Minutes City of Venice Solid Waste and Recycling Stakeholders' Work Group July 1, 2020

The Solid Waste and Recycling Stakeholders' Work Group met on July 1, 2020 at 1:00 PM for a virtual Zoom meeting.

- Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 1:05 PM with the following members present, Mr. Lichtle, Mr. Pinzone, Mr. Francis, and Mr. McCall. Mr. Oros joined the meeting at 2:15 and remained until the meeting adjourned. Ms. Reynolds and Mr. Pachota were absent. City of Venice staff present; James Clinch, Bob Moroni, and Susan Carpenter from Public Works and Linda Senne and Joe Welch from Finance.
- 2. Approval of Minutes The minutes from the June 5, 2019 meeting was presented. Mr. Francis made a motion to approve both meeting minutes and Mr. Pinzone seconded. The vote carried unanimously.

3. New Business

- A. Potential Savings to Collection Changes. Mr. Welch and Mr. Clinch led the discussion on the report provided by finance. Mr. Welch reported the fund is projected to basically break even and the end of FY 2020, although the current pandemic may change those projections. Additionally, route changes due to automation could increase efficiency and projections. Solid waste and recycling cart rates will increase by 3% for FY 2021. Additional route changes are anticipated as the repercussions of fully automated collections are realized and more will occur if collection frequency changes.
- B. **Solid Waste Collection Survey.** A draft survey about solid waste and recycling services was presented to the group for discussion. There were comments about the necessity of the survey given the limited reduction in rates offered. Mr. Clinch pointed out that City Council stated they wanted the survey done. Mr. Clinch said he hopes to have the survey out in the next month or so and to keep it open for a month or two depending on the quantity of responses.
- C. **Automated yard waste collection pilot program.** Mr. Moroni expressed an interest in starting a pilot program for automated yard waste collection in a small, designated community.

4. Audience Participation.

B. There was no audience participation.

2. The Next Meeting.

A. Scheduled to take place on September 18, 2020, at 1:00.

3. Adjournment.

A. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM.