

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.**

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[Before meeting chatter]

[Gavel]

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Good evening everyone. Welcome to the wonderful City of Riviera Beach. Tonight, we're getting ready to conduct our December 21st City Council meeting.

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mayor Thomas Masters. [Pause]. Chairperson Terence Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pro Tem KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Present.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lynne Hubbard? [Pause]. Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Dawn Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Present.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Interim City Manager Danny Jones?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. Assistant City Attorney Lina Busby?

ASST. CITY ATTORNEY BUSBY: Here.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: We'll stand and pause for a moment of silence as the Pledge will be led by Vice Chair Miller-Anderson.

[Moment of silence]

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: I pledge allegiance...

ALL: ...to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Mr. Jones, do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes, we do. Deletions, we'd like to delete Item No. 3. We'll bring it back for the next regular meeting.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: And, under Community Benefits, we have Item No. 5A, 5B and 5C.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Let the record reflect that Councilperson Hubbard has now arrived on the dais. Okay. Back to Mr. Jones. So, 5A, B and C.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes. They're all Community Benefit.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: And deletions, Item no. 3, from the Consent.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Item No. 3.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

DISCLOSURES BY COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Any disclosures by the Council?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. I met with the representatives from.., for Item No. 6.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: I also met with representatives and the Director of the Housing Authority on Item No. 6.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I also am disclosing that I met with Mr. Brian Finney of the HTGC group and Housing Authority Board President, Mr. Thomas.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Mr. Chair, I too met with them.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: And I also have met with the same Housing Authority and as well as the HTGC Group, as well. Any other disclosures by any Members of the Board? [Pause].

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Can I have a motion to adopt the Agenda?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So moved.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

CONSENT AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Before approving Consent, would anyone like to have any Items removed from Consent before a motion is taken to approve?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Well, um, yes. Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: I just want, um, I have a question on Item B., 5B.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Sure.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: So, we'll pull that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Item 5B.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes, please.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Anyone else? Can I have a motion to approve Consent with Item 5B being pulled?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

ITEM 5B

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: 5B. Madam..., Councilperson Pardo.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So, this is \$3,125 to Southeast Florida Public Market Fair Association for Scholarships. Okay. So, can you tell me how residents can go about receiving information on these scholarships? And I'm asking that because I've been in..., I guess, the past week or so I've, I've gotten several calls from residents. I guess the, the seniors have received their letters of acceptance to a lot of colleges.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: And people are now looking for scholarship money for their kids. So, you know, they're aware of Roseanne Brown's and I gave them other things, Florida League of, uh, Palm Beach County League of Cities they can look at. And then, when I saw this Item, I went on the Southeast Florida Public Fair Association and I didn't see anything about the scholarships. And there's...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Well...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...nothing in the back so how do they go about finding ...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Well...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...out about this ...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Well, they have two...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...money?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Well, they have two options. Just like if you watched the..., well, I don't know if you was here that night. Last year, we gave and committed to giving scholarships to a group of students from Riviera Beach that chose to take a negative issue and when someone was gettin' shot and so, one of the parents who I work with amongst my office as a volunteer, decided to put out a public survey to talk about how did that situation impact you and what would you do differently? And, the South Florida Public Market Fair decided to offer scholarships to those kids because they wanted to support those kids for doing someth'..., a wonderful job with being positive and influential to the community. And they had committed moving forward to offer scholarships. And two of the students, specifically, are going to Tuskegee University which is out of state tuition. As we all know, it's very expensive and this organization wanna find a way to give back to the community and they support it and they've been giving dollars to those kids. And moving forward, they

wanted to open up an opportunity for many others so, if anyone wanted to contact that organization, they can call me and I can feel free to give 'em out the information so when they get.., there's a application process they can apply for when those scholarships are issued out every year, that they can have an opportunity to [inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So that...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: But the scholarships spec'..., are specifically for books.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. I didn't see that in the backup. And, um, alright. So that information will also be on the Southeast Florida Pubic Market Fair Association website?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Well, I will not speak for them at this time but what I...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Are they here?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...will do is get the information... I will give you their contact if you wanna reach out to 'em, feel free to do so.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Well. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Anyone got any other questions? [Pause]. Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: It was, it was a add-on so I will allow someone to come speak and ask the question. Ms. Bonnie Larson.

[Inaudible dais comments]

MS. B. LARSON: Bonnie Larson. That was, [stammer], my question also that Ms. Pardo asked about why are we giving money to an association for scholarships? Because.., why don't we make it easy for everybody and just have some... Roseanne Brown's been doing it for years. Why don't we leave all the money in her pocket and then all the residents will know, if you want a scholarship, here's where you go rather than going to five different associations and asking for money. Also, it's a strange amount of money, \$3,125. The scholarship.., when she comes here, I think she says they're \$1,000 scholarships. But, my question is, no one's gonna know this. This is a, a separate association. How is anybody even gonna know to go to them? And, like I said, why don't we just consolidate the whole thing. If Roseanne Brown is your choice, have her be the scholarship progra'..., person and then everybody in Riviera Beach who's got kids, go through Roseanne Brown.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

MS. B. LARSON: Just a question.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Just to answer that question, Ms. Larson. What I'm trying to do, at least with my funds, anytime I have an opportunity to give funds to help kids in Riviera Beach to.., the area that I grew up in, and that I so love, I will give everything I have. So there is no specific amount when you're trying to do something positive.

