

Venetia Community Association, Inc.

A Corporation Not-for-Profit
c/o Sunstate Management Group, Inc.
228 Ponce de Leon Ave, Venice, FL 34286
Phone—941-870-4920

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting June 26, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Call to Order—The Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by President Cindy Beckley.

Proof of Notice - The meeting was posted in accordance with the By-laws of the Association and Florida Statute 720.

Determination of a quorum—A quorum was established with the following Directors present: President Cindy Beckley; Vice President Dick Mole, Treasurer Mary Eve; and Director Alex Sarelas. Present via zoom was Secretary Al Faella and Director Michael Jalbert. Absent was Director Jim Irr. Also present in person was Brian Rivenbark and (via zoom) Lindsey Olson from Sunstate Management Group.

Minutes –MOTION made by Alex Sarelas and seconded by Dick Mole to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2023 meeting as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Presidents Report: Cindy Beckley reported. She spoke of the sidewalk process, and hurricane preparedness.

Vice Presidents Report: Dick Mole reported. He spoke of the storage sheds and also chairs/tables being purchased by Venetia so they do not have to be rented for each event. He also spoke of the homeless situation. If there are any sightings, please call the police and do not approach the person.

Treasurers Report—As attached to these corporate records, Mary Eve gave the report from the May 31, 2023 financials. **MOTION** made by Dick Mole and seconded by Alex Sarelas to accept the Treasurers report as presented. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Committee Reports—

- **Communications** – No report.
- **Finance Committee** – No report.
- **Infrastructure Committee** – Bill Crocker reported. He will be stepping down as committee chair. **MOTION** made by Mary Eve and seconded by Dick Mole to accept Bill's resignation as chair. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- **TV/Internet Committee** – Alex Sarelas reported in George's absence. The committee is waiting on a proposal from comcast currently. Fiber Optics was discussed.
- **Amenities** – Donna DeLuca reported. A spa controller has failed, a proposal was received for \$2,500. **MOTION** made by Alex Sarelas and seconded by Dick Mole to spend the \$2500 to fix the spa controller to come from account 8420. **Motion passed unanimously.** Pool will be 86 degrees for the rest of the summer. All work in the fitness room has been completed. Three bids were received for new pavers and correcting some paver work. Pavermac (\$5,920), Rising Star (\$4407), and New Hope (\$5,180). **MOTION** made by Alex Sarelas and seconded by Mary Eve to accept the proposal from Rising Star in the amount of \$4,407 to come from account 8330. Motion passed unanimously. **MOTION made by Mary Eve and seconded by Dick Mole to appoint Louise Fabin to the Amenities**

clubhouse sub-committee. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Welcome Committee** – No report.
- **Sarasota County Liaison Committee** – **MOTION** made by Mary Eve and seconded by Alex Sarelas to accept the committees mission statement. **Motion passed unanimously.** The homeless camp, wild hogs, and noise abatement was discussed. **MOTION** made by Dick Mole and seconded by Mary Eve to appoint Sherry Blakely to the Sarasota County Liaison Committee. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Environmental Committee** – Mary Lou Holler had nothing to report.
- **Landscape Committee** – Landscape Contract - **MOTION** made by Dick Mole and seconded by Alex Sarelas to terminate Westcoast with a 30 day termination letter and hire Twin Palms at a cost of \$119,376/year. Discussion was had. Motion passed unanimously. Irrigation Maintenance – **MOTION** made by Mary Eve and seconded by Dick Mole to accept the irrigation contract from South County Irrigation in the amount of \$23,280/year. **Motion passed unanimously.** Mulch Distribution – **MOTION** made by Mary Eve and seconded by Dick Mole to approve the contract from Distribution Direct for \$12,551/year and an additional \$1000 for butterfly park for a total of \$13,551. **Motion passed unanimously.** **Motion** made by Dick Mole and seconded by Mary Eve to accept the proposal from New Life Well and Pump in the amount of **\$5,050.** **Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Preserve Committee** – Jan Weis reported. Official survey document has been signed. The committee is looking to get bids for a vertical cut.
- **Tree and Gutter Report** –George Sperry reported. Tree on Bella Terra – ratification – **MOTION** made by Mary Eve and seconded by Dick Mole to ratify and approve the bid for \$350 for the tree on Bella Terra. Motion passed unanimously. **MOTION** made by Mary Eve and seconded by Dick Mole to approve \$850 to remove the oak tree on Bella Terra. Motion passed unanimously.
- **Citizens Patrol:** No report.
- **Social Committee:** Mary Eve reported.

MOTION made by Dick Mole and seconded by Alex Sarelas to accept all committee reports as submitted.
Motion passed unanimously.

Sub-Association Reports

- **VNA1** – No report.
- **Villa Paradiso** – Landscaping and ARC documents have been updated to keep things current. Sunstate is getting quotes to upgrade pool security because people are coming in and using the shower and bathrooms.
- **Villa Vivaci** – No report.
- **CDA** – Mary Eve reported.

Management Report – Brian reported. He has a meeting regarding sidewalks next Wednesday.

New Business – None.

Owners Comments – None.

Next meeting – July 31, 2023 at 9:00 am.

MOTION made by Mary Eve and seconded by Alex Sarelas to adjourn the meeting. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:35 am.

Respectfully submitted by,
Lindsey Olson/LCAM for
Brian Rivenbark /LCAM,
for The Venetia Community Association Board of Directors



885 US 41 Bypass S, Venice, FL 34285 *Office: 941-497-4012 * Fax: 941-497-5010

Established in 2007

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www.PaverMac.com

Proposal

Venetia

**4401 Corso Venetia Blvd.
Venice, FL. 34293**

03/31/2023

Donna Deluca – 203-556-3565

ziti4me@icloud.com

Paver Mac agrees to perform the work as follows: Walkways and Repairs

- Shrubs/sprinklers to be moved by others prior to our arrival
- Paver Mac will excavate approx. 168 SF of grass, steppingstones, and some pavers
- We will bring in 2" of crushed base material, grade, level and compact
- Munich wall block will be installed on the left-hand side of the walkway leading from the existing pavers to the concrete trash pad. Paver Mac will try their best to help alleviate the water build up where the pavers meet the concrete pad however, we cannot guarantee results.
- We will provide and install approx. 168 SF of full-size pavers on a walkway leading from the concrete sidewalk to the existing pavers, A walkway leading from the existing pavers to the concrete trash pad and the entry by the pool gate slightly extending the entry
- All pavers will be compacted, and fine sand washed in to ensure a tight finish
- On the paver walkway leading from the pool to the concrete walkway minor roots will be cut back on the existing paver walkway and concrete restraints will be reinstalled where pavers have separated (approx. 162LF)
- A concrete restraint will be installed as needed
- Cannot be responsible for damages to landscaping and cannot guarantee an exact color or manufacture match.

Total: \$4,300.00

- **If customer desires Paver Mac to install Munich wall block on the inside of the paver walkway leading from the pool deck to the concrete walkway to help hold back rock and mulch it is an additional \$1,620.00 only if completed with another option**

Option – Bocce Ball Court

- Paver Mac will excavate approx. 1,185 SF of thick pavers
- We will provide and install approx. 1,185 SF of full-size pavers around the bocce ball court following the existing layout – walkway is not included
- All pavers will be compacted, and fine sand washed in to ensure a tight finish
- A concrete restraint will be installed as needed
- Cannot guarantee an exact color/manufacture match

Total - \$11,084.00



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Proposal

- **If customer desires to add on the small walkway leading from the Bocce ball court to the existing paver walkway it is an additional - \$731.00 only if done**

- * Paver Mac is not responsible for any manufacture defects of any kind
- * Customer will be charged extra to remove any landscaping related items.
- * All labor, material and deliveries for the project are included
- * Removal and dumping of all job-related waste are included
- * Paver Mac cannot guarantee a color match
- * If a credit card is used a 3% transaction fee will be applied
- * Payment to be made in full to receive any warranty or P.O work



Estimate

Rising Star Pavers

2357 Tamiami Trail S. Unit 3

#104

Venice FL 34293

www.risingstar.services

Alex & Jennifer(Owners) 941-928-1705

barkeralex115@gmail.com

Tax no. : L19000060225

Client

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4401 Corso Venetia Dr.

Venice FL 34293

ziti4me@icloud.com

203-556-3565

Estimate

Estimate 1063

Today's Date

20 Mar 2023

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost
Labor for repairs Remove old concrete restraint Level pavers Install new concrete restraint	73	\$ 20.00	\$ 1,460.00

Subtotal \$ 1,460.00

Delivery Fee \$ 100.00

Total amount due

\$ 1,560.00

Note

This price includes all material and labor costs

Terms and conditions

1 year warranty on pavers installed by Rising Star Pavers, LLC

-Warranty does not cover cracked/broken pavers

1/2 deposit down upon agreement of job

Deposit is non-refundable once material has been purchased

1 year warranty on pavers repaired by Rising Star Pavers, LLC

We are not responsible for broken pavers

-Estimate is valid for 90 days

By signing this document, the customer agrees to the services and conditions described in this document.

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Estimate # Today's Date

Estimate 1062
20 Mar 2023

Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost
Pavers Sq Ft (waste included)	135	\$ 3.39	\$ 457.65
Base Sand Yards	2	\$ 59.00	\$ 118.00
Top sand 50 lb bags	2	\$ 8.00	\$ 16.00
Portland (concrete) 94 lb bags	3	\$ 20.00	\$ 60.00
Labor paver install Sq Ft (Excavate/remove existing pavers, sod, etc. Level/compact with base sand Install/radius cut pavers Sand joints with top sand Install concrete restraint)	120	\$ 15.00	\$ 1,800.00

Subtotal	\$ 2,451.65
Tax (7%)	\$ 45.62
Delivery Fee	\$ 350.00

Total amount due

\$ 2,847.27**Note**

This price includes all material and labor costs

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Casa Di Amici President's Report for June 2023

On June 14, Brian and I walked around all of the condos taking note of the buildings with fascia damage from the hurricane. The repair crew was already on site. They encountered several large wasp nests during the repairs and destroyed them. On June 21 Brian again walked the perimeter of all of the condos checking the completed work (I was unable to participate.)

On June 17, I attended a cabana pool safety meeting chaired by Jan Weis, President, Villa Paradiso. Also attending were Ed Van Etten and Cindy Beckley. Of concern was trespassing and use of the pool by non-residents.

CDA is exploring purchasing park benches to be placed in 4 locations around the condos. Also being considered is private donations for a bench that would have a plaque in memory of someone.

Marilyn Pyle
President, Casa Di Amici Board of Directors

Venetia Communications Committee Report

June 2023

The Communications Committee has nothing to report this month.

Joe Holler

June 2023 Infrastructure Report

This report is for the period from 5/17/2023 thru 6/21/2023

The only thing we worked on in this period was the Entrance Drop Arm at the Jacaranda Entrance. It had an intermittent problem over a two week period. After identifying the problem we ordered the necessary parts and installed them when they were received. Then something shorted out and we repaired that. All is working well now.

The Committee Worked a total of 19 hrs. in the period mentioned above.

This Report was prepared and submitted by Bill Crocker

P.S. Bill Crocker will be retiring from the Infrastructure Committee Chairman position at this meeting after serving the Community for 17 years. He would like to remain on the Committee as a Retired Committee Chairman and Consultant. This way I can still help with the transition and still be covered by the Insurance

Landscape Committee Report

Submitted to VCA Board of Directors

Monday, June 26, 2023

The Landscape Committee met on Tuesday, June 13, some of the issues discussed and decided are listed below:

Proposals for Approval

Landscape Contract

- Landscape, Irrigation and Mulch Contract. As described in the attached report, the Landscape Committee is seeking to change vendors for Landscape Maintenance, Irrigation Maintenance and Annual Mulch Application from Westcoast to Twin Palms for Landscape, South County Repair for Irrigation and Distribution Direct for Mulch.
- We seek to get approval and give 30-day notice to Westcoast to end our present contract and begin the new contracts August 1, 2023.
- We would seek to negotiate a credit in our final bill with Westcoast for monies paid to date for mulch application due to be done in September to be applied to the new vendor, Distribution Direct.
- We would request that our full committee report be posted to the website for anyone in the community to review.

Well Pump – Clubhouse – The irrigation system controls at the Clubhouse have been tripping the breakers rendering the system inactive for an unknown time. The pump has been short cycling, overheating the contactors and tripping the breakers. Westcoast checked out the problem over the past month to no resolve. Rich from South County has looked at the pump and electrical controls but this is not his area of expertise, The rest of the clubhouse system is functional. We had New Life Well and Pump come on Wed 6/21 to check it out. They propose a new pump and control box, (proposal attached) - \$5050.

Proposals underway:

- **Mailbox - Irrigation Repair** – 11 Mailbox locations – in coordination with other repairs – South County - \$875.00 – **complete**
- **Irrigation Repair** – Storm Damage – 18 Sites for irrigation repair – South County Repair - \$860.00 – **complete.**
- Any other storm-related irrigation issues must be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

Committee Question: Who is responsible for cleaning well pump filters?

Landscape Preliminary Budget Plan - 2024

The landscape committee has begun a budget plan for the coming year. The plan includes repairs to irrigation, planting in various areas and the new contracts for Landscape, Irrigation and Mulch

1. **Repair irrigation on the Berm/butterfly park by zone.** The Berm has been broken down into zones to be addressed on a more manageable basis.

Section 1 Jacaranda gate to corner before 776 - \$5000

Section 2. Corner of 776 to approx. lot 356 - \$1000

Section 3. Lot 356 to approx. lot 437 - \$5000

Section 4 lot 437 to past lot 94 - \$2500

Section 5 Butterfly Park - \$5000

Woodmere gate and other areas \$2000

Total Budget - \$20,500

2. **Replace plantings along the berm by zone.**

Zone 1 - \$0

Zone 2 - \$???

Zone 3 - \$???

Zone 4 - \$???

3. Butterfly Park Redo

Zone 5 – NTE \$5000 – Define scope of project, Hire Landscape Design for park redo which might include repave or remove walking paths, redefine garden areas, etc.

4. Jacaranda Gate - Hedge and Shrub Redo - \$\$15K

5. Woodmere Gate - Hedge and Shrub Redo - \$\$15K

6. Clubhouse Hedge and Shrub Redo - \$13,500 based on previous proposal.

7. Annuals Plantings at Gates, Clubhouse \$4000

Three change overs per year – recent quote 4.5” pots = \$1200

8. Palm Trimming – Twice per year

Entire community in April/May \$9500

Entrances for Christmas decorating \$5000

Total = \$14,500

9. Landscape Maintenance - \$119,376 per year – New Contract

10. Irrigation Maintenance - \$23,280 per year – New Contract

**11. Mulch Distribution September after hurricane season - \$13,500 per year
New Contract**

12. Special Palm Tree Fertilization - \$3000 – New Item.

Budget Question: Is irrigation part of a reserve line item? A revised study on the website indicates irrigation replacement in 2024 at \$36,000

Respectfully submitted: Dave Lanni

Distribution Direct, Inc.

2425 Lasso Lane
Lakeland, FL 33801
Phone: 863-666-1404
Fax: 863-667-1397

Mr. Brian Rivenbark
Sunstate Management Group Landscape Solutions LLC
P.O. Box 18809
Sarasota, FL 34276

Apr. 19, 2023

Install Location

Venetia Community Neighborhood
4401 Corso Venetia Blvd.
Venice, FL 34293

270 cubic yards chocolate mulch

Chocolate Mulch	\$5,855.50
Labor	\$4,590.00
Freight, Fuel & Forklift	\$1,695.69
<u>Split Load Fee</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total w/o sales tax	\$12,141.19
<u>Sales Tax 7.0%</u>	<u>\$409.89</u>
Total	\$12,551.08

Thank you for your business!

Respectfully,
Chris Peterson
Distribution Direct, Inc.
407-625-9066

Approved by: _____
Name: _____

*Invoice payment is due within 15 days. Please be advised that we will charge 5% interest per month on late invoices.

Venetia Community Association

South County Repair LLC Proposal for Irrigation Maintenance Contract

This contract is between the Venetia Community Association (the Association) and South County Repair LLC (the Contractor) and managed by the Association's management company for a period beginning at the signing/acceptance of this proposal through December 2024.

Scope of Service

- Contractor will inspect the irrigation system every other month by running each zone to insure proper spray pattern and flow. At this time, contractor will issue Clock Check Reports of each Clock in the irrigation system (11).
- The Clocks shall be adjusted as necessary to insure proper amounts of water are provided for all turf and plant material.
- Contractor once monthly will visually inspect/investigate all areas for overly dry/wet conditions.
- All labor for minor repairs required to maintain the irrigation system are included in this contract at no additional cost. (changing batteries, above ground single couplings of drip or supply line, shrub head replacement, goof plug installation, clogged microjet replacement, testing, easily accessible system line repairs)
- Contractor will provide the Association descriptions and estimates for any required repairs discovered during a Clock Check that do not fall into the “minor repair” category.
- The Contractor will provide estimates for all proposed “new irrigation” work.
- Changes to the irrigation schedule should be made or followed up in writing, via email, to southcountyrepairfl@gmail.com. Contractor will make requested changes to irrigation schedules (new landscaping, work being done, etc.) once monthly free of charge. Changes beyond the first (free) request each month will be billed at \$20 per clock, per request.
- Batteries, new parts; and replacement parts >\$1.00 will be billed to the Association. Most micro jet heads, some risers, some nozzles, and most small couplings are all <\$1.00 for examples of unbilled parts included in the fee.

Fees

The Association will pay the Contractor during the first week of each calendar month, beginning the month immediately following acceptance of this proposal and continuing through December 31, 2024.

Monthly = \$1940.00

Annually = \$23280.00

Repair or replacement labor not falling in the “minor” categories above will be estimated at \$75.00 per hour.

Emergency calls after hours and on weekends will be billed at a rate of \$75.00 per hour, one hour minimum.

Sprinkler head re-positioning (same spot, raised or lowered, all dirt/not root or rock) = \$20

Sprinkler head relocation = \$ 25.00 for the 1st foot, \$12.50 per additional foot (all dirt/not root or rock)

Location and/or tracking of missing or lost valves will be billed by the Contractor at a rate of \$60.00 for the first hour, \$50.00 per hour thereafter, plus an additional \$60.00 per wire break or valve found.

It is suggested that the Association provide a “Do Not Exceed” amount prior to tracking of valves and/or wires.

Rain sensor replacement cost is \$40.00 + parts.

Other Provisions

- At the discretion of the Landscape Committee, Contractor will perform a walk through of the property with the Committee on a bi-monthly basis.
- It is understood and accepted that South County Repair LLC does not service, install, or replace wells or submersible well pumps. Quality local contractors' information, with Venetia experience specifically, can be furnished upon request.
- It is understood and accepted, by both parties, that residual damage from Hurricane Ian is plentiful and still unknown. Contractor will work with Association to address priority concerns, levels of repair, any newly discovered issues, etc.
- The Parties agree that either party may terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party.
- Contractor shall maintain and furnish proof of adequate general liability insurance to meet its legal obligations during the term of this contract.
- The contractor will assure that they possess adequate equipment and personnel to fulfill the condition of the contract.
- Contractor provides Clock Check report (11 clocks)

Contractor will furnish Landscape Committee with copy of Clock Check reports (attached)

- This proposal is for Venetia Community Association solely and is not applicable or offered to any partners or sub associations of the Venetia Community Association.

Contractor Parking

- Vehicles will be parked off the road on commons property when Contractor is in the immediate area for more than 2 hours.
- Vehicles will never remain after work hours.
- While parked on the street vehicles will maintain a minimum of 25' from any road intersection.

This proposal is valid for 30 days after receipt.

Please sign, date, and return upon acceptance.

Venetia Community Association

Date

South County Repair LLC

Date

EXHIBIT A TEMPLATE SPECIFICATIONS & PROCEDURES

1. BED, LAWN AND TREE CARE:

a. MOWING

- i. 40 cuts annually for St. Augustine turf.
- ii. All parking areas and sidewalks will be blown free of debris after each mowing.
- iii. As a normal course of work all litter and debris will be removed from lawn areas prior to mowing.
- iv. Grass areas will be trimmed with a weed eater with each mowing around trees, buildings and other obstacles where a mower cannot reach.
- v. Mowing Schedule:

January	2 cuts	July	weekly (4-5)
February	2 cuts	August	weekly (4-5)
March	3 cuts	September	weekly (4-5)
April	4 cuts	October	3 cuts
May	weekly (4-5)	November	2 cuts
June	weekly (4-5)	December	2 cuts

NOTE: Additional cuts will be provided as requested. Any cuts in excess of 42 for the year will be billed as an extra charge.

b. EDGING OF STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

- i. Driveways, sidewalks and curbs will be mechanically edged every time property is mowed, or as needed.

c. PLANTER BED CARE

- i. Planter beds will be mechanically edged to maintain a defined edge every other visit.
- ii. Herbicides will be used in bed areas to kill weeds and inhibit weed growth which should allow monthly manual weeding to be sufficient. (Which means weeds are absent to no more than a 2% volume.)
- iii. Any damage to existing plant material due to herbicide use will be the responsibility of the contractor.

d. PLANTED BED DRESSING

- i. Planter beds will be mulched as specified in Exhibit B when the full accrual has been paid.

e. PRUNING AND TRIMMING

- i. 12 times per year, hedges, shrubs and ground covers will be trimmed according to the health and growth patterns of the plant and with consideration of the desires of the customer
- ii. Freeze Damage: In the event of a hard freeze, a severe pruning will be required to trim freeze damage from shrubs and small trees. This pruning will be performed after the threat of a further freeze has passed and plants have had a chance to recover. At the time of this pruning, the regular work schedule may be delayed in order to provide adequate time for pruning of the damaged plants.

f. LEAF AND MISCELLANEOUS DEBRIS CLEANUP

- i. Removal or recycling of small leaf burden in beds and turf as needed.
- ii. Hard surfaces will be blown off on each visit.

g. TREES

- i. Palm Trees will be trimmed according to the health and growth patterns of the tree and with consideration of the desires of the customer.
- ii. The under-canopy of hardwoods will be trimmed up to a height of 8 feet once per year and sucker growth removed from the trunk on a monthly basis.
- iii. Palm Trees with fronds that can be reached from the ground (approximately 12') will be removed on a monthly basis.
- iv. Palm Trees with fronds that can't be reached from the ground (approximately 12') can be removed for an additional charge.
- v. Palm boots loose hanging below 8 feet will be removed during trimming.

**EXHIBIT A
TEMPLATE
SPECIFICATIONS & PROCEDURES**

VCA PRESERVE COMMITTEE UPDATE - June, 2023

After a meeting with Sarasota County, Britt Surveying and members of the Preserve Committee, all signed off on the final Preserve Survey Document. We are awaiting the final document and access to the Survey Site. A meeting will then take place with the Sub Association Presidents individually to discuss the impacts in their communities. As well, we will review the survey results with VCA Landscaping.

We have asked SunState for names of landscapers to be considered for the vertical cut; we do have a landscaper we are interested in using and await a third meeting with him and the committee. Timing for this first cut will be mid to late this summer weather permitting, followed up by another vertical cut in early 2024 once the 2024 budget is finalized. Going forward, we will then have vertical cuts during the cooler months each year.

