

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, CREATING A STORMWATER UTILITY RATE AND WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT STAKEHOLDER'S WORK GROUP AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, improvement of water quality is critical to protecting the environment and the coastal waters; and

WHEREAS, analysis has determined the current schedule of rates, fees, and charges may be modified to more accurately recover the costs associated with the management of stormwater facilities; and

WHEREAS, water quality treatment of stormwater runoff is a council priority and requires additional funding to be implemented; and

WHEREAS, the City of Venice has determined the use of stakeholders is critical to assist with reviewing stormwater utility rates throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, a group of city residents representing a variety of stormwater system customer categories will participate with city staff and consultants to engage in a study of the stormwater utility's financial plan and schedule of rates, which will be instrumental in the successful accomplishment of these endeavors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, as follows:

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

SECTION 2. Established. There is hereby established a Stormwater Utility Rate and Water Quality Stakeholder's Work Group, herein referred to as the "Group". The City Engineer shall appoint the members and determine the terms of office.

SECTION 3. Membership. There shall be seven members consisting of at least one representative from each of the following customer categories: 1) single family homes, 2) multiple family, 3) commercial and 4) industrial. Members from single-family and multi-family shall be city residents. Commercial/industrial category members shall be from established businesses within the city limits.

SECTION 4. Duties and Responsibilities. The Group will participate with city staff and consultants to engage in a study of the stormwater utility's financial plan and schedule of rates for the utility system. The final product and presentation to city council shall be due no later than September 30, 2020.

SECTION 5. Compensation. Members shall receive no compensation for their service on the Group.

SECTION 6. Meetings. Meetings shall be called and scheduled by the City Engineer. The Group shall comply with all applicable requirements of Florida's Sunshine Law, Public Records laws, the Code of Ethics and all city policies for public representatives. Members shall use city email accounts for all city related business.

SECTION 7. Removal. Members serve at the pleasure of the City Engineer and may be removed from the Group by the City Engineer at any time with or without cause.

SECTION 8. This Group will sunset on September 30, 2020.

SECTION 9. This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption, as provided by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VENICE, FLORIDA, AT A MEETING HELD ON THE 10TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2019.

Ron Feinsod, Mayor

ATTEST:

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 a Resolution duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Venice, Florida, at a meeting thereof duly convened and held on the 10th day of December 2019, a quorum being present.

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

Lori Stelzer, MMC, City Clerk

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Approved as to form:

Kelly Fernandez, City Attorney