



City of Venice

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Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, April 22, 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 - 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: Police Chief Tom McNulty, Planner Roger Clark, Finance Director Jeff Snyder, Director of Administrative Services Alan Bullock, Historical Director James Hagler, City Engineer Kathleen Weeden, Marketing and Communications Officer Pam Johnson, Community Development Director Jeff Shrum, and Assistant Utility Director Tim Hochuli.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

I. RECOGNITION

14-0546

Swearing In: Patrol Officers Erin Mungavin and Benjamin Neff and Sergeant Aleksander Gregoire

Mayor Holic announced that Patrol Officer Erin Mungavin and Sergeant Aleksander Gregoire would arrive late.

Mayor Holic swore in Patrol Officer Benjamin Neff.

Without objection, Mayor Holic reordered the agenda to discuss Item No. 14-0549 at 1:30 p.m.

Mayor Holic introduced Assistant City Clerk Tonni Bartholemew.

II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Julie Stalnaker, President of Venice Nokomis Rotary Club, thanked council members for approving relief of costs for the Rotary Art Festival event.

Kelly Oliver, speaking on behalf of the Suncoast BBQ Bash Committee, requested relief of costs for the BBQ Bash event, and responded to council's questions on the profit percentage that goes back into the community, and funding of the infrastructure project at the airport festival grounds.

III. CONSENT SECTION:

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Sherman, to approve items in the consent section. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

A. CITY CLERK

14-0547 Approval of Minutes: February 25, 2014 Regular Meeting; January 18, 2013 Special Meeting; January 28, 2014 Strategic Planning Workshop; February 11, 2013 and March 25, 2013 Consent Agenda Workshops

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Agenda.

B. CITY MANAGER

Engineering

14-02FP Approve Final Plat, Laurel Road Parcel

This Final Plat was approved on the Consent Agenda.

14-0548 Approve Bill of Sale for Cattle Fencing to Neal Communities of Southwest Florida, LLC

This Agreement was approved on the Consent Agenda.

14-03FP Approve Final Plat, Venetian Golf & River Club Phase 3F

This Final Plat was approved on the Consent Agenda.

14-04FP Approve Re-Plat of a Portion of Gulf View Section known as Higelville

This Re-Plat was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Utilities

CON. NO. Approve Agreement for Strategic Purchase of Water, Sewer and
05-2014 Related Materials (RFP# 2980-14), Ferguson Enterprises, d/b/a
Ferguson Waterworks, in the Amount of \$93,359.75

This Contract was approved on the Consent Agenda.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDINANCES – FINAL READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORD. NO. Providing for the Designation of the Structure Located at 504 S. Armada
2014-10 Road, Historically Known as Rose Hill Apartments, as a Structure of
Historic Significance Pursuant to Chapter 86, Land Development Code,
Article II, Administration and Review Authorities, Section 86-28, Historic
Preservation (Quasi-Judicial)

Mayor Holic announced this was a quasi-judicial procedure.

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing.

Mr. Persson queried council members on ex-parte communications and
conflicts of interest. Mr. Daniels disclosed an e-mail sent to Mr.
Lavallee.

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

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

**A motion was made by Council Member Carlesimo, seconded by Council Member
McKeon, that Ordinance No. 2014-10 be approved and adopted.**

Discussion took place regarding lack of communication with the property
owner, the owner's representation being on board with the project, and
the owner being informed of council's questions.

Ernest Ritz, contractor, advised that the owner lives in France and was
not able to attend prior council meetings.

Mayor Holic informed Mr. Ritz of regulations dealing with historic
restoration and Mr. Ritz stated that the property owner was fully
informed concerning historic restoration regulations.

Discussion ensued regarding the owner's supporting plans to restore the
building.

Upon Mayor Holic's request, Mr. Hagler clarified items referenced in the

staff memorandum.

Discussion continued regarding identification of the property's historic status prior to purchase, and clarification of existing processes to encourage development of historic properties.

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. Amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 46, Parks and Recreation,
2014-11 Article II, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Section 46-31, Established; Membership; Term of Members; Vacancies; to Remove the Ex-Officio from the Board; Section 46-35, Functions; to Expand the Jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing.

Ms. Stelzer stated that no written communication had been received and that no one had signed up to speak.

