

# **City of Venice**

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# Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

# **ROLL CALL**

Present: 7 -

7 - Council Member Jim Bennett, Council Member Emilio Carlesimo, Council Member Kit McKeon, Council Member David Sherman, Council Member Jeanette Gates, Council Member Bob Daniels and Mayor John Holic

# Also Present

City Attorney Dave Persson, City Clerk Lori Stelzer, City Manager Ed Lavallee, Recording Secretary Judy Gamel, and for certain items on the agenda: Utilities Director Len Bramble, Finance Director Jeff Snyder, Public Works Director John Veneziano, Airport Administrator Chris Rozansky, and Planner Roger Clark.

# **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ms. Stelzer offered the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Persson.

# I. RECOGNITION

14-0592

Recognition of Area Schools 2014 American Water Works Association Poster Contest Winners: Emily Weber - 5th Grade Venice Elementary; Paulina Granados Martinez - 5th Grade Venice Elementary; Juliana Courville - 4th Grade Epiphany Cathedral; Alexis Myer - 5th Grade Epiphany Cathedral

Ms. Gates presented these recognitions.

14-0593

Proclaim May 17 through May 23, 2014 as National Safe Boating Week, Presented to Commander Julie McGarr, Venice Sail and Power Squadron

Ms. McGarr presented Mayor Holic with a plaque declaring him an honorary member of the Venice Sail and Power Squadron.

Mr. McKeon presented this proclamation.

14-0594	Proclaim the Month of May, 2014 as Civility Month, Presented to City Attorney Dave Persson
	Mr. Bennett presented this proclamation.
14-0595	Proclaim the Month of May as Building Safety Month, Presented to Vince LaPorta, Building Official
	Mr. Sherman presented this proclamation.
14-0596	Proclamation, National Public Works Week, May 18 - 24, 2014, Presented to Director of Public Works John Veneziano
	Mr. Daniels presented this proclamation.
14-0597	Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the 2013/2014 Budget from the Government Finance Officers Association Presented to Finance Director Jeff Snyder
	Mr. Carlesimo presented this Award.

#### II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Kelly Oliver, 607 Country Club Way, spoke on behalf of the Suncoast BBQ Bash, requested relief of costs, and responded to questions relating to volunteer manpower hours.

Steve Arvey, Bradenton resident, member of the music community, requested consideration of musical performances when council reviews the proposed noise ordinance, responded to council's questions regarding decibel levels, and offered support of the Sarasota County ordinance.

Peter Scappatora, member of the entertainment community, commented on the Sarasota County noise ordinance and offered his opinion on acceptable decibel levels.

John Peshkin, developer, and Jeff Boone, attorney, commented on the Portofino Development, displayed photographs, and expressed concerns regarding the proposed location of a Peace River emergency meter. Mr. Bramble reviewed efforts to resolve this issue. Discussion ensued regarding relocation of the meter, above ground storage tanks, and future interconnection needs.

Scott Kwiatkowski, Venice Relay for Life Co-chair, requested relief of costs for the event.

Maggie Riggall, representing Special Athletic Boosters and Special Olympics, urged council members to approve relief of cost request

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John Ryan, Venice Area Chamber of Commerce, requested that the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Workshop be scheduled in the late afternoon when more residents could attend.

#### III. CONSENT SECTION:

Ms. Gates requested Con. No. 06-2014 be removed from the consent section for discussion. Following discussion this item remained on the consent agenda.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that the items in the Consent section, with the exception of Con. No. 06-2014 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates, Mr. Daniels and Mayor Holic

#### A. MAYOR

14-0598

Appoint Josette Aramini to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to Serve a Term from July 1, 2014 until June 30, 2017

This Appointment was approved on the Consent Agenda.

#### B. CITY CLERK

14-0599

Approval of Minutes - February 11, March 11, and March 25, 2014 Regular Meetings; April 30, June 10, September 17, 2013 and March 4, 2014 Special Meetings; June 10, 2013 (5) Workshops and March 27, 2013 Strategic Planning Workshop

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Agenda.

#### C. CITY ATTORNEY

### D. CITY MANAGER

#### Airport

CON. NO. 06-2014

Approve Contract for Shade Hangar Replacement at Venice Municipal Airport (ITB # 2982-14) with Slack Construction for \$214,033

Ms. Gates commented on the awarded bid of \$200,000, local bid preference, concern with the complication of the bid process, and new building versus remodeling the existing one.

Discussion followed on the cost of building new compared to remodeling, possible change orders, communication, and costs to submit a bid.

Mr. Rozansky provided an overview of the property to include structural

analysis, removal of the local preference provision, commented on potential change orders, and provided clarification on proposal restrictions.

This Contract was approved on the Consent Agenda.

# Engineering

14-0600 Cooperative Funding Agreement Between the Southwest Florida Water

Management District and the City of Venice for Venice Outfall 1 and 2

Improvements

This Agreement was approved on the Consent Agenda.

CON. NO. 07-2014

Approval of the Cooperative Purchase with Layne Inliner, LLC Utilizing Sarasota County Contract 2014-034 for Cured in Place Pipe (CIPP)

Sectional Lining of Stormwater Pipeline Infrastructure in the Amount not

to Exceed \$194,475.23

This Contract was approved on the Consent Agenda.

# **IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

14-0601

Execute Quit Claim Deed from the City of Venice to Sarasota County to Convey Right-of-Way and all Improvements for the North-South Connector (Jacaranda Boulevard)

This item was postponed until the May 27, 2014 city council meeting.

# V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# ORDINANCES - FINAL READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORD. NO. 2014-12 Amending Ordinance No. 98-29, Which Adopted a Pre-annexation Agreement with Bill J. Morse; by Adopting a First and Second Amendment to the Pre-annexation Agreement, Both of Which Were to Remove a Provision that Required Sprinklers in all Structures (More Commonly Known as Portofino and Portions of Toscana Isles Properties)

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing.

Ms. Stelzer stated that no written communications have been received and that no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Bernett, that Ordinance No. 2014-12 be approved and aclosted. The motion

#### carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates, Mr. Daniels and Mayor Holic

# ORD. NO. 2014-13

Amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, Article II, Mayor and Council, Division 2, Meetings; Subdivision II, Rules of Procedure; Section 2-73, Time and Place of Regular Meetings to Provide for Flexibility in Scheduling City Council Meetings

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing.

Ms. Stelzer stated that no written communications have been received and that no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member Gates, seconded by Council Member Daniels, that Ordinance No. 2014-13 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates, Mr. Daniels and Mayor Holic

# ORD. NO. 2014-14

Amending Ordinance No. 2013-30 which Adopted the Official Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2013 and Ending September 30, 2014; by Increasing the Total Sources of Funds by \$21,891,745 and Total Uses of Funds by \$21,891,745 as Detailed in Exhibit "A"

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing.

Ms. Stelzer stated that no written communications have been received and that no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member Bennett, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that Ordinance No. 2014-14 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates, Mr. Daniels and Mayor Holic

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. PRESENTATIONS

#### 14-0602

City Engineer Kathleen Weeden and Police Chief Tom McNulty: Status of Traffic Signal at Intersection of Indian Avenue and Bahama Street (5 min.)

Ms. Weeden reviewed the project, and noted that stop signs would be installed at the site.

Discussion followed regarding the project being supported by the Sarasota County School Board, traffic flow on U.S. 41 Business while U.S. 41 Bypass is under construction, and providing council members with a traffic flow analysis.

Mr. Veneziano reviewed traffic signal maintenance and recommended exploration of Sarasota County assuming maintenance of nine signals on U.S. 41 Business and U.S. 41 Bypass.

Discussion followed on discussions with the county concerning assuming maintenance of the nine traffic signals, removing the signal at the intersection of Indian Avenue and Bahama Street, providing funding for signals not owned by the city, not being able to discontinue maintaining Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) traffic signals, and approval of annual agreements.

14-0603 Director of Public Works John Veneziano: Department Update (10 min.)

Mr. Veneziano reviewed cell phone applications, recycling history, parks maintenance, general maintenance of city hall and Americans with Disability Act (ADA) bus stop at Venice Beach, and current programs and projects including establishing a formal process for memorial benches, a shade structure at Centennial Park, Park Makeover Day, ADA park transition plan, Challenger Baseball, parks master plan, and establishing a maintenance plan, and answered council's questions concerning Challenger Baseball's schedule.

14-0604 Airport Administrator Chris Rozansky: Department Update (10 min.)

Mr. Rozansky reviewed airport operations to include noise complaints, fuel sales, hangar occupancy, expecting a response from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regarding the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) matters, public input regarding airport remodeling projects, staffing, request for letters of interest, the potential for a three lane road through festival grounds, and the Joint Automated Capital Improvement Program (JACIP) project, and grant funding, and responded to council's questions regarding airplane parking spaces and tie downs, rental income, and council members attending the bid opening.

#### **B. RESOLUTIONS**

RES. NO. 2014-18 Approving the Appointment of Tonni Bartholomew as a Deputy City Clerk for the Purpose of Authenticating any Written Instrument Obligating the City for Payment of Money, Attesting Signatures on Official Documents and Administering Oaths of Office; and Revoking the Appointment of Lydia Magnotti as Deputy City Clerk; Rescinding Resolution No. 2013-04

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that Resolution No. 2014-18 be approved and adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Bennett, Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Gates, Mr. Daniels and Mayor Holic

#### C. COUNCIL ACTION

14-0605 Establish Budget Amount and Allocation of Amounts for Special Events for Fiscal Year 2013-14

Mr. McKeon referenced and reviewed the city manager's handout regarding the Special Events Calendar, and detailed costs, and relief requested and provided the existing \$10,000 allotment.

Mr. Clark responded to questions relating to event funding amounts.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Carlesimo, to direct staff to commit another \$4,700.00 for the support of special events for fiscal year 2014. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

14-0552 Request for Relief of Costs for Relay for Life - April 25-26, 2014

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Carlesimo, to approve Item Nos. 14-0552, 14-0553, and 14-0606 when funds become available.

Mr. Clark reviewed each event request.

Mr. Sherman withdrew his motion.

Discussion followed regarding the percentage requested for each event.

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Bennett, to approve up to 50 percent relief of costs, as funds become available, for the Relay for Life, Suncoast BBQ Bash, and Shark's Tooth Festival. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

14-0553 Request for Relief of Costs for Suncoast BBQ Bash - April 18-19, 2014

Discussion on this item can be found in Item No. 14-0552.

14-0606 Request for Relief of Costs for Shark's Tooth Festival April 11-13, 2014

Discussion on this item can be found in Item No. 14-0552.

14-0608 Wellfield Park - Venice Area Youth Soccer Association (VAYSA)

Complaints

Without objection, Mayor Holic reordered the agenda to discuss Item No.

14-0608.

Pat Calhoon, Sarasota County Sports Director and Athletic Manager, reviewed previous discussions regarding complaints.

Mark Reese, VAYSA President, clarified earlier comments and complaints sent in an e-mail, and requested that additional lighting be provided.

Discussion ensued regarding lighting and the construction of an additional field.

Council members commented on lowering city costs for special events.

#### VII. CHARTER OFFICER REPORTS

# City Attorney

Mr. Perssons responded to council's questions regarding the reduction of police service fees, advised council not to reduce the costs, stated the code does not fully explain fees for special events, recommended a revision of the code once fees are set, and noted he will work with Mr. Snyder to review the procurement process.

# City Clerk

#### City Manager

Mr. Lavallee commented on the MSTU for sheriff's services, and noted he will further discuss with the respective cities.

#### VIII. COUNCIL REPORTS

# Mayor Holic

#### 14-0607

Venice Civilian Police Academy

Mr. Sherman provided a report on the academy, which he attended.

Mayor Holic reported on road exchange discussions at the Sarasota County Commission meeting, Council of Governments (COG) discussions regarding the CIP workshop, upcoming parking workshops, the May 21 ceremony for fallen police officers at the North Port City Hall, and incorrectly addressed correspondence regarding the Tervis Tumbler groundbreaking ceremony.

# Council Member Carlesimo

#### 14-0609

Discuss the Time and Format of the Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Workshop

Mr. Carlesimo suggested an evening meeting on CRA be held for attendance by the public.

Bob Cushing presented Investing in Downtown Venice, A Core Asset for the City, including background information concerning the priority to maintain Venice as a vibrant city; the opportunity to proactively plan for investments in downtown; the need to plan and prioritize land use and capital projects, and funding options.

Discussion followed on this being further discussed at a workshop.

Mr. Carlesimo further reported on Sarasota CRA revenues report.

Discussion ensued on council member presentations, staff presenting CRA financial information, options to council members, and optional funding mechanisms being provided.

There was consensus that when Carol Westmoreland from Florida League of Cities schedules the workshop, it is scheduled at a time that business and employed citizens can attend.

Ms. Stelzer discussed scheduling concerns.

Discussion followed regarding the need for additional information, budgeting, and council members presentations at the workshop.

A motion was made by Council Member Gates, seconded by Council Member Daniels, to approve establishing a date for the Community Redevelopment Area Workshop when all council members are available to attend. The motion carried by voice vote with Mr. Carlesimo opposed.

#### **Council Member Daniels**

# 14-0610 Reclaim Water Use/Cost Savings

Mr. Daniels discussed reclaimed water usage, and evaluation by stakeholders.

Mr. Bramble responded to council's questions regarding the use of old city cast iron lines.

Discussion ensued regarding providing reclaimed water service.

#### 14-0611 Venetian Walk Fountain

Mr. Daniels discussed the request to install a fountain and stated that Venice Area Beautification Inc. (VABI) would coordinate and fund the project. Mr. McKeon reviewed the planning commission's discussions concerning public notice timing, and variance criteria revisions.

Mr. Carlesimo reported on a SCAT meeting regarding the expansion of bus routes and trolleys, and the parks and recreation advisory board discussions on the croquet club installing a canopy.

# IX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

No one signed up to speak.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

ATTEST:

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