



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, June 06, 2023
6:00 PM CST
Council Chambers, City Hall

Call to Order.

Mayor Depreo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation-Councilmember Cumberland

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Nancy Depreo

Councilmember-At-Large Gerard Maher

Ward 1 Shane Finley

Ward 2 Anna Liese

Ward 3 John Cumberland

Ward 4 Charles Clark

Confirm or Adjust Agenda Order

Motion made by Ward 1 Finley, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to confirm the agenda.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 2 Liese, Ward 3 Cumberland, Ward 4 Clark

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Presentation Agenda.

- a. The next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be held June 20, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers located at City Hall.
- b. City Hall will be closed Tuesday, July 4, 2023 in observance of Independence Day.
- c. The City's July 4th celebration will be held on Saturday, July 1st from 5:30-10:00 p.m. located on the South Side at Harbor Circle. Fireworks Display will begin at 9:00 p.m.
- d. East Hancock Library Updates - John Brdecka, Executive Director, Hancock County Library System
- e. Traffic Study - Andrew Levens, Covington Civil & Environmental, LLC.
- f. FY23 Year-End Projection - Jeannie Klein, City Clerk

City Manager's Report.

1. Lily Pond and I-10 Pond – The contractor has completed the dredging and erosion control measures of Lily Pond. The I-10 pond dredging will continue until the end of the month. The current schedule has a completion date of June 21st. The end date for the contract is July 17th.
2. Noma Drive Ballfields – The lease agreement for the ballfields on Noma Drive has been drafted and will be presented to the council at the next meeting for approval.
3. Park Ten Road – The city has advertised this project. Bids are due June 30th.
4. Phase 4 paving – The paving project is currently demobilized. The contractor installing the culverts under Bayou Drive is waiting for materials to begin. Once completed, the paving project can be restarted. The current end date of the project is June 30th.
5. Diamondhead Drive Paving – I am asking for the council to approve advertising this project on July 15th with bids due July 18th. After the engineering review, I expect to have this on the August council meeting to award.
6. Montjoy Creek Kayak Launch – The engineer is currently finalizing the location of the walking path and kayak launch. Once this is determined, the exact location will be provided to USACE for final permitting.
7. Noma Drive Boat Launch – The engineer is completing plans for USACE to complete the permit process.
8. Coon Branch/Koloa/Lots 7 & 8 Drainage Projects – The engineer has completed the survey work on these three projects in the area. Currently waiting for the FY23 grant agreement and July 1st to start the survey work on the Anahola Drive area. This will provide a comprehensive review of the entire area. GOMESA funds are being used for these projects.
9. Makiki Drive – The City Engineer is developing the specifications to complete the project. Once we have them and the OPC (Opinion of Probable Cost), we will proceed with securing a contractor to complete the job.
10. Traffic Study – Covington has completed the traffic count on Koloa Street and provided an update to the council.

Policy Agenda.**Minutes:**

1. Motion to approve the May 16, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Ward 2 Liese to approve the May 16, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 1 Finley, Ward 2 Liese, Ward 3 Cumberland, Ward 4 Clark

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At 7:13 p.m. Ward 1 Shane Finley Left the Meeting

Tabled:

2. **2023-202:** Motion to authorize City Manager to advertise to bid the Twin Lakes Fishing Pier and Walking Trail Project as per completed construction plans dated August 2022 with entry building as Bid Alternate No. 1.

NO ACTION TAKEN

Resolutions:

3. **2023-240:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-021 thereby appointing Mayor Depreo as Voting Delegate and Councilmember Clark as First Alternate to serve as Mississippi Municipal League 2023 Voting Delegates.

Motion made by Ward 2 Liese, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to adopt Resolution 2023-021 thereby appointing Mayor Depreo as Voting Delegate and Councilmember Clark as First Alternate to serve as Mississippi Municipal League 2023 Voting Delegates.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 2 Liese, Ward 3 Cumberland, Ward 4 Clark

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **2023-243:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-022 thereby accepting Deeds of Dedication granting easements on Lots 4, 5, 6, and 7, Block 2, Diamondhead Subdivision Phase 3, Unit 1, Hancock County from Structures of Diamondhead, Inc.

Motion made by Ward 3 Cumberland, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to adopt Resolution 2023-022 thereby accepting Deeds of Dedication granting easements on Lots 4, 5, 6, and 7, Block 2, Diamondhead Subdivision Phase 3, Unit 1, Hancock County from Structures of Diamondhead, Inc.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 2 Liese, Ward 3 Cumberland, Ward 4 Clark

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5. **2023-245:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2023-023 thereby abandoning a 5' drainage/utility easement on each side of the common property line between lots 4 and 5, Diamondhead Phase 2, Unit 7, Block 7. The parcel number is 067H-2-25-082.000. The physical street address is 10879 Ala Moana Street. (Dixon)

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to adopt Resolution 2023-023 thereby abandoning a 5' drainage/utility easement on each side of the common property line between lots 4 and 5, Diamondhead Phase 2, Unit 7, Block 7. The parcel number is 067H-2-25-082.000. The physical street address is 10879 Ala Moana Street. (Dixon)

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Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Ward 2 Liese, Seconded by Ward 3 Cumberland to approve the following consent items:

6. **2023-241:** Motion to approve annual renewal of Web Premium with web platform migration with CivicPlus (formerly Municode) with an increase of \$420.00 for total annual subscription in the amount of \$3,470.00 effective July 1, 2023.
7. **2023-242:** Motion to declare 16 police uniform shirts surplus and authorize proper disposal of same.
8. **2023-244:** Motion to approve amended grant agreement with MS Department of Marine Resources for additional funding in the amount of \$75,000 for the Tidelands FY21-P510-02 Twin Lakes Fishing Pier and Boardwalk Project.
9. **2023-246:** Motion to authorize revision to the Employee Handbook regarding Public Works - On Call Policy effective upon Council approval.
10. **2023-247:** Motion to approve to advertise for bids for Diamondhead Drive Paving.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 2 Liese, Ward 3 Cumberland, Ward 4 Clark

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**Action Agenda.**

11. **2023-248:** Motion for discussion ARTICLE 9. - FENCES. (Depreo)

Motion made by Mayor Depreo, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark for discussion ARTICLE 9. - FENCES.
(Depreo)

NO ACTION TAKEN**Routine Agenda.****Claims Payable**

12. Motion to approve Docket of Claims (DKT230761-DKT230788) in the amount of \$92,950.62.

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to approve Docket of Claims (DKT230761-DKT230788) in the amount of \$92,950.62.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 2 Liese, Ward 3 Cumberland, Ward 4 Clark

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items.**

Alison Butsch - In support of Koloa Stop Signs

Mike Barr - In support of Koloa Stop Signs

Mollie Nunez - In support of Koloa Stop Signs

Dennis Jones - In support of Koloa Stop Signs

Executive Session - If Necessary

Adjourn/Recess.

At 7:50 p.m. with no further business to come before the council, motion made by Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to adjourn.

Voting Yea: Mayor Depreo, Councilmember-At-Large Maher, Ward 2 Liese, Ward 3 Cumberland, Ward 4 Clark

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Nancy Depreo
Mayor

Jeannie Klein
City Clerk