

Memorandum

То:	Edward Lavallee, City Manager
From:	John Veneziano, Public Works Director
Date:	September 30, 2017
Subject:	EZ Launch Kayak Launch

James Courtright, a city resident, has proposed to add an EZ Launch kayak launch at Venice Myakka Park. A copy of the proposal form is attached to this report. The EZ Launch allows for persons with diminished mobility to easily and safely launch their kayak without the risk of falling in the water and possibly being injured. Specifications and other information are attached to this report. The cost of the EZ Launch will be raised privately through grants and other donations.

If this proposal is approved by the City Council, Sarasota County will be asked to provide maintenance of this facility in accordance with the Inter-local agreement.

City staff have reviewed the proposal. No significant issues were raised by the staff.

The proposal was reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and they recommended approval of the proposal. Copies of the minutes from their meeting is provided as an attachment.

Staff recommends approval of this proposal.