

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City of Greenacres, Florida

Monday, July 19, 2021 at 6:00 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

Jonathan G. Pearce, Councilmember, District IV

Paula Bousquet, Councilmember, District V

## Administration

Andrea McCue, City Manager Christy L. Goddeau, Acting City Attorney Quintella Moorer, City Clerk

# CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT Mayor Joel Flores Deputy Mayor John Tharp Councilmember Peter Noble Councilmember Judith Dugo Councilmember Johnathan Pearce Councilmember Paula Bousquet

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### AGENDA APPROVAL

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

## COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None.

### SPECIAL BUSINESS

1. <u>Presentation:</u> Service at Surfside Condo Building Collapse. - Brian Fuller, Fire Rescue Chief.

Chief Fuller stated an email was sent from the Southeast Region Response Coordinator of Palm Beach County Fire Rescue asking Firefighters to volunteer at the Surfside Condo collapse site. Chief Fuller stated dozens of Greenacres Firefighters volunteered to assist. the site was limited, and a total of twenty-six Firefighters from Palm Beach County were deployed. Twelve were selected from Greenacres. Chief Fuller showed photos and commended them on their hard work, commitment, willingness and pride. Five of the twelve members were present at the meeting, Captain Jeff Bast, Alessandra Bouschet, Firefighter/Paramedic, Caitlin Bouschet, Firefighter/EMT/Driver-Engineer, Tyler Wallwork, Firefighter/Paramedic, and Ralph Varela, Firefighter/EMT. Captain Stephen Papia, Christopher Nault, Firefighter/Paramedic, Diana Albert, Firefighter/Paramedic, Dion Ambrogio, Firefighter/Paramedic, Carson Kinser, Firefighter/Paramedic, Daniel Delahunty, Firefighter/EMT, and Connor Klotz, Firefighter/EMT, were not present.

Ms. Christy L. Goddeau, Acting City Attorney mentioned the County and a Subcommittee of Building Officials were reviewing the issue with the Surfside Condo and trying to decide if new structural requirements would be enforced moving forward. Depending on the outcome of the County and or the Subcommittee's further discussion from Council may be required.

Council discussed possibly updating the City's structural inspections process. Mrs. Andrea McCue, City Manager stated it would be important to see feedback from the County before making any updates. She also thanked the Firefighters for volunteering.

The Mayor and Council thanked the Firefighters for volunteering and making the City proud.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- <u>2.</u> <u>Official Minutes:</u> City Council Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes June 7, 2021 and the City Council Meeting Minutes, June 21, 2021. Quintella L. Moorer, City Clerk.
- <u>3.</u> <u>Proclamation:</u> Parks and Recreation Month. Michele Thompson, Community Recreation Services Director.
- **<u>4.</u>** <u>**Resolution 2021-32:**</u> Satisfying certain liens imposed against residential property, pursuant to Section 15-31, City of Greenacres Code. Teri Beiriger, Finance Director.
- 5. <u>Resolution 2021-34</u>: Authorizing the execution of a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Grant Agreement to the State of Florida Executive Office of the Governor, Division of Emergency Management, for the Gladiator Lake Drainage Enhancement Project, and authorizing the appropriate City Officials to execute the associated application documents and to administer. Carlos Cedeno, Public Works Director.
- 6. <u>Resolution 2021-35</u>: Authorizing the execution of a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Grant Agreement to the State of Florida Executive Office of the Governor, Division of Emergency Management, for the Public Works Facility Generator Project, and authorizing the appropriate City Officials to administer the Grant. Carlos Cedeno, Public Works Director.

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

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

7. City Manager Andrea McCue Annual Evaluation - Joel Flores, Mayor.

Mayor Flores reviewed the rating process for the City Manager's Evaluation. Councilmember Dugo praised Ms. McCue on another great year. Councilmember Noble expressed his gratitude and thanked Ms. McCue on her success. Deputy Mayor Tharp stated he could not thank Ms. McCue enough for her hard work especially during the pandemic. Councilmember Bousquet shared the same expressions as Deputy Mayor Tharp and highlighted that Ms. McCue elevated the City to a higher level. Councilmember Bousquet also mentioned she placed a City Manager income survey on the dais for the Council's reference. Councilmember Pearce thanked Councilmember Bousquet for the survey. He also stated Ms. McCue accomplished the impossible and the outcome was brilliant. Mayor Flores read from his evaluation comments highlighting Ms. McCue exceeded his expectations, especially during the pandemic. Mayor Flores suggested Ms. McCue continue to find more ways to increase the City's revenue at no cost to the Residents.

Councilmember Bousquet suggested Ms. McCue receive a six percent exceed expectations merit increase and an additional fourteen percent to catch her up to the neighboring municipalities as her starting salary was below average. Councilmember Pearce suggested a rounded salary of \$215,000. The Council agreed on an annual salary of \$215,000, as of October 1, 2021.

Motion made by Councilmember Bousquet, Seconded by Councilmember Pearce to increase the City Manager's annual salary to \$215,000 as of October 1, 2021. Voting Yea: Deputy Mayor Tharp, Councilmember Noble, Councilmember Dugo, Councilmember Pearce, and Councilmember Bousquet.

8. City Attorney Glen Torcivia Annual Evaluation. - Joel Flores, Mayor.

Mayor Flores suggested the Council request feedback from the City Manager or Directors regarding the City Attorney evaluation since the Council have limited interactions with the Attorney. Mayor Flores was satisfied with the Attorney's performance.

Councilmember Pearce was satisfied with the Attorney's performance and suggested adding in-house legal services 3-4 hours weekly. Councilmember Bousquet felt the Attorney's performance was satisfactory and hiring the firm was a great decision. She also suggested a raise, which had not been done since 2018. Deputy Mayor Tharp and Councilmember Noble felt the firm's performance was satisfactory. Councilmember Noble suggested a two percent increase. Councilmember Dugo felt the Attorney's service was satisfactory and agreed on issuing an increase.

Ms. McCue mentioned it was a pleasure working with the Attorney's firm and the work they produce always exceeded expectations. The City Attorney suggested an increase of an additional \$5.00 an hour. She felt it was deserving.

Councilmember Pearce suggested an additional \$10.00 an hour increase for the City Attorney. After further discussion the Council agreed on an additional \$5.00 an hour.

Motion made by Councilmember Bousquet, Seconded by Councilmember Dugo to increase the City Attorney's hourly rate an additional \$5.00. Voting Yea: Deputy Mayor Tharp, Councilmember Noble, Councilmember Dugo, Councilmember Pearce. and Councilmember Bousquet.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

9. Art in Public Places. - Andrea McCue, City Manager.

Ms. McCue stated there was no place she would rather be than Greenacres. She was grateful for her team and promised to continue to work hard for the City.

She mentioned the three categories for art. The first was the wall at Samuel J. Ferrier Community Park. The bid was awarded to Anthony Hernandez, Artist. The second was the wall at Haverhill and Melaleuca Lane and lastly the Monument signs.

Ms. McCue showed examples of art completed by Mr. Hernandez. She highlighted the concept and thoughts behind the interactive idea especially keeping in mind the kids, work and play vision. Most of Council agreed and liked the interactive art concept presented. Councilmember Noble liked the art and Artist but was not in favor of painting murals on buildings and walls and felt it would lead to something dangerous and or misused. He felt murals should not be in the City anywhere.

Ms. McCue mentioned the wall space at Haverhill and Melaleuca Lane was smaller and the concept would be abstract, garden or nature. She presented sample concepts from student artists and also mentioned ACE Hardware would be suppling all materials used to complete the project. Teachers would map out the design and students would fill in with paint.

After further discussion most of Council agreed to an abstract design with Greenacres listed on the wall with live, learn, work, and play on the sides. Ms. McCue will return with details to help narrow the concept idea.

Ms. McCue showed a variety of concept ideas for the median monument signs. The Council agreed to a stone style, with color and no logo.

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

Mr. Chuck Shaw thanked the City for their efforts and mentioned he was proud to be a resident of Greenacres.

#### CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

10. June Department Reports.

Ms. McCue stated Greenacres had the largest attendance of summer camps in Palm Beach County. The Sierra Club sponsored five students for summer camp. She also mentioned the September Budget meetings would be held on Tuesday September 7 and Thursday September 22 not to conflict with the County's meetings.

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

Ms. Goddeau advised the Council of an upcoming change to the City's Charter relating to a mandatory change to the Election qualifying period, which was requested by the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections.

### MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORT

*Deputy Mayor Tharp:* Invited everyone to attend the Greenacres Fire Rescue Spaghetti Fundraiser, Saturday, August 14, 2021.

Councilmember Pearce: Thanked the City Staff for the great Fourth of July event.

*Mayor Flores:* Attended a roundtable regarding the rising cost of homes. Concerned with the workforce housing, child care cost, and small businesses cyber security.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:49pm.

Joel Flores Mayor Quintella Moorer, CMC City Clerk

Date Approved: