

City of Venice

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Meeting Minutes **City Council**

Tuesday, January 30, 2018

8:30 AM

Community Hall

Capital Improvement Program Workshop

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Holic called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joe Welch.

ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Daniels joined the meeting at 8:54 a.m.

Present: 6 - Mayor John Holic, Council Member Jeanette Gates, Council Member Richard Cautero, Council Member Fred Fraize, Council Member Charles Newsom and Council Member Margaret Fiedler

Absent: 1 - Vice Mayor Bob Daniels

ALSO PRESENT

City Clerk Lori Stelzer, City Manager Ed Lavallee, Recording Secretary Mercedes Barcia, Controller Joe Welch, City Engineer Kathleen Weeden, Assistant Public Works Director Ricky Simpson, Utilities Director Javier Vargas, Assistant Utilities Director John Monville, Utilities Department Office Manager Stacy McKenzie-Grant, Airport Director Mark Cervasio, Property and Administrative Manager Heather LeDuc, Fleet Manager Travis Hout, Information Technology Director Jeff Bolen, Information Systems Manager Nancy Hurley, and Fire Chief Shawn Carvey.

I. NEW BUSINESS

18-3095

2019 Proposed Capital Improvement Program

Mr. Lavallee provided a brief introduction.

Mr. Welch spoke regarding the facility condition assessment, capital improvement program (CIP), and one-cent sales tax.

Mr. Lavallee commented on the facility condition assessment and projected expenses for capital items.

Mr. Welch noted items not included in the facility condition assessment plan.

Mr. Welch explained the difference between the CIP worksheets and binder provided to council.

Mr. Lavallee spoke regarding capital projects to include replacement of fire station no. 1.

Discussion took place regarding expenditures for city parks in the interlocal agreement, master parks plan, the city's cost to take over all park services, parks facility assessment conducted by the county, the Venice Community Center (VCC), revenues, cost to bring parks up to standard, expense projections, parks maintenance, level of service, budget placeholders for parks, annual operating costs versus capital costs, and itemizing the twelve parks in the county's interlocal agreement to iclude costs and revenues.

Discussion followed on developing budget guidelines, one-cent sales tax, fire station no. 1, bond referendum, reducing fleet vehicles, fleet fund, funding relocation of the public works facility, debt service, special assessment, reduction of city expenditures, relocating the solid waste facility to Knights Trail, Seaboard area, county partnership, and Mayor Holic and Mr. Lavallee's meeting with the assistant county administrator regarding parks.

Mr. Welch commented on the projected one-cent sales tax five year program.

Discussion continued regarding waterfront parks, parks maintenance, general fund, one-cent sales tax, general operating budget, reducing fleet vehicles and expenses, reallocating parks from the one-cent sales tax into the general fund, budget guidelines, pier fund, capital improvement items versus capital maintenance, Sharky's Restaurant revenue, having different levels of park maintenance, and maintaining a parks budget placeholder.

Discussion followed on budgeting \$1,000,000 for fire station no. 1, \$750,00 for the fleet fund, \$250,000 for beach renourishment, \$100,000 for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) improvements, and \$800,000 for building maintenance to include the Venice Community Center (VCC), fire station no. 52, and City Hall, from the one-cent sales tax fund, not to exceed \$2.9 million.

Discussion took place regarding Triangle Inn building improvements, and Mr. Simpson providing council with itemized cost estimates.

Discussion followed regarding the VCC and cost to harden building.

Recess was taken from 10:20 a.m. until 10:31 a.m.

Discussion took place on the ADA budget, ADA beach access mats, and reviewing other city ADA needs.

Ms. Weeden spoke to mobi-mats and ADA improvements, and bike lane improvements.

Discussion followed regarding the Edmondson Multi-Use Trail to include adding sharrows and signs, street and sidewalk ADA improvements, paving project, city hall parking lot, West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND), priority projects and recommendations, updating traffic signals, adding a west bound right turn lane off Edmondson Road onto Pinebrook Road and expanding Pinebrook Road, and Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)'s long range transportation plan.

Mr. Cervasio commented on airport projects and funding.

Discussion followed on the Airport Road drainage project and road construction at the festival grounds.

Mr. Vargas spoke regarding utilities projects to include generator purchases and the East Gate neighborhood.

Discussion followed regarding drainage and stormwater improvements in East Gate, project phases and costs, Ajax property booster station, reclaimed water to include capacity, project costs and funding, capital expenses, revenues, and reserves.

Mr. Lavallee commented on the utilities department bond rating.

Discussion followed on sewer cleanout and project flexibility.

Ms. Weeden spoke to stormwater improvements in the East Gate neighborhood, Hatchett Creek, area flooding and drainage, and meeting with neighborhood residents.

Discussion followed regarding drainage solutions, cooperation from the homeowners association (HOA) and residents, cost to pipe swales, and drainage easements.

Ms. Weeden spoke regarding the bond project, funding, and the Live Oak

stormwater improvement project.

Discussion followed on Carpi Isles, Curry Creek maintenance, upgrading level of service on waterways, rate study, reclaim water pond traveling into Curry Creek, federal funding, climate change, stormwater master plan, and Waterford and Sawgrass communities.

Ms. Weeden spoke to improvement projects included in the 302 capital projects fund, bond project bidding, and advertising for construction engineering services.

Discussion followed on moving people from downtown to remote parking during construction.

Discussion took place regarding the fleet fund, vehicle replacement schedule and depreciation, vehicle GPS system installation, Mr. Hout presenting council with the GPS data, police and fire fleet, budget guidelines, and marketing fund.

Mr. Lavallee commented on the Ajax property booster station.

Discussion followed on reservoir, county staging area, WCIND plans, county land along the Myakka River, and hiking and biking trails.

Ms. Hurley spoke to IT's project on expanding the city's fiber optic network for providing security camera coverage.

Discussion continued on security cameras, adding \$200,000 for the fiber optic network, funds in the one-cent sales tax, and project budget.

There was council consensus to budget \$300,000 from the one cent-sales tax for server and network equipment replacement.

Discussion took place regarding 5G network, facility condition assessment, including all capital items, placeholder for county parks, adding placeholder for public works relocation, general fund, Ajax property, termination of the parks interlocal agreement, North Port's parks to include county expenditures upgrading parks, negotiations with the county, and transition costs for the city to take over parks.

Mr. Lavallee commented on conceptual budget placeholders for parks and relocation of public works.

Discussion followed regarding the building fund, fire station no. 1, fire impact fees, police station building plans, relocation of public works, facility condition assessment, placeholder for downtown street lights, and

replacement of fire engines.

Mr. Fraize left the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

Vice Mayor Daniels left the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

No one signed up to speak.

III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mayor - City of Venice