



MEMORANDUM

City of Venice

Engineering Department

TO: Edward Lavallee, City Manager

FROM: Kathleen Weeden, City Engineer

DATE: November 22, 2019

COUNCIL APPROVAL: Yes

MEETING DATE: December 10, 2019

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Upgrade and Maintain City Infrastructure and Facilities

SUBJECT: Execute Locally Funded Agreement for Park Impact Fees – ADA Mobi-Mats at Beach Parks

Background: Based on requests from the public to improve accessibility to the open sandy beach, City Council included in the FY2021 Adopted Budget the use of Sarasota County Park Impact Fees to accomplish this goal. These ADA mats facilitate access past the installed boardwalk ramps. The first mobility mat will be installed at Venice Beach. Prior to installation, execution of the funding agreement by the Sarasota County Board of County Commission will be required along with a Florida Department of Environmental Protection Coastal Permit. Staff will also be coordinating with the volunteer group that has agreed to conduct maintenance of the mobility mats to keep them in safe operation and cleared of sand. Following installation of the first mobility mat, staff will evaluate the feasibility of adding additional mats with only volunteer maintenance and notify City Council if additional city staff will be needed at Venice Beach or other locations. Secondary locations planned are Service Club Park and North Pier Parking Area if the costs do not exceed that allocated \$50,000 in Park Impact Fees.

Requested Action: Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Locally Funded Agreement for Use of Park Impact Fees Between Sarasota County, Florida and the City of Venice for ADA Mobi-Mats at Beach Parks.

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: Yes

Risk Management Review: Yes

Finance Department Review/Approved: Yes

Funds Availability (account number): Sarasota County Park Impact Fees

ORIGINAL(S) ATTACHED: Three (3) Originals provided to the City Clerk's Office.

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