

Minutes of City Council Briefing
Monday, November 20, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.
City Council Chambers Conference Room, 1st Floor
11 North 3rd Street, Jacksonville Beach, FL

The Council Briefing began at 6:00 P.M.

The following City Council Members were in attendance:

Mayor William C. Latham

Lee Buck
Keith Doherty
Christine Hoffman
Bruce Thomason (*absent*)
Jeanell Wilson
Phil Vogelsang

Also present were City Manager George Forbes, Director of Public Works Ty Edwards, Police Chief Pat Dooley, and City Department Directors.

Purpose of Briefing

The purpose of the briefing was to update the Council Members on projects including, but not limited to, emergency repairs, dogs on the beach, barrier at 1st Street and 16th Avenue North, the Donna Run, City and Florida Municipal Power Agency Resolution and Agreements regarding Vero Beach, and wireless tower update.

City Manager

Mr. Forbes informed the Council of items which would be on upcoming Council agendas.

- There are two upcoming Board appointments to be made. One is for a member on the General Employee Pension Board, and the other is for the Second Alternate position on the Board of Adjustment.
- Request to approve an expenditure of approximately \$120,000 to repair the Community Center.
- Approve an emergency purchase to repair a broken water main.
- Review an upcoming presentation from the owners of Johnson Gallery regarding additional parking.
- Approve miscellaneous street, sidewalk and curb repairs in Constitution Cove.

City and Florida Municipal Power Agency Resolution and Agreement regarding Vero Beach

Mr. Forbes explained the technology in the power energy industry is changing and suggests the City purchase 10 megawatts of Solar Energy to better prepare the City for the changes in the future.

Mr. Forbes explained the City of Vero Beach wants to sell their electric utility to Florida Power and Light (FP&L). In order to sell their utility to FP&L, they must receive a waiver by FMPA All Requirements Members. In addition, FMPA All Requirements must agree to take Vero Beach's allocation of 51 megawatts in three power projects since these were funded projects through municipal bonds and cannot be sold to an IOU.

This action would require votes from the members. Mr. Forbes suggested the City approve this action and be the last member to vote on the agreement.

Small Wireless Facilities updates

Mr. Forbes stated a new bill was passed at the 2016 legislative session regarding the installation of small wireless facilities on the public right-of-way. These small wireless facilities can be up to 28 cubic feet in size. Mr. Forbes explained we are working with Mr. Tom Cloud, through a firm in Orlando, with previous experience with this type of ordinance. We also plan to establish zoning regulations for the installation of the small wireless facilities.

Dogs on the beach

Mr. Forbes mentioned the possibility of changing the time dogs are allowed on the beach. A brief discussion ensued. A pilot program was suggested and would be brought up for further discussion at a later date. The program recommended is allowing dogs on the beach at any time during Eastern Standard time and only from 5:00 P.M. to 9:00 A.M. during daylight saving time.

Barrier at 1st Street and 16th Avenue North

Mr. Forbes stated a Council Member is requesting the City Council consider removing the current barrier at 1st Street and 16th Avenue North. Mr. Forbes suggested sending a letter to the surrounding neighborhood, informing the residents of the issue and inform them of the date of the Council meeting the issue would be discussed to obtain their feedback.

FDOT agreements

Mr. Forbes stated agreements with FDOT regarding the A1A drainage project, and the rebuilding of the bridges at 18th and 15th Avenues North would be presented at the next Council meeting. Director of Public Works, Mr. Ty Edwards, has made multiple attempts to address concerns regarding the bridge agreements with FDOT. Mr. Forbes suggests Council approve the agreements even though our concerns were not fully met.

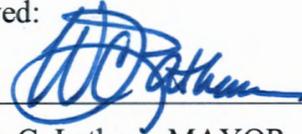
Donna Run

Ms. Amanda Napolitano spoke on behalf of Ms. Donna Deegan in regards to the possibility of changing the start and finish line for the 2019 Donna Run to include Seawalk Pavilion and Latham Plaza. Mr. Forbes suggested due to the lack of space and the strain on public safety; the Special Events Committee denied the request and recommended the Donna Run seek other options.

The briefing adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

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Approved:



William C. Latham, MAYOR

Date: 12/4/2017