



City of Venice

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Meeting Minutes Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Monday, June 18, 2018

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held this date in Council Chambers at City Hall. Chair Joan Piper called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Present 4 - Ms. Linda Andrews, Joan Piper, Eydie Kargas and Bruce Weaver

Absent 4 - Cindy Hicks, Roger Effron, Angie Sutherland and Sophie Fraser

Also Presents

Liason Mayor John Holic, Public Works Director John Veneziano, Sarasota County Division Manager of Beaches and Water Access Shawn Yeager, and Recording Secretary Mercedes Barcia

III. Approval of Minutes

[18-3368](#)

Minutes of the May 21, 2018 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Ms. Andrews, that the minutes of the May 21, 2018 meeting be approved as written. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

IV. Audience Participation

Bob Vedder, representing Venice Area Beautification, Inc., requested approval for installation of a flower fountain in honor of Carolin Redland, and spoke to proposal, location, and maintenance of fountain.

Mr. Vedder responded to board questions regarding project feasibility, street clearance, and safety.

Discussion followed on the board making a recommendation pending staff's review and approval of the project.

A motion was made by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Ms. Andrews, to approve the proposed installation of a water fountain located at Venice Avenue and Park Boulevard subject to review by Public Works. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Audience Participation

Discussion followed regarding utilities buried infrastructure, safety concerns and project approval.

V. New Business

[18-3369](#)

Board Member Park Assignments (Ms. Kargas)

Discussion took place on park assignments for each board member, September 17, 2018 due date, and Ms. Barcia contacting Ms. Sutherland, Ms. Hicks and Mr. Effron on their assigned parks.

VI. Unfinished Business

[18-3097](#)

Audit A Park

Discussion took place on the existing conditions assessment form.

VII. Updates

[18-3032](#)

City of Venice Update

Mr. Veneziano spoke to staff's review of the peace pole project, Urban Forrest ribbon cutting event, Venice High School's tennis courts, parks interlocal agreement and master plan, draft ordinance on naming parks and facilities, adopt-a-park program resolution, and engineering project updates to include Venice Fishing Pier repairs, beach renourishment, downtown construction, and north pier parking lot #3.

Discussion followed regarding bicyclists and providing safety information on road rules, bicycle and pedestrian coordinator, education and enforcement, Legacy Trail, speeding traffic, state law, sidewalks, four-way stop at Tampa Avenue and Nokomis Avenue intersection, county maintained bike trails, and riding bicycles on downtown streets and the Venice Avenue bridge.

[18-3033](#)

Sarasota County Update

Mr. Yeager provided an update on kids summer beach run on Brohard Beach, Higel Marina Park, Venice Beach, Myakka River Park flooding, Wellfield, Pinebrook, and Chuck Reiter Parks, Venice Community Center activities, and responded to board questions regarding adding a bench on Legacy Trail and picnic table umbrellas at Venice Beach on the north side of the concession stand.

Discussion followed regarding the Service Club boardwalk.

[18-3034](#) Sarasota County PARC Update

There was no update.

[18-3035](#) Miscellaneous Update

There was none.

VIII. Future Agenda Items

Mr. Weaver spoke regarding adding a pergola in Blalock Park and adding item to the September meeting agenda.

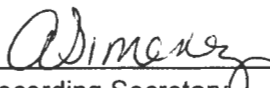
Discussion followed on future agenda items, park assignments and board member feedback, and submitting existing condition assessment forms to Mr. Veneziano.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.



Chair



Recording Secretary