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Interoffice Memorandum

City Manager's Office

TO: Venice City Council

FROM: Ed Lavallee, City Manager

RE: Joint Meeting Topics

DATE: February 21, 2018

The City of Venice submitted the following three topics for discussion with the Sarasota County Board of Commissioners: Seaboard Area Redevelopment, Interlocal Parks Agreement, and Relocation of the City's Solid Waste and Recycling operation.

Seaboard Area Redevelopment: The Seaboard section of the City is a largely industrial and commercial area abutting the east side of the Intracoastal Waterway, and extending from the South (Circus) Bridge north to the Venice Avenue Bridge. The northern end of the Seaboard Area abuts Legacy Park. Revitalization of the Seaboard Area has been a topic of discussion for several years. Its proximity to the downtown retail business core and its waterfront access makes it a suitable site for redevelopment. The City has been pursuing a CRA designation or similar economic stimulus program to ignite a revitalization effort.

Interlocal Parks Maintenance Agreement: Following the receipt of a letter of termination from the County on the Interlocal Parks Maintenance Agreement, the dispute resolution process enumerated in the Interlocal Parks Agreement was initiated. The process is currently at the second stage wherein the County Administrator and City Manager have been engaged in discussions. On February 16, the two parties formulated a resolution in principle, subject to developing details of an amended agreement; and subject to review and approval by the respective policy bodies.

Relocation of Solid Waste & Recycling: The City is seeking land to relocate the Solid Waste and Recycling function. It is currently operating from the Seaboard Area. The City has requested from the County use of a 10-15 acre parcel of county-owned land in the Knights Trail area. The County is reviewing the request and considering a suitable site.