We got to find a way to get our local non-profits more active. Because, as a government entity, it's not our responsibility to take the sole responsibility of helping our kids but to support the local non-profits around us. Because what's been happening in the history of Riviera Beach, people been coming to the City for government.., for ha'.., for help. No, we need to help our, our local non-profits that are doing their jobs, with the JAYS Ministries, the Bridges, and all these different organizations and let's direct people, traffic to those organizations. And we have to find a way to support them instead of the Ci'.., instead of us solely doing it as a government. We need to find our community partners and support those community partners. And now it's time, you know, we start changing the way we do business in.., not that the City Scholarship Fund doesn't work but if you have another scholarship that's out there giving scholarships specifically for books. You know, you can never go wrong for trying to do the right thing.

Thank you. Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: We need a motion on the floor, please.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Can I have a motion to approve this Item.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you so much.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Now that Consent has been approved, now, we'll go down to Petitions and Communications for filing.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: None.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Do we have awards and presentations?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: None.

6. ITEM NO. 6

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Item No. 6, public hearings.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: **RESOLUTION NO. _ A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING \$551,000 (LOCAL MATCH), IN THE FORM OF A GRANT, TO THE RIVIERA BEACH HOUSING AUTHORITY TO BE USED AS A TAX CREDIT INCENTIVE FOR A 79 UNIT AFFORDABLE HOUSING RENTAL COMMUNITY ("HERON ESTATES PHASE II") LOCATED AT 2003 W. 17TH COURT (PARCEL CONTROL NUMBER 56-43-42-31-01-000-0010) TO COMPLY WITH THE LOW INCOME RENTAL HOUSING TAX CREDIT INCENTIVE REQUIREMENT UNDER THE FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Do we have a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Staff, you have a presentation?

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Yes, sir. Good evening, ladies and gentleman. Deandre Spradley, Principal Planner and basically, this is similar to the program that the Council approved for the project that was located on Broadway but just for the public, I will do a general overview of the project under the William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Act. There is a program called the Florida Housing Finance Corporation and, underneath that

particular program, there.., they provide funding for the maintenance and development of affordable housing. And within the Florida Housing Corporation, there's a multi-family rental program that offers financing in the form of zero to low interest loans to builders of affordable housing. And in order to qualify for these particular funds, the developer must do new construction or substantial rehabilitation.

Within the multi-family rental program, there is the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program and the Heron Estates, Phase 2, which is formerly known as Ivy Green, they are proposing to do 79 affordable units. One of the requirements under the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program, they must obtain a local tax incentive grant, basically, about 9% of the total construction value in order to qualify for the funding. However, the Housing Authority, they are going after additional points under the local government areas of opportunity and underneath that particular program, there is a minimum of \$551,000 versus the \$75,000 that was presented for the other developers. Contingent upon approval, this particular fund will come from the general fund account. The Housing Authority, they have a partnership with the CRA and they plan on reinvesting the \$551,000 back into the CRA. And prior to that being.., let's say that this particular development does go through and they are awarded the funds, Staff is requesting that before any funds are allocated, that an interlocal agreement between the City, the CRA, and the Riviera Beach Housing Authority will be established.

This is just the proposed site plan. The Phase 1, currently is under site plan review by Staff and that is for the senior housing. And, at this particular time, if Council has any questions, and I do see representatives from the Housing Authority that are here to answer any questions and I believe that they also have a presentation as well.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Would the Board like to review the Housing Authority presentation?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Ah, Vice Chair.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: I said that would be great for the public sake.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Let's please... And, Councilperson Pardo. Let's see the Board's presentation as well.

MR. D. THOMAS: Good afternoon, Council. I'm Delvin Thomas, the Chair of the Housing Authority, the President of Heron Estates Senior. I'm happy to stand before you tonight to come to you with a plan, a plan that we've been working on for the past 10 years. Since Ivy Green has been torn down. A plan to bring our residents back to the City of Riviera Beach that we lost to other cities because there wasn't housing here for 'em.

Let me introduce some of our members. One of our current sitting members is Jessica Thurmond that's one of our newest commissioners. Vice Chair Jeffrey Jackson to my right.

My other two commissioners, Art Cobb and Rance Gatti weren't able to be here tonight and our Director, he is out of the country on his 30th anniversary with his wife so that's his vacation so... [Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Chuckle].

MR. D. THOMAS: But he would love to be here. I'm sure he's probably watching us on the internet right now. Our development partner, HTG, which is Brian Finney, Misner Group, Mr. Rawn Davis and our architect, Mr. David Lawrence, have all worked hard and, and worked long and late nights with us and long Board meetings to get this plan approved. I'm gonna pass this over to my Vice and he will fill you in on further development plans.

