



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

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

February 1, 2022

6:30 PM

ORDER OF
BUSINESS

1 Call to Order – Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rob Marlowe at 6:30 p.m. Those in attendance were Deputy Mayor Chopper Davis, Councilman Peter Altman, Councilman Matt Murphy and Councilman Mike Peters. Also in attendance were City Manager Debbie L. Manns, City Clerk Judy Meyers, Finance Director Crystal Feast, Public Works Director Robert Rivera and Technology Solutions Director Bryan Weed.

2 Pledge of Allegiance

3 Moment of Silence

4 Business Items

a. Selection of Audit Firm - Page 3

City Manager Manns stated we are meeting this evening in the capacity of the Audit Committee. The purpose of this agenda was to select the top audit firm from the presentations made on January 27, 2022. The firm chosen will be formally approved by City Council at their regular meeting on February 15, 2022. Deputy Mayor Davis thought the professionalism of Mauldin & Jenkins CPAs & Advisors was above the others. He stated he would like to see someone else take the reigns. Councilman Peters stated that Clifton Larson Allen LLP has helped our city grow with their suggestions and ideas. He stated he was impressed by Mr. Schmidt. Deputy Mayor Davis stated he was impressed by all of the webinars offered by Mauldin & Jenkins CPAs & Advisors. Mayor Marlowe stated he has seen how timely reports are submitted by Mauldin & Jenkins CPAs & Advisors as they represent Tampa Bay Water. Deputy Mayor Davis asked if we were locked into the fee proposal and City Manager Manns stated she would enter into negotiations with them.

Councilman Altman made a motion to rank Mauldin & Jenkins CPAs & Advisors as the top firm. Motion seconded by Councilman Murphy. Motion passed 5-0.

Councilman Peters made a motion to select Clifton Larson Allen LLP as the second rated firm. Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Davis. Councilman Altman highlighted additional service fees for Clifton Larson Allen LLP. Motion passed 4-1 with Councilman Altman voting nay.

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

5 Communications

None.

6 Adjournment

There being no further business to consider, upon proper motion, the meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

(signed) _____
Judy Meyers, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: _____ (date)

Initialed: _____