

MEMORANDUM City of Venice

Engineering Department

TO: Edward Lavallee, City Manager FROM: Kathleen Weeden, City Engineer DATE: November 5, 2019 COUNCIL APPROVAL: Yes MEETING DATE: November 19, 2019 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Upgrade and Maintain City Infrastructure and Facilities SUBJECT: Prioritize Transportation Project and Initiate Discussion with Sarasota County

Background: Upgrade of the transportation system including the importance of widening both E. Laurel Road and Pinebrook Road to improve both vehicular and multi-modal improvements such as sidewalks and bike lanes to these facilities was discussed with City Council at the. As both roadways are Sarasota County owned and operated, staff is seeking direction to open discussion with county staff to determine what steps would be necessary to move these project or other City Council priorities forward. Upon approval by City Council to initiate coordination, staff will return with a follow-up on those discussions and a presentation clarifying the steps forward to obtain funding through either Road Impact Fees, Private-Public Partnership and/or Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) funding. A copy of the 2018 MPO priorities that previously approved by City Council with updates noted has been provided in the agenda packet along with the approved Transportation portion of the Capital Improvement Schedule from the Comprehensive Plan adopted in May 2019.

Requested Action: Authorize city staff to initiate discussions with Sarasota County regarding future expansion of E. Laurel and Pinebrook Roads.

If for an agenda item, this document and any associated backup created by City of Venice staff has been reviewed for ADA compliance: Yes City Attorney Review/Approved: N/A Risk Management Review: N/A Finance Department Review/Approved: N/A Funds Availability (account number): N/A

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