



Regional Partnerships & Coordination Element

GOAL: UTILIZE INTERGOVERNMENTAL PARTNERSHIPS TO PROVIDE THE VENICE COMMUNITY A HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE AND ADEQUATE LEVEL OF PUBLIC SERVICES.

Objective 1 Development and Public Service Coordination. The City shall collaborate with its intergovernmental partners on the planning and development of public services and infrastructure systems in City of Venice and Sarasota County.

- Policy 1.1 Coordinated Growth and Infrastructure Expansion. The City shall coordinate infrastructure and public utility services in the JPA/ILSBA Planning Areas, Extrajurisdictional Planning Areas, and Future Planning Areas with Sarasota County and private property owners as per the provisions of the adopted Joint Planning and Interlocal Service Boundary Agreement (JPA/ILSBA) between the City of Venice and Sarasota County.
- Policy 1.2 Interlocal Agreements. The City shall continue to execute and administer the interlocal agreements it has established with its regional partners and enter into new agreements as appropriate to implement coordination objectives.
- Policy 1.3 Coordinated Services. Continue to study the possible consolidation of appropriate public services and facilities with other local, regional, or state partners as one means of maintaining consistent service standards and avoiding duplication of services and facilities.
- Policy 1.4 Technical Review Committee. The City shall utilize its established technical review committee structure to coordinate site and development plan reviews with the City's regional planning partners including Sarasota County, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (SWFRPC), Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), and Sarasota County School Board.



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- Policy 1.5 Infrastructure and Facility Improvements. Coordinate the development, expansion, maintenance, and financial feasibility of public services and infrastructure systems needs of the City Venice and Sarasota County. Such efforts, as appropriate, shall include:
- A. Parks and public spaces.
 - B. Library systems.
 - C. Utility systems (potable water, wastewater, stormwater, reclaimed water and solid waste).
 - D. Schools and educational services.
 - E. Emergency management services.
 - F. Transportation systems including roadways, urban trails, and transit resources.
- Policy 1.6 Public Service Needs and Demands. Utilize intergovernmental partnerships to ensure the public services needed to meet the current and future demands of the City of Venice are provided. Such demands include services related to:
- A. Open space conservation and natural resource protection.
 - B. Waterway use and regulation compliance.
 - C. Historic and cultural resource protection.
 - D. Community housing opportunities.
 - E. Public education initiatives.
 - F. Multi-modal transportation initiatives.
- Policy 1.7 City Council Coordination. Foster coordination between the local planning authorities within Sarasota County by working to promote the following intergovernmental planning partnerships:
- A. A member of each local municipality sits on the Sarasota County City Council.
 - B. Holding an annual joint meeting of all five local planning authorities: Sarasota County, Cities of North Port, Sarasota, and Venice, and Town of Longboat Key.
 - C. Including information from intergovernmental staff reviews in project staff reports.
- Policy 1.8 Long Range Planning. The City shall coordinate its future development projects and long range planning efforts with its local, regional, and state partners including Sarasota County, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (SWFRPC), Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD), Sarasota-Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), Sarasota County School Board, and State of Florida. Such efforts,



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as appropriate, shall include:

- A. Review of proposed comprehensive plan amendments.
- B. Development of long range plans for public services and infrastructure systems such as: utilities, transportation, parks, and schools.
- C. Execution of developer agreements through which private developers construct infrastructure enhancements that meet community needs while limiting public expenditures.
- D. Planning of infrastructure capital improvement and impact fee expenditures within Extrajurisdictional planning areas and JPA/ILSBA Planning Areas.
- E. Development of community housing opportunities.

Objective 2 Level of Service Coordination. Maintain an adequate level of service for each of the City's public service and infrastructure systems in coordination with the City's local, regional, and state partners.

- Policy 2.1 Level of Service Standards. Ensure that the established level of service standards for parks and recreation, potable water, wastewater, stormwater, solid waste, schools, and transportation systems are maintained in coordination with the City's established intergovernmental partnerships and agreements.
- Policy 2.2 New Developments. Utilize the site and development review process and technical review committee structure to ensure the LOS standards adopted by the City Concurrency Management Ordinance are met by each new development project.
- Policy 2.3 Level of Service Planning. As regional master plans are updated, ensure the City's LOS standards are consistent.
- Policy 2.4 Level of Service Determination. Coordinate the establishment of LOS for public services, facilities, and infrastructure systems with local, regional, or state entities responsible for maintaining, operating, or funding such services, facilities, or systems.



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Objective 3 **Cooperative Work Efforts.** The City shall coordinate work efforts with its local, regional, state, and federal partner agencies in order to ensure effective and efficient delivery of services and use of community resources. Coordinated work efforts shall address coordination of the following public services and infrastructure systems:

- A. Parks and recreation.
- B. Conservation and natural resource protection.
- C. Coastal and waterfront management.
- D. Utility service delivery (potable water, wastewater, stormwater, reclaimed water and solid waste).
- E. Public service delivery.
- F. School facilities and education services.
- G. Emergency management services.
- H. Transportation services (multi-modal facilities, transit, roadways).
- I. Historic preservation practices.
- J. Housing opportunity development.
- K. Land use development coordination.

Policy 3.1 Coordinated Park and Recreational Services. Ensure that parks and recreational facilities meet the needs of the City of Venice Community by coordinating the maintenance, operation, and development of parks and recreational services with Sarasota County.

Policy 3.2 Habitat and Natural Resource Protection. Coordinate with local, regional, state, and federal partner entities including Sarasota County, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), and United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the protection and conservation of sensitive natural habitats, ecosystems, natural resources, and protected species.

Policy 3.3 Estuarine Environment Protection. Coordinate the protection and maintenance of the estuarine environment, water quality, and marine habitats with local, regional, state, and federal entities including Sarasota County, DEP, EPA, and West Coast Inland Navigation District. Such efforts should include the many coastal and waterway areas of the City including the Gulf of Mexico, Roberts and Dona Bays, Intracoastal Waterway, Myakka River, and other local tributaries, rivers, streams, and water basins.



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- Policy 3.4 Regional Water Supply System. Cooperate with partner entities including Sarasota County, SWFWMD, and Peace River / Manasota Water Supply Authority regarding an interconnected potable water supply system, regional water planning, and coordination of supply system lines.
- Policy 3.5 Ground Water Resource Coordination. Coordinate with SWFWMD, Peace River/Manasota Water Supply Authority, and other water related agencies and organizations on the identification and protection of artesian aquifers and natural ground water recharge areas.
- Policy 3.6 Stormwater Management Coordination. Coordinate with DEP, SWFWMD, and other regional, state, and federal entities to ensure that all proper stormwater drainage permits, regulations, and restrictions are met.
- Policy 3.7 Solid Waste Coordination. Coordinate the disposal of solid waste by continuing to implement solid waste interlocal agreements with Sarasota County. Add additional locations as needed and monitor tipping fees.
- Policy 3.8 Shared Facilities. Identify opportunities for co-locating programs and creating multi-use facilities with other private and public partner entities including: Sarasota County, Sarasota County School Board, YMCA, Gulf Coast Community Foundation of Venice, and Boys and Girls Club.
- Policy 3.9 Emergency Management Coordination. Coordinate with Sarasota County, State of Florida, FEMA, Army Corps of Engineers, Red Cross, and other emergency management partners on all aspects of emergency management preparedness, mitigation, and response.
- Policy 3.10 Library Services. Coordinate with Sarasota County on providing library services to the Venice community. Considerations should include:
- A. Neighborhood needs assessment.
 - B. Computer access.
 - C. Meeting space.
 - D. Technology improvements.
 - E. Facility location.
 - F. Cost effectiveness.



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- Policy 3.11 School Facilities and Educational Services. Coordinate the provision of educational services and development of school facilities with the Sarasota County School Board by implementing the interlocal agreements with the School Board, Sarasota County, City of North Port, City of Sarasota, and Town of Longboat Key.
- Policy 3.12 Regional Linear Trail System. Provide multi-modal transportation alternatives by participating in the development of a regional linear trail system that includes urban trails, bikeways, footpaths, blueways, and sidewalks. Coordinate such efforts with local, regional, and state organizations through the Sarasota County Master Trail Program.
- Policy 3.13 Transit Access. Coordinate with Sarasota County Area Transit (SCAT) to ensure bus service is available to appropriate public facilities and properties. In achieving this policy the City will:
- A. Support land use policies that promote a viable transit system.
 - B. Coordinate the expansion of routes with SCAT.
 - C. Pursue other innovative transit and multimodal services.
- Policy 3.14 Historic Preservation Coordination. Expand the City's historic preservation resources by participating in and partnering with local, regional, state, and federal organizations including: Venice Historical Commission, Venice Area Historical Society, Venice MainStreet, Sarasota County, State Office of Cultural and Historical Programs, National Trust, and United States Department of Interior.
- Policy 3.15 Coordinated Housing Solutions. Participate in local, regional, state, and national housing initiatives to inventory, monitor, and maintain the quality and quantity of the region's community housing supply. Coordinate such efforts with local, regional, state, and federal housing partner entities including Sarasota County, State of Florida, and United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Policy 3.16 Planning and Development Coordination. Coordinate the planning and development of land, transportation, public facilities, and infrastructure systems with Sarasota County, SWFRPC, SWFWMD, Florida Department of Community Affairs, and other local, regional, state, and federal entities.
- Policy 3.17 Cooperative Grant Efforts and Funding Opportunities. Maximize public fiscal resources by coordinating grant funding opportunities with other local, regional, and state entities.



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Policy 3.18 Intergovernmental Conflict Coordination. The City shall continue to utilize the SWFRPC as an informal mediator in the event of a conflict with other government entities.

Policy 3.19 10-Year Water Supply Plan. The City will coordinate with SWFWMD and update its 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan within eighteen months after an update to the Regional Water Supply Plan is approved by SWFWMD. The update will include an evaluation of impacts from developments and plan amendments approved in the interim.

Objective 4 Regional Agencies. The City shall continue to utilize the services, expertise, and leadership of the designated regional agencies to assist in the review, administration, and execution of local services and development efforts.

Policy 4.1 Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. Continue to coordinate with the SWFRPC on the review and counsel of land development and transportation related issues.

Policy 4.2 Southwest Florida Water Management District. Continue to coordinate with the SWFWMD in the preservation of the regional water supply.

Policy 4.3 West Coast Inland Navigation District. Continue to coordinate with the WCIND in the preservation and conservation of the Intracoastal Waterway.

Policy 4.4 Sarasota-Manatee MPO. Continue to participate as a member and coordinate with the Sarasota-Manatee MPO in transportation planning matters.

Objective 5 JPA/ILSBA Planning Areas. Implement the intergovernmental coordination and review provisions of the Joint Planning and Interlocal Service Boundary Agreement (JPA/ILSBA) between the City of Venice and Sarasota County.

Policy 5.1 JPA/ILSBA Planning Areas. The City has established JPA/ILSBA Planning Areas as set forth in Future Land Use Map Series with Sarasota County to establish the means and process by which future annexations and planning activities will be accomplished.



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- Policy 5.2 Annexation of JPA/ILSBA Planning Areas. Pursuant to the JPA/ILSBA the City shall not annex any lands other than those designated as Potential Annexation Areas during the term of the JPA/ILSBA except that the City may annex enclaves, as defined in Chapter 171, Florida Statutes, in existence on the date of the Amended and Restated JPA/ILSBA.
- Policy 5.3 JPA/ILSBA Implementation Process. The City shall provide notice to Sarasota County within twenty (20) days of receipt of any petition to annex properties within the JPA/ILSBA Planning Areas and include a report confirming consistency of the City’s planned service delivery with the terms of the JPA/ILSBA.
- Policy 5.4 Extrajurisdictional Impact Areas. The impacts of certain development, referred to as Development of Extrajurisdictional Impacts in the JPA/ILSBA, in close proximity to the municipal boundaries of the City, whether within the City limits of the unincorporated area of the County, require close coordination between the City and Sarasota County in order to assure the orderly and efficient provision of public facilities and services and compatibility of land uses.
- Policy 5.5 Development of Extrajurisdictional Impact. Within the JPA/ILSBA, “Development of Extrajurisdictional Impact” shall mean any development within the Joint Planning Area that either results in the creation of more than twenty-five (25) dwelling units or 25,000 square feet of non-residential building area or the consumption of five percent (5%) of the remaining, available capacity of an affected roadway.
- Policy 5.6 Development of Extrajurisdictional Impact Review. The City will give the Director of Planning Operations at Sarasota County, or designee, written notice of the following matters or applications that relate to Development of Extrajurisdictional Impact consistent with the JPA/ILSBA.
- A. Comprehensive Plan Amendments;
 - B. Rezonings; or
 - C. Special Exceptions.