

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 17, 2019**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

**2. OPENING PRAYER - Elder Ricardo McGee, Bass Temple Church of God in Christ**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. ROLL CALL**

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

Staff Present: City Clerk Linda Cox  
City Manager Nicholas Mimms  
City Attorney Peter Sweeney

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of the Minutes from the May 20, 2019 and June 3, 2019 regular meetings.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve item 5a.

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

Passed

**6. PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Hudson issued the Proclamation.

- a. Juneteenth Proclamation

**7. LETTERS TO COMMISSION**

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

Any person who wishes to comment on an agenda item which is not under Public Hearings on the Agenda may be heard at this time and must sign up to speak in advance. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes or less, as directed by the Mayor, as this section of the Agenda is limited to thirty minutes. The City Commission will not be able to take any official actions under Comments from the Public. Speakers will address the Mayor, Commissioners, and the Public with respect. Inappropriate language will not be tolerated.

There were no comments from the public.

**9. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson approved with the removal of item 11 d.

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

Passed

**10. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS**

- a. Parking Committee Report and Recommendations

**South Causeway Park Parking Lot – Rick Ross**

In response to numerous parking violations and tickets being issued there is also a safety concern due to the traffic with children/adults crossing to get to parked vehicles. The current design was a temporary setup established in 2005 after hurricanes from the previous year. The Parking Committee recommends the Commission task the Engineering Department to design an update to address the parking and safety issues at South Causeway Park. Commissioner Johnson requested the addition of a beach barrier or berm to keep sand from blowing onto the road and to prevent erosion.

**301 South Ocean Temporary Parking Lot – Mike Reals**

This lot is being used daily. The current occupant of the building has a lease which expires in August 2020. Recently at a South Beach Business Association Meeting, the recommendation was made that the City of Fort Pierce remove the building located on that site. By removing the building, there could be potentially 60 additional parking spaces. Commissioner Perona requested the consideration of motorcycle parking be added to the proposal.

By consensus, the Commission recommended to move forward with the design, safety and funding options for both locations.

**b. Annual Report on the Retirement & Benefit System**

Ms. Morris, Director of Finance for the City of Fort Pierce, and Secretary-Treasurer of the Retirement Board gave an overview of the Retirement and Benefit System for the fiscal year ended 9/30/2018.

The City of Fort Pierce Retirement & Benefit System remains in the top percentile of retirement plans in the country. Our plan is labeled “Extraordinarily Resilient” in relation to our peers around the state and the country. Our plan is used as a model by our investment consultant.

The plan funding value is \$200,086,678. The funded ratio is 90%, an increase from last year’s funded ratio of 89%. The recognized investment return is 8.07%, which is greater than the 7.75% assumed rate.

Ms. Morris further reported on contributions and contribution rates. Ms. Morris explained the criteria for cost of living adjustments (COLA):

Three criteria MUST be met before COLAs can be granted.

1. The system has to have had a Net Increase. 9/30/18 was \$12,191,150 ;
2. The investment return has to exceed the required actuarial interest assumption. The actuarial assumption is 7.75%, 9/30/18 investment return was 8.07%;
3. The cumulative value of any COLAs granted since 1999 cannot exceed the cumulative net gains since 1999. The balance at 9/30/18 , \$33,813,064.

Even though we had a net increase and our recognized rate of investment return exceeded the actuarial assumption, no COLA can be provided until the system’s future actuarial gains exceed \$33,813,064, plus interest.

**c. Monthly Financial Report for the Month Ending April 30, 2019**

Johnna Morris, Finance Director, presented a monthly report on the financial status of city funds. The report for month of April, 2019 encompasses the General, Marina, Solid Waste, Golf Course, Sunrise Theatre, Building & Code and the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency Funds. All funds have positive net operating income for the current year.

**11. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approval of letter to the Florida Council on Arts and Culture supporting the nomination of Anita Prentice to the Florida Artists Hall of Fame.
- b. Letter of Support to Governor DeSantis for Treasure Coast Food Bank's funding request to expand their food production kitchen program.
- c. Approval of travel expenses in the amount of \$372.77 for Commissioner Rufus Alexander to attend the Florida League of Cities Policy Committee meeting, June 2019.

- d. PULLED FROM AGENDA - NO ACTION TAKEN. Approval of travel expenses in the amount of \$132.24 for Mayor Hudson to attend the Florida League of Cities Policy Committee meeting, June 2019.
- e. Approval of travel expenses in the amount of \$1,240.30 for Commissioner Perona to attend the FMEA Conference in Bonita Springs, FL from July 16-18, 2019.
- f. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Fort Pierce, St. Lucie County, Allegany Franciscan Ministries and Fort Pierce Utilities Authority to provide free broadband access within a targeted area of the Lincoln Park community.
- g. Request to reduce building violation lien in the amount of \$52,440.00 against 2108 Barcelona Avenue, Ft. Pierce, FL 34946 - Parcel ID Number: 1443-701-0188-000-6 owned by John Howard, 2108 Barcelona Avenue, Ft Pierce, FL 34946 to \$804.72 payable in 60 days.
- h. Approval of Specific Authorization No. 2 to Brothers Construction, Inc. for marine design and construction services to rehabilitate the Moore's Creek Boat Ramps in the amount of \$221,660.00.
- i. Approval of the City's Maintenance of Traffic Signals contract RFB No. 2018-052 to Carr Construction in the amount of \$155,664.00 annually.

Commissioner Perona pulled item 11 a for discussion.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to approve items 11 b, 11 c, 11e, 11 f, 11 g, 11 h, 11i.

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

Passed

As to item 11 a, Commissioner Perona wanted to acknowledge nomination of Ms. Anita Prentice to the Florida Artists Hall of Fame. Commissioner Perona shared that Fort Pierce is proud to have such a talented artist and her recognition is well deserved. Commissioner Alexander recommended that a Proclamation be issued in her honor. Mayor Hudson agreed. Mayor Hudson personally (as a citizen, not Mayor) submitted a nomination. Heathcote Botanical Gardens, St. Lucie County, Fort Pierce Main Street and the Backus have also submitted.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve item 11 a.

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

Passed

## **12. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- a. Quasi-Judicial Hearing - Review and approval of a Development Review and Design Review, to construct a 5,943 square foot Wawa fueling station, submitted by property owner Morris/Satnick Fort Pierce Associates, LLC and applicant Engineering Design & Construction, Inc. The subject site is approximately 1.61 acres in size and is a leased area of a much larger parcel that is 9.27 acres in size. The address is 2101 South US Highway 1. The property is currently zoned C-3, General Commercial with a Future Land Use of GC, General Commercial. The Parcel ID is: 2415-342-0001-000-8.

Mayor Hudson asked all present to listen carefully to what City Attorney, Peter Sweeney, would read regarding Quasi-Judicial Hearings as they apply to all subsequent Quasi-Judicial Hearings tonight.

Before commencing this Quasi-Judicial Hearing, Peter Sweeney, City Attorney, reminded the Commission when acting as a Quasi-Judicial Body they apply the laws and policies established and are held to stricter procedural requirements, following basic standards established and are held to stricter procedural requirements, following basic standards of notice and due process based on substantial evidence. As such, they conduct these proceedings as judges instead of legislators. There are no party interveners in this matter. That means that the only other individuals that may be heard are people who might have relevant information and their comments are limited to three (3) minutes each. Members of the public may be permitted to present their non-expert opinions, but the Commission must

know that public sentiment is not relevant to the decision which must be based on competent, substantial evidence.

Mayor Hudson called the proceeding to order.

City Clerk, Linda Cox, confirmed the City complied with advertisement and notice requirements.

Mayor Linda Hudson inquired with the Commission regarding ex-parte communications. There were no ex-parte communications.

City Clerk, Linda Cox, was asked to swear in those wanting to speak during this Quasi-Judicial hearing. Individuals in the audience intending to speak on this item were asked to stand, raise their right hand, and administered an oath to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Those that were sworn in were asked to clearly state their name for the record and confirm they were sworn in at such time as they were asked to come forward to testify.

Brandon Creagan, Planner, provided an overview of the project where the applicant is requesting the review and approval of a Site Plan and Design Review to construct a 5,943 square foot Fueling Station located at 2101 South US Highway 1. The site is in front of the former K-Mart and will be adjacent to US 1 between PNC Bank and Payless Shoes. There are no plans to create an out parcel for this development by the owners of the Plaza. The fueling station would represent the first phase of the redevelopment of this plaza. The proposed 5,943 square foot development will occupy space that is currently used for parking. The development, a Wawa fueling station, will be located within a leased area of the overall site.

Staff recommends that the City Commission APPROVE the requests, subject to the following two (2) Conditions of Approval: 1. Before a Certificate of Occupancy is issued, provide a landscape bond for all proposed landscaping pursuant to City Code 22-180; and 2. A revised Landscape Plan shall be submitted with the Building Permit which addresses the sixteen (16) trees that will be substituted with other types of vegetation.

Commissioner Johnson inquired about the number and location of trees on the site.

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing.

David Baggett, of EDC, representing the applicant appeared and confirmed he was sworn in. He believes this is a great project for the City of Fort Pierce and will certainly improve this corner. They will continue to work with staff to develop a landscape plan which is satisfactory to all. Mr. Baggett addressed questions regarding the turn lane from US 1 and access for the site as well as drive aisle islands which may provide additional landscape options.

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Reginald Sessions, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve item 12 a with the two staff conditions.

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

Passed

- b. Quasi-Judicial Hearing - Review and approval of an application for Conditional Use with New Construction submitted by property owner, Roger Delpapa and Applicant, Terrence J. Brisson, to construct a Single-Family Home, with a building height of 35 ft., at 1655 Thumb Point Drive, Fort Pierce, FL. The property is zoned Single-Family Low Density Residential Zone (R-1), Parcel ID: 2401-605-0035-000-3.

Mayor Hudson indicated the Quasi-Judicial proceedings procedures remained in effect. No one requested they be read again.

Mayor Hudson called the proceeding to order.

City Clerk, Linda Cox, confirmed the City complied with advertisement and notice requirements.

Mayor Linda Hudson inquired with the Commission regarding ex-parte communications; there were no communications.

City Clerk, Linda Cox, was asked to swear in those wanting to speak during this Quasi-Judicial hearing. Individuals in the audience intending to speak on this item were asked to stand, raise their right hand, and administered an oath to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Those that were sworn in were asked to clearly state their name for the record and confirm they were sworn in at such time as they were asked to come forward to testify.

Vennis Gilmore, Planning Analyst, indicated that the applicant is requesting the review and approval of a Conditional Use with New Construction to construct a new three story- 6,786 sq. ft. single-family home at 1655 Thumb Point Drive. The applicant is seeking a height extension to build up to 35 feet. The proposed three story single-family home will consist of 6,786 sq. ft. in gross floor area. The new residence will include three levels of livable space; on all three floors. The first floor will also include a two-car garage, storage, patio and swimming pool. Plans also include first floor and second floor balcony. The representative has submitted a floor plan layout with one Master Bedroom and one Bathroom, two bedrooms, and two bathrooms on the third floor. The subject property is zoned SingleFamily Low Density Residential Zone (R-1) with a Future Land Use (FLU) of Low Density Residential.

Staff recommends APPROVAL for the following reasons: a. Not a Variance Application; b. Conditional Uses do not require that a hardship be proven; c. Increased height does not negatively affect the public health, safety, comfort, good order, appearance, convenience, and the general welfare; and d. Planning Board unanimously recommended approval on 5/14/19.

Staff mailed 44 notifications and received 4 in favor, 1 with no comment and 10 in opposition. Because 22.7% were in opposition, this application requires 4/5 vote of the Commission.

Commissioner Johnson inquired with City Attorney Pete Sweeney regarding any potential conflict of interest since he lives on this street. Commissioner Johnson indicated he believed he would receive no special benefit by voting on this project; therefore he has no conflict of interest.

Mayor Hudson opened the public hearing.

The applicant declined the opportunity to come forward to speak.

Rosemary Parnell confirmed she was sworn in and inquired about what the term conditional use means.

Jim Condit was sworn in and indicated they are new to the neighborhood and does not like the proposed height.

Mr. Gilmore explained what is meant by a conditional use and how it applies to the application being considered.

Terry Brisson, applicant, appeared and confirmed he was sworn in. He explained the need for the height increase was because of the limitations placed on the square footage footprint on the lot. If he doesn't go up, he would need a variance to go wider; thus blocking views.

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Reginald Sessions, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve item 12b.

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

Passed

- c. Quasi Judicial Hearing - Review and approval of an application for Subdivision (Minor Replat), submitted by property owner, Harbour Isle Development Commercial, LLC & applicant Mason Development & Construction, to replat 3.1 acres of land (2 Parcels) at or near 825 Seaway Drive in front of the Harbour Isle Development in Fort Pierce, FL. The property is zoned Planned Development (PD). Parcel ID: 2402-501-0001-000-5 & 2402-501-0001-010-8.

Mayor Hudson indicated the Quasi-Judicial proceedings procedures remained in effect. No one requested they be read again.

Mayor Hudson called the proceeding to order.

City Clerk, Linda Cox, confirmed the City complied with advertisement and notice requirements.

Mayor Linda Hudson inquired with the Commission regarding ex-parte communications; there were no communications.

City Clerk, Linda Cox, was asked to swear in those wanting to speak during this Quasi-Judicial hearing. Individuals in the audience intending to speak on this item were asked to stand, raise their right hand, and administered an oath to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth. Those that were sworn in were asked to clearly state their name for the record and confirm they were sworn in at such time as they were asked to come forward to testify.

Brandon Creagan, Planner, described the minor replat process to make clear that this is not assigning any allowed uses. The applicant is requesting a Minor Replat for a 3.1 acre parcel apart of the Harbour Isle Planned Development. The proposed effect to replat is being requested because the property owner split this parcel and the parcel adjacent to the east with the St. Lucie County Property Appraisers Office without going through the plat process with the City. Because this parcel was already split from the rest of the Harbour Isle Residential development and then split again, according to Chapter 177 of the Florida State Statutes and Chapter 18 of the City Code, a replat is required.

Staff recommends approval with the condition that the applicant provides two (2) Mylar's before the City Commission meeting for appropriate signatures and then having the plat recorded with St. Lucie County Clerk of Courts, in accordance with Florida State Statute 177.111. Staff indicated that the mylars have been received.

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas Perona approve item 12c with staff condition.

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

- d. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-026 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include a 4.42-acre, unaddressed parcel generally located on the north side of Orange Avenue between La Jean Drive and North 39th Street in Fort Pierce, Florida.  
SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-026**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE A 4.42-ACRE, UNADDRESSED PARCEL GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF ORANGE AVENUE BETWEEN LA JEAN DRIVE AND NORTH 39TH STREET IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING.

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve Ordinance 19-026.

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

Passed

- e. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-027 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include a 1.57-acre, unaddressed parcel generally located on the north side of Orange Avenue between La Jean Drive and North 39th Street in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-027**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE A 1.57-ACRE, UNADDRESSED PARCEL GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF ORANGE AVENUE BETWEEN LA JEAN DRIVE AND NORTH 39TH STREET IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve Ordinance 19-027.

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

Passed

- f. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-017 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include 2995 South 25th Street in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-017**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE 2995 SOUTH 25TH STREET IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas Perona to approve Ordinance 19-017.

