of reasons or have it excused by vote each meeting.

Discussion took place regarding ability to define reasons, vagueness of listed reasons, abuse of privilege of virtual attendance, advanced notice of absence, members being accountable to citizens, verbiage, accepted standard to attend virtually, and right to revoke if being abused.

There was consensus to have the City Attorney revise the Council Attendance Resolution to state that a Council Member who notifies the City Clerk in advance with a request to attend a Council meeting virtually will be deemed excused by the Council, and to add language that the right to attend virtually could be revoked if necessary.

D. PRESENTATIONS - CONTINUED

22-5894

Fire Chief Frank Giddens, Finance Director Linda Senne, Building Official Steve Beckman, Public Works Director Ricky Simpson and Assistant Director of Public Works and Asset Management Ashlee Castle: Hurricane Ian After Action Staff Update (15 min.)

Finance Director Senne and Fire Chief Giddens presented update on hurricane Ian recovery, post impact actions, and a finance update.

Building Official Beckman presented building damage assessments, repair plans, examples of field reports on virtual inspections, and advantages of the virtual inspections.

Public Works Director Simpson and Assistant Public Works Director Castle presented public works update, debris removal details, sport parks updates, and staffing morale. City Council stated appreciation for public works staff.

Fire Chief Giddens presented an after action report, communications review, training opportunities, partnership with community organization, update critical facilities and surrounding organizations after actions meetings.

Discussion took place regarding efficiency, interdepartmental relationships, minor damages clarifications, and recovery time frames.

VIII. CHARTER OFFICER REPORTS

City Attorney

City Attorney had no report.

City Clerk

Deputy Clerk Cone had no report.

City Manager

City Manager Lavallee spoke on a working agreement with Sarasota County, interlocal agreement advantages, hurricane recovery staff efforts among personal losses, support provided to Sarasota County, and benefits of new fire station.

IX. COUNCIL REPORTS***Council Member Frank***

Mrs. Frank reported on the Community Action Agency meeting, funds disbursements, projection for future support funding, and increase in rent assistance funding.

Council Member Howard

Mr. Howard reported on the Planning Commission meeting, and looking forward to more education on planning and zoning.

Council Member Moore

Ms. Moore reported on the Historic and Architectural Preservation Board (HAPB) meeting, staff resource, Epiphany Cathedral renovation, repairs to historic storefronts, and an airport visit.

Council Member Fiedler

Dr. Fiedler spoke on reviewing the dais arrangement.

Council Member Longo

Mr. Longo had no report.

Vice Mayor Boldt

Vice Mayor Boldt had no board reports.

Mayor Pachota

Mayor Patchota reported on the Florida League of City Conference, upcoming firehouse pancake breakfast, and Blue Santa with Police Department program.

X. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Judy Cross, 1585 Tarpon Center Drive, spoke on her love of Venice, membership with Venice Unites, and LDR proceedings.

Ruth Cordner, 246 Montelluna Drive, spoke on LDRs, previous discussion at meetings, and unified control concerns.

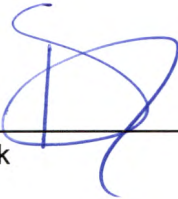
XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

ATTEST:



Mayor - City of Venice



City Clerk