Jan Weis, Chair
for VCA Preserve Committee

Venetia Community Association, Inc.
President's Report for June 26, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting

The hurricane repairs continue as the sidewalk repairs have finally concluded. South County Repair is finishing up the repairs to the irrigation damage caused by trees and sidewalks being uprooted. Soon we can begin the sod replacement. We are hoping for the rainy season to kick in, but if residents can please help to water any new sod on our streets, it would be very much appreciated.

Speaking of sidewalks, we are now in the process of taking an inventory of the sidewalks where lifting as occurred so that the 2024 budget can include grinding of these areas. In the meantime, we will be marking these areas with bright paint or roping those areas off to caution pedestrians.

As we are now in hurricane season until the end of November, please refer to the Sarasota County web pages for Hurricane Preparedness, from the link on our website's homepage. Please familiarize yourselves with the steps you should take to protect your Venetia home.

There will be palm trees trimmed on VCA common property on July 17th and 18th.

There is also a link on our homepage for signing up for the Sarasota County Public Notices by email. The new VCA Sarasota County Liaison Committee, co-chaired by Donna DeLuca and Jo Price, is making great progress with meetings concerning the traffic on Jacaranda Boulevard. They will be holding an informational meeting about this issue soon and an eblast will be sent to all residents. I urge everyone to attend either in person or via Zoom.

I know there have been many issues lately with our entry gates both from Jacaranda and Woodmere. We are gathering estimates for new access systems and we have money in our reserves to replace these entry systems, so we hope to have definite information to present at our July 31st Board meeting.

I am calling a meeting of all VCA grounds committee chairpersons in the next two weeks. That will include Landscaping, Trees & Gutters, Preserves and Environmental Committees. These four committees sometimes intersect each other, and they should work together to make sure we are complying with county regulations as well as getting the best price from vendors.

Thank you all for attending today and a special thank you to all volunteers.

Cindy Beckley
President, Venetia Community Association

Thomas	Mitchell	18953 NE R.E. Barton Ln.	Altha	32421-
Corey	Adams	26111 Turpentine Still Rd	Sidell	34266-
Rob	Angelo	121 Triple Diamond Blvd	Nokomis	34275-
William	Ayers	6798 Ruff Street	North Port	34291-
Bridget	Aylward	4237 Mermell Circle	North Port	34291-
Roger	Bacon	8767 Tropicane Blvd.	North Port	34291-
Karalynn	Bacon	8767 Tropicaine Blvd.	North Port	34291-
Robert	Ballentine	535 Gillespie St	Englewood	34223-
Allen	Barfield	3982 47th Street	Sarasota	34235-
Jason	Baxley	2904 38th Ave W	Bradenton	34205-
John	Bennett	224 Glen Oak Road	Venice	94191-5102
Christopher	Bergers	4395 Eldron Avenue	North Port	34286-
Zachery	Billbrey	150 N. Nokomis Avenue Apt. 106	Venice	34285-
Sammuel J.	Bishop	10590 SR 72	Sarasota	34241-
Jackie	Bishop	10590 SR 72	Sarasota	34241-
Brett	Bosier	13100 N Branch Road	Sarasota	34240-
Keith	Carver	6325 Jarvis Rd	Sarasota	34241-
Williams	Clark	1164 Leeward Road	Venice	34293-
Erica R.	Clark	4074 Mokena Ave	North Port	34286-
Sean	Clarke	980 Graham Rd	Venice	34293-
Victor	Cleveland	3652 Ulman Avenue	North Port	34286-7100
Daniel	Corso	3746 Piper PL	Sarasota	34232-
Edward F.	Cote Jr.	2965 E Mark Dr.	Sarasota	34232-
Robert	Creadon	4284 Fiji Place	Sarasota	34241-
Jared	Culbertson	3462 Monday Terrace	North Port	34286-
Leigh	DeJonge	5265 Albion Road	Venice	34293-
Erinn	DeJorge	3500 Rustic Road	Nokomis	34275-
Richard	Douglas	26111 Turpentine Still Rd	Sarasota	34266-
Duane	Douglas	4234 Mermell Circle	North Port	34241-
Jason	Duke	98 E Horton Avenue	Englewood	34223-
Nichole	Duyn	265 N. Havana Road	Venice	34292-
John	Duyn	265 N. Havana Road	Venice	34292-
Chris	Egolf	1854 Joshua Drive	Sarasota	34240-
Jacob	Enos	409 Kenwood Ave	Venice	34275-
Linwood	Enos	440 Brairwood Rd	Venice	34293-
Ronald R.	Eplin	99 Sandhurst Dr	Venice	34293-
John	Estill	3213 Trinity Street	North Port	34291-
Woody	Faircloth	1175 Fruitville Road	Sarasota	34236-
Charles	Fisher	1015 Gasparilla Blvd	Englewood	34223-
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Ken	Fitzner	5347 Hackley Rd	North Port	34291-
Jeff	Fraley	255 Tomiamit Rd	Nokomis	34275-
Ricky	Gaines	5621 Reisterstown Rd	North Port	34291-
James	Glover	5633 Ravenwood Drive	Sarasota	34243-
Jesse	Griffin	351 Langsner Street	Englewood	34223-
Nelson	Groome	145 S River Road	Venice	34293-
Thomas	Hentgs	475 Bluebell Road	Venice	34293-
Brain	Hitchcock	400 Gulf Breeze Blvd.	Venice	34293-

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James	Jankowski	6038 Tropicaire Blvd	North Port	34287-
Brian	Jones	25900 Turpentin Still Rd	Sidell	34266-
Rosalie	Kay	P O Box 1092	Vanice	34284-
Deanna	Kersey	P.O. Box 209	Myakka City	34251-
Casey	King	26111 Turpentine Still Rd	Sidell	34266-
Shawn	Koss	700 S. Moon Drive	Venice	34292-
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Melissa	Kracke	224 Glen Oak Road	Venice	34293-
Daniel	Lawson	25 Warren Ave	Englewood	34223-
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John H.	Lee	3726 Giblin Drive	North Port	34286-
Robert	Leichty	1200 Coral Lane	Sarasota	34224-
Kenneth	Levy	6888 Raymur St	North Port	34286-
Joseph	Long III	4344 Badosa Rd	North Port	34286-
Nathan	Lynn	11798 Tempest Harbor Loop	Venice	34292-
Adam	Maio	P O Box 394	Laurel	34272-
Alan	McEwen	6527 Reistertown Road	North Port	34286-
Casey	McVey	1021 Tam-O Shanter Court	Venice	34293-
Jeffery E.	Miller	3959 January Avenue	North Port	34288-
Jessica	Miller	13411 Fruitville Road	Sarasota	34240-
Tim	Mitchell	3440 Bonita Drive	Venice	34292-
Todd Walter	Myer	6038 Tropicaire Blvd	North Port	34291-
John	Natale	7469 Totem Ave	North Port	34291-
Lester M.	Neely	9107 68th Ave E	Bradenton	34202-
Kevin	Opperman	411 Hancock Ave	Sarasota	34232-
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William	Reid	1203 Koltemborn Rd	North Port	34288-
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Billy	Roberts	3416 Dunbar Drive	Sarasota	34232-
Leroy	Schrock	2417 Ingram Avenue	Sarasota	34232-
Earl	Sommer	P O Box 22282	Sarasota	34276-
Brian	Sossel	411 Plantation Road	South Venice	34292-
Steven	Spry Jr.	2953 S. Haberland Blvd.	North Port	34286-
Nicholas	Stewart	1885 Alabelle Ln	North Port	34286-
David	Strickland	P O Box 5170	Englewood	34224-
Chris	Stubenvoll	4307 Maverick St	North Port	34288-
Mykah S.	Sutton	1226 Sacia St	North Port	34287-
Daniel	Trevino	4444 N Shade Avenue	Sarasota	34234-
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Gregrey R.	Whitter	8323 Lightfoot Drive	Nokomis	34275-

Eric	Williams	9021 delft Road	Sarasota	34240-
Clarence D.	Willis	2650 Ocean Side Street	North Port	34286-
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Corey	Woosley	1645 Fox Creek Dr	Sarasota	34240-
James	Young	7427 Curlew Street	Sarasota	34241-

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Sarasota County Liaison Committee Report to VCA Board of Directors Meeting

6/26/2023

No formal meetings are scheduled as the team meets frequently either in person, phone, text, or email to discuss issues, next steps, etc.

Mission Statement: The Venetia HOA Board created the Sarasota County Liaison Committee in May 2023. The purpose of this Committee is to research issues brought forward by the Community or residents that may require County interaction. This Committee provides information, recommendations, and next steps to the requesting Committee and in some cases will be an advocate for the Community, e.g., traffic safety on Jacaranda. This Committee will provide details, recommendations, and findings to the requesting and responsible Committee for their action and resolution.

Traffic Safety on Jacaranda

The Committee met with Don DeBerry, Sr. Transportation Mgr., and Paula Wiggins, Planning Mgr., on 6/09/2023 and presented the attached PPT.

Next Steps:

- Update Commissioner Cutsinger on our meeting with the Transportation Department. Completed 6/19/2023.
- Schedule follow-up meeting with the County Transportation and Planning teams.
- Initiate contact with HOA's of surrounding developments to add pressure to the County to complete alternative routes to beaches and arterials.
- Research the effectiveness of the Traffic Advisory Council and complete petition accordingly.

Homeless Encampments—Item Closed

Based on a request to Sheriff Hoffman, Sgt. Jesse Gieseke with the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office Homeless Outreach Team contacted the Committee; an introduction and follow-up was referred to Dick Mole for action.

Feral Hogs—Item Closed

Donna DeLuca investigated the County's responsibility or involvement in the capturing and removal of feral hogs on private property. The short answer is **Venetia is considered private property and the HOA is responsible for hog trapping and removal. There is no requirement for special traps per the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.**

Findings and recommendations were sent to Norman Hotz for action:

- Main contact with the State is Dr. Fisch; he suggested we reach out to our surrounding Developments (like Sarasota National) and speak to them about their experience with hogs and trappers.
- Dr. Fisch provided a list of 100 trappers in the Venice area; attached for reference.

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Bureau Chief of Animal Disease Control
Division of Animal Industry
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
(850) 410-0901
(850) 410-0957Fax
(850) 251-4175Cell
William.Fisch@FDACS.gov

Noise Abatement:

On May 29, 2023, the Committee met with several residents with homes along the intersection of Jacaranda and Englewood Road to discuss issues with noise and safety. As the Liaison Committee we agreed to investigate what the County's policy is on noise abatement. It was recommended that the homeowners speak at the next BOD meeting to express their concerns regarding noise and safety.

Findings and Recommendation: The County does not get involved with noise abatement such as building walls, etc. We are expecting a list of noise abatement consultants from the County in the next week or so; when it is received, it will be passed on to the BOD.

Community Disaster Recovery Plan

The County provides information and training in support of CERT, Community Emergency Response Teams. Donna DeLuca is investigating how to engage CERT trainers to set up a CERT Team at Venetia.

The recommendation is that a separate committee be formed to establish a CERT program here in Venetia using surrounding communities as guide.

Surrounding communities with CERT Programs: Calusa Lakes, Windwood, Venice Gardens, Pelican Pointe, So Venice Civic Association, Island Walk, Grand Paradiso, Plantation, Grand Palm, Hidden Lakes.

The Liaison Committee requests the addition of another member:

Sherry Blakely

Sblakely0413@gmail.com

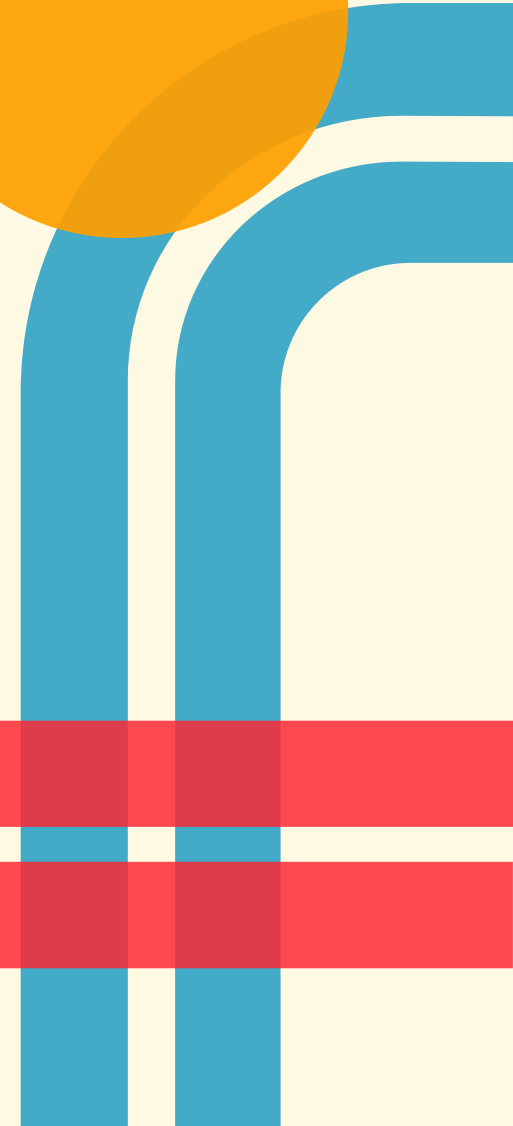
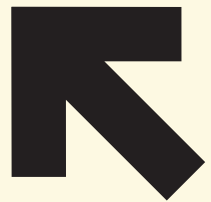
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Venetia Community

and

**Sarasota County
Transportation
and
Planning**



June 9, 2023



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Who Are We and How Did We Get Here?

- **Venetia is a community of 634 homes with the majority using the Jacaranda Entrance and Exit.**
- **Majority of the residents are retired but the demographics are changing to a mix of younger, active retired couples and families with young children.**
- **Traffic traversing Jacaranda to access US 41 and Englewood Road has increased and the congestion created by vehicles turning left onto US 41 as well as the Walmart/CVS intersection has caused backups all the way to the Venetia entrance during December through April.**
- **Increase in traffic was mostly tolerated until CEM announced the development of a 249 unit/5 story apartment complex that will utilize the Walmart/CVS intersection for entrance and exits causing the above-mentioned congestion to worsen.**
- **This led to the Venetia Community engaging with CEM and Commissioner Cutsinger after the development's approval. It also led to the creation of a Sarasota County Liaison Committee reporting to the HOA Board.**



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CEM Apartment Complex



Existing access and exit with CVS, intersecting with Walmart directly across the street.

Proposed SB right-in/right-out with NB left turn in.



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Venetia in Relationship to CEM





Surrounding Area Growth

Growth and expansion are accepted facts.

Impact to Jacaranda:

- Wellen Park and associated developments use Jacaranda to access beaches;
- Beachwalk and associated developments use Jacaranda to access Walmart, drug stores, shopping, eastern Venice, and I75.

This .75-mile stretch is a pinch point for traffic congestion.



To I75

Gran Paradiso
2K

Venetia
634

Sarasota National
2K

Island Walk
2.4K

Wellen Park
22K

Beach Walk
1.675K

Boca Royal
2k

Winchester Ranch
9K

Key:

Built Out

Still Building

New Development

Existing
Proposed

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**Safety is
the
Primary
Focus**



Our Understanding*

- **Current Level of Service (LOS) for Jacaranda Blvd—US 41 to SR 776 is **D****
- **Current LOS for Jacaranda and US 41 Intersection is **E****
- **2021 Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) is 20,100**
- **Annual growth rate is 2.4%**
- **CEM Development will add 158 Peak Hour (PH) trips**
- **And...there's a lot more science, data, factors, etc. that goes into Traffic Engineering and Planning!**
- **But there is the human element too...**

***Based on CEM Traffic Study completed July/August 2022**



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Intersection of Walmart and CVS



Video was taken
6/7/23 in
preparation for
this meeting.