MR. J. JACKSON: Good evening.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Good evening.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. J. JACKSON: As Mr. Thomas said, I'm Jeffrey Jackson. I live in the community of Thousand Oaks. But, once I was appointed to the Board, I saw an opportunity to do something really iconic for the community, something that the community deserve. A lot of those people was displaced over in that area and we need to do something about that. The City..., the citizens in Riviera Beach need to have some place that they could really be proud of. And in that, we want to move this project forward.

I came on the Board and, and learned a lot from the commissioners. One is sitting among you today and she left the Board with some pretty straightforward instructions and we're committed to those instructions and some of her concerns, and later became my concerns cause I saw the need and she was right on point, we need to have strong local participation. We're gonna ensure that that happens. We're gonna move forward with projects in the coming months to leave no stone unturned with ensuring everybody have the ability to participate. We're gonna help them participate because we recognize the fact that everybody can't respond to, and be responsive to RFQ's, maybe they don't understand the process. It's, it's in depth, it's intimidating in some cases and we need to help 'em with that and we're gonna ensure that we're gonna do that and that's something we're gonna be bearing the burden of.

The other thing we want to do is we wanna ensure the partners we use focus on apprenticeship programs to create streamlines of opportunity for not only today but in the future. And lastly, we want to ensure that we have lines of communication, streamlines of communication with you, the Board, to ensure that we're moving forward with, not only our goals and objectives, but the goals and objectives and, and the vision that you all have cause you our, our leaders and, and we wanna move forward in that light.

Along the way, if there are any questions, we'd be happy to jump in. But for brevity sake, I'm gonna let you get to this presentation. I think you'll enjoy it.

MR. B. FINNEY: Good evening. My name is Brian Finney. I'm the Vice President of Development for the Housing Trust Group and have been very, I've been very fortunate to be selected by the Housing Authority to be their development partner. And what we'd like to do, as quickly as possible, is to take you through a brief..., slides of, of, of the project and, and it's concept. [Pause]. And, it's going slow.

That is, as, as Staff had previously mentioned, that, that is, that is the Site Plan that, that we're currently processing for approval. Again, it shows, to the right, to my right, that L-shaped building will be the senior structure which would be 101 units. To the left and sur'..., surrounding the structure, would be the 79 units of family townhomes. They will all be rental. Those, those units will all be made available, everything on the site will be ma'..., on the family side, will be made available for working families. This is not a purely public housing project, this is for working families. And of course, the seniors, most will be retired and receive support.

There are some floor plans and, unfortunately, we, we..., it's not clear but if I can just run through these really quickly I can give you a description of what the bedrooms are, um, and the sizes and I think that'd be probably a more instrumental discussion. [Pause]. This would be our main entrance of our structure. And you'll look at that structure as you're proceeding, heading down Congress Avenue, headed south, um, you will see that. And at night, when it's lit up, it is quite an imp'..., it will be quite an impressive, if you will, introduction to the site. It, it, it will be very impressive when it's done. And I'm gonna take a ch'... Is it now we wanna show the, uh...

UNK: Animation.

MR. B. FINNEY: Yeah. We, I, we'd like to take a, a quick moment to show you the animation of the project. It, it's quite informative and then I'll get back to my presentation.

[Pause]

MR. B. FINNEY: I'm glad he's here cause I woulda messed that up.

MR. D. LAWRENCE: Good evening. My name's David Lawrence with David Lawrence Architecture. This is, uh, you're taking an animation walk around the building. We're now coming up, as you saw in the previous drawing images of the front entrance so you're coming around to the, the front entrance. [Pause]. Then we're going to turn west, go down the west side of the building. [Pause]. That's our covered canopy entrance there and our main atrium space. [Pause]. And these are units, as you can see some of 'em have little, little bay windows and some of 'em have balconies. This, uh, spot here, where we're pulling around to stop, that's..., they're two secondary entrances. As you can see, that there's open breezeways so it will allow light into the corridor areas. [Pause]. Now, we're gonna go around the building. [Pause]. Back where we came and then... [Pause]. As you can see, the building is three stories, one and two bedroom units. [Pause]. Now, we're coming along..., we're kinda gonna be paralleling Congress, as we head south along the project. [Pause]. This is one of the,

the.., another secondary entrance there. Kinda like the one we saw before. [Pause]. [Inaudible] go with the design concept with something is more, you know, the colors are vibrant, excited and we think the design is a more leading-edge design, contemporary design. This is the south end of the project, also another entrance. Now we're coming around to the water feature and the... So, a lot of these units will look out onto the water feature. [Pause]. That we'll see in a second. [Pause]. In this area over here, that's the back end of the entry area, that's the community center there. This is just a little sculpture and.., with benches. And we're flying through the air here so you're getting a little bit of an aerial view of the project. [Pause]. And, down here you can see the pool with a little covered canopy and a jacuzzi area right there. [Pause]. This is the generator and this is the Public Works part, you know, for the maintenance areas. And there's those cor'.., into those corridors. Oop. Sorry about that. [Pause].

And that's it.

MR. D. THOMAS: One important item to note is that what you just saw now was a, a, a snapshot of the senior housing, the 101 units. This is not a plan. This is a concept, a project that is fully funded. We don't have to come back to you for any more money for this.., for this. This is done. We expect to close on our financing on this project in July or August this year. So it's not a concept, this is real.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Please get a little closer to the mic.

MR. D. THOMAS: I'm sorry.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yeah. There you go. That's fine.

MR. D. THOMAS: Again, this is not a concept, this is real. We plan to close on this phase in July or August of 2017. This is happening now. Again, we've gone through that, [inaudible] have seen it. And I've lost my presentation. So, [chuckle], let me, let me, let me go by.., let, let me hit some, some high points.

First and foremost, the second phase of which we're asking your support will be seventy'.., seventy'.., 79 units will cost approximately \$7.9M.., excuse me, \$17.9M. We have financing commitments if we are approved from.., for equity, Raymond James. We have debt, debt commitments from Chase in, uh.., and we have another entity, I forget the name but we do have our financing in place. Now, for the record, we guarantee, HTG will guarantee 100% of the project's financings. The Housing Authority will receive a ground lease and once our guarantees are burnt off, which is, our compliance guarantees are burned off, our funding guarantees are gone and we pay back all the debt, we will give the property to the Housing Authority. It'll be a \$1 transaction. So, essentially what we would be doing, is building an asset base of the Housing Authority. We're good at developing, we're good at building, we believe the Housing Authority will be able to manage the project moving forward.

The renderings that you, you've, you've.., we've shown you tonight came out of a community process. We met with Housing Authority Board and the members of the Board indicated the amenities package, indicated the colors.., the color schemes that

you're gonna see. So this is purely a transparent and, uh, and a very interesting process. And Ms. Shepherd of.., Shepherd of course, was there to guide us through replacing the housing that was once there.

In a minute, I'm gonna call Ron Davis up and, and Ron is gonna talk more about what we plan to do in terms of our local participation. We've ex'.., we've spent extended... extended amount of time trying to figure out and, and trying to find the best ways to achieve tho'.., that agenda. We are a now at the stage where it is best to have those discussions. Because previously, we spent four years on trying to identify the best transaction and trying to get the resources necessary to begin Phase 1 and now we're talking about Phase 2. We're passed the transaction phase now. Now, we come back from talking about raising capital to investing capital and then to begin our community engagement process. As we stand here now, we have plans, as we move forward on the first phase, to do preliminary announcements on the availability of, of project work at Heron Estates for the senior building. We expect to kick that off at the, at the end of February, early March. That'll be our prelim'.., preliminary announcements because we are in the process of, once the site plan is approved, we're gonna start doing our building plans. Once we've finalized our building plans, or close to finalizing our building plans, that's when we're gonna start the outreach to reach out to folks to work on the project.

With that being said, let me invite Mr. Davis up to talk more about our procurement. Ron.

MR. R. DAVIS: Thank you. Good evening, Members of the Council. I'm Ron Davis. I'm President of the Mosnar Group which is a local minority owned real estate development advisory firm. And it's my pleasure to be here to talk to you about this project and one of the roles that I will play specifically, has to do with local hiring and local contracting opportunities. I know that this a issue of high priority to Members of the City Council and to the community. I've spoken with many of you, almost all of you, individually about it and our commitment to attaining the goals, not only the Housing Authority in Section 3 but also the goals of the City of Riviera Beach. Ms. Hubbard sat on that Housing Authority Board as we went through this process early on. We made commitments then and those same commitments we hold to today.

We will be very aggressive in outreach to local firms, very aggressive. We're going to utilize other locals to assist us in our process, we're going to be having outreach meetings, we're gonna be working with churches and other community organizations, we're gonna be working through the office of, of.., the county's office of Small Business Assistance to make sure we get in touch with all of the available minority firms and local small businesses in this area. We're going to be doing this very aggressively and to be monitoring and reporting that to you on a regular basis. Mr. Finney mentioned that we're gonna start this process next spring or so, however, we have informally started the process already. I have already spoken to several Riviera Beach contractors, several Riviera Beach firms to.., about getting involved in this project. This project will have a significant construction budget and for.., it's gonna be one of the most significant

projects of this type in the City of Riviera Beach that will impact the African American community, in particular.

So, we have been very aggressive. As I said, we have already.., I have personally already met with and reaching out to local firms. We'll go for Riviera Beach firms first and to meet as much of the goal as possible. Beyond that, we will then spread out to the greater West Palm Beach area second. And thirdly, we'll spread out to the balance of Palm Beach County. So that is our plan and we make that commitment to you. We are looking at.., the Housing Authority has very ambitious participation goals. I think it was around 80% at one t'.., uh, at a, at one time. But we know and they know that that's a, that's a goal that we'll, we'll work towards. I think the City Council typically hovers around 30% or so. I th'.., I know that we can reach that goal and we'll.., and do better but we certainly will work with local, Riviera Beach firms first.

Do you have any questions about that? I'd be more...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

MR. R. DAVIS: ...than happy to respond.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you Mr..., Mr. Davis. Does anyone have any questions for Mr. Davis or this, this particular group or the Housing Authority?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Pardo.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: I have a question for Staff. Okay. So, I guess this is for Deandre or City Manager. So, what we're doing tonight is saying either aye or nay that we're gonna put up the whatever amount, \$550,000 for this. But, this project still has to go to Planning & Zoning, it still has to get approval from Staff. Correct?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Alright. I...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: It does.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Right. So it hasn't been to Planning & Zoning yet?

