



MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
CITY OF NEW PORT RICHEY

NEW PORT RICHEY CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5919 MAIN STREET, NEW PORT RICHEY, FLORIDA

August 21, 2024

6:00 PM

**ORDER OF
BUSINESS**

1 Call to Order - Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Chopper Davis at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Councilwoman Matt Murphy, Councilman Peter Altman and Councilman Bertell Butler, IV. Deputy Mayor Kelly Mothershead was excused.

Also in attendance were City Manager Debbie L. Manns, City Clerk Judy Meyers, Finance Director Crystal Dunn, Fire Chief Chris Fitch, Public Works Director Robert Rivera, Police Chief Bob Kochen, Library Director Andi Figart, Technology Solutions Director Mike Miller, Assistant City Manager Gregory Oravec and Human Resources Director Arnel Wetzel.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2 Review of the Proposed Capital Improvement Program FY2024/2025-2028/2029 - Page 2

City Manager Manns introduced the item to Council. She stated the purpose of this work session was to review the changes made to the FY24/25-FY28/29 Capital Improvement Plan since the last work session held on July 16, 2024. She then highlighted the funds contained within the CIP budget. She then introduced Public Works Director Robert Rivera who then presented the changes to Council. He began with the projects in the General Fund. He stated there were no changes from the first presentation. He then highlighted again the projects in the fund. Mr. Rivera then moved on to the Stormwater Utility Fund. He stated there were no changes from the first presentation. He then highlighted again the projects in the fund. Mr. Rivera then moved on to the Capital Improvement Fund. He stated there were no changes from the first presentation. He stated the Frances Avenue Boardwalk Project did not have clear direction and City Manager Manns stated the numbers will be amended some. He then highlighted again the projects in the fund. Councilman Altman spoke about the Schwettman property, property behind Starbucks, the area around the Grey Preserve and the building at Bank and Main. Mr. Rivera then moved on to the Water & Sewer Construction Fund. He stated there were no changes from the first presentation. Mr. Rivera then moved to the CRA. The changes from first presented included Railroad Square, Sims Landing Improvements, Cotee River Boat Ramp property acquisition, Floramar Terrace Streetscape Improvements, Schwettman Property

revitalization, downtown wayfinding signs, Redevelopment Streetscape Improvements, West Pasco Press/Red Cross building acquisition and strategic property acquisition program. Mr. Rivera then moved to the Street Improvement Fund. He highlighted the projects in the fund. Councilman Altman asked about the \$25k for the Pasco Press building and City Manager Manns stated that was a plug number put in. She stated the County has mentioned in the past that they would be willing to donate the property. Councilman Murphy asked about assessments for alley paving and City Manager Manns stated there were no plans to assess residents. She stated the plan has not been solidified moving forward. Not all alleys are recommended for paving. She stated that CDBG funds could be used as a direct benefit program. Mr. Rivera stated alleys were not included in the Pavement Management Plan. He stated all of the alleys have different characteristics. Council, Mr. Rivera and City Manager Manns then had a brief discussion regarding various alleys.

3 Communications

Councilman Altman spoke about the Area Agency on Aging Pinellas Pasco and possible funding for senior living.

4 Adjournment

There being no further business to consider, upon proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Approved: _____ (date)

_____ (signed)

Initialed: _____

Judy Meyers, CMC, City Clerk