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Gates, that Ordinance No. 2014-11 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

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES

ORD. NO. Amending Ordinance No. 98-29, Which Adopted a Pre-annexation
2014-12 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 and stated that no one signed up to speak.

A motion was made by Council Member Gates, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that Ordinance No. 2014-12 be approved on first reading and scheduled for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 14-0546** Swearing In: Patrol Officers Erin Mungavin and Benjamin Neff and Sergeant Aleksander Gregoire

Mayor Holic swore in Patrol Officer Erin Mungavin.

- 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 and stated that no one signed up to speak.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that Ordinance No. 2014-13 be approved on first reading and scheduled for final reading.

Mayor Holic advised the ordinance was proposed in order to provide flexibility to cancel city council meetings when county commission meetings are canceled.

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.

Mr. Snyder provided an update concerning a settlement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Office of Inspector General (OIG), refinancing of the general obligation debt, beach renourishment, and airport grant funding.

Ms. Stelzer stated that no one signed up to speak.

A motion was made by Council Member Carlesimo, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that Ordinance No. 2014-14 be approved on first reading and scheduled for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

B. RESOLUTIONS

- RES. NO. 2014-14** Revoking the Appointment of Susan Schult as Deputy City Clerk and Rescinding Resolution No. 2011-35

Ms. Stelzer read the resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that Resolution 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

RES. NO. Amending the Personnel Procedures and Rules, 2013 Edition, Section
2014-15 1.14 Reclassification

Ms. Stelzer read the resolution by title only.

Mr. Bullock provided background information relating to grounds for the reclassification of positions, the procedural timeline, initiating reclassification requests, and the city manager having final approval.

Judith Keeler, 217 Park Boulevard, reviewed and handed out her analysis of city job descriptions and salaries, and compared those to the Director of Historical Resources position.

Discussion followed regarding prior efforts to reclassify the Director of Historical Resources position and variables of position responsibilities.

A motion was made by Council Member Gates, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that Resolution No. 2014-15 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

RES. NO. Adopting a Capital/Fixed Asset Policy; Rescinding Resolution No.
2014-16 2008-24

Ms. Stelzer read the resolution by title only.

Mr. Snyder provided background information relating to the timely disposal of city equipment, and responded to council's questions relating to the donation of city equipment to charitable organizations.

Discussion ensued regarding the reasonable extension of equipment disposal and Sarasota County's policy.

Mr. Lavallee provided clarification of the 60-day disposal process limit.

A motion was made by Council Member Carlesimo, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that Resolution No. 2014-16 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

RES. NO. Accepting Utilities and Improvements Installed by 0413, LLC, for
2014-17 Higelville at 800 Higel Drive

Ms. Stelzer read the resolution by title only.

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Daniels, that Resolution No. 2014-17 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

- 14-0549** Approve Interlocal Agreement Between City of Venice and Sarasota County Regarding the Transfer of County Maintained Local Roads on the Isle of Venice to the City of Venice and the Transfer of a Segment of Laurel Road and a Segment of Pinebrook Road, Including a Bridge, to Sarasota County

This item will be discussed in the afternoon portion of the agenda.

- 14-0550** Approve First Amendment to Pre-Annexation Agreement between the City of Venice and LALP Lots, LLC, Successor in Title and Interest to Bill J. Morse

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Bennett, to approve Item No. 14-0550. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 14-0551** Approve Second Amendment to Pre-Annexation Agreement between the City of Venice and OB Waterford, LLC, Successor in Title and Interest to Bill J. Morse

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Gates, that this Agreement 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

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

Recess was taken from 10:15 a.m. until 10:35 a.m.

Mayor Holic requested that at 1:30 p.m. the first item discussed will be Item No. 14-0549, followed by Item No. 14-0554. There was no objection.

Discussion ensued regarding addressing relief of costs for special events at the scheduled workshop.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Bennett, that Item Nos. 14-0552 and 14-0553 be postponed until the May 13, 2014 city council meeting after the scheduled workshop.

Discussion followed on increased costs of event operations.

The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

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

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

14-0554 Approve Special Event Agreement for Sarasota Chalk Festival - November 10-17, 2014

This item will be discussed in the afternoon portion of the agenda.

