

MEMO City of Venice Engineering Department

To: Edward Lavallee, City Manager

From: Kathleen Weeden, PE, City Engineer

Date: July 25, 2014

Subject: Beach Renourishment Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement

Background:

On December 23, 1993, the City entered into a Local Cooperation Agreement with the Army Corp of Engineers (ACOE) to complete 50 years of renourishment of Venice Beach. The initial nourishment was completed in 1995/1996 in two phases and the first renourishment event was completed in 2005. The ACOE and the City are ready to move forward with the 2nd Renourishment Event scheduled to begin construction in November 2014. As part of the permitting processing, permission was needed from the State of Florida to access the offshore borrow areas to obtain sand for the beach renourishment event. Through the approval process, the State has agreed to grant the City of Venice a Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement. Staff recommends execution of the attached easement.

Requested Council Action:

Motion to authorize the Mayor to execute Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement No. 41691 for four offshore borrow areas needed for the Beach Renourishment Project.

City Attorney: Reviewed and approved.