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: No, [inaudible]...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Not this phase.

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Not this...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: No.

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: ...particular...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Not this phase.

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: ...project has not gone to Planning & Zoning Board yet. But, upon approval, it.., we will be presenting it to the Planning & Zoning Board, as well as City Council for approval.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So when are you anctic'.., anticipating them going to Planning & Zoning?

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Well, they'll.., this particular project, what they're doing now is basically applying...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: So, it...

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: ...for the...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...won't be going...

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: ...grant portion...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...to Planning & Zoning until they get the credits?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: February.

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Right. Like, they haven't even submitted the site plan application for, um, the second phase. Wait, wait. My apologies. They have submitted site plan application for that particular phase but right now, what they're trying to do is just basically...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yeah. I understand that.

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: ...apply...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: I just wanna know what's going on, on the City side. So have...

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: They have...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...they gone to Planning &...

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: ...outstanding comments...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...Zoning yet?

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Right. They have outstanding comments that they need to address before they go further.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you.

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Any other questions by any Members of the Board?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: I have a couple comments.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Commissioner Hubbard.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Welcome gentlemen. Good to see all of you again. The..., my concern with this..., and I won't say that it's a concern, what I'd like to see happen is that those items that speak to local participation and local contractors are done on the front end and is a part of..., an enforceable part of the agreement and with the understanding that, um, in 2018 or whenever you guys get the money, if that's not a..., if that's not a viable part, one that has been worked through or attained, that that, that that, that has consequence. We need to, as the Chair said, to do business a different way and we have to get our agreements and our assurances in writing and we have to get them on the front end. And, as Mr. Ron Davis mentioned, this will have a great impact on the African American community and I know you gentlemen know how to go beyond 30%. 30%, let me say this, doesn't interest me. It's not satisfactory to me. As soon as we can get around to that, we have to fix that on our end as well because I'm not interested in giving anyb'..., having 30% of something that already belongs to me. So, if we have a vested interest in this project at the tune of a half a million dollars, I wanna have a vested interest..., I want our residents to have a, a vested interest in it as well.

So, I don't want you to think that we ca'..., that we can sign in this agreement at the tune of 30%. That has to be much higher, you know, before we issue our half a million dollars.

MR. J. JACKSON: May I, Commissioner Hubbard? Maybe Mr. Davis thought I was teasing but I was..., we were serious about that. We, we..., he [stammer], it's not just a, a goal, it's something we wanna do, it's something we, we need to do. We need to be..., and I understand 30..., 80% is a lot but we certainly need to be up in that neighborhood and, and I was..., on this worst day I'm thinking above 50% but, uh, so, that's our goal. You, you spoke to it many times. We heard you and we're gonna..., I think we can achieve it. And we'll put together some things to ensure that we achieve it. And, and I've gone to conferences and seen how it's been duplicated in some other places, Tampa, St. Pete. Some of you were at tho'..., that same conference sitting beside me and, and so we learned how it can be done. I know it can be done.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Absolutely. So..., and, and that's, that's, um, that's my only, you know, that, that's my only concern is that Staff..., Mr. Jones, if we..., when we

go into agreement, when we draft our agreements, that those things are in writing and above the l'.., you know, above where we sign for signature.., our signatures.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Understood. That agreement...

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Thank you.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...would have to come back before the Board, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Okay.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: So you'll get...

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Thank...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...you'll get an opportunity to see it.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Thank you, sir.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Alright. Any other Commissioners have any questions for this organization and the Housing Authority?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No question for me.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Vice Chair?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: One thing I would like say, di'.., you know, when you own the property, which the City does for this particular organization, the Housing Authority, it gives us the flexibility to put those guidelines in place. So, when we're doing future development on any property that we own in the City, keep those things in mind, that the fact that you own the property allows you to put those demands in place.

Alright. Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

[Inaudible background comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Oh, I'm sorry. Ms. Bonnie Larson then Margaret Shepherd.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MS. B. LARSON: First, I'd... Bonnie Larson. First, I'd like to say that's the best visual presentation I think we've ever had on any property. We should require everybody does something like this so that we can see it. So that was good.

I have a couple questions. Okay. They talked about the first phase being 101 units for senior units and then they mentioned something about the size, they were gonna tell us the size but I guess they forgot that. So, what is the size of those units? What age do you consider seniors and what is the income level required to be a senior in a 101 units? Then they said there would be 79 townhomes. Are the townhomes somewhere else on the property or are they part of this building or what makes 'em a townhome versus an apartment unit?

And also, what is..., when we build something like this..., well, they build something like this, we need to keep in mind hurricane season. Are we requiring hurricane shutters or some kind of wind resistant glass? Are we requiring that for these people on all our projects?

Thank you. But if you could, if you could [stammer], explain, like I said, the age, the income level and the townhouse situation.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thanks, Ms. Larson. Those are good questions. Ms. Margaret Shepherd.