14-0555 Approve Envision Venice 2014-2015 Strategic Plan

Discussion took place on the strategic planning process.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Sherman, that Item No. 14-0555 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

14-0556 Approve Interlocal Agreement Between City of Venice and Sarasota County Relating to the Curry Creek Utility Service Area

A motion was made by Council Member Sherman, seconded by Council Member Gates, that Item No. 14-0556 be approved.

Mr. Hochuli answered questions relating to a prior interlocal agreement with Sarasota County to transfer roads, noting it would enhance the road transfer by eliminating city and county lines on the same side of the street.

Mr. Persson clarified that this action would prevent property owners from bearing the cost for both lines when two lines are placed next to one another.

Detailed discussion followed regarding city and county infrastructure.

Mr. Persson explained confusion between sunsetting the district and sunsetting the process, and expressed the need to further research the Curry Creek situation.

Mr. Lavallee stated that Sarasota County has claim to a portion of the revenue.

Jeff Boone, attorney representing the developer of Toscana Isles, provided historical background on the project and urged council members to support early planning of the infrastructure and support these issues in the Joint Planning Agreement.

Discussion ensued regarding Sarasota County wastewater planning related to this project and houses built on large lots with no stormwater management plans.

Janice Collins, 908 Riviera Street, expressed concerns regarding city residents being served by both city and county services and county claims to reuse water. Mr. Hochuli responded that the city has jurisdiction over distribution of reuse water.

Following the motion, recess was taken from 11:30 a.m. until 11:35 a.m.

The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

D. PRESENTATIONS (1:30 p.m.)

14-0560 Police Chief Tom McNulty: Dispatch Transition Update (10 min.)

Chief McNulty provided an update, noted total dispatch will be transferred to the Sheriff's Department on April 30, 2014 at 11:00 p.m, and responded to council's questions regarding whether the dispatch phone number will remain the same or become a county number.

14-0561 Assistant Director of Utilities Tim Hochuli: Update on Reclaimed Water Rates (10 min.)

Mr. Hochuli reviewed attachments to this item, and provided an overview of the scope of the rate study to include review of the wholesale waste water rate, review of customer classes, and review of reclaim water rates.

Anthony Pinzone, 978 Questa Avenue, thanked council members for approving a total review of water rates.

Following the motion, recess was taken from 11:50 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Daniels, to approve actions outlined in Mr. Bramble's April 2014 memorandum. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

14-0549 Approve Interlocal Agreement Between City of Venice and Sarasota County Regarding the Transfer of County Maintained Local Roads on the Isle of Venice to the City of Venice and the Transfer of a Segment of Laurel Road and a Segment of Pinebrook Road, Including a Bridge, to Sarasota County

Ms. Weeden provided background information on the proposal to include road locations, buffer and road maintenance, impact fees, and drainage improvements.

Ms. Weeden and Attorney David Jackson, city attorney's office,

answered questions relating to road scouring, responsibility for street signage, road ownership and control, and traffic lights.

Mr. Lavallee discussed maintenance of landscaping along Laurel Road near the Venetian Golf and River Club.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Gates, to approve Item No. 14-0549. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

14-0554

Approve Special Event Agreement for Sarasota Chalk Festival - November 10-17, 2014

Denise Kowal, Avenida de Colores president, provided background information on her qualifications and the event, displayed a drawing depicting the proposed locations, discussed the event dates, and advised that a shuttle would be provided for parking at the airport festival grounds.

Discussion followed regarding parking fees, traffic circulation, traffic control, event funding, waiving of special event charges, and alternate parking locations.

Mr. Lavallee commented on efforts by event organizers to accommodate local churches and businesses, and to provide adequate parking locations.

Ms. Kowal indicated that signed agreements supporting the event were obtained from local business owners and festival crew personnel would handle cleanup.

Linda Wilson, Venice Farmer's Market manager, spoke in support of the Sarasota Chalk Festival, and recommended directing traffic and parking during the event to the area around the north bridge.

Kat Quast, Venice MainStreet Director, spoke in support of the festival.

Mary Morris, Venice Arts Center Executive Director, offered support of the festival.

Janice Collins, 908 Riviera Street, expressed concerns regarding managing additional traffic during special events and issues that could become problematic.

