

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 7:48PM and City Clerk Moorer called the Roll. Councilmember Dugo was absent due to travel.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None.

REGULAR AGENDA

<u>1.</u> <u>Capital Improvement Project Review.</u> - Andrea McCue, City Manager and Teri Beiriger, Director of Finance.

Ms. McCue thanked the Finance Department for their hard work. She reviewed the Property Improvement Program figures and the success of the program. She asked if Council wanted to move forward with allocating funds for next year. The Council agreed to allocating 75 percent to residential and 25 percent to commercial properties.

Art in Public Places allocation would be \$25,000. The Educational Scholarship fund would be funded for six scholarships per year at \$1,500 each. Councilmember Diaz suggested exploring options for the City to provide more scholarships, the Council agreed.

Ms. McCue highlighted newly proposed positions for various departments to include the City Clerk's Office, Purchasing, Fire Rescue, Community Recreation Services and Police Beach Sheriff Office.

Ms. McCue stated the new fire station would not be built until 2023 due to the call volume the City would currently need to provide some temporary space.

Councilmember Diaz asked was an Economic Developer position in the future due to the changes in the City. Ms. McCue stated the position was previously in the budget but was not filled. The Council decided to revisit the position and cost at the next meeting.

Ms. McCue reviewed the New Growth fund to include converting some tennis courts into soccer fields depending on dollars from grants. The 303 fund was for park related projects with an ending balance of \$1.2 million. She also mentioned some solar lighting enhancements and landscape maintenance.

Ms. McCue stated the 304 fund was for reconstruction and maintenance with the largest expense of \$16,000 for a lawn mower replacement. She mentioned the JAG grant was an in and out expense which would be used to enhance the City's security camera system.

Ms. McCue mentioned the Fire Rescue station and the Chickasaw road project amongst other projects were vetoed by the Governor during the past sessions.

Ms. McCue stated FY23 would start with some updates to Veterans' Park for improvements and needed repairs.

She also mentioned vehicle replacements include a bus and a claw truck.

She continued to highlight other replacements such as City hall's restoration roof and HVAC.

The City allocated funds for the septic to sewage project with hopes of outside funding.

Ms. McCue explained the plan to review City Hall's interior space for future growth. Mayor Flores asked was it possible to get a recommendation of cost for the chamber's audio upgrades based on the Transportation Planning Authority audio system.

Ms. McCue discussed the new Youth Development building plan status and the currently purchased land for Fire Rescue. She was hopeful the City would acquire an Emergency Operation Center in the future.

Ms. McCue stated the preliminary ad valorem values from the County were up 11.34 percent. She stated with the millage rate at 6.4 the City was projecting over \$15 million in ad valorem.

Ms. McCue stated the forecast was \$1.9 million for revenue over expenditures.

She asked the Council to move forward now with a Fire Rescue medic truck, which was planned for FY 2023 as it took time to acquire a truck and no dollars would be expended now. Council agreed.

She also stated the fireworks cost increased and wanted to advise Council of the increase.

Ms. McCue stated the added City events for FY23 were a Chili Cook Off and National Night Out, she mentioned the City was selected as a host city by Palm Beach Sheriff Office.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGE	NDA ITEMS
CITY MANAGER'S REPORT - None.	
CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT - None.	
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT - None.	
ADJOURNMENT - 9:01pm.	
Joel Flores	Quintella Moorer, CMC
Mayor	City Clerk
	Date Approved: