



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 19-00492

City Council

11/14/2019

PRESENTATION ITEM

FROM: City Council Member Sherri Myers

SUBJECT:

PRESENTATION - BEACH ACCESS FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

REQUEST:

That City Council hear a presentation from Karen and Mike Deming related to beach access for those with disabilities. This presentation will take place at the Agenda Conference on November 12, 2019.

SUMMARY:

In 1990, 8 months after Mike and Karen Deming were married; a car accident left Karen a quadriplegic. Mike was determined to make sure that Karen enjoyed life to the fullest after the accident. Karen's need for special seating requirements led to the creation of the first beach wheelchair prototype in 1994. From the initial prototype to present, the designs have come a long way.

This presentation will allow for an introduction to what is available for those beach goers with disabilities, with the hope of incorporating this knowledge to the improvements at Bruce Beach.

PRIOR ACTION:

None

STAFF CONTACT:

Don Kraher, Council Executive

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

PRESENTATION: Yes