

**Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting
held Monday, May 4, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.
in the Council Chambers, 11 North 3rd Street,
Jacksonville Beach, Florida.**



CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Charlie Latham called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

OPENING CEREMONIES:

Invocation was given by Council Member Vogelsang; followed by the Salute to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor: William C. Latham

Council Members: Lee Buck Keith Doherty Christine Hoffman
 Bruce Thomason Phil Vogelsang Jeanell Wilson

Also present was City Manager George Forbes and City Clerk Laurie Scott.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Hoffman, and passed unanimously, to approve the following minutes as presented:

- City Council Workshop held April 13, 2015
- Regular City Council Meeting held April 20, 2015

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Thomason advised that the week of May 11-15, 2015 is Peace Officer Memorial Week.

Mayor Latham made the following announcements:

- He commented on the success of the Opening of the Beaches parade.
- He stated that he attended the 101st birthday party for Jacksonville Beach resident, Ms. Jimmie Tuff, on April 25th.

Mayor Latham asked Council Members if they would agree to meet on Mondays prior to Council meetings; and Mondays, on off weeks, in effort to fast-track the Downtown Action Plan.

Council Members agreed to meet.

Council Member Wilson announced the upcoming Art Walk and Classic Car Cruise events.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS:

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

CITY CLERK:

CITY MANAGER:

- (a) *Approve the Final Plat for the Hawks Landing Unit Two – A Townhouse Project on Vacant Property at 2653 Isabella Boulevard.*

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Hoffman, to approve the Final Plat for the Hawks Landing Unit Two – residential subdivision as presented.

Discussion:

- Ms. Vera D'Angelo, 3162 Isabella Boulevard, Jacksonville Beach, opposed the item due to potential parking and traffic problems.
- Mr. Doug Hastie, 2701 Isabella Boulevard, Jacksonville Beach, opposed the item due to potential traffic problems.
- Ms. Barbara Galvin, 3594 Isabella Boulevard, Jacksonville Beach, opposed the item due to potential loss in property values and parking problems.

Mr. Forbes explained the applicant is preparing to build a four-unit residential townhouse structure on a 0.28 acre parcel of vacant residential land that he owns on the east side of Isabella Boulevard between Osceola Avenue and St. Augustine Boulevard. The property is located in an RM-1 multifamily zoning district. Mr. Forbes stated that the City Council is only approving the subdivision of the property, not making any decisions on the use of the property.

Mr. Doherty inquired if the applicant had to file for any variances to proceed with the project.

Bill Mann, Director of Planning and Development, responded by stating the applicant originally applied for variances for a five unit townhouse project – but the request was denied. The applicant, along with his engineers and architects, came up with a plan consistent with the code, which did not require any variances.

Mr. Doherty asked if there were a number of citizens that attended the original meeting for the variance request.

Mr. Mann stated he recalled the residents who discussed their opposition at tonight's meeting, and a few additional residents, were in attendance at the original meeting for the variance request.

Ms. Wilson and Mr. Mann discussed the lot size, potential road access or thruways, zoning and the office park property on the west side of the street.

Mr. Thomason questioned the legal grounds for the Council to deny this request.

Mr. Forbes responded there are no legal grounds for the Council to deny the request – it's a permitted use and the development will meet the code.

Mayor Latham asked what will be the distance between the townhouse units and the other residential units.

Mr. Mann replied there will be approximately 15 feet.

Mayor Latham asked if the Council was approving the utilities of the property.

Mr. Forbes explained that the Council is only approving the plat of the property, the utilities are already on-site.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Buck, Doherty, Hoffman, Thomason, Vogelsang, Wilson and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

(b) *Approve the Addition of Production Services to Support the Navy Band July 4th Concert at the SeaWalk Pavilion.*

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Hoffman, to approve the addition of production services for the July 4th, 2015 holiday to support the Navy Band concert as described in the memorandum from the Parks and Recreation Director dated April 22, 2015.

Mr. Forbes discussed that the Navy Band is available for the 4th of July concert. The approval is for the funding for PRI to do the set up for the Navy Band.

Roll call vote: Ayes – Doherty, Hoffman, Thomason, Vogelsang, Wilson, Buck and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS:

ORDINANCES:

Mayor Latham requested that the City Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2015-8062 – SECOND READING, 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 THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Wilson, seconded by Ms. Hoffman, to adopt ORDINANCE NO. 2015-8062 UPDATING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE BEACH FLORIDA TO AMEND ARTICLE III, CHAPTER 10, SECTION 10-3.03; TO UPDATE THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE TO THE 5TH EDITION.

Mr. Forbes explained the language in the Fire Prevention Code changed the description of the title from “2010” Year to “5th Edition.”

Roll call vote: Ayes – Hoffman, Thomason, Vogelsang, Wilson, Buck, Doherty and Mayor Latham; motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Submitted by: Laurie Scott
City Clerk

Approval:
/s/ William C Latham
William C. Latham, MAYOR

Date: May 18, 2015