MS. M. SHEPHERD: Margaret Shepherd, Riviera Beach. This is a great day in the City of Riviera Beach. I was the second to the last to leave Ivy Green over in the senior building. The senior building, as Ms. Larson asked, was hurricane proof. When a hurricane came to Ivy Green, the senior building stayed stabilized in that building. I wanna say to this Board and to the Housing Authority, they have given me the opportunity to be a volunteer and walk them through what happened in Ivy Green. I radicalized and radicalized for over a year and I know Ms. Pardo remember and I know Ms. Hubbard remember, it took a year but I made sure that the federal government came in and seized their property and tore it down. So I'm proud of this particular Authority, the Board, the CEO and all of 'em and to you to be a part of the new Ivy Green, the Heron Projects.

They asked me about the building and the color and I think that this particular entity got it right, even down to the color that we had picked. And I think it was yellow, salmon and blue. So, he sh'..., he did show us a picture of that. Whether they do that coloring, I'm not sure but I wanna say that I lived through that horrible day in Ivy Green. Right down to the very day. And I'm very proud that they're articulating and asking how was it? 'Oh, Ms. Shepherd, how did they do it?' And they are articulating for us to come back. Will I go back? Not quite sure but I am a senior and I will have that option with my lease to go back. I ask you all to please consider this particular project. As you said, you own that piece of property. And it's a prime piece of property and I ask you to make it a prime housing development that people will understand that this is a federal project, it's a HUD project, make it where people wanna come back and be proud. As far as the townhouses, the young ladies that have four or five children in those townhouses, I hope you bring it back because they deserve also a place to stay. As

you see in Stonybric'., brook., if this building was up, they would have a place to come to.

So, I ask you to please consider it and I know Ms. Hubbard, she sat on that Board and she's gonna make it right also. I have, I have, uh, faith in her and I have faith in you.

[Beep]

MS. M. SHEPHERD: And I have faith in this Board that we're gonna make what? America great again.

[Laughter]

MS. M. SHEPHERD: Or make the City great again.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Could you all please respond to some of the questions that Ms. Larson asked? I think she asked some very valid questions about the seniors age and...

MR. D. LAWRENCE: Again, David Lawrence. I wrote down some of these answers. I'm gonna address the architectural questions and then Mr. Finney will address the income level issues. The size of the senior units, the one bedrooms are 737 sq. ft. The two bedrooms are seven hundred and., I'm, I'm sorry, 973 sq. ft. The townhouses are one, two and three bedroom depending on where they are. The one bedrooms will be for assisted living, uh, or, you know, not assisted living but if you're disabled, that, it's a one-story unit. The other units that she was asking what they are, they are a townhouse, a two-story townhouse style unit. There's [stammer], with surface parking. As far as the issue of hurricane resistance, these buildings will be designed at the current code. The windows they have, will have impact-resistant windows. These are going to be very robust, very safe buildings. They'll be made out of concrete block. These are v'., gonna be very safe, very resistant, um, buildings for hurricane.

And I'll., now, I'll let him address the age levels.

MR. B. FINNEY: Yes. Just as, as a follow up. The, the, the senior definition for this project is 62 and above. So, it will be available to individuals of si'., at age 62 years old and above. Also, the, the rents are 60% of the median income. What does that mean? Alright. Generally...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

MR. B. FINNEY: ...our rents will start on the senior component at around \$400 to \$500 per month and the sen'., and the family transaction, depending on the size of the room and the number of people in the units, the rents will be \$900 and below.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Any questions by any Member of the Board before we call the question?

MR. F. LOZMAN: I have a card.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: It came..., I'm sorry, sir but it came after the Item was read.

MR. F. LOZMAN: It's at your discretion to let me make my comments.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Right now, I just wanna move forward with the meeting. You can address it in public comment, Mr. Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: That's pretty pathetic.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Ch'... Yes?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay. [Chuckles]. Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

[Inaudible dais comments]

7. ITEM NO. 7

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Item No. 7.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: AN ORDINANCE...

[Clapping]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...NO,_AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA...

UNK: Thank you, Chair.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...ENACTING...

UNK: Thank you, Council.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...A MORATORIUM FOR A PERIOD UP TO SIX MONTHS AS THE FILING AND/OR RECEIVING OF ANY APPLICATION FOR SITE PLANS FOR SINGLE PRICE OVERSTOCK/DISCOUNT STORES WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES SUBJECT TO THE MORATORIUM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Properly moved and second. Staff?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Well, as you know, Mr. Chair, this a second read for this Item and we had no additional comments or questions submitted to the Community Development Department.

[Inaudible dais comments]

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: We're asking that you consider the Item.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible]. Say that again.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: This is a second read on this Item.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: We did not receive any additional comments or questions from the public concerning this Item. We just ask that the Board consider this Item for approval.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. I have two public comment cards. Mr. Lozman, where's he at.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Right there.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Did you want Item 7 or 8? Because it...

MR. F. LOZMAN: Item 8.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: 8? Okay. Ms. Larson.

MS. B. LARSON: Bonnie Larson. Question for our City Manager. How many of these stores do we presently have in the City? Item No. 2, I'm wondering should we ban this type of, of...