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

Passed

- g. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-018 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include 3076 South 25th Street in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-018**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE 3076 South 25TH STREET IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve Ordinance 19-018.

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

Passed

- h. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-019 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include 3092 South 25th Street in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-019**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE 3092 SOUTH 25TH STREET IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to approve Ordinance 19-019.

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

Passed

- i. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-020 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include 500 Ulrich Road in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-020**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE 500 ULRICH ROAD IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rufus Alexander, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve Ordinance 19-020.

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

Passed

- j. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-021 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include 5300 Melville Road in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-021**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE 5300 MELVILLE ROAD IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve Ordinance 19-021.

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

Passed

- k. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-025 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include an unaddressed parcel generally located on the north side of Smallwood Avenue, approximately 355 feet east of the intersection of Smallwood Avenue and US Highway 1 in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-025**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE AN UNADDRESSED PARCEL GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF SMALLWOOD AVENUE, APPROXIMATELY 355 FEET EAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF SMALLWOOD AVENUE AND US HIGHWAY 1 IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY

PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve Ordinance 19-025.

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

- I. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-022 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include 160 Smallwood Avenue in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-022**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE 160 SMALLWOOD AVENUE IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rufus Alexander, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve Ordinance 19-022.

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

- m. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-023 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include 302 Smallwood Avenue in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-023**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE 302 SMALLWOOD AVENUE IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND

DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas Perona to approve Ordinance 19-023.

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

Passed

- n. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 19-024 extending the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include 367 Smallwood Avenue in Fort Pierce, Florida. SECOND READING

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 19-024**

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE 367 SMALLWOOD AVENUE IN FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION; DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND READING

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve Ordinance 19-024.

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

Passed

**13. CITY COMMISSION**

- a. Submittal of applications for the Historic Preservation Board

The Historic Preservation Board appointment applications have been submitted. This item will come back to the City Commission in the form of a ballot and resolution at the next meeting.

- b. Select one (1) voting delegate to represent the City of Fort Pierce at the Florida League of Cities' Annual Conference.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rufus Alexander, seconded by Commissioner Thomas Perona to nominate Mayor Hudson to act a voting delegate to represent the City of Fort Pierce at the Florida League of Cities' Annual Conference.

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

Passed

- c. Resolution 19-R23 approving DEO Agreement No. G0057, a Florida Job Growth Infrastructure Grant Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-R23**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, APPROVING DEO AGREEMENT NO. G0057, A FLORIDA JOB GROWTH INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, CITY CLERK, AND CITY ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT ON THE PART OF THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mr. Mimms stated that this resolution is the confirmation of the agreement which has been discussed for several months between FPUA and the private sector and confirms that the City of Fort Pierce is moving forward with the execution of the Grant Agreement.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Thomas Perona to approve Resolution 19-R23.

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

- d. Resolution 19-R24 authorizing approval of a joint project agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the City of Fort Pierce providing for FDOT's participation towards the engineering design for the Historic Downtown Fort Pierce Retrofit SUN Trail from Georgia Avenue to A1A / N. Causeway Drive.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-R24**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, STATING THE CITY AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) ARE DESIROUS OF ENTERING INTO A FLORIDA SHARED-USE NONMOTORIZED TRAIL GRANT AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S PARTICIPATION IN THE DESIGN OF THE RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE SHARED USE PATH ALONG THE SUN TRAIL NETWORK FROM GEORGIA AVENUE TO A1A/N. CAUSEWAY DRIVE PER THE HISTORIC DOWNTOWN FORT PIERCE RETROFIT FINAL FEASIBILITY STUDY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, CITY CLERK, AND CITY ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT ON THE PART OF THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This agreement will enable the City to contract a professional engineer to provide design plans for the creation of a portion of the East Coast Greenway and Trail System, commencing at Indian Hills Drive and extending to Georgia Avenue. This grant was applied for by St. Lucie County as part of SUN Trail Network, and it has been determined that the City, as grant recipient, would be more suited to manage the project. The Florida Department of Transportation agrees to participate in the project cost up to the maximum of \$100,000. Mr. Andrews, City Engineer explained that this is the second half of the SUN Trail Network's plan to bring the trail through Fort Pierce.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions approve Resolution 19-R24.

