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Meeting Minutes City Council

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

9:00 AM

Council Chambers

17-2462

Tom Jones, Environmental Advisory Board Chair: Consider Request from the Environmental Advisory Board for Council's Support for Plastic Bag Limitation to Lessen the Negative Impact of Single Use of Plastic Bags in the Environment (10 min.)

Mr. Jones requested council to support the resolution on single use plastic bags, spoke on the negative impact of single use plastic bags, and noted support does not commit Venice to take any action.

Discussion followed regarding residents action in keeping the city clean, asking support from local businesses, supporting other communities in the state without the city's commitment, biodegradable plastic bags, resolution, enforcement by a larger governmental jurisdiction, State of Florida legislation, and other cities and counties that passed resolutions.

A motion was made by Council Member Fraize, seconded by Council Member McKeon, to advance sample resolution as a regular resolution to be voted on at the next council meeting.

Discussion followed regarding wording in resolution, presentation to legislature, revising resolution, and deadline.

The motion failed unanimously by voice vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Anderson, seconded by Council Member Fraize, to direct Mr. Jones and Ms. Anderson to work on resolution and bring back to council by the second meeting in February.

Mr. Persson spoke on the sunshine law and discussion took place regarding process to draft resolution.

The motion was withdrawn.

There was council consensus for the city attorney and the city clerk to work on the resolution.

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