



MEMORANDUM

City of Venice

Public Works Department

TO: Ed Lavallee, City Manager

FROM: James R. Clinch PE, Director of Public Works and Asset Management

DATE: January 10, 2020

COUNCIL APPROVAL: Yes

MEETING DATE: January 28th, 2020

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Keep Venice Beautiful and Eco-Friendly

SUBJECT: Accept Donations – Downtown Shark Spotting Sculptures and Plaque

Background: This downtown shark scavenger hunt concept was presented and approved by City Council on May 14th, 2019. The Gulf Coast Community Foundation (GCCF) has since commissioned and received ten bronze shark sculptures and one informational plaque. They have also worked directly with the Public Works Department to finalize the proposed locations within Downtown Venice. Each location has been selected and reviewed for public safety and suitability. The attached map displays the proposed sculpture locations, which will be installed by the Public Works Department. All installation supplies will also be donated by the GCCF.

The Public Art Advisory Board reviewed and approved the proposal at their January 8th board meeting and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board reviewed and approved the proposal at their January 27th meeting.

Finally, GCCF will be coordinating with the City PIO in order to create an online media platform and advertising campaign for this exciting project.

Requested Action: Accept donation from the Gulf Coast Community Foundation of ten (10" long) bronze shark sculptures and one informational plaque.

City Attorney Review/Approved: Yes

Risk Management Review: Yes

Finance Department Review/Approved: N/A

Funds Availability (account number): N/A

ORIGINAL(S) ATTACHED: Location Map, Photos

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