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

- e. Resolution 19-R25 authorizing approval of a joint project agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the City of Fort Pierce providing for FDOT's participation towards the engineering design for the Highwayman Trail Gap part of the SUN Trail Network from Indian Hills Drive to Georgia Avenue.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-R25**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, STATING THE CITY AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) ARE DESIROUS OF ENTERING INTO A FLORIDA SHARED-USE NONMOTORIZED TRAIL GRANT AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S PARTICIPATION IN THE DESIGN OF THE RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE SHARED USE PATH ALONG THE SUN TRAIL NETWORK FROM INDIAN

HILLS DRIVE TO GEORGIA AVENUE PER THE HISTORIC HIGHWAYMAN TRAIL GAP FINAL FEASIBILITY STUDY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, CITY CLERK, AND CITY ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT ON THE PART OF THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve Resolution 19-R25.

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

Passed

- f. Resolution 19-R30 Authorizing the Issuance of Refunding Bonds, Series 2019

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-R30**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REVENUE AND REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2019 FOR THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF REFUNDING ALL OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REVENUE REFUNDING NOTE, SERIES 2015 AND FINANCING THE COST OF DESIGNING, PERMITTING, CONSTRUCTING, RECONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY OWNED AND OPERATED CITY OF FORT PIERCE MARINA, AND RELATED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS; COVENANTING TO BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE LEGALLY AVAILABLE NON-AD VALOREM REVENUES TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE OWNERS OF SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE, ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY OF SUCH BONDS; TAKING CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS WITH RESPECT TO SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE NEGOTIATED SALE OF SUCH BONDS TO THE UNDERWRITER NAMED HEREIN SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRIBUTION OF A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A FINAL OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OFFICIALS TO DEEM FINAL THE PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15C2 12; APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT; DELEGATING TO THE MAYOR OR CITY MANAGER THE AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE A COMMITMENT FOR A BOND INSURANCE POLICY; APPOINTING THE PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRAR; APPROVING THE FORM AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A DISCLOSURE DISSEMINATION AGENT AGREEMENT AND APPOINTING A DISSEMINATION AGENT; PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO SUCH BONDS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ms. Johnna Morris, Finance Director explained that the re-funding of the 2015 bonds will give the City of Fort Pierce the opportunity to save on average \$101,000.00 over the next 14 years remaining on the bond. This re-funding does not extend the bond or change the terms, it allows the City to save money over the term of the loan. Funds will be utilized by the Marina to construct the new fuel building.

Motion was made by Commissioner Reginald Sessions, seconded by Commissioner Thomas Perona to approve Resolution 19-R30.

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

Passed

- g. Resolution 19-R26 appointing two (2) at-large members to the Infrastructure Surtax Citizen Oversight Committee following a vote of the Commission.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 19-R26**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, CERTIFYING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE SURTAX CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The City Clerk distributed the ballots.

Individual weighted ballots read out loud by City Clerk Linda Cox:

Mayor Hudson: Westbury 2 pts., Heaning 1 pt.  
Commissioner Alexander: Hayling 2pts, Capers 1pt  
Commissioner Johnson: Westbury 2pts, Heaning 1pt  
Commissioner Perona: Westbury 2pts, Widing 1pt  
Commissioner Sessions: Westbury 2pts, McGee 1pt

First vote resulted in a tie for the second member. A re-vote commenced for the second position.