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Our Reality

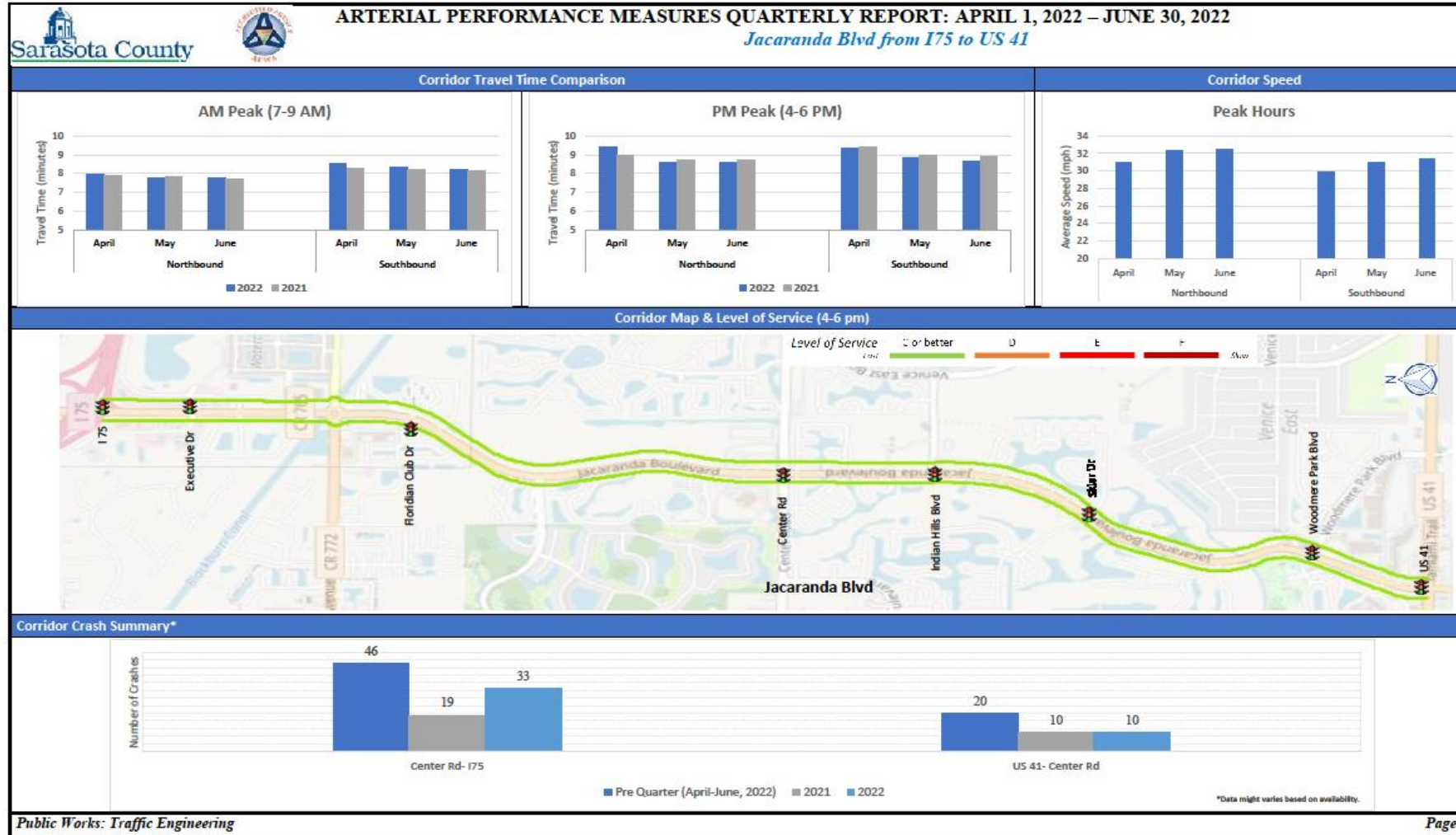


This picture was taken May 24, 2023, same intersection.



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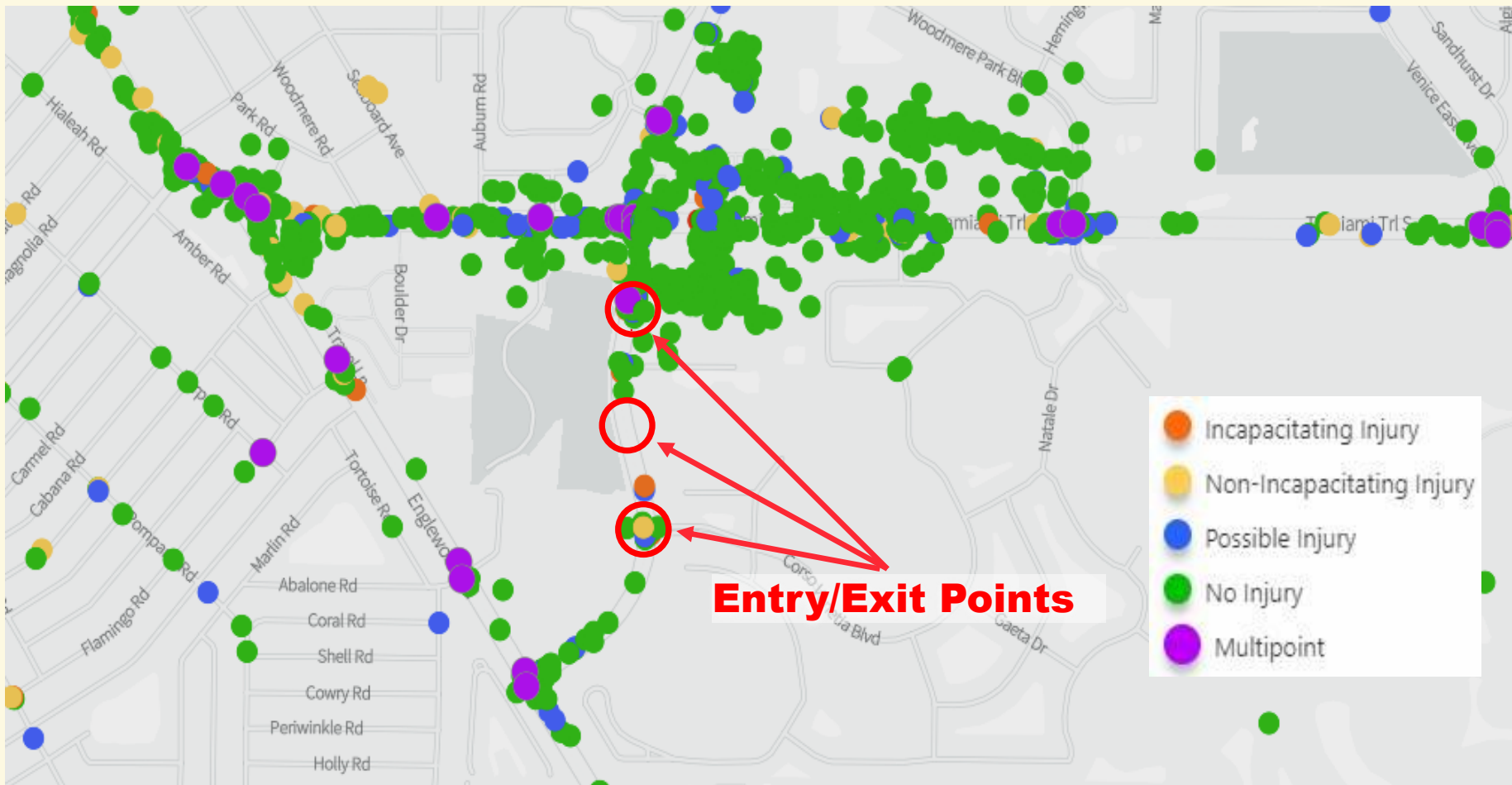
Jacaranda Arterial Performance 2nd Q 2022