[Chuckle]

MS. B. LARSON: ...store completely? We have so many. We'll be..., we'll know how many in a minute here. Because we're just startin' to look like a Dollar City. And thirdly, if you still go with it at some point, can we, at least, ban it from our major streets so when people come in to make an investment in Riviera Beach, the first thing they see is gonna be dollar store, dollar store, Family Gen'... We have so many of 'em on Broadway right now and our other major streets. Can we do that?

So, those are my questions. How many do we have now, um, can we ban it completely and if not, can we at least ban it from certain of our major streets?

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you, Ms. Larson. That's the end of public comment for Item No. 7. Do we have any questions by any Members of the Board? [Pause]. Here, none. Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

8. ITEM NO. 8

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Now we move on to Item No. 8.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ORDINANCE NO. ___ AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENACTING A MORATORIUM FOR UP TO ONE-YEAR AS TO THE FILING, RECEIVING AND PROCESSING OF ANY APPLICATION OR PERMIT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, DEVELOPMENT OR OPERATION OF A MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARY OR MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER AS DEFINED HEREIN, PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES SUBJECT TO THE MORATORIUM; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Do we have a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Properly moved and second. Staff.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: Good afternoon, Council and Staff. Jeff Gagnon, Assistant Director of Community Development. This is a second read of this Ordinance. It was approved on December 7th unanimously. It's been effective. To date, we've had a few interested parties so, again, this will allow us time to develop regulations in conjunction with any sort of medical marijuana dispensary or medical marijuana treatment center in the City.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Let's go to public comment card. We got one. Mr. Fane Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman, 4901, 5101, 5241, 5251 and 5301 North Ocean Drive. The City of Ft. Lauderdale had an item on its Agenda today involving a marijuana moratorium and it was 180 days. They needed 180 days to get their acts together, to come up with the proper land use regulations and then they were going to, uh, go forward with it. There's no reason it's gonna take 365 days. That's just a random number that has been thrown out there. That's not what other municipalities are doing. Why should you care? Hey, I have no confidence in Jeff Gagnon. You'll learn in the coming months why. You'll probably end up firing him when you see what happens with the Harbor Point project. But, the point is, the voters passed this amendment. They voted to allow medical dispensaries for marijuana. Now, why is that important? One of the reasons it's, it's important is a lot of young children that have seizures need marijuana to control their seizures. You know, there's some staunch Republicans that are anti-drug who've changed their, their tone of marijuana when they looked at the medical research regarding young children and seizures. There are numerous chemotherapy people that use marijuana to control nausea and, and symptoms. So, by depriving them of this opportunity to get this product in our City, what are you encouraging? To buy from drug dealers on the street? To go to other municipalities?

Whether you like it or not, the voters voted for this Item and to sit here and throw it in the hands of a guy who's a smug, obnoxious guy...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Please, please.

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...that isn't gonna cut it. I'm gonna tell you the way it is. Look at him smiling here.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Mr. Lozman, Mr. Lozman. Direct...

MR. F. LOZMAN: Okay?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...your comments to the public in the microphone but not...

MR. F. LOZMAN: But...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...[inaudible]...

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...my comments can be directed to this man. We need a new leader for the community development director position. Mary McKinney's been gone, what, seven or eight months? Yet, he's still running the show, he can get this done in 180 days just like other municipalities around South Florida. 365 days is mocking what the voters approved. There's people in this community that meet the definition, that have the medical conditions that need this product. And to put it in this guy's hand, 'Oh, it's gonna take 365 days.' Say it takes 720 days. He obviously doesn't know what he's doing or he can get it done in 180 days like all the other municipalities. You should say, 'No. We're not gonna take a year for this. We're gonna do it in six months.' That's what this Board should do from a leadership perspective. Not just because somebody showed up and said it's gonna be a year. That isn't gonna cut it, that's not acceptable. That's not the standard of leadership we expect from the Community Development Department and the City Manager can independently look and say, 'How long is Ft. Lauderdale taking? 180 days. How long are other municipalities taking?' They're not taking a year. And that random year is just unacceptable.

[Beep]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Staff, [inaudible]. With this being a one year moratorium, do we have the capacity to be able to lift this moratorium at any given time that we choose to, within the year?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Alright. Any questions for Staff by any Board Members. Oh, and let the record reflect the Mayor's on the dais. Any questions by any of the Board Members for Mr. Gagnon? [Pause]. Here, none. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

9. ITEM NO. 9

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Now we will move to Item No. 9.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: **ORDINANCE NO. __AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, REPEALING CHAPTER 25 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "FLOOD PREVENTION AND PROTECTION", AND ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 25, ENTITLED "FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT", IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR CURRENT PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR DEVELOPMENT IN FLOOD HAZARD AREAS, TO PROVIDE FOR ADMINISTRATION OF SAID CHAPTER, TO PROVIDE DEFINITIONS, TO PROVIDE FLOOD RESISTANT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, AND TO ADOPT CURRENT FLOOD HAZARD MAPS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: So....

