

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, HELD IN THE CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 NORTH U.S. #1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AT 6:30 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Linda Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
2. **OPENING PRAYER** - Reverend Lee Merricks, St. John's Missionary Baptist Church, gave the opening prayer.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Linda Hudson; Commissioner Rufus Alexander; Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson; Commissioner Reginald Sessions

Absent: Commissioner Thomas Perona

Staff Present: City Clerk Linda Cox
City Attorney James Messer

Motion was made by Commissioner Reginald Sessions, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to excuse Commissioner Perona.

AYE: Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of minutes from the June 5, 2017 regular meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2017 regular meeting.

AYE: Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

6. **PROCLAMATIONS**

- a. Mayor Hudson issued a proclamation recognizing June 2017 as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month.

7. **LETTERS TO COMMISSION** - Copies of the following letter's will be kept on file at the City Clerk's office.

- a. Email from Bruce Murray, COP District 9 Leader, thanking Officers Guy Montgomery, Damian Spotts, John Fasanello, Joe Coleman, Brandon Adkins and Martin Ortiz, as well as Officer Louis, for a great job and their contribution to a quiet and the most trouble free Memorial Day weekend at South Beach.

- b. Letter from Dr. Edwin R. Massey, President, IRSC, thanking the City Manager for his presentation of the Commencement Address during the 2017 Spring Commencement Ceremony, and expressing appreciation for the support.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS NOT REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Susan Parry - item 10e

9. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Rufus Alexander, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to approve the agenda as is.

AYE: Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

10. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approve grant award for Ms. Delphine McCoy for her business, Her Glory Dolls & Divas in the amount of \$3,000 as an eligible recipient under the 2016-2017 CDBG Action Plan - Grant Award for Small Business
- b. Approve Gentile Corporation as the lowest responsive bidder to RFP #2017-019 for an amount not to exceed \$26,380 for rehabilitation of 910 Rhode Island Avenue funded through the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program.
- c. Approve Gentile Corporation as the lowest responsive bidder to RFP #2017-018 for an amount not to exceed \$31,800 for rehabilitation of 1209 Raymond Ave funded through the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program.
- d. Approve grant award for Ms. Jannifer Lee, for her business, Jan's Trendsetter Salon, in the amount of \$3,000 as an eligible recipient under the 2016-2017 CDBG Action Plan-Grant Award for Small Business.
- e. Acceptance of \$10,000 donation from the Parry Foundation for City of Fort Pierce Community Cat Spay/Neuter Fund.
- f. Award of Bid No. 2017-015 - Construction of Downtown Library Restroom to Hartnett Building Group LLC., Fort Pierce, FL, for an amount not to exceed \$182,750.00.
- g. Request approval to piggyback City of Lauderdale Lakes RFP #15-1301-02R to lease vehicles from Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc.
- h. Approval to piggyback the Florida Sheriff's Association Contract No. FSA16-VEH14.0, Specification No. 55, for the purchase of one (1) Schwarze A7 Tornado Street Sweeper from Southern Sewer Equipment Sales, Inc., Fort Pierce, FL, in accordance with the attached quote, for an amount not to exceed \$227,246.10.
- i. Approval of Change Order No. 1 for Bid No. 2016-016 Furnish and Install Asphaltic Concrete for 2017 Street Resurfacing needs to Lynch Paving of Okeechobee, Fl. in an amount not to exceed \$250,520.00.

- j. Approval of travel expenses in the amount of \$1358.48 for Commissioner Perona to attend the FMEA Annual Conference being held on July 18 - 21, 2017 in Ponte Vedre Beach, Florida.
- k. Approve increase of funds for the GFA Contract for Inspection Services in the amount of \$65,000.00.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve all items on the consent agenda.

AYE: Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance No. 17-019 Amending Chapter 15 - Signs and Billboards revised to include an increased number of signs and days allowed for placement. SECOND READING

Linda Cox, City Clerk, read the ordinance, by title only, into the record.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA; AMENDING CHAPTER 15 – SIGNS AND BILLBOARDS BY AMENDING SEC. 15-1 – DEFINITION; 15-2 – PURPOSE AND INTENT; AMENDING SEC. 15-3 – ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT; AMENDING SEC. 15-4 – NONCONFORMING SIGNS; AMENDING SEC. 15-5 – PROHIBITED SIGNS OR SIGN CHARACTERISTICS; AMENDING SEC. 15-6 – REGULATION; DELETING SEC. 15-7 – PERMITTED TEMPORARY SIGNS; AMENDING SEC. 15-8 – PERMITTED PERMANENT SIGNS; AMENDING SEC. 15-9 – PERMIT PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Hudson opened the public hearing.

Seeing no one, Mayor Hudson closed the public hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Reginald Sessions, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve item **12a**.

AYE: Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

- b. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 17-022: Abandoning an unopened segment of North 31st Street right-of-way abutting the Pioneer Park Subdivision, between Madison Cay Apartments and Zora Neale Drive SECOND READING

Linda Cox, City Clerk, read the Ordinance, by title only, into the record.

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, ABANDONING A PORTION OF NORTH THIRTY-FIRST STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY, LYING ADJACENT TO LOTS 9, 10 AND 11 OF THE PIONEER PARK SUBDIVISION WITHIN THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE;

REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH;
AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Hudson opened the public hearing.
Seeing no one, Mayor Hudson closed the public hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rufus Alexander, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to approve item **12b**.

AYE: Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

13. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS & REQUESTS

- a. Monthly Financial Report for the Month Ending April 30, 2017

Karen Logue, Chief Accountant, appeared and was available for questions.

- b. Federal and State-Funded Activities - Grants Administration Division

Libby Woodruff, Manager, gave a presentation on the use of the federal and state-funds. She gave an update on advertising, funding and current/new projects. Commission discussion included partnerships and allocation of funds.

- c. Update on the Joint Planning Process

Rebecca Grohall, Planning Manager, and Leslie Olsen, St. Lucie County Planning Director, gave a presentation on the final draft for the Port of Fort Pierce Fisherman's Wharf Redevelopment Plan. After a few workshops, they have received feedback and ideas from businesses and property owners in the area. Staff recommendations include future land use amendments, reviewing the plans for Seaway/2nd Street crossing, and locating off-site boat trailer parking. Commission discussion included being excited that the plans are moving forward quickly.

14. CITY COMMISSION

- a. Resolution 17-R20 designating 1108 Orange Avenue as Historic Property and a Locally Significant Site.

Linda Cox, City Clerk, read the resolution, by title only, into the record.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING, 1108 ORANGE AVENUE AS HISTORIC PROPERTY AND A LOCALLY SIGNIFICANT SITE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Rebecca Grohall, Planning Manager, announced that this was the first historic designation in the last five years. She was available for questions.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rufus Alexander, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to approve item **14a**.

AYE: Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

15. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - There were no comments from the public.

16. COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

Linda Cox, City Clerk, stated that there will be an update from the WRAC Chairman at the July 17 regular meeting.

Jim Messer, City Attorney, spoke about a pending arbitration conflict, forwarding complaint to FDLE, and announced a closed session for Haven Detox case.

17. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Sessions spoke about the future leadership of FPUA and the need to actively observe their happenings.

Commissioner Johnson had no comments.

Commissioner Alexander had no comments.

Mayor Hudson had no comments.

18. ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business, Mayor Hudson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR COMMISSIONER