

**ORDINANCE NO. 2019-20**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 14, AVIATION, ARTICLE III, OPERATION OF MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, SECTION 14-54, CITY REGULATIONS ADOPTED, AND SECTION 14-56, PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES, AND ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEFINITIONS FOR USE, RULES AND REGULATIONS, AND MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR COMMERCIAL AERONAUTICAL ACTIVITIES FOR VENICE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AS POLICY GUIDING DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, Sec. 14-54 of the Code of Ordinances provides for City regulations for Venice Municipal Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, the Venice City Council wishes to establish General Provisions for Venice Municipal Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council wishes to establish Definitions for Use Regarding the Venice Municipal Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council wishes to establish new Rules and Regulations for Venice Municipal Airport to replace the previously approved rules and regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council wishes to establish Minimum Standards for Commercial Aeronautical Activities at Venice Municipal Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, Sec. 14-56 of the Code of Ordinances specified certain activities prohibited at Venice Municipal Airport; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council wishes to have the activities prohibited at Venice Municipal Airport specified in the Airport's Policy Guiding Documents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA:**

**SECTION 1.** The Whereas clauses above are ratified and confirmed as true and correct.

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 14, Aviation, Article III, Operation of Municipal Airport, Section 14-54, City regulations adopted, is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 14-54. City Regulations adopted.**

- (a) *Adoption; applicability.* Pursuant to the provisions of F.S. § 166.041, rules and regulations, minimum standards, general provisions and definitions for Venice Municipal Airport are hereby established by the adoption by reference of "City of Venice Rules and Regulations for Venice Municipal Airport", "Minimum Standards for Commercial Aeronautical Activities", "General Provisions for Venice Municipal Airport" and "Definitions for Use Regarding the Venice Municipal Airport", approved and adopted on ~~dated~~ September 10, 2019, hereinafter collectively referred to as "Policy Guiding Documents" ~~May 8, 1979~~, which ~~rules and regulations~~ Policy Guiding Documents are incorporated if fully set forth in this section. These Policy Guiding Documents ~~rules and regulations~~ apply to all persons entering upon or using the airport or any part thereof for any purpose whatsoever.
- (b) *Availability of copies.* One copy of the Policy Guiding Documents ~~rules and regulations~~ adopted by this section shall be kept available for public use, inspection and examination at the offices of the city clerk and airport director ~~manager~~.
- (c) *Amendments.* Subsequent amendments to the Policy Guiding Documents ~~rules and regulations~~ may be made and adopted by resolution of the city council.

**SECTION 3.** Chapter 14, Aviation, Article III, Operation of Municipal Airport, Section 14-56, Prohibited activities, is amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 14-56. Prohibited activities.**

- ~~(a) *Parachute jumping.* Experimental and exhibition parachute jumping at the airport shall not be permitted except as provided in subsection (c) of this section.~~
- (a) Specific activities prohibited at the airport are set forth in the Policy Guiding Documents referenced in section 14-54(a).
- ~~(b) *Pilotless aircraft.* Radio controlled pilotless aircraft operations at the airport, either takeoffs or landings, shall not be permitted except as provided in subsection (c) of this section.~~
- ~~(c)~~ (b) *Exceptions.* Activities prohibited under ~~in subsections (a) and (b)~~ of this section may be permitted on specific occasions by the city council upon favorable recommendation of the city manager, provided prior approval has been obtained from the Federal Aviation Administration and proper precautions have been ensured to protect the public safety.

**SECTION 4.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 5.** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its approval and adoption, as provided by law.

**PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2019.**

First Reading: August 27, 2019  
Final Reading: September 10, 2019

ADOPTION: September 10, 2019

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John W. Holic, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

I, LORI STELZER, MMC, City Clerk of the City of Venice, Florida, a municipal corporation in Sarasota County, Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and complete, true and correct copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Venice City Council, at a meeting thereof duly convened and held on the 10th day of September 2019, a quorum being present.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said City this 10th day of September 2019.

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Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney