



MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, May 16, 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 Liese

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 3 Cumberland, 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 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers located at City Hall.

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 end date for the contract is July 17th.
2. Noma Drive Ballfields – The POA has approved to lease the ballfields on Noma Drive to the city for the next ten years. I have asked the City Attorney to work with the POA attorney to draft a contract for approval.
3. Yellow House – I have asked legal counsel to pursue what means the city can do to designate this home as blighted property.
4. Park Ten Road – No change to this project. The city is still finalizing easements needed and MDEQ permits. Once everything is in order, the engineer will advertise the project.

5. Phase 4 paving – The paving project is currently demobilized until the area around Bayou Circle is available to complete the project. The current end date of the project is June 30, 2023.
6. Diamondhead Drive Paving – The engineering firm provided 100% drawings to the city last week. They have been sent to the City Engineer, Orion Planning and DWSD for review. As the city receives comments back, they will be passed along to the engineering firm for review and updates.
7. Coon Branch/Koloa/Lots 7 & 8 Drainage Projects – The engineer has started survey work on these three projects in the area. GOMESA funds are being used for this project.
8. Drainage Projects – At least 15 additional drainage projects have been funded with GOMESA and ARPA funds. The city is currently waiting for grant agreements for these funds to start these projects.
9. Makiki Drive – The water line installation and debris removal has been completed by the Bottom 2 Top company. The City Engineer is developing the specifications. Once we have them and the OPC (Opinion of Probable Cost), we will proceed with securing a contractor to complete the job.

Public Comments on Agenda Items.

Durell Pellegrin - Drainage

Bill Atkinson - Stop Signs

Policy Agenda.

Minutes:

1. Motion to approve the May 2, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.

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

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

Voting Nay: Mayor Depreo

MOTION CARRIED

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

3. **2023-229:** Motion to deny the appeal of the Stormwater Ordinance (Section 24-10) by Phil Latapie owner of property at 98190 Golf Club Drive.

Motion made by Ward 1 Finley, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to remove **2023-229** from the table.

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion made by Ward 1 Finley, Seconded by Ward 3 Cumberland to deny the appeal of the Stormwater Ordinance (Section 24-10) by Phil Latapie owner of property at 98190 Golf Club Drive.

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to approve the following consent items:

4. **2023-231:** Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$4,842.50 to Covington Civil & Environmental, LLC for Site Development Reviews, in the amount of \$5,393.60 for Stormwater Master Plan Phase II, and in the amount of \$770.00 for Traffic Impact Study.
5. **2023-232:** Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$2,057.50 to Pickering Firm for Ahuli Drainage Improvements, in the amount of \$11,432.50 for Culvert Rehabilitation-Makiki Drive and Kui Place, in the amount of \$3,620.00 and \$2,782.50 for Diamondhead Drive East Retention Pond Dredging and in the amount of \$5,702.50 for Lily Pond Dredging.
6. **2023-233:** Motion to accept and award the low quote received from BOXX Modular, Inc. in the amount of \$45,778.00 for the ADA Rest Room Trailer for Noma Drive.
7. **2023-234:** Motion to approve Pay Application Two(2) to JLB Contractors LLC. in the amount of \$149,632.60 for Diamondhead Drive East and Lily Pond Dredging.
8. **2023-235:** Motion to approve amendment to the Work Assignment 00-23-2022 with Chiniche Engineering in the amount of \$4,958.50 for the Noma Drive Dredging Project for a total amount not to exceed \$29,458.50.
9. **2023-236:** Motion to approve payments to Chiniche Engineering & Surveying in the amount of \$6,922.00 for Coon Branch Drainage, in the amount of \$7,311.00 for Noma Drive Improvements, in the amount of \$10,486.50 for Montjoy Creek Improvements and in the amount of \$1,437.00 for Canal Dredging.
10. **2023-237:** Motion to approve Invoice No. 3(three) to Digital Engineering in the amount of \$34,037.50 for Bond Paving Project.
11. **2023-238:** Motion to approve the Work Assignment with Covington Civil and Environmental in the amount of \$430,000.00 for the Bank Stabilization Project (BOS Match).

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Action Agenda.

12. 2023-239: Motion for discussion Chapter 24 - Stormwater Management (Depreo).

Motion made by Mayor Depreo, Seconded by Ward 2 Liese for discussion Chapter 24 - Stormwater Management.

Ronald Jones, Building Official, discussed Stormwater Management.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN

Routine Agenda.

Claims Payable

13. Motion to approve Docket of Claims (DKT230725 - DKT230760) in the amount of \$405,249.19.

Motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Councilmember-At-Large Maher to approve Docket of Claims (DKT230725 - DKT230760) in the amount of \$405,249.19.

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

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14. Motion to approve Payroll Payables DKT230712-DKT230724 in the amount of \$46,384.86, PRCLAIM010157 in the amount of \$27,220.45, PRCLAIM010158 in the amount of \$27,610.04 and PRCLAIM010159 in the amount of \$2,523.58.

Motion made by Ward 3 Cumberland, Seconded by Ward 2 Liese to approve Payroll Payables DKT230712-DKT230724 in the amount of \$46,384.86, PRCLAIM010157 in the amount of \$27,220.45, PRCLAIM010158 in the amount of \$27,610.04 and PRCLAIM010159 in the amount of \$2,523.58.

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Department Reports

- a. April 2023 Financials
- b. Building Department
- c. Court Department
- d. Police Department

Motion made by Ward 3 Cumberland, Seconded by Ward 4 Clark to approve April 2023 Financials and Department Reports.

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion made by Ward 2 Liese, Seconded by Ward 3 Cumberland to add and approve the following:

12a. **2023-240:** Motion for City Manager and City Attorney to work with the POA for lease of ballfields on Noma Drive.

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

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Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items -None

Adjourn/Recess.

At 6:38 p.m. with no further business to come before the council, motion made by Ward 4 Clark, Seconded by Ward 3 Cumberland to adjourn.

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

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Nancy Depreo
Mayor

Jeannie Klein
City Clerk