



City of Palm Coast Minutes COUNCIL WORKSHOP

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Mayor David Alfin
Vice Mayor Eddie Branquinho
Council Member Victor Barbosa
Council Member Ed Danko
Council Member Nick Klufas

Tuesday, January 11, 2022

9:00 AM

COMMUNITY WING

City Staff

Denise Bevan, Interim City Manager

Neysa Borkert, City Attorney

Virginia A. Smith, City Clerk

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A CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alfin called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

C ROLL CALL

Deputy City Clerk Kaley Cook called the roll. All members were present.

Mayor Alfin provided a description of Council's role, rules and procedures during a workshop meeting.

D PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public Participation shall be held in accordance with Section 286.0114 Florida Statutes. And pursuant to the City Council's Meeting Policies and Procedures:

- (1) Each speaker shall at the podium, provide their name and may speak for up to 3 minutes.
- (2) The Public may provide comments to the City Council on any matter, including those on this Workshop agenda. Following any comments from the public, there may be discussion by the City Council. Citizens' comments in this Workshop are limited to the times noted on the agenda.
- (3) When addressing the City Council on specific, enumerated Agenda items, speakers shall:

- (a) direct all comments to the Mayor;
 - (b) make their comments concise and to the point;
 - (c) not speak more than once on the same subject;
 - (d) not, by speech or otherwise, delay or interrupt the proceedings or the peace of the City Council;
 - (e) obey the orders of the Mayor or the City Council; and
 - (f) not make any irrelevant, impertinent or slanderous comments while addressing the City Council; which pursuant to Council rules, shall be considered disorderly.
- (4) Any person who becomes disorderly or who fails to confine his or her comments to the identified subject or business, shall be cautioned by the Mayor and thereafter must conclude his or her remarks on the subject within the remaining designated time limit.

Any speaker failing to comply, as cautioned, shall be barred from making any additional comments during the meeting and may be removed, as necessary, for the remainder of the meeting.

Mr. Mayo showed support for a City Manager candidate, Jim Manfre. Mr. Mayo suggested selecting a local candidate.

Alan Lowe read question 17 from the Citizen Survey and asked if Council approved this question. Mr. Lowe raised questions to Council regarding funding and taxation for canal dredging.

Mark Anderson invited Council to a 2022 Martin Luther King Jr Celebration. The invitation is attached to these minutes.

Al Krier shared on behalf of the Safety on Cimmaron group about traffic and safety concerns in the area of Cimmaron Drive.

E PRESENTATIONS

1 PRESENTATION - COVID 19 UPDATE

Gretchen Smith, PIO for Flagler County Health Department, shared COVID 19 updates in Flagler County. Ms. Smith shared current testing days and about the rise in positive cases.

Mayor Alfin asked Ms. Smith to clarify how residents should go about getting tested.

Ms. Smith shared information about testing and avoiding going to the hospital to get tested.

Mayor Alfin reminded Council to spread the correct message to residents about testing.

Council held discussion on testing requirements, healthy recommendations, staffing shortages, and current City practices.

2 PRESENTATION - WORKSHOP STREAMING OPTIONS

Doug Akins, IT Director, presented to Council on workshop streaming options. Presentation topics included a history of workshop streaming options, previous

setup options, potential audio issues, current set up, security, and costs associated with the presented options.

Council held discussion on continuing the current set up for health safety reasons, video streaming workshop meetings, safety concerns, and cheaper camera options for later consideration. Council concurred to move forward with option 2 as presented.

Mayor Alfin asked staff to share that the next Workshop meeting will be streamed.

3 DISCUSSION - CITY MANAGER EXECUTIVE SEARCH FIRM REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ)

Tim Wilsey, Human Resources Manager, presented to Council on the topic. Mr. Wilsey provided a brief update on the item and asked for Council direction and comments.

Council directed staff to continue moving forward with the process.

Mayor Alfin asked for next steps and timeline, which Mr. Wilsey provided.

4 PRESENTATION - FIREWORKS 2022 DISCUSSION

Lauren Johnston, Chief of Staff, and Jared Dawson, Recreation Supervisor, presented to Council on the item. Topics presented included history of fireworks in previous years and available options.

Council held discussion on City parks that could be utilized, next steps if Council moves forward with this discussion, date of Independence Day events and rationale for date selection of July 3rd over July 4th, funding for current year's event, staggaered locations between City of Palm Coast and other local entities, and parking options in each location.

Council directed staff to move forward with option 2, and to move the event to July 4th.

5 ORDINANCE 2022-XX SLOW WAY ROAD CLOSURE

Jason Delorenzo, Chief Development Officer, and Mike Grunewald, Traffic Engineer, presented to Council on the item. Topics discussed included actions to date, signage plan, and traffic count study.

Council discussion included decreased traffic patterns, resident comments, safety concerns, and suggestion for a guard rail.

Council concurred to not come forward with the second read of the item and to have staff see if there are any options for additional protection for homeowners in the area, such as a guard rail or rocks.

Council clarified their direction to have staff return to Council with information about potential safety options for residents in the area, but to not bring forward the second reading of the proposed ordinance.

6 PRESENTATION OF STORMWATER BI-ANNUAL UPDATE

Stormwater staff presented to Council on the topic. Topics presented included Stormwater Drainage System Management from 2013-2018, Enhanced Stormwater Program FY 2019-Present, Stormwater Division Teams, Engineering, Surveying, Stormwater Capital Improvement Project Map, Stormwater CIP Management, Grant Opportunities, Operation and Maintenance, Operations Residential Construction, Operations Residential Outreach, Operations Technology Upgrades, and Maintenance Crews.

Council discussion included a question to staff on the percentage of infrastructure at 50 years or older, Stormwater preparation for storms, inmate labor crews, saltwater canals in relation to the Stormwater system, and public response to staff efforts.

7 PRESENTATION - STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN COUNCIL PRIORITY UPDATES

*Council recessed beginning at 11:02 a.m.
Council reconvened at 11:09 a.m.*

Denise Bevan, Interim City Manager, provided a background of the item. Various directors presented to Council on the Strategic Action Plan. Topics discussed included a quarter 1 update, timeline, 2022 National Citizen Survey, Annual Budget Process, and Council focus area updates.

Mayor Alfin thanked staff for their presentation and reminded Council Members to review the overview provided by staff.

Vice Mayor Branquinho shared comments about MedNexus and the Old Kings Road Widening Project.

F PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Remainder of Public Comments is limited to three (3) minutes each.

There were none.

G DISCUSSION BY CITY COUNCIL OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Vice Mayor Branquinho shared about his time at the Palm Harbor Golf Course last Friday to get feedback from residents. Vice Mayor Branquinho commended staff for their efforts at the golf course. Additionally, Vice Mayor Branquinho spoke in regards to the dredging project and reminded residents and Council of the large costs.

Mayor Alfin reminded residents, staff, and Council about the Mayor's 30/30 challenge currently ongoing. Additionally, Mayor Alfin shared about the recent opening of the SMA center opened by Flagler County.

H DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were none.

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There were none.

J ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Kaley Cook, Deputy City Clerk