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...moved.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Properly moved and second. Staff.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: Once again, good evening, Mayor and Council. Jeff Gagnon, Assistant Director of Community Development. This is the second reading of this Ordinance. It was approved on first reading on December 7th. This is in association with the CRS certification which is associated with our flood plans in the City and also flood discounts, as far as flood insurance is concerned. I also wanted to take this opportunity to mention, on the record, that the community rating system annual report is currently available for anyone in the audience in the back of the room. I'll also make it available to City Council in hard copy and digital form tomorrow, as soon as possible but there's a requirement as part of the recertification process to also make note of that report. So, I wanted to make sure that that was on the record as well.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Is there any cost savings to this?

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: I'm sorry, sir?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Will there be any pot'..., future cost savings?

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: Um...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: ...currently the rating provides for an approximate 5% savings...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: ...based on the current rating. That could be approved..., improved over time...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Mhmm.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: ...resulting in further potential savings for City residents.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Any questions by any Members of the Board before we go to public comment cards? [Pause]. We have one public comment card for this Item, No. 9, that's Mr. Fane Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman. One of the things that I know Ms. Larson expects, and I expect, is attention to detail. Attention to detail when Items come before you or there's the senior housing project, how much per sq. ft.? Can we maximize the density? Flood plan, or flood, uh, the exact technical term, the [pause], the flood prevention and protection. Attention to detail. I was talking to ERM, Environmental Resource Management, those people over there, where is the flood map? Where is the discussion regarding one of the

most significant flooding issues in the City, that I have not seen addressed in the backup and that's the flooding of A1A. No discussion about that. Singer Island, in high tides and king tides water comes up over my properties onto A1A. When you drive down A1A, you'll see seaweed up on the road. Now, on the east side, where the condos are, they've built seawalls, they dump sand every year. They've done things to protect the erosion on the east side. Where is the protection on the west side?

Attention to detail. You're gonna do a flood map, you're gonna do flood issues, you need to deal with the whole City. Not like, 'Oh, well, we're gonna blow off the northwest corner of Singer Island because I own property and Taylor owns property and we, we don't care about them.' There is an issue that has to be addressed, water coming up over the [inaudible]. You say, 'Well, why is water coming up on A1A? It didn't 10 years ago.' One of the reasons why is the width of those properties has shrunk significantly. My main lot has probably shrunk 30 to 40 feet from what it was three years ago. So, water rushes up, comes on the road, dumps some seaweed and people kinda pretending, you know, like a leaking roof, we're not gonna deal with it. That needs to be addressed. I haven't seen that addressed in the backup for Item No. 9. I haven't seen anybody talking about it. But I know there are people who are concerned about it and it needs to be addressed.

And that's why we need to get somebody to replace Ms. McKinney. Somebody that will have the professionalism to run that department and care what goes on. Not somebody who just mocks people from, from..., that own property in Singer Island cause there's nothing else to do. I'm not gonna sit here and tolerate anytime an issue comes up dealing with a guy who, I believe, is incompetent. And that's been the history of this City, having incompetence in different departments whether it was the former City Manager in the Water Department or now this gentleman who's not qualified to run the department. You know, we need to get a real person in there that has a real experience base to deal with major issues that the City needs to address. Miami Beach has raised..., Miami Beach has put \$500M into raising their roads. Why? Because of flooding. What have we done on Singer Island? We...

[Beep]

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...haven't done anything.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. So that's the end of public comment for Item No. 9. Do we have any questions or concerns by the Board? [Pause]. Here, none. Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

10. ITEM NO. 10

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Now we move forward to Item No. 10.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: **ORDINANCE NO. __AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA, ENACTING A MORATORIUM FOR A PERIOD UP TO SIX MONTHS AS THE FILING AND/OR RECEIVING OF ANY APPLICATION FOR SITE PLANS ALONG THE BROADWAY CORRIDOR FROM SILVER BEACH ROAD TO THE MUNICIPAL LIMITS AND ALONG THE BLUE HERON BOULEVARD CORRIDOR FROM SINGER ISLAND TO THE MUNICIPAL LIMITS; PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES SUBJECT TO THE MORATORIUM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Do...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Properly moved and second. Staff, you have a presentation?

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. Deandre Spradley, Principal Planner. This Ordinance is in response to the City Council request from the last meeting and, basically, this will prohibit the filing of any site plan applications along the Broadway and Blue Heron corridor until the Council have your vision and we will participate in your vision and we want to make sure that the future development is going consistent with your vision. And this is the first reading on it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you, sir.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Pardo.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So, for Mr. Jones, is this something that we're going to address at the retreat in January?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes. This will be part of the retreat in January. I'll coordinate with Mr. Evans to make sure we have the right facilitator to kinda guide us in the direction of setting a vision in the direction for the Broadway and Blue Heron corridor.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. And then, um, maybe you should suggest to him also that everyone receive the Broadway corridor plan that I believe Treasure Coast did for us so we can, you know, everyone can see that.

Okay. My other statement is, I'm looking at a copy of the public hearing notice that was published in the Palm Beach Post...

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: And you said it was up to one year.

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Yes, ma'am. And it was the request of, I believe, the City Manager and it could've come through a couple other Council Members that, rather than doing a full year, we're doing it for six months instead.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. Alright. