

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 9 A.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2024.

1. **Call to Order**

Mayor Hudson called the August 12, 2024, Conference Agenda Meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Roll Call**

Present: Commissioner Michael Broderick; Commissioner Arnold Gaines; Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.; Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson; Mayor Linda Hudson

Staff Present: City Clerk Linda Cox
Deputy City Manager Jack Andrews
City Attorney Sara Hedges

4. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. Approval of Minutes from July, 08, 2024, Budget Workshop Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve the minutes from the July 08, 2024, Budget Workshop Meeting.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Arnold Gaines, Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

5. **Proclamations**

6. **Additions or deletions to agenda and approval of the agenda.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the agenda as set.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Arnold Gaines, Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

7. **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.

No Comments

8. Miscellaneous Reports and Presentations

- a. 2024 Annual Community Rating Service (CRS) Project Status Report presented by Paul Thomas, CBO, CFM Building Official.

Building Official Paul Thomas, gave an update on the status of the Community Rating Service Project. The Commission wants additional CFMs to help with the rating and the program to be explained to the residents on how to get a discount on flood insurance. They suggested Mr. Thomas attend the September 18th Town Hall meeting being held by Dana Trabulsky to discuss the flood insurance discount and help answer any questions the residents might have.

- b. Adopt-A-Road Program Update

Public Works Special Projects Coordinator, Marsha Commond gave an update on the Adopt-A-Road program. She let the Commission know the recognition for this would be separate from the Great American Clean Up. The Commission suggested the raffles could have items from local businesses. They also would like the streets that need more attention to be a priority to be adopted.

9. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval for of expenditure in the amount of \$112,204.00 for the acquisition of an Edaptive Traffic Control System for the US 1 corridor from Fisherman's Wharf to Edwards Road.
- b. Approval of Culpepper & Terpening, Inc.'s First Amendment and Specific Authorization No.10 for the design services of Granada Street Roadway Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$60,335.00.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve the Consent Agenda.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Arnold Gaines,
Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson,
Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

10. City Commission - Resolutions

- a. Resolution 24-R44 approving the Fort Pierce Utilities Authority FY2025 Annual Budget and FY2024 Amended Budget.

Javier Cineros and Barbara Mika gave the presentation on FY 2025 Budget and FY 2024 Amended Budget. They mentioned FPUA is working on expansion and extending services to more of the City of Fort Pierce. The Commission commended FPUA for their hard work.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve Resolution 24-R44 adopting the FY 2025 Budget and FY 2024 Amended Budget.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Arnold Gaines,
Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Mayor Linda Hudson

Other: Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson (ABSTAIN)

Passed

Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson filed the required Form 8B.

11. **New Business - City Commission Discussion Items**

- a. Recommendation of the Keep Fort Pierce Beautiful Advisory Board to Implement an Education Campaign on Littering and Recycling

Keep Fort Pierce Beautiful Board Chairperson Caleta Scott gave the board's recommendations. The Commission discussed getting the community involved in the outreach program.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to approve and implement the program.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Arnold Gaines,
Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson,
Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

- b. Discussion and direction regarding the Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Agreement for Development of King's Landing.

The discussion was introduced by City Attorney Sara Hedges. Scott Hawkins and Bill Ware presented themselves for any questions from the Commission. The Commission discussed parking issues, the minor/ major changes they're planning to make to the site plans, and the timeline and steps the approval will need to go through once submitted to the City. They were told the parking garage will be built in phase two of the construction while the hotel is in phase one. Their goal is to create onsite parking until the parking garage is built and utilize the City's parking garage for additional parking. Commissioners Gaines and Curtis Johnson both mentioned the unprofessionalism of the last minute documents they keep providing the City. Planning Director Kevin Freeman stated once the application is received it will take approximately six months to be approved internally.

Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson to approve the updated Second Amendment with attachment B.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Mayor Linda Hudson

NAY: Commissioner Arnold Gaines, Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.

Passed

12. **City Commission Boards and Committees Updates**

Commissioner Gaines mentioned the Treasure Coast Council of Local Government meeting was canceled for August. The Retirement Board meets this week, but he will not be able to attend the meeting as he will be out of town. The Homelessness task force asked if they could make a presentation to the Commission. He missed the Affordable Housing meeting. The Roundtable meetings are still difficult for him to attend. The Council on Aging is moving strongly and is working to find funding. He also wished his mother a Happy Birthday.

Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson mentioned at the last TDC meeting that they discussed tourism revenue is down 8.5% from last year's numbers, and it would be about \$300,000 to renovate the airport.

Commissioner Broderick mentioned the Retirement Board meets this Thursday and the Parking Committee meets on Wednesday. The Sunrise Theater Board has an event tomorrow, and they are working on an RFP for outside management.

Commissioner Curtis Johnson mentioned the Fire Board had selected a clerk/ treasurer. The Lincoln Park Main Street has a meeting coming up. The Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council met and will be changing the schedule.

Mayor Hudson mentioned the TPO discussed two roadways in the city that are coming up for review and all her other meetings for her Boards are upcoming.

13. **Adjournment**

Immediately following adjournment, please move toward the doors and exit the chambers. This allows for the safe and courteous exit of all persons, and those on the dais. Conversations after the meeting should be held outside of chambers, in the foyer or elsewhere, but not in the commission chambers where lights will be out as soon as the chambers are empty.

Mayor Linda Hudson adjourned the meeting at 12:47 P.M.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR COMMISSIONER