

Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources

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Mr. James Clinch Director of Public Works and Asset Management City of Venice 401 West Venice Avenue Venice, FL 34285

Subject: Interlocal Agreement Annual Report for FY2019

Dear Mr. Clinch:

Sarasota County continues to partner with the City of Venice in providing parks and recreation service to the community by maintaining and operating designated City parks and facilities as outlined in the 2011 Interlocal Agreement (Contract No. 2011-421). In accordance with the agreement, the County submits annual reports to the City that provide operational, maintenance and financial summaries of services provided within the designated City parks for the preceding fiscal year.

Attached, please find the Fiscal Year 2019 Annual Report that highlights noteworthy programs and events and outlines completed maintenance projects. Also included is a list of needed capital repairs and improvements that fall within the City's area of responsibility. According to the Interlocal Agreement, the City is responsible for all needed repairs and improvements exceeding \$5,000 per park, per year, adjusted annually for the Consumer Price Index, (\$5,235.00 for FY19).

Sincerely,

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Attachments

Designated City Parks Brohard Park and Paw Park • Chauncy Howard Park

In accordance with the requirements of Interlocal Agreement (Contract No. 2011-421) Regarding Parks and Recreation Service, this annual report provides a summary of Sarasota County Parks, Recreation and

Natural Resources activities within designated city parks (as defined in Exhibit A of the Interlocal Agreement) for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY19). The services provided include program delivery, mowing, landscape bed maintenance, chemical application, irrigation, playground equipment inspections and maintenance, recreation amenity maintenance, athletic court maintenance, and janitorial services within designated city parks. The replacement and repair of amenities within the Designated City Parks shall not exceed \$5,000 per park, per year, adjusted annually for the Consumer Price Index (CPI), which would have been \$5,235 for FY19. Also enclosed, please find a list of needed capital improvements and

- Maxine Barritt Park •
- Service Club Park •
- S. Brohard Park •
- Venice Myakka River Park
- Marina Park
- Higel Marine Park •
- Venetian Waterway Park included per letter dated April 5, 2002 •

Noteworthy Accomplishments, Programs, Special Events and Projects

Brohard Park and Paw Park

- Partnered with the City of Venice and Keep Venice Beautiful (KVB) to perform two large invasive plant species removal projects at the Venice Pier parking area of Brohard/Sharky's and one at South Brohard Park. Both projects focused on the removal of Brazilian pepper.
- Continued to monitor beaches for signs of red tide, addressing any needs for action as appropriate.
- Ongoing exotic plant treatment with a focus on Brazilian pepper.
- City and county partnership to replace the drainage pipe associated with the Paw Park dog wash station.

South Brohard Park

- Partnered with the city and KVB for major invasive species removal.
- June/July: Weekly Kids Summer Beach Runs Program

Maxine Barritt Park

- Partnered with Keep Venice Beautiful and additional volunteers to remove the exotic plant, beach naupaka, from the dune system.
- Continued to monitor beaches for signs of red tide, addressing any needs for action as appropriate.
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- Hecksher Park •
- Wellfield Park/Pinebrook Park
- Venice Community Center
- Chuck Reiter Park
- Venice Beach

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Overview

repairs per park.

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- Ongoing exotic plant treatment with a focus on Brazilian pepper, beach naupaka and Australian pine.
- Replaced four charcoal grills.
- Partnered with the city to improve the line of sight when exiting the north and south entrances.

Service Club Park

- Painted the interior of the restrooms.
- Replaced the screens and trim boards in the restrooms.
- Ongoing exotic plant treatment with a focus on Brazilian pepper, rosary pea and Australian pine.

Chauncy Howard Park

- Continued to monitor beaches for signs of red tide, addressing any needs for action as appropriate.
- Removed the exotic plant, *sansevieria*, from the dune system.

Chuck Reiter Park

- Replaced 12,000 square feet of turf on three little league fields.
- Laser graded infield Nos. 1-4 and completed total renovation of infield grass on Field No. 2.
- Removed cut outs and built to match existing fields.
- Installed 3,600 square feet of Celebration sod.
- Grand Opening for Venice Little League (February 2).
- Field fertilization and treatment with Chipco Choice.

<u>Hecksher Park</u>

- Gulf Coast Games for Life Shuffleboard.
- Cleaned and re-sealed shuffleboard courts.
- Installed new roof on storage shed north of the tennis courts.
- Installed new sod north of the tennis courts.
- Installed shell cart path from maintenance shed to north parking lot.
- The north parking lot was re-striped.
- Painted ceiling of Shuffleboard Clubhouse.

Higel Marine Park

- Replaced two pilings and multiple deck boards associated with the dock.
- Painted the restroom doors.
- Replaced one picnic table and one charcoal grill.
- Re-striped the parking spaces.
- Painted the safety edge at the pavilion.

Legacy Park

- Cleared brush and exotics from the Hatchett Creek waterway bordering Legacy Park.
- Partnered with Keep Venice Beautiful for a workday in February.
- Pressure washed restroom entry, pavilion floors and tables.
- Repainted restroom doors.

<u>Marina Park</u>

- Helped facilitate the Battle of the Bridges Event.
- Ongoing maintenance of bumpers and pilings associated with the dock.

Venice Community Center (VCC):

VCC Concerts and Dances

- Tribute Concerts: Journey & Styx Tribute, Motown, Fleetwood Mac, Elton John, Beatles & Beach Boys, Glenn Miller Orchestra
- Doo Wop Dances
- Rev Barry & The Funk Disco Dance
- North Port Prom
- North Port Imagination School Prom
- I-Heart Media Monster Mash
- I-Heart Media Friday Night Glow Dance Party
- Therapeutic Recreation Dance

VCC Expos and Shows

- Venice Chamber of Commerce Business Showcase
- Herald Tribune Lifestyle Expo
- AAA Travel Expos
- Hurricane Expo
- Venice Fire Safety Day
- Venice Chamber of Commerce and County Job Fair
- Home Show
- Antique Shows (2)
- Venice Orchid Show: PLUS: Discovery Channel did a segment at the Orchid Show of Dusty "The Wildman" Crum
- Venice Quilt Show
- Venice Garden Club Show
- Venice Flower Show
- WWE NXT Wrestling Matches

VCC Seminars and Conferences

- Venice Bayfront Hospital Senior Circle Lunch Seminars
- 4-day Meditation Conference
- Doctors Hospital Medical Seminars
- Retirement Planning Seminars
- Wealth Management Seminars
- Health Insurance Seminars
- Estate Planning Seminars
- One Christ Won City Church Service

VCC Fundraisers and Banquets

- Loveland Center Annual Fundraiser
- Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser
- Our Mothers House Fundraiser
- YMCA Shark Banquet
- Gettel Automotive Holiday Banquet, Gettel Automotive Spring Kick Off Breakfast, Gettel Automotive Summer Kick Off Breakfast
- Team Up Volunteer Banquet
- Coldwell Banker Holiday Party

VCC Programs and Meetings

- AARP Free Tax Preparation (3 months)
- Sarasota Institute for Lifetime Learning Lecture series (2x a week, Jan March)
- Supervisor of Elections Poll Training (2 months)
- School Board AP Testing (4 weeks)
- Year-round Pickleball every Monday 9am 7 pm
- Summer Pickleball two times per week 9 am 7 pm
- 2 days of Summer Camp 300 children
- (2) 1-week Adult Pickleball Camps

VCC Club Meetings

- Venice Nokomis Women's Club
- Venice Area Orchid Society
- Women's Sertoma Club
- Venice Area Quilters Guild
- Venice Newcomers Club
- Venice Corvette Club
- Venice Sailing Squadron
- Venice Antique Auto Club
- Myakka Chapter Daughter of the American Revolution Antique Auto Club
- Several HOAs

VCC Classes

- Zumba
- Stretch Strength Training
- Ballroom Dance
- Tai Chi
- Body Sculpt
- Yoga
- Master Jazz Workshop

VCC Miscellaneous

- Weddings
- Memorial
- Quinceaneras
- Birthday Parties
- Graduation Parties

VCC Maintenance

- Ballroom and meeting room floors were stripped and waxed
- Stage area repainted
- Parking lot re-surfaced and striped

Venice Beach

- Rehabilitated the volleyball courts at Venice Beach with new straps, ropes, nets and a new post.
- Continued to monitor beaches for signs of red tide, addressing any needs for action as appropriate.
- Utilized the Sheriff's Work Offender Program to relocate sand that had encroached upon the beach-side shower tower.

Venice Myakka River Park

- Keep Venice Beautiful workday in May.
- Added material and regraded parking lot.
- Park clean-up following flood closures.

Wellfield Park/Pinebrook Park

- Sarasota County Croquet Club Hosted the USCA Association National Championship (March 24-30); 9 additional major events were held between October and April.
- Joey Powers Leukemia Project Lacrosse Tournament (February 16).
- GKD Sportsvision Collegiate Lacrosse Training (March 9 22).
- Renovation of Field No. 2 (remove lip arc and replace 4,000 square feet of Celebration sod followed by application of wetting agent on all fields.
- Pressure washed dugouts on Field Nos. 1 and 2.
- Deep time aerify Soccer Field Nos. 1-3.
- Leveled field with 50 tons of topsoil and sprigged Field No. 2 soccer.
- Field fertilization and treatment with Chipco Choice.

Venetian Waterway Park

- Coordinated with Keep Venice Beautiful volunteers to maintain trail by providing occasional staff and equipment.
- Targeted, removed and herbicide treated Brazilian Pepper, Carrotwood, Chinaberry, and Lead Tree along trail, including retreatment efforts.
- Worked with staff/arborists and volunteers to maintain trees and appropriate canopy height along trail.
- Coordinated with West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND).
- Coordinated with Sarasota County Sheriff's Office and the city to clean up abandoned items along trail.

Financial

Multiple business units within Sarasota County Government assist in the operations and maintenance of the designated city parks. Each unit utilizes different methodologies and systems in the tracking of the associated expenditures. In addition to Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources information, staff obtained information from Facilities Maintenance and Office of Financial Management in the development of the unaudited financials provided below.

City of Venice Estimated Expenditures

	Estimated Net Cost to County	\$2,408,213
•	FY19 Total Park Fees Collected	<u>\$ 335,238</u>
•	FY19 Total Expenditures	\$2,743,451

Capital Improvements

Attached is a list of Capital Improvements identified as needed.

Row #	Park	Capital Repair/Improvement	Status
	All	ADA Compliance: Assess all facilities for needed ADA improvements and create a	
1	,	Transition Plan.	In Progress
2	All	Parking Lots: Assess all parking lots and create a schedule for sealcoating, resurfacing and striping.	In Progress
3	Brohard Park - North Annex	Three pole shelters need to be replaced in the picnic area between Sharky's and Maxine Barritt Park.	Not Started
4	Brohard Park - North Annex	Boardwalks: Replace boardwalks and associated staircase. Boardwalk #2 just north of Sharky's and boardwalk #4 and beachside staircase at the Robert E. Clark Pavilion.	Not Started
5	Brohard Paw Park	Boardwalk: Needs to be replaced.	Not Started
6	Brohard Paw Park	Asphalt beach access path is crumbling. Removal or replacement is recommended	Not Started
7	S. Brohard Beach	Boardwalk: Replace fencing on boardwalk.	Not Started
8	S. Brohard Beach	Restroom: Consider future replacement.	Not Started
9	Chauncy Howard	Boardwalk: Replace fencing on boardwalk.	Not Started
10	Chuck Reiter Park	Bleachers: Field #3 needs replacement of two sets of five row bleachers.	Not Started
11	Chuck Reiter Park	Bleachers: Field #4 needs replacement of two sets of five row bleachers.	Not Started
12	Chuck Reiter Park	Sports Lighting: Replace lighting on all four fields.	Not Started
13	Chuck Reiter Park	Batting Cages: Batting cage fencing near concessions needs to be replaced.	Not Started
14	Chuck Reiter Park	Drainage Issues: Assess park for drainage issues.	Not Started
15	Chuck Reiter Park	Restrooms: Existing restrooms in building need to be replaced.	Not Started
16	Chuck Reiter Park	Consider updating athletic field lighting controllers to Musco Control-Link.	Not Started
17	Hecksher Park	Clubhouse Restrooms: Restrooms need to be renovated.	Not Started
18	Hecksher Park	Tennis Court Renovation: Tennis courts are showing signs of deterioration of the subsurface which will result in the total renovation of the courts.	Not Started
19	Higel Marine Park	Boat Dock Pilings: All pilings need to be assessed for possible replacement due to rot or damage.	In Progress
20	Maxine Barritt Park	Sand blast and paint the large pavilion.	In-Progress
21	Service Club Park	Restroom: Consider future replacement.	Not Started
22	Service Club Park	Expand the parking lot with additional standard and ADA spaces. Consider expanding the lot into the open grassy area near the entrance.	Not Started
23	Venice Beach	Replace the lifeguard shed. A larger shed would provide the capacity to store the UTV and additional maintenance items.	Not Started
24	Venice Beach	Replace and expand the dumpster enclosure area.	Not Started

	Venice Community		
25	Center	Lighting: Replace lighting in main ballroom/meeting room.	Not Started
26	Wellfield-Pinebrook	Fencing: Replace fencing at Baseball Field #3.	Not Started
27	Wellfield-Pinebrook	Fencing: Fence replacement needed around football stadium.	Not Started
28	Wellfield-Pinebrook	Restrooms: Replace Restrooms at Baseball Fields #1 and #2 for ADA Compliance.	Not Started
29	Wellfield-Pinebrook	Restrooms: Replace Restrooms at Tennis Courts for ADA Compliance.	Not Started
30	Wellfield-Pinebrook	Parking Lot: Parking lot at football fields needs to be replaced / resurfaced.	Not Started
31	Wellfield-Pinebrook	Practice Football Field: Total replacement of field needed including regrade, amend soil, irrigation and replace turf.	Not Started
32	Wellfield-Pinebrook	Stadium Football Field: Total replacement of field needed including regrade, amend soil, irrigation and replace turf.	Not Started
33	Wellfield-Pinebrook	Roof: Girls softball concession/restroom building roof needs to be inspected for possible replacement.	Not Started
34	Wellfield Baseball	Consider updating athletic field lighting controllers to Musco Control-Link.	Not Started
35	Wellfield MP	Consider updating athletic field lighting controllers to Musco Control-Link.	Not Started
36	Wellfield Soccer	Consider updating athletic field lighting controllers to Musco Control-Link.	Not Started
37	Wellfield Softball	Consider updating athletic field lighting controllers to Musco Control-Link.	Not Started