



City of Venice

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Meeting Minutes Citizen Advisory Board

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

2:00 PM

Community Hall Room 165

I. Call to Order

Chair Weed called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present 7 - Mr. Phillip Ellis, Ms. Kaitlyn Panfil, Mr. Roger Effron, Chair Lloyd Weed, Mr. Steve Carr, Mr. Alex Dafoulas and Dr. Mary Davis

Absent 2 - Ms. Mary Moscatelli and Mr. Hayden Heaney

Also Present

Council Liaison Mayor Nick Pachota, City Manager Ed Lavallee, Assistant City Manager James Clinch, City Clerk Kelly Michaels, and Deputy Clerk Toni Cone.

III. Audience Participation

Israel Salinas, 591 Flamingo Drive, recommended City update operating procedures for drainage, photos of drainage concerns, maintenance of culverts, Flamingo Ditch outflow, and sandbag distribution.

IV. Approval of Minutes

[25-0126](#)

Minutes of the February 19, 2025 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Ms. Panfil, to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2025 meeting as written. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Chair Weed, Mr. Carr, Mr. Dafoulas and Dr. Davis

Absent: 2 - Ms. Moscatelli and Mr. Heaney

V. New Business

[25-0127](#)

2024 Hurricane Season Survey Responses

Dr. Davis commented on completion of survey and the ending of the data collection phase.

Discussion took place regarding the hurricane survey questions review, and how to coordinate after action reports from the City and the Board.

Dr. Davis presented the draft summary of results including overall satisfaction, and graphs of specific questions responses.

[25-0128](#)

Public Comment on 2024 Hurricane Season

Brian Piper, 385 Flamingo Drive, recommended extracting data specific to Golden Beach and the Flamingo Ditch area.

Loretta Elliott, 601 Flamingo Drive, spoke on Flamingo Ditch drainage issues.

VI. Unfinished Business

[24-0414](#)

Hurricane After Action Review Next Steps

Discussion took place regarding next steps, some topics being global issues, including more specifics in final report, Flamingo Ditch, similarity of reports from initial City presentation and the survey, volunteer groups within communities and neighborhoods, things that residents can do themselves, sandbag distribution, exploring alternative sources for assistance, completing the summary of open ended questions, whether each population type's comments were received, working within Sunshine Law, and scope of recommendations.

Assistant City Manager Clinch spoke about the process, distinguishing between perceived concerns and actual need for improvement, presenting staff after action report, and involving directors as needed for specific topics.

Discussion continued regarding City Hurricane After Action Review presentation, discussion at next meeting, next steps, forming recommendations without influence from the City's report, benefit of having both of the reports, timing, and sequence of tasks.

City Manager Lavallee commented on the staff report being objective with consideration of Law and procedure, Board focusing on Council directive, not making recommendations based on those comments that are misperceptions, and examples of misperception of City authority.

Discussion took place at reviewing provided survey information, when the Board should review City's report, and tasks for upcoming meetings.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, seconded by Ms. Panfil, to continue discussion at next meeting with the individual assignments as discussed. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Chair Weed, Mr. Carr, Mr. Dafoulas and Dr. Davis

Absent: 2 - Ms. Moscatelli and Mr. Heaney

A motion was made by Mr. Effron, seconded by Mr. Ellis, to schedule a meeting on May 21, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Ellis, Ms. Panfil, Mr. Effron, Chair Weed, Mr. Carr, Mr. Dafoulas and Dr. Davis

Absent: 2 - Ms. Moscatelli and Mr. Heaney

VII. Board Discussion

There was no discussion.

VIII. Staff Comments

There were no comments.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:27 p.m.

Chair

Recording Secretary