

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING THE 500 TO 700 BLOCKS OF WEST VENICE AVENUE INCLUSIVE OF THE ADJACENT HERITAGE PARK AS A CANOPY ROAD PER CITY CODE CHAPTER 89 ENVIRONMENTAL, SECTION 3.4.9.; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, tree canopy provides many benefits to the health and welfare of the City's residents by lowering temperatures, providing stormwater retention and contributing to community aesthetics; and

WHEREAS, the preservation and management of trees and the urban tree canopy are a vital part of sustainable community growth and the long-term well-being of the City; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to protect areas of the City with substantial tree canopy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 89, Section 3.4.9. of the City's Code of Ordinances, the City Council may designate certain roads that meet specific criteria as Canopy Roads; and

WHEREAS, City staff requested a Canopy Road designation for the 500 to 700 blocks of West Venice Avenue inclusive of the adjacent Heritage Park; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2024, the City Council held a properly noticed public hearing on the potential Canopy Road designation as required by Section 3.4.9.A.; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the 500 to 700 blocks of West Venice Avenue inclusive of the adjacent Heritage Park meet the criteria for Canopy Road designation in Section 3.4.9.B.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The foregoing Whereas clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as true and correct and are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. The City hereby designates the 500 to 700 blocks of West Venice Avenue and the adjacent Heritage Park as a "Canopy Road".

SECTION 3. A Canopy Road Protection Zone shall extend 15 feet laterally from the edge of pavement of the Canopy Road. Tree permit fees for trimming and pruning shall be waived in this Canopy Road Protection Zone.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE VENICE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024.

Nick Pachota, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Michaels, MMC, City Clerk

I, Kelly Michaels, MMC, City Clerk of the City of Venice, Florida, a municipal corporation in Sarasota County, Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and complete, true, and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Venice, Florida, at a meeting thereof duly convened and held on the 19th day of November 2024, a quorum being present.

WITNESS my hand and official seal of said City this 19th day of November 2024.

Kelly Michaels, MMC, City Clerk

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Approved as to form:

Kelly Fernandez, City Attorney