Mayor Hudson: Heaning  
Commissioner Alexander: Hayling  
Commissioner Johnson: Heaning  
Commissioner Perona: Heaning  
Commissioner Sessions: Hayling

Final vote: Mr. Anthony Westbury and Mr. John Heaning will be appointed to the Infrastructure Surtax Citizen Oversight Committee.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve Resolution 19-R26.

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

**14. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Any person who wishes to comment on any subject may be heard at this time. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes or less, as directed by the Mayor, as this section of the Agenda is limited to thirty minutes. The City Commission will not be able to take any official actions under Comments from the Public. Speakers will address the Mayor, Commissioners, and the Public with respect. Inappropriate language will not be tolerated.

Mark DeRosa  
Jim Kaufman

**15. COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

Mr. Mimms forwarded a voice message from the Humane Society via email to the Commission. Mr. Mimms reached out to them at the direction of the Commission. The Humane Society has elected to not come before the City Commission regarding recent events.

Regarding the King Property, Mr. Mimms stated that Audubon was selected by the FPRA, and staff will reach out to them and begin contractual negotiations. The FPRA and Audubon have agreed to work toward identifying a start date for initial negotiations. Staff will be working with TCRPC and their sub-consultants for negotiating terms of contract

The City of Fort Pierce is currently in negotiations with the St. Anastasia's Community Arts Facility. The next meeting is tomorrow morning. Staff and the Art's Facility are excited at the prospect of a long term lease which can be brought back to the FPRA board.

June 26, 2019 is the St. Lucie County Resilience Seminar and he hopes everyone registers and plans to attend.

June 28, 2019 is the Joint Strategic Planning Session with FPUA. Improved communication will be one of the topics on the agenda.

**16. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION**

Commissioner Alexander attended the Florida League of Cities Committee Meeting. As part of the Transportation Committee, there was a presentation by Brightline at the meeting.

Commissioner Sessions thanked staff and FPRA Board for their efforts. Many employees went above and beyond to bring a positive outcome. Regarding the City ad valorem, Commissioner Sessions requested Staff determine where we stand in comparison to other cities. Commissioner Sessions inquired as to what the next steps should be with the Humane Society if at all. It is apparent that while the City of Fort Pierce contributes both tangible and monetary contributions to the Humane Society, they won't consider sitting down with us to discuss a plausible solution to the serious problems going on.

Commissioner Johnson inquired if the building that the Humane Society occupies is going to be appraised. Commissioner Johnson suggested a review of the lease and possibly moving on due to the situation at hand. Mr. Mimms, City Manager clarified that while volunteers may have built the structure, the City of Fort Pierce owns the land the building is on. If the Humane Society were to vacate, the structure becomes the property of the City. Mr. Mimms said that the Humane Society of St. Lucie County is providing the service that the City of Fort Pierce requires as per our contract. They are currently being audited by a third party entity and when that assessment is completed we can review the performance. The City of Fort Pierce, City of Port St. Lucie and St. Lucie County continue in their efforts to negotiate a county wide contract. Commissioner Johnson also addressed the millage rate for the City of Fort Pierce and is also looking forward to the local comparison. Commissioner Johnson requested options be presented with the upcoming Budget proposals.

Commissioner Johnson also asked about the background for the Commission to receive Health Benefits and how it is funded. A member of the public asked him about it, and Mr. Johnson is seeking the answer. Mr. Johnson said during this budget proposal session, costs need to be kept at a minimum, budgets must be adhered to and costs should be cut wherever possible to keep any increases at a minimum.

Mayor Hudson shared that there was a Promotion Ceremony at the Police Department for six of our police officers. It was a meaningful ceremony. Representatives of the Sheriffs' Office were there, the Sheriff, the State's Attorney, Commissioner Johnson as well as other dignitaries. They are our future. Mayor Hudson not only wants Fort Pierce to be a safe city, but she wants Fort Pierce to be known as a safe city and feels this group of officers will lead the way. We can be very proud of these officers. The Teen Youth Symposium is Thursday and encourages all the Commissioners to attend.

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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MAYOR COMMISSIONER