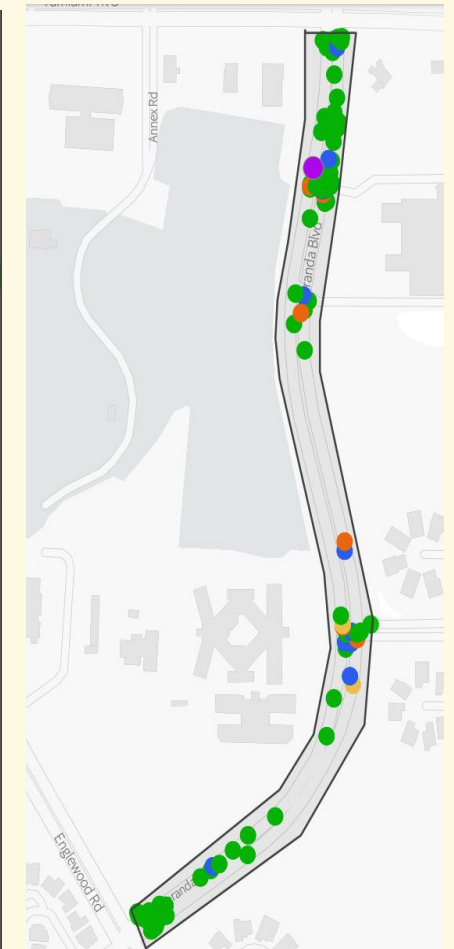


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Crash Graphics



Crashes from 3/2019 to 4/2023--DeBerry



Crashes 2018-2022-Deputy Maze

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2021 Crash Comparison*

Ranking	Jacaranda Segment	Length	AADT	Accidents	Crash Rate
Below Top 20	Center to Sklar	1.0	19,865	9*	.55
Unknown	US 41 to Englewood Road	.75	18,738	32**	Unknown

Major Difference Between Segments:

- Speed limit is 30-35 with speed indicators on the Center and Sklar segment;
- Two left turn lanes for Center Road and Jacaranda;
- This segment is included in the Crash Summary Report;
- Curbing on left turn lanes and medians.

***2021 Crash Summary Report Sarasota County; **2021 Crash report from Deputy Maze dated 5/25/2023**

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Speed is a Factor in Crashes

Jacaranda Segments*

Center to Sklar

Date	Int	Pace	85th	Total
• Thu 8/18/2022		35 - 45	43	18,902
• Wed 8/17/2022		35 - 45	43	19,560
• Thu 9/30/2021		35 - 45	43	19,218
• Wed 9/29/2021		35 - 45	43	19,421
• Thu 8/27/2020		35 - 45	43	16,987
• Wed 8/26/2020		35 - 45	43	16,820
• Thu 10/24/2019		35 - 45	43	21,170
• Wed 10/23/2019		35 - 45	44	21,650
• Wed 6/20/2018		35 - 45	45	18,953
• Tue 6/19/2018		35 - 45	45	18,730

US 41 to Englewood Rd

Date	Int	Pace	85th	Total
Thu 9/30/2021		45 - 55	54	18,294
Wed 9/29/2021		45 - 55	54	18,090
Thu 8/27/2020		45 - 55	53	16,977
Wed 8/26/2020		45 - 55	53	16,124
Thu 10/24/2019		40 - 50	52	19,981
Wed 10/23/2019		40 - 50	52	20,114
Wed 6/20/2018		35 - 45	48	18,152
Tue 6/19/2018		35 - 45	48	18,276
Thu 8/31/2017		45 - 55	56	18,007
Wed 8/30/2017		45 - 55	56	17,673

* MS2 Traffic Count Database System (TCDS)

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Crash Summary Assumptions

Segment Crash Summary

Top 20 Highest Segment Crash Rates (more than 5 crashes), 2021

Rank	Roadway Segment			Jurisdiction	No of Lanes	Segment Length (Mile)	AADT	Crashes	Crash Rate
	Roadway Name	Limits							
1	Blackburn Point Rd	Casey Key Rd	U.S.41 (SR 45)	County	2	1.00	2,478	7	7.74
2	27 th St /Dr. MLK JR Way	U.S. 301 (SR 683)	Newtown Blvd	County	2	0.40	7,881	8	6.95
3	Honore Ave	Richardson Rd	Fruitville Rd (SR 780)	County	2	0.45	8,617	9	6.36
4	Webber St	Beneva Rd	McIntosh Rd	County	4	0.50	13,628	15	6.03
5	U.S.41 (SR 45)	Bahia Vista St	Waldemere St	FDOT	6	0.25	57,000	31	5.96
6	Beneva Rd	Bahia Vista St	Webber St	County	4	1.00	20,059	42	5.74
7	17 th St	Tuttle Ave	Lockwood Ridge Rd	County	4	0.50	18,863	19	5.52
8	South Venice Blvd	Lemon Bay Dr	U.S.41 (SR 45)	County	2	1.30	2,300	6	5.50
9	Bahia Vista St	U.S.41 (SR 45)	Shade Ave	City/Sar	2	0.50	13,070	13	5.45
10	Bee Ridge Rd (SR 758)	Beneva Rd	Sawyer Rd	FDOT	6	0.50	39,000	36	5.06
11	Casey Key Rd	Blackburn Point Rd	Albee Rd	County	2	4.25	1,024	8	5.04
12	Bay Rd /Osprey Ave (SR 758)	Siesta Dr	U.S.41 (SR 45)	FDOT	2	0.45	10,200	8	4.78
13	Midnight Pass Rd (SR 758)	Beach Rd	Stickney Point	FDOT	2	1.20	15,923	33	4.73
14	U.S. 301 (SR 683)	12th St	Fruitville Rd (SR 780)	FDOT	4	0.65	35,500	36	4.27
15	CATTLEMEN RD	Palmer Blvd	Bahia Vista St	County	2	0.26	14,814	6	4.27
16	BENEVA RD	Bee Ridge Rd	Wilkinson Rd	County	4	0.5	21,209	16	4.13
17	U.S.41 (SR 45)	Englewood Rd (SR 776)	Jacaranda Blvd	FDOT	4	0.55	19,300	16	4.13
18	SWIFT RD	Ashton Rd	Clark Rd	County	4	0.5	16,705	13	4.26
19	U.S. 301 (SR 683)	Ringling Blvd	U.S. 41 (SR 45)	FDOT	4	0.45	31,000	20	3.93
20	U.S.41 (SR 45)	Waldemere St	Hillview St	FDOT	6	0.20	57,000	16	3.85

Note: The Top 20 does not include segments within the City of Sarasota, the Town of Longboat Key, and the City of North Port.
Crash rates for all segments are provided in Appendix B.

The Jacaranda segment between US 41 and Englewood does not appear in the Crash Summary or Appendix.

Assumption*: This segment ranks 4th in number of Crashes (32) and in the middle range of AADT (18,873); barring any other factors, this segment would be in the top 20.

*Crash Rate needs to be calculated



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Community's Primary Objective

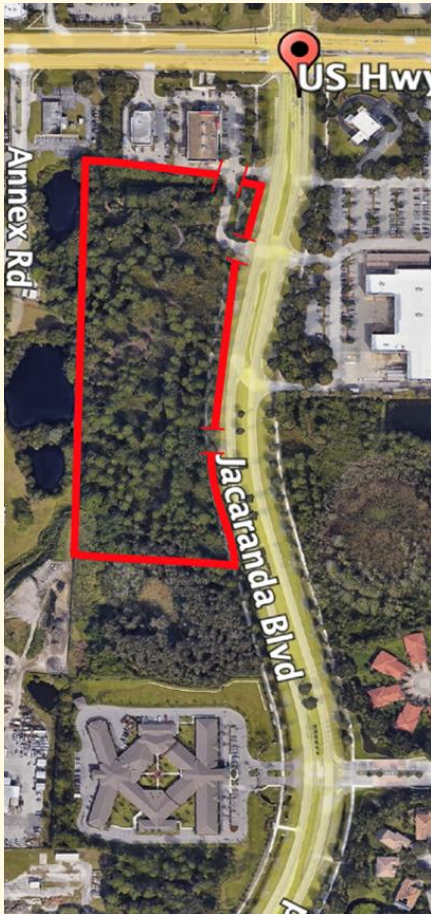
Primary objective is to make the .75-mile stretch of Jacaranda between US 41 and Englewood road **safer for everyone.**

- **To achieve this objective, we respectfully request the County for the following:**
 - Add the Jacaranda segment from US 41 to Englewood to the upcoming **crash study**.
 - Add the Jacaranda segment from US 41 to Englewood to the **Sarasota County Annual Crash Report**.
 - Add the Jacaranda segment (or extend the existing report) from US 41 to Englewood to the **Sarasota County Arterial Performance Measures Quarterly Report**.
 - **Reduce the speed** on this segment of Jacaranda **to 35 MPH**, the same as the segment between Center and Sklar.



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Request the SC Transportation and Planning Department to consider the following :



- Modernize this section of Jacaranda with speed indicators, concrete lane turns, directional signage, like the segment between Center and Sklar;
- Study and improve the congestion at the Walmart/CVS intersection; one suggestion is to add another left-turn lane on Jacaranda to access NB 41 similar to the 2 left turn lanes at Jacaranda and Englewood reducing the number of vehicles waiting in the main lanes;
- Add proposed road completions back into the 5-year plan to reduce traffic volume on this segment of Jacaranda;
- Add a traffic light at the intersection of Venetia and Gardens of Venice;
- Construct a left turn lane with a camera that makes U-turns more difficult at the entrance of Venetia;.



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Next Steps

- **Complete Traffic Advisory Council Form**
- **Follow-up on Community Requests**
- **Request the Noise Abatement Consultants**



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Liaison Committee's Next Steps

- **Set-up follow-up meeting with the County Transportation and Planning teams.**
- **Initiate contact with HOA's of surrounding developments to add pressure to the County to complete alternative routes to beaches and arterials.**
- **Research the effectiveness of the TAC and complete accordingly.**

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Thank You

Donna DeLuca

Jo Price

Venetia Community

Social Committee Report June 26, 2023

The Venetia Social Committee held a free ice cream social on Sunday, June 11. The purpose of this event was not only to spend time with our neighbors but to also collect nonperishable food items for the local food pantry. We are grateful for the outpouring of support and abundance of items collected. Trinity Presbyterian Church Food Pantry was the recipient of the goods collected.

The monthly Ladies out to Lunch was held at Shuck N' Ale on June 21. The next Ladies out to Lunch will take place on July 19 at Mi Pueblo Mexican restaurant in Venice.

Steppin'Out, which is a community dinner outing, began on June 13 at Made In Italy. The next Steppin'Out will be on July 12 at Abby's on Miami in downtown Venice.

The July 1st catered BBQ has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

The Social Committee would like to collect school supplies in the month of July which will be donated to local schools. Information will be posted on the Venetia website within a week or so.

Respectfully submitted,

Morina Chmielak

Treasurer Report
May 31, 2023

Total Liabilities & Equity:	\$899,494.70
Total Reserve Balance:	\$451,948.26
Total Expenses:	\$113,251.43
YTD Expenses:	\$591,815.93
	\$8,039.59 over budget
Admin. Expenses:	\$14,972.28
YTD Expenses:	\$53,885.95
	\$3,728.45 over budget
Grounds Expenses:	\$33,595.34
YTD Expenses:	\$113,323.44
	\$73,401.63 under budget
Maintenance Expenses:	\$1,161.14
YTD Expenses:	\$4,528.45
	\$18,320.36 under budget
Other:	\$6,507.14
YTD Expenses:	\$132,271.30
	\$108,021.99 over budget
Hurricane Cleanup in May	\$6,507.91*
Pool \$ Recreation:	\$2,265.36
YTD Expenses:	\$17,095.96
	\$1,945.66 under budget
Utilities Expenses:	\$54,749.40
YTD Expenses:	\$273,151.36
	\$10,043.20 under budget

* Total hurricane expenses, including expenses incurred last year, are \$335,368.74. That total is expected to increase after the completion of sidewalk repairs and other related hurricane issues . As of June 20, 2023 we have collected \$273,888 in special assessment fees, leaving \$3,888.00 outstanding (9 homeowners). Sunstate will be following up with those individuals.

As of June 20, there are 3 homeowners who have not paid 2nd quarter fees totaling \$2,390.53. One homeowner owes \$1,289.04 and is with our attorney.

Mary Eve, Treasurer

Tree and Gutter Committee Report 6/26/23

During the past month the Committee trimmed all of the Shady Lady Trees as well as some of the low hanging branches of the Oak Trees. Rolando Branly used his truck to transport the trimmings to the area at the end of Woodmere Park Boulevard. Rolando's wife, Liz, also helped us out when we were shorthanded. The Committee worked a total of 75 man hours on this project.

The pile of branches at the end of Woodmere Park Boulevard will be picked by ArtisTree at a cost of \$350.00 as approved by the Board.

Included with this report is a quotation from Arborx to trim the Berm Trees at a cost of \$49,586.00. This quotation is almost \$7,000.00 higher than the one that we received from Tip Top Tree Trimmers. Both of those quotes well exceed our budget of \$25,000.00. I want to discuss this at the meeting.

The Committee will need some direction from the Board on the number of Oak Trees to be removed in 2024 so that we can prepare our budget recommendation.

The Committee is working on a planting plan for the Shady Lady Trees along the roads. There will also be a plan to plant some Oak Trees in the Community Entrances where the hurricane took some of the trees down.

Tree and Gutter Committee Chairman

George Sperry

**REPORT TO VENETIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS RE
JUNE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE FOR TV/INTERNET/PHONE CONTRACT (AD HOC)**

The May meeting of THE COMMITTEE FOR TV/INTERNET/PHONE CONTRACT (AD HOC) was held June 12, 2023, with all members of the Committee attending (either in person or by Zoom) except Bob Germain, Rob Luysterborghs and Matt McHugh.

The Committee discussed recommending to the Board of Directors of the Venetia Community Association a proposal to negotiate an agreement with Community Cable Consultants, on the best terms practicable, to assist Venetia in obtaining a new agreement for internet, television and telephone services.

Also, and alternatively, the Committee discussed meeting with Comcast (the incumbent provider of such services) as a next step.

After discussion both during and subsequent to the meeting, a majority of the Committee determined that it was worthwhile to meet with Comcast—the Committee has already met with Blue Stream Fiber and Hotwire. (For the past month or so, the Committee has attempted to obtain from Comcast a breakdown of the extent to which individual Venetia households buy additional services from Comcast; some information has finally been made available, but the Committee is struggling to interpret the information provided.) Alex Sarelas has been communicating with Comcast, and the Committee will attempt to schedule that meeting as early as practicable.

Assuming the results of the meeting to be had with Comcast are encouraging, the Committee tentatively determined that it would proceed by attempting to negotiate a contract renewal with Comcast for a term of five or so years, subject to approval of the Board. If the meeting with Comcast is not encouraging or if negotiations with Comcast commence but come to an impasse, the Committee will determine whether it desires to proceed (a) by seeking Board approval to retain Community Cable Consultants to assist it selecting and negotiating with a new vendor, or (b) by seeking Board approval for the Committee to select and negotiate with the most appropriate vendor. In either case the expectation is that the new agreement would likely need to be a term of about ten years.

Finally, in the Committee's Report for May (and at the Board's request) the Committee requested the Board to substitute Alex Sarelas for Michael Jalbert, which substitution was approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

George Neidich

George Neidich, Chair