



## **CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**

### **City of Greenacres, Florida**

Monday, July 18, 2022, at 7:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers | 5800 Melaleuca Lane

## **MINUTES**

### **Mayor and City Council**

Joel Flores, Mayor

John Tharp, Deputy Mayor

Peter A. Noble, Councilmember, District II

Judith Dugo, Councilmember District III

Susy Diaz, Councilmember, District IV

Paula Bousquet, Councilmember, District V

### **Administration**

Andrea McCue, City Manager

Glen J. Torcivia, City Attorney

Quintella Moorer, City Clerk

## **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Flores called the meeting to order at 9:24PM and City Clerk Moorer called the Roll. Councilmember Dugo was absent.

## **AGENDA APPROVAL**

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Tharp, Seconded by Councilmember Noble to approve the agenda. Voting Yea: Deputy Mayor Tharp, Councilmember Noble, Councilmember Diaz, and Councilmember Bousquet.

## **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

None.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **Fiscal Year 2023 Budget:**

1. Follow-up review of positions. - Andrea McCue, City Manager.

Ms. McCue said she would review some follow up items from the previous meeting. She said she would not review all items at this meeting.

Ms. McCue said the Council agreed to move forward with the Property Improvement Program that would allow \$75,000 for residential and \$25,000 for commercial grants and what ever was left would convert into residential.

Ms. McCue said the idea of exploring private partnerships for the Educational Scholarships program came up at the last meeting. She mentioned a lot of business as were support of events and she did want to interfere with those funds. Ms. McCue mentioned the City had \$45,000 in the textile bin funds account. She felt the City could add four more scholarships per year if used and would not impact Youth Programs.

Mayor Flores felt private funds would add more funds and less on the City. He wanted to see both options used for scholarships. Deputy Mayor Tharp felt the City should commit to ten scholarships and any private funding would be great also. The majority of Council agreed to approve a total of ten scholarships to include funds from the textile fund account and to also solicit private funding.

Mayor Flores felt the City needed to create an incentive to bring in more business and he felt the Economic Development position would create more opportunity.

The Council agreed to hire a senior level Economic Developer position in addition to the previous positions mentioned at the June 6 meeting.

2. Council Chambers audio/visual cost. - Andrea McCue, City Manager.

The Council agreed to proceed with a building assessment prior to making any renovations or upgrades.

Council also agreed to replace the projector system in the current fiscal year.

3. FY 2023 Preliminary Budget Review. - Andrea McCue, City Manager and Teri Beiriger, Director of Finance.

Ms. McCue highlighted some line items in the 301 Fund to include the removal of the Pickwick land purchase and the generator purchase. She said the ending balance would be \$1.7 million.

Ms. McCue said no changes had been made to the 303 Fund. The 304 Fund was the most challenging with reconstruction and maintenance which was where the most dollars were spent. She also mentioned an interfund transfer of \$300 thousand for FY 2023.

She reviewed a few items previously discussed in the 306 American Rescue Plan fund, she mentioned an interfund transfer of \$3.5 million under revenue, which would be spent between 2022 and 2023 and would relate to Fire Rescue and Youth Programs.

In reviewing the Law Enforcement Services agreement Mayor Flores asked why does the City cover the cost for Crossing Guards and what was the difference of attire. Ms. McCue said through the contract the Crossing Guards became the City's responsibility and she would look into the different attire. Councilmember Noble said the contract should be reviewed as the students came from the County. Mayor Flores requested documentation stating the City's responsibility of crossing guards.

Ms. Beiriger said the forecast was very good. The City was currently above \$1.3 million in revenues.

Ms. Beiriger said the 2023 Proposed budget was based on a millage rate of 6.4 which would bring in about \$15 million dollars.

Ms. Beiriger said the City had a 40 percent reserve.

She continued to highlight various line items such as personnel services and law enforcement.

The Council and Staff continued discussion regarding future cost of solid waste collection and worst-case scenario planning and budget forecast.

Ms. Beiriger said Council Policy 18 required a 25 percent unassigned reserve. The current forecast was 45 percent, with the transfer the reserve would be 33.88 percent. Ms. McCue said the unassigned reserve was so high it was a good idea to move some funds to cover

the 306 projects, since the requirement was 25 percent, the City was still in a good position.

4. Setting of the tentative millage rate for 2023. - Andrea McCue, City Manager and Teri Beiriger, Director of Finance.

The Council discussed various millage rate options. After discussion they decided on a 6.4 millage rate and options for lower rates.

Motion made by Councilmember Noble, Seconded by Deputy Mayor Tharp to approve the millage rate at 6.4. Voting Yea: Deputy Mayor Tharp, Councilmember Noble, Councilmember Diaz, and Councilmember Bousquet.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

#### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

None.

#### **CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

None.

#### **MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

10:30PM.

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**Joel Flores**  
Mayor

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**Quintella Moorer, CMC**  
City Clerk

**Date Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_