
The Council Briefing began at 5:30 P.M.

The following City Council Members were in attendance:

Mayor: William C. Latham

Council Members: Keith Doherty Georgette Dumont Sandy Golding
Christine Hoffman Cory Nichols Phil Vogelsang

Also present was City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, Police Commander Mark Evans, and City Attorney Chris Ambrosio.

Purpose of Briefing

The purpose of the briefing was to update the Council Members about ongoing items in the City.

City Manager

Golf Course one-year review

Mr. Staffopoulos and Golf Course staff reviewed the highlights [on file] for fiscal year 2019 for the Golf Course.

- The Golf Course made a good profit in 2019
- Other area golf course re-openings could make the area a magnet for golfing or could increase competition
- They had anticipated 42,000 rounds and experienced 52,636

Staff made the following recommendations:

- Maintain at least three months' operating expenses in the fund balance
- Repay the General Fund \$150,000 in \$25,000 monthly increments
- Contributions earned above expectations should be used for capital improvements and reserves and should be deposited in an operating and contingency reserve fund
- Use a PCI-compliant point-of-sale system
- Move forward with driving range capital improvements

Conversation ensued regarding the following topics:

- Driving range pricing/lighting
- Food and beverage services
- Capital improvements
- Maintenance issues/turf/irrigation
- Events/marketing

Lakeside Drive gate

Mr. Staffopoulos stated Mr. Ambrosio had discovered issues with one of the draft resolutions.

Mr. Ambrosio discussed issues regarding the low-speed vehicle path option. A “path” could not be a legal travel area for low-speed vehicles; they could only operate on *streets* with a speed limit of 35 mph or less.

Conversation ensued regarding the interpretation of low-speed vehicle restrictions and “golf cart communities” like Nocatee with paths intended specifically for use by golf carts. Mr. Ambrosio stated there was a strict distinction between “golf carts” and “low-speed vehicles,” including licensing requirements. He agreed to perform additional research.

Council and Mr. Ambrosio discussed whether they should table the resolution this evening or vote on it and perhaps amend it later on.

There was a consensus among Council to discuss the resolution agenda item at the Council meeting.

Other topics

Extra Duty Police Officer Pay

Mr. Staffopoulos reported a new, higher rate was proposed for off-duty officers assigned to COP and SRX licensed establishments. The new rates would take effect on 12/5/19. Mr. Ambrosio had researched 12 other jurisdictions and determined that they were now charging less than most.

The briefing adjourned at 6:41 P.M.

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Approved:



William C. Latham, MAYOR

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