



MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF NEW PORT RICHEY

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

April 18, 2023

7:00 PM

ORDER OF
BUSINESS

1. Call to Order – Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rob Marlowe at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Deputy Mayor Mike Peters, Councilman Peter Altman, Councilman Matt Murphy and Councilwoman Kelly Mothershead.

Also in attendance were City Manager Debbie L. Manns, City Attorney Timothy Driscoll, City Clerk Judy Meyers, Finance Director Crystal Dunn, Fire Chief Chris Fitch, Public Works Director Robert Rivera, Police Chief Bob Kochen, Human Resources Manager Bernie Wharran, Community and Development Director Dale Hall, Library Director Andi Figart, Technology and Innovations Director Robert Greene, Parks and Recreation Director Terri Moore and Economic Development Director Rod Kirk.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Moment of Silence

4. Approval of March 15, 2023 Work Session and March 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion was made to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion made by Matt Murphy and seconded by Mike Peters. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Marlowe, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

5. Approval of April 6, 2023 Work Session and Special Meeting Minutes

Motion was made to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion made by Kelly Mothershead and seconded by Pete Altman. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Marlowe, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

6. Presentation of Years of Service Award to Mayor Rob Marlowe

City Manager Debbie L. Manns presented outgoing Mayor Rob Marlowe with a plaque for his nine years of dedicated service to the City of New Port Richey.

7 Administration of Oath of Office to Mayor Chopper Davis

City Clerk Judy Meyers administered the Oath of Office for newly elected Mayor Chopper Davis.

8 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Councilman Alman made a motion to nominate Councilman Matt Murphy for Deputy Mayor. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Mothershead. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion made by Pete Altman and seconded by Kelly Mothershead. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Davis, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

9 Proclamation - Alcohol Awareness Month and PowerTalk 21 Day

Mayor Davis presented the parchment to Bonni Snyder from Pasco ASAP.

10 Proclamation - Earth Day

Mayor Davis presented the parchment to Environmental Committee Chair Dell deChant.

11 Proclamation - Day Of Remembrance

Mayor Davis presented the parchment to Ron Becker.

12 Proclamation - Volunteer Recognition Day (By Title Only)

City Attorney Driscoll read the proclamation by title only.

13 Vox Pop for Items Not Listed on the Agenda or Listed on Consent Agenda

Mayor Davis opened the floor for public comment. The following people came forward to speak:

- Stephen Blanchard, 5100 Providence Ct., NPR spoke regarding parking spaces for golf carts in city parking lots.
- Nathan Pollock, 6153 Massachusetts Ave., NPR spoke regarding conducting a meeting about his sign and his intention to de-annex his property from the city.
- Bertell Butler, IV, 5335 Bellview Ave., NPR spoke regarding the city manager salary increase and the departure of the Parks & Recreation Director.
- Shinikki Whiting, 5755 Indiana Ave., NPR spoke regarding peaceful protesting and Chief Kochen.

With no one else coming forward for public comment, Mayor Davis closed Vox Pop.

- a Speakers must identify themselves prior to speaking by stating their name and full address for the record. Speakers shall address the City Council as a whole and refrain from addressing individual members of the City Council or the City staff. Speakers shall afford the utmost courtesy to the City Council, to City employees, and to the public, and shall refrain at all times, from rude and derogatory remarks, reflections as to integrity, abusive comments, and statements as to motives and personalities.

14 Consent Agenda

Motion was made to accept the Consent Agenda.

Motion made by Mike Peters and seconded by Matt Murphy. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Davis, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

a Budget Amendment

b Purchases/Payments for City Council Approval

c Library Advisory Board Minutes - January and February 2023

15 Public Reading of Ordinances

a First Reading, Ordinance No. 2023-2273: Rezoning of +/-0.46 Acres on 5746 Meadowlane Street

City Attorney Driscoll read the ordinance by title only. City Manager Mann introduced Community and Development Director Dale Hall who then presented the item to Council. Mr. Hall stated the purpose of this agenda item was to conduct a first reading of an ordinance to rezone +/-0.46 Acres on 5746 Meadowlane Street from Office to Residential/Office. He stated that the subject property consists of four lots and has a Future Land Use designation of Residential/Office. The proposed use is to construct four single family homes on each of the four lots. Upon opening the floor to public comment, no one came forward therefore Mayor Davis returned the floor to Council. Motion was made to approve the ordinance upon its first reading.

Motion made by Pete Altman and seconded by Mike Peters. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Davis, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

b First Reading, Ordinance No. 2023-2274: Rezoning of +/-1.36 Acres on Orchid Lake Road

City Attorney Driscoll read the ordinance by title only. City Manager Mann introduced Community and Development Director Dale Hall who then presented the item to Council. Mr. Hall stated the purpose of this agenda item was to conduct a first reading of an ordinance to rezone +/-1.36 Acres on the northeast corner of Orchid Lake Road and Congress Street from C-2 to Light Industrial. He stated that the subject property has a Future Land Use designation of Light Industrial and is surrounded by commercial and industrial uses. The proposed use is an office and manufacturing/warehouse for medical equipment. Upon opening the floor to public comment, no one came forward therefore Mayor Davis returned the floor to Council. Motion was made to approve the ordinance upon its first reading.

Motion made by Pete Altman and seconded by Matt Murphy. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Davis, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

c Second Reading, Ordinance No. 2023-2270: Rezoning of +/-3.67 Acres on Pinewood Drive

City Attorney Driscoll read the ordinance by title only. City Manager Mann introduced Community and Development Director Dale Hall who then presented the item to Council. Mr. Hall stated the purpose of this agenda item was to conduct a second and final reading of an ordinance to rezone +/-3.67 Acres on Pinewood Drive south of Petunia Ct. from MF-10, Multifamily-10 to PDD, Planned Development District (Residential Planned District Subcategory). He stated that the applicant is requesting to replat a portion of the existing Timber Woods Subdivision to increase the number of lots from 20 to 28 in order to accommodate a townhome development. This new request requires the developer to meet the current design standards for multi-family development as reflected in the proposed ordinance. There would also be pavement to connect Oakwood Drive to the eastern most portion of the property. Upon opening the floor to public comment, David Bell came forward as a representative of the developer. He spoke regarding the extension of Petunia Ct. He stated they would request to stop at Pinewood Drive. With no one else coming forward Mayor Davis returned the floor to Council. Motion was made to approve the ordinance upon its second and final reading with the paving ending at Pinewood and not the eastern most part of the property.

Motion made by Pete Altman and seconded by Kelly Mothershead. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Davis, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

16 Business Items

a Board Appointment: Lewis Curtwright, Library Advisory Board

City Manager Manns introduced the item to Council. She stated that the purpose of this agenda item was to approve the appointment of Lewis Curtwright to the Library Advisory Board. If approved, Mr. Curtwright's term will be for three years and will be up for renewal on April 18, 2026. Upon opening the floor to public comment, Lewis Curtwright came forward to speak on his behalf regarding his appointment. With no one else coming forward Mayor Davis returned the floor to Council. Motion was made to approve the item as presented.

Motion made by Mike Peters and seconded by Kelly Mothershead. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Davis, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

b Consideration of Appointments to Intergovernmental Committees

Mayor Davis stated he would accept being the representative on Tampa Bay Water. Councilman Altman stated he would suggest Councilwoman Mothershead be the alternate for the Pasco County MPO.

Motion was made by Councilman Altman to make the representatives as follows:

- Pasco County Metropolitan Planning Organization - Councilman Murphy with Councilwoman Mothershead as the alternate member
- Pasco County Tourist Development Council - Deputy Mayor Peters
- Suncoast League of Cities - Councilwoman Mothershead
- Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council - Councilman Altman
- Tampa Bay Water - Mayor Davis

Upon opening the floor to public comment, no one came forward therefore Mayor Davis returned the floor to Council. Motion passed 5-0.

Motion made by Pete Altman and seconded by Mike Peters. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Davis, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

c Request to Purchase Chemical Analyzer for Water Treatment Plant

City Manager Manns introduced Public Works Director Robert Rivera who then presented the item to Council. He stated that the purpose of this agenda item was to approve the proposal from ChemScan, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$44,536 for the purchase of one water quality chemical analyzer for the WTP. This would be a sole source purchase. Upon opening the floor to public comment, no one came forward therefore Mayor Davis returned the floor to Council. Motion was made to approve the item as presented.

Motion made by Mike Peters and seconded by Matt Murphy. The Motion Passed. 5-0. Ayes: Altman, Davis, Mothershead, Murphy, Peters

d ITB23-016 Activity Pool Resurfacing Bid Award

Mayor Davis stated this item was requested to be deferred by the City Manager until the next regular meeting.

17 Communications

Councilwoman Mothershead stated that the concert last Saturday night was really great. Councilman Peters complimented Public Works crews on their hard work on several water main breaks over the last few weeks. He stated that there were over 80 golf carts at the concert. He reminded cart owners to be mindful when parking on crowded weekends. Deputy Mayor Murphy stated he attended the concert on his boat. He stated he appreciated the appointment for Deputy Mayor. He stated there was no quorum for the MPO meeting last week. Councilman Altman stated it is helpful to move the Deputy Mayor seat around. He stated he had a conversation with the City Manager on the progress of Railroad Square. He spoke regarding the mural at Cavalaire Square. He would like to have a discussion as a Council on where we are at with that project and proposed golf cart parking around the Verizon building.

18 Adjournment

There being no further business to consider, upon proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

(signed) _____
Judy Meyers, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: _____ (date)

Initialed: _____