

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

CITY MANAGER'S UPDATE

- The City Manager and Mayor attended the Volusia County Round Table Meeting on Beach Renourishment last week. The County sent letters to some beachside property owners to obtain easements for beach renourishment. A meeting will be held at the Brannon Center on March 27 for property owners to obtain additional information.
- The Flood Consultant has been working on the exposure analysis. The findings should be available at the May 30th Commission meeting.
- The Consultant and City Staff submitted several projects to the Local Mitigation Strategy Group which were the result of a public meeting regarding participation in that program. This is a FEMA grant which provides 75% of the flood mitigation cost. For all submitted projects the current cost is over \$9 million. This is the first step in a long process.
- The City Manager thanked the NSB Police Department, staff and other Law Enforcement Agency that helped during spring break. Interim Police Chief Feldman spoke to the success of the curfew stating that and a larger police presence led to there being no incidents after 10:00PM during spring break.

The City Manager responded to the previous meeting Public Participation issues:

- 1) Most speakers were concerned about Spring Break and Traffic. The City and Police Department have addressed the spring break issue. The City Manager and Police Chief have had lengthy conversations regarding traffic and will report to the Commission at a later meeting.
- 2) The Due East seawall issue was mentioned. The City Maintenance Director is working on a maintenance plan for this seawall issue.
- 3) In response to development issues the city continues to work on PDU and MDA changes and templates and will bring those before the Commission at future meetings.
- 4) The city continues to follow up on noise complaints at the Concrete Crushing Plant and the Flagler restaurant, including Code Enforcement and hiring a new Noise Measurement Company.
- 5) There was a concern that the Village Center East architecture did not meet the Tuscany Square theme. The city is using the same architect that designed the Village Center East to review plans and will have his report shortly.
- 6) A suggestion to limit Special Events was made. The city will work with the Chamber of Commerce, and Flagler and Canal St. Associations to better manage events.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- A beachside resident requested that next year's budget include a strategic plan for long and short-term solutions to the flooding problem.

- A Flagler Avenue Association representative thanked the city for passing the curfew and supported the increased police presence. She also thanked the City for the beautification funds, and they will present plans to the Commission in the future. In addition, she mentioned that the City Connectors Group, made up of city associations, has met to prevent overlapping of events whenever possible. They are looking forward to talking with the City Manager.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items 6A through 6H were **unanimously** approved.

NEW BUSINESS

After a staff presentation of the Projects Phase I and II, and advising Commissioners this is a 50/50 program between F.I.N.E. and the City, the proposal from Dredging and Marine Consultants for the Design, Engineering and Construction Administration for the North Causeway Boat Ramp Facility in the amount of \$111,000 was **unanimously** approved.

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

Ordinances 14-23, 15-23, and 16-23 pertaining to the annexation of 0.18 acres of land located at 307 Ingham Road were **unanimously** approved.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

After balloting, the following people were appointed to serve on the below Boards:

Code Compliance Board – Ruth Kaczmarek

Community Enhancement Engagement Committee – Julie Strickland representing Zone 1
Parking Task Force –

- Canal St. Rep - Jay Prendergast
- Flagler Ave. Rep - Zoe Neuner
- Venetian Bay Rep - Anthony Otte
- SE Volusia Chamber rep – OE Burke,
- Citizen reps – Sorge Serge, Wayne Lundberg, Elizabeth Jones

The newly formed Parking Task Force will meet twice a month.

MAYORS AND COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Commissioner Hartman – Advised he sat in for Mayor Cleveland at the Tiger Bay Club Mayors Meeting.

Commissioner McGuirk – Thanked the NSB police department and other law enforcement agencies for their work during spring break.

Commissioner Martin – Mentioned she would like non-working light bulbs on Flagler Ave. replaced. She would also like to get a cost estimate for lighting the Flagler Ave. Parking Lot with shielding for turtle protection.

Commissioner Perrine – Stated her objections to LDR amendments ZT-8-22 – Height Reduction and Non-Aggregation of Lots.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

The City Manager asked for approval to bid up to \$500,000 on a parcel of land at the NSB Airport that was sold in 1963 to a private buyer. The FAA and FDOT encourage airports to protect their land as a continuing source of revenue to remain financially self-sufficient. The property is currently in foreclosure, which is a bidding process and would bypass the City’s normal appraisal process. The request was **unanimously** approved.