

**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting
held Monday, May 7, 2018, at 7:00 P.M.
in the Council Chambers, 11 North 3rd Street,
Jacksonville Beach, Florida**



OPENING CEREMONIES

The invocation was given by Council Member Buck, followed by the salute to the flag.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Mayor: William C. Latham(*absent*)
Council Members: Lee Buck Keith Doherty Christine Hoffman(*absent*)
Bruce Thomason Phil Vogelsang Jeanell Wilson

Also present was City Manager George Forbes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Thomason, seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, and passed unanimously, to approve the following minutes:

- City Council Workshop held April 9, 2018
- City Council Briefing held April 16, 2018
- Regular City Council Meeting held April 16, 2018

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson introduced Fletcher Middle School Civics Class Students Jorge Hannah and Calvin Gunter who were in attendance.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Item #18-077 – Presentation by North Florida TPO Staff on the North Florida Transportation Improvement Program

Denise Bunnewith of the North Florida Transportation and Planning Organization reviewed the projects for the North Florida Improvements Program for FY 2018/2019 through FY 2022/2023. [*on file*]

CITY CLERK

CITY MANAGER

- (a) **Item #18-078 – Approve the Sale of Squad 13, a 2000 Central States/Freightliner Commercial Pumper, for the Sum of \$20,500.00**

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Thomason, and seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, to approve the sale of Squad 13, a 2000 Central States/Freightliner Commercial Pumper, to *Palmetto Fire Apparatus* as outlined in the memo by Chief David Whitmill dated April 18, 2018.

Discussion: Mr. Forbes explained the City would be selling Squad 13, a 2000 Central States/Freightliner Commercial Chassis Pumper that has been in front-line service for 17 years. The new replacement vehicle was approved by Council in December 2017. The sale would occur in December 2018, when the new replacement vehicle is delivered to the Jacksonville Beach Fire Department.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Buck, Doherty, Thomason, Vogelsang, and Mayor Pro Tem Wilson.
The motion passed unanimously.

(b) Item #18-079 – Award Bid No. 1718-14, "Sludge Hauling Services for 36 Months," to Merrell Brothers, Inc., the Lowest, Qualified Bidder

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Thomason, and seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, to award Bid Number 1718-14, titled "Sludge Hauling Services for 36 Months" to *Merrell Brothers, Incorporated*, as explained in the memorandum from the Public Works Director dated April 23, 2018.

Discussion: Mr. Forbes said residual sludge is produced as part of the wastewater treatment process. The sludge is dewatered and then loaded into a large trailer. Once the trailer is full, it is hauled to the county's Trail Ridge Landfill, which is about a fifty (50) mile one-way trip where the dry sludge is disposed. The trailer and the sludge hauling services are provided under a continuous service contract. The current contract term is ending.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Doherty, Thomason, Vogelsang, Buck, and Mayor Pro Tem Wilson.
The motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES:

(a) Item #18-080 - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-8108 (First Reading) (Public Hearing)

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson requested that the City Clerk read Ordinance No. 2018-8108, by title only, whereupon Ms. Scott read the following:

"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT: RD ORDINANCE NUMBER 2008-7951, SUPPLEMENTING THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING REGULATIONS AND ZONING ATLAS FOR THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FLORIDA, AS PROVIDED UNDER CHAPTER 34 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF SAID CITY. (Redevelopment District Zoning for a maximum 81 room hotel located at the southeast corner of Beach and A1A.)"

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson read the Public Hearing Procedures for Redevelopment District: *RD Zoning Amendment Ordinances [on file]*.

Summary: Mr. Forbes said the hotel would consist of a footprint of 10,236 square feet, three stories in height (35 feet), with a maximum of 81 hotel rooms with a mix of open and

covered ground level parking. Vehicular access to the property would be from 2nd Street only, with an anticipated project start date of October 2018.

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson opened the Public Hearing.

Speakers:

- Ed Goodson, a representative of Goodson, Nevin & Assoc., 10175 Fortune Parkway, Ste. 403, Jacksonville, was available for questions regarding the project.

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson closed the Public Hearing.

Ex-Parte Communications: None.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Thomason and seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-8108, governing the property located at the southeast corner of Beach Boulevard and South 3rd Street, by providing a new project narrative and site plan for a proposed hotel use. (*Element Hotel*)

Discussion: The Council Members each stated their support of the development project.

The applicant, Sunl Bhikha, 3608 Marsh Park Ct, Jacksonville, responded to Mr. Vogelsang's question by confirming the project is not suitable for a public dining option due to parking.

Mr. Mann addressed Section 1. Item D. of the ordinance which states the City retains the right to request that the property owner deed over to the City a sight visibility triangle located at the northwest corner of the property to accommodate a public sidewalk at the corner of the Beach Boulevard and South 3rd Street intersection. Mr. Mann stated that the applicant had agreed to the City's request.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Thomason, Vogelsang, Buck, Doherty, and Mayor Pro Tem Wilson.
The motion passed unanimously.

(b) Item #18-081 - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-8109 (First Reading)

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson requested that the City Clerk read Ordinance No. 2018-8109, by title only, whereupon Ms. Scott read the following:

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH; AMENDING CHAPTER 10, FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY; ARTICLE III, FIRE PREVENTION, AND LIFE SAFETY; SEC. 10-3.03, CODES ADOPTED; TO PROVIDE REFERENCE TO THE STATE ADOPTED FLORIDA FIRE PREVENTION CODE; PROVIDING FOR UPDATES IN CHAPTER 10 BY ELIMINATING OBSOLETE PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Updates Chapter 10 of the Life Safety Code and Adopts the 6th Edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code.)”

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Thomason, and seconded by Mr. Vogelsang, to adopt

Ordinance No. 2018-8109 that amends Chapter 10 of the Fire and Life Safety Code.

Summary: Mr. Forbes reviewed the following notable changes in the 6th edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code:

- Compliance with high-rise sprinkler code retrofit date has moved to 12/31/19 (was 12/31/2017)
- Standards have been set for the operation of food trucks (fire extinguishers, hood fire suppression systems, LP gas lines/tanks, etc.)
- Standards addressing the safe storage, handling, and sales of fireworks (sets limits for the retail sale of fireworks, building construction requirements, fire alarm, and sprinkler systems, etc. Sets limits on display size and quantity, number of required training hours for employees. Does not change the licensing and permitting requirements.
- Standards have been established on the use of rubberized asphalt melters during roof deck operations (extinguisher, location, and operation of the unit. etc.)

Discussion: Mayor Pro Tem Wilson asked if existing condominiums would need to be retrofitted with sprinklers.

Fire Chief David Whitmill responded that they are working with three existing condominiums, Seascape, Pelican Point, and Ocean 14, in the matter of their coming into compliance with the high-rise sprinkler code.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Vogelsang, Buck, Doherty, Thomason, and Mayor Pro Tem Wilson.
The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Submitted by: Laurie Scott
City Clerk

Approval:



William C. Latham, MAYOR

Date: May 21, 2018

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