



# City of Venice

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## Meeting Minutes Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

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Monday, January 14, 2019

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

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### 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** 7 - Ms. Linda Andrews, Joan Piper, Cindy Hicks, Roger Effron, Eydie Kargas, Angie Sutherland and Bruce Weaver

**Absent** 1 - Jonathan Allen

### Roll Call

Ms. Kargas arrived at 4:15 p.m.

### Also Present

Public Works Director James Clinch, Sarasota County Division Manager of Beaches and Water Access James Wormley and Andrea King, and Recording Secretary Adrian Jimenez.

### III. Approval of Minutes

[18-3648](#)

Minutes of the November 19, 2018 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Ms. Hicks, seconded by Ms. Sutherland, that the minutes of the November 19, 2018 meeting be approved as written. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

### IV. Audience Participation

There was none.

### V. New Business

[19-3683](#)

Discuss Memorial Bench Program

Mr. Clinch spoke on bench program, improving program, policies, Resolution No. 2014-30, managing benches, design development, budget, controlling memorials, term of amenity, extending terms, bench space, number of benches, creating a policy, time frame, Sarasota County life

cycle, North Port life cycle, fee coverage, continued maintenance and answered board questions on variety of benches, wooden and concrete slats, composite benches and slats, size of benches, records of benches, renewal policy, Centennial Park benches, painting benches, personalized benches, background on purchasers, and bench funds.

Discussion took place on suggested time frames, grace period, bench life span, bench notices, policy maintenance, staff management, notifications, Resolution No. 2014-30, honorary trees, replacement trees, signage, memorial pavers, older population, Heritage Parkway, Mundy Park benches, fish mounts on piers, educational plaques, different Jetty Park fees, and maintenance fees.

19-3698

Role of Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Mr. Clinch spoke on city council strategic planning meeting update, procedure for recommendations, audits, feedback, future agenda items, interlocal agreement with county, updating the parks master plan, new park projects, park impact fees, Venezia Park improvements, Legacy Park dog recreation, service clubs, pickleball, future Ajax Park, and designated Nolen Green Parks.

Discussion took place on parks master plan, needing more parks, dog parks, land purchases, attention on future parks, park substitutions, Sawgrass property usage, agility and equipment for dogs, parking and bathrooms, impact fees, community gardens, city dock facilities, kayak destination, Curry Creek, and the Myakka River.

**VI. Unfinished Business**

18-3515

Review and Discuss Audited Parks

Discussion took place on Patriots Park parking usage, time limits, Centennial interactive fountains, and existing park condition audits.

Mr. Clinch answered board question on contact protocol.

**VII. Updates**

18-3032

City of Venice Update

Mr. Clinch spoke on Venice Beach concession windows replaced, photo of Welcome to Venice sign, signage on Marina Park, Venezia Park signage replaced, replacing dune walk overs at the pier, 13 adopted parks, assigned adopted parks, renewal of adopted parks, tracking adopted parks form, press release, and answered board questions on Centennial Park falling trees.

18-3033

Sarasota County Update

Ms. Hicks left the dais at 4:25 p.m. and returned at 4:27 p.m.

Mr. Wormley provided an update on programs, events, repairs of Maxine Barritt Park pavilion roof completed, Service Club Park bathroom painting, Venice Myakka Park debris clearing, Golden Beach boat engine removal, upcoming events, and answered board questions on Megalodon Challenge advertisement, events, activities guide, and Nokomis Beach benches.

Ms. King spoke on smoking receptacles, and answered board questions on smoking enforcement on beaches, lifeguards, and no smoking signs.

Mr. Wormley spoke on event guides.

18-3034

Sarasota County PARC Update

Ms. Piper spoke on increasing pickleball program, park nominations online, Toscana Isles access to Legacy Trail, and list of pickleball courts.

18-3035

Miscellaneous Update

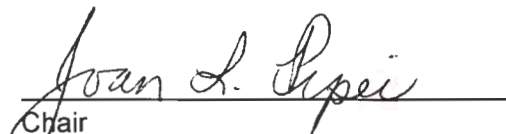
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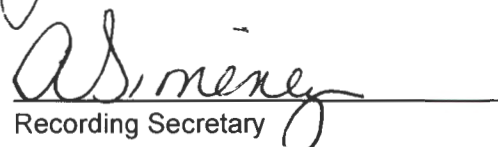
**VIII. Future Agenda Items**

There was board consensus to discuss the master parks plan and update of bicycle safety at the February 11, 2019 meeting.

**IX. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

  
Chair

  
Recording Secretary