



**CITY OF VENICE
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

MEMORANDUM

TO: Planning Commission

FROM: Jeff Shrum, Development Services Director

SUBJECT: August 20, 2019 Public Hearing – City of Venice Tree Regulations

DATE: August 16, 2019

The proposed Tree Regulations will be the City's first set of tree regulations for the City. As you may know, Sarasota County tree regulations have been implemented and enforced within the City by Sarasota County via an interlocal agreement. The proposed City of Venice tree regulations will provide for specific City of Venice tree standards to be implemented and enforced by City of Venice staff.

In June/July, staff received input from the Planning Commission, City Council and the public on the June 20th draft tree regulations and have made revisions based upon that input. Thanks to input from Sarasota County staff, one of the changes since the June 20, 2019 draft is an added section to provide for transition of this function from Sarasota County to the City. Other changes include revamping and adding incentives for the Venetian Trees and clarifying the City's Tree Mitigation Fund. To provide a full overview of the changes, staff and the City's consultant will go over a power point presentation highlighting the significant changes and staff will be requesting the Planning Commission recommendation for City Council in this public hearing. Also included for your information is the resolution for the associated fee schedule resolution (this is not a Planning Commission action item).