



**City of Palm Coast
Minutes
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL
BUDGET WORKSHOP**

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***Mayor David Alfin
Vice Mayor Ed Danko
Council Member Cathy Heighter
Council Member Nick Klufas
Council Member Theresa Pontieri***

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

9:00 AM

Community Wing

City Staff

**Denise Bevan, 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 a.m.

B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND A MOMENT OF SILENCE

C ROLL CALL

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

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 relative to matters not on the agenda at the times indicated in this Agenda. Following any comments from the public, there may be discussion by the City Council.
- (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.

Members of the public may make comments during the public comment portion of the meeting. Please be advised that public comment will only be permitted during the public comment portions of the agenda at the times indicated by the Chair during the meeting.

Robert MacDonald spoke about the 3/21 meeting and Vice Mayor Danko's comments. Mr. MacDonald shared concerns that Council did not see the survey before it was sent out. Mr. MacDonald also spoke about receiving a color brochure about changes and then queried about the cost associated with the flyer.

Peter Polubiec spoke about tennis and the need for additional trainers for the City.

Mayor Alfin asked if Ms. Bevan has any comments.

Ms. Bevan shared that staff will get cost information to Mr. MacDonald and that staff will continue the discussion with Mr. Polubiec.

E PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Alfin asked if item 2 could be heard first. Council concurred.

1 PRESENTATION - SAP EVALUATION WORKSHOP #1

This item was heard after item 2.

Lauren Johnston, Assistant City Manager and Jennifer Fiveash, Battalion Chief of Training, presented the topic to Council.

Mayor Alfin shared comments regarding the budgeting process and this item.

Ms. Johnston provided a description of the Strategic Action Plan.

Topics presented included: where we are, pillars of priorities verbiage changes, reaffirming the mission, vision and values, and description of proposed priorities.

Council discussed the wording for the pillars of priorities, concern for financial aspects, and held a lengthy discussion on the proposed priorities.

2 PRESENTATION - LOCAL AND REGIONAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

This item was heard before item 1.

Jason DeLorenzo, Chief of Staff, opened the item and introduced the speaker Dr. Albert Loh, University of North Florida.

Dr. Loh presented the topic to Council. Topics presented included: labor market, goods and services, consumer and business sentiment, and economic outlook in 2023 in Florida.

Council discussed the following topics: national average, consumer optimism, name of MSA (Metropolitan Statistical Area) and description, ranking of Palm Coast in the MSA, connection to the Orlando Marketplace versus Jacksonville, housing market pricing, question of which industries are most stable, industries affected by energy prices, Consumer Price Index (CPI) dip, and economic development coming in Palm Coast.

Dr. Loh responded to Council comments.

3 PRESENTATION - 10-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FORECAST

Carl Cote, Director of Stormwater & Engineering, presented the item to Council.

Topics presented included: description of the item, pillars of priorities and strategies for Capital Projects, Recreation Impact Fee, Transportation Impact Fee, Fire Impact Fee, Street Improvement, and Community Redevelopment Area Funds.

Council held discussion on the following topics: description of City size and effects to funding, funding sources and actions that we can potentially take to help, and more asks of the Volusia-Flagler Transportation Planning Organization.

F PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

Steve Carr spoke about safety on Florida Park Drive.

Chantel Preninger spoke about the Strategic Action Plan presented and provided suggestions to Council.

G DISCUSSION BY CITY COUNCIL OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Vice Mayor Danko complimented Council on their discussion today.

Council Member Pontieri thanked staff for their efforts and is encouraged by the discussion on the dais today.

Mayor Alfin thanked staff, the public, and the Council Members.

H DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

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Ms. Bevan thanked Council for their comments on the Strategic Action Plan process.

J ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:51 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Kaley Cook, Deputy City Clerk