Orlando Bevington, Venice Circus Arts Foundation, offered endorsement of the festival.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Daniels, that the Special Event agreement for the Sarasota Chalk Festival from November 10 through November 17, 2014 be approved.

Mr. Clark provided clarification of the dates for the festival.

Ms. Stelzer verified that the application dates are November 10 through November 17, 2014.

Recess was taken from 2:45 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.

The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

14-0557

Christopher Hatton and Bill Waddill, Senior Vice Presidents, Kimley-Horn: Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) (15 min.)

Mr. Waddill provided background information including creation of Community Redevelopment Areas (CRAs), the finding of necessity process, setting clear priorities, funding, time limitations, planning and program components, identifying a CRA area, and implementing a plan.

Discussion followed regarding underperforming CRAs, the city making up funding shortcomings, maintaining tax rates, lost general fund revenues, identifying CRA areas, community input relating to mapping, staff time involved, bond financing, and selecting one CRA plan.

Mr. Carlesimo clarified that he was tasked with measuring the interest of residents in CRA programs and providing his findings to council.

Council members discussed identifying CRA areas during the strategic planning process, and determining what council wants to achieve with a CRA program.

14-0558

Vice Mayor Emilio Carlesimo, Jeff Matthews and Bob Cushing: Report on Community Support for a Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) (15 min.)

Mr. Carlesimo handed out and read a statement concerning identifying downtown Venice as a CRA district and recommending that a workshop be scheduled to explore establishing downtown Venice as a CRA.

Bob Cushing, Venice Island Shuttle Service, discussed economic benefits of establishing downtown Venice as a CRA.

Mr. Carlesimo discussed a proposed area that includes the core downtown area extending across the Venice Avenue Bridge and the north bridge.

Discussion ensued regarding obtaining approval of a broad CRA site that can be broken down into smaller phases for improvement, the importance of community support, support from the Sarasota County Commissioners, clarifying proposed CRA areas, and subjects for workshop discussion.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Bennett, to schedule a CRA workshop and invite Carol Westmoreland to participate. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

- 14-0559** Tom Roda, Atkins North America, Inc. and Lisa Mastropieri, American Infrastructure Development, Inc.: Draft Focused Environmental Assessment for the Runway 13-31 Safety Improvements at Venice Municipal Airport (15 min.)

Ms. Mastropieri reviewed the National Environmental Policy Act (1969), displayed aerial photographs depicting the proposed project, the future runway protection zone (RPZ), and a photograph of the affected environment, reviewed environmental resource categories, displayed aerial photographs depicting socioeconomic options, floodplains, noise and compatible land use, coastal resources, and wildlife and vegetation areas, and reviewed permitting, public and agency coordination, and completion of the review process.

- 14-0562** Jeff Snyder, Finance Director: Monthly Financial Report (10 min.)

Mr. Snyder reviewed budget updates including year end projections, impact fees, and the city's first Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR), and displayed a portion of pages 10 and 11 of the PAFR depicting the tax bill of an average single family resident and distribution of taxes.

- 14-0563** Marketing and Communications Officer Pam Johnson: Helpline - Single Point of Contact Update (5 min.)

Ms. Johnson outlined the new helpline created to address miscellaneous questions and concerns relating to the city, and answered questions relating to questions submitted on the city website, placing the helpline number on the city app, and homeowner associations receiving the city e-newsletter.

VI. CHARTER OFFICER REPORTS

City Attorney

- 14-0565** Request Direction on Terminating the Habitat for Humanity Lease in Favor of Deeding the Property to Habitat for Humanity with a Restriction Requiring Affordable Housing

Mr. Persson reviewed the request.

There was consensus for Mr. Persson to further research terminating the Habitat for Humanity lease.

- 14-0564** Request Council Direction on Standard of Review for a Variance

Mr. Persson reviewed the request.

Mr. McKeon discussed the planning commission's efforts to change the standard of review for variances.

Discussion ensued regarding setting standards too high and permitting staff to grant minimal variances.

Jeff Boone, Boone Law Firm, offered support for the request.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Gates, to modify the ordinance to state that at least four of the six criteria need to be met. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

Mayor Holic requested that Mr. Shrum establish a criteria for staff to make decisions. Mr. Shrum commented on creating an ordinance to allow staff decision making ability.

Recess was taken from 5:00 p.m. until 5:05 p.m.

City Clerk

City Manager

Mr. Lavallee outlined the purchase of two new high mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicle funded within the operating budget, handed out and reviewed guidelines regarding items installed or constructed within city parks, city right-of-ways, and other city-owned property.

There was consensus to fund the purchase of two high mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicles.

VII. COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Holic

14-0566 Parking

Mayor Holic reviewed this item, noting additional parking options.

Responding to Mayor Holic, Mr. Carlesimo cautioned against incurring debt to provide for the additional parking.

Mayor Holic stated that fire station no. 1 is on the one cent sales tax list and would not incur debt.

Discussion ensued regarding solving parking issues as soon as possible and prioritizing.

There was consensus to allot two hours of discussion for parking at the upcoming CRA workshop.

14-0567 Role and Purpose of Boards and Commissions

Responding to Mr. Sherman, Mr. Persson explained why ex-officio member changes were being made.

Mayor Holic reviewed his concerns regarding board approvals and recommendations to council.

Discussion ensued on obtaining community support of the CRA, and the different duties amongst boards.

Council Member Gates**14-0569** Presentations by Council Members

Ms. Gates expressed concerns relating to council members presenting to boards. In response, members clarified reasons for their presentations before city boards.

Discussion ensued relating to city regulations that define council member actions and duties of boards, the procedure for council members calling special meetings, and costs of special meetings.

Mr. Persson cautioned that boards and committees should have flexibility to call special meetings during an emergency situation.

A motion was made by Council Member Daniels, seconded by Council Member Gates, to direct the city attorney and staff to review the issue and provide council with a recommendation.

Discuss followed regarding the verbiage of the motion and Mr. Daniels replaced the word "problem" with "issue".

The motion carried by voice vote with Mr. Carlesimo, Mr. Bennett, and Mr. Sherman opposed.

14-0568 Sarasota County Noise Ordinance

Mayor Holic reviewed this item, and noted the current ordinance makes it difficult for enforcement.

There was consensus to direct staff to compare the city's ordinance with the county's ordinance to determine if it would be easier to enforce within the city.

14-0589 Additional Council Reports

Ms. Gates read an email from EDC Film requesting a letter of support regarding a proposed underutilized bonus.

There was consensus to direct staff to write a letter of support regarding the proposed ten percent county-wide bonus incentive.

Ms. Gates commented on EDC assistance in finding businesses that

may be interested in the Circus Arena Area.

Mr. Daniels reported on Venice Housing Authority discussions concerning ribbon cutting for Venetian Walk and residents moving into the facility, requests concerning installation of a fountain in the retention pond, providing SCAT bus stations, and providing additional lighting at Venetian Walk. He noted that he attended the Sarasota County Fire Award Ceremony, informed council that he will attend the Florida Technology workshop, and requested approval of his travel expenses.

A motion was made by Council Member McKeon, seconded by Council Member Sherman, to approve reimbursement of Mr. Daniels' travel expenses. The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

Mr. McKeon reported on the legislative affairs committee requests for support regarding short term rentals, and the state legislature endorsement of the City of Naples union pension funds negotiation.

Mr. Carlesimo handed out and reviewed correspondence concerning the expansion of city bus routes, reported on requests concerning security at high school events, requested consideration of creating a proclamation to honor Nancy Detert's efforts, and asked if council needed to create an ordinance regarding marijuana laws if state law legalizes its use.

Mr. Bennett reported on MPO and the Community Alliance meetings.

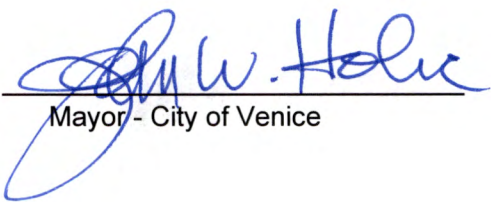
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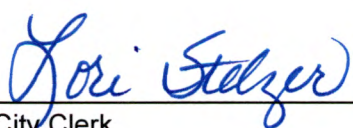
No one signed up to speak.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:


Mayor - City of Venice


City Clerk
