

City Commission Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 14, 2023
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Mayor Cleveland called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. In attendance were Mayor Fred Cleveland, Vice Mayor Randy Hartman, Commissioner Valli Perrine, Commissioner Lisa Martin, and Commissioner Jason McGuirk.

CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE

Assistant City Manager Ronald Niebert provided updates on citizen concerns from the previous commission meeting.

- A public meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 21 at 2:00PM to address concerns regarding a 5G cell tower.
- Applications have been received for the parking task force.
- The city is working with Epic Aviation to minimize airport noise. They are meeting once a month.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Six residents who reside in the vicinity of Volusia Crushing (1050 Fremont St.), a concrete crushing business, expressed serious concerns about negative environmental, health, and quality of life issues. They stated that the business should not be allowed in a residential neighborhood due to dust emissions, noise, and vibration. Mayor Cleveland asked how many residents were in attendance because of this issue. Approximately, 15 hands were raised.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following Consent Agenda items were approved ***unanimously***.

- 6.B Resolution No. 04-23: amendment to the FY2022-23 budget.
- 6.C Resolution No. 05-23: amendment to the FY2023 budget.
- 6.D Approval of an addendum to the Ramp Lease Agreement between the City of New Smyrna Beach and Epic Aviation.
- 6.E Approval of the EPIC Aviation and City of New Smyrna Beach Airport Ground Lease Agreement Renewal.
- 6.I Approval of a City of New Smyrna Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Adaptive Reuse Opportunity Grant Award of \$250,000 to Cristal Clear Properties, LLC for an eligible commercial facade/property improvement project located at 501 S. Dixie Freeway, New Smyrna Beach.

NEW BUSINESS

8. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 8.A Ordinance No. 10-23: Second Reading and Public Hearing of an Ordinance, which if adopted, would modify the Sports Complex Park Rules. ***Unanimously adopted.***
- 8.B Ordinance No. 11-23: Second Reading and Public Hearing of an Ordinance, which if adopted, would grant a non-exclusive franchise agreement to Extreme Concrete Services, Inc. ***Unanimously adopted.***

MAYOR AND COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Perrine stated that she does not support the proposed changes to the LDR Ch. 50 – Historic Preservation. She suggests that membership on the Historic Preservation Commission be limited to individuals who currently own historic properties. She also stated that no new boards should be established; we should fill open positions on existing boards.

Commissioner Martin stated that she has visited beach and river access points throughout the city and found that signage is inconsistent and many access points are unmaintained and potentially dangerous. She also would like to see a staff position created to oversee sustainability, resiliency, and conservation efforts.

Commissioner McGuirk would be open to discussing Commissioner Perrine's suggestions.

Vice Mayor Hartman is not in favor of any new positions as three long open positions were just filled. He is representing the city on a countywide opioid task force.

Mayor Cleveland stated that there is state funding available for resiliency projects, and that he and staff are looking onto it.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

Three long empty city positions have been filled:

- Joe Boyle has been hired for the Senior Civil Engineer position and will start on 2/13/2023.
- Shane Corbin has been hired for the Development Services Director position and will start on 2/27/2023.
- Stephanie Doster has been hired for the Planning Manager position and will start on 4/1/2023.