



MEMORANDUM TO VENICE CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH CHARTER OFFICER: Edward Lavalley, City Manager

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FROM: Citizens Advisory Board

DEPARTMENT: Planning & Zoning

DATE: January 30, 2025

MEETING DATE: February 11, 2025

SUBJECT / TOPIC: Review Citizens Advisory Board Recommendation for City Council to approve placement of a John Nolen statue and other interpretive elements in Centennial Park

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Venice Area Beautification, Inc., and the Venice Area Historical Society are proposing the placement of a John Nolen Statue. The requested location is Centennial Park in the southeast corner of the park. Staff from Public Works met with the applicant to confirm the space and Public Works staff will assist with the installation.

The statue is of John Nolen sitting on a bench. He will be holding a copy of the Plan of Venice and inviting people to sit next to him. It will be life size. An interpretive piece will describe Nolen and other work he accomplished. It will be secured to a cement base and visible from city security cameras.

At the January 29, 2025 Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) meeting, the CAB made the following motion:

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis seconded by Ms. Moscatelli to recommend to City Council approval of the application along with the proposed interpretive elements.

Staff has reviewed the application and found it complete.



Location in Centennial Park

SUPPORTS STRATEGIC PLAN: Goal One: Keep Venice Beautiful and Eco-Friendly

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED: For Council Adoption by Motion

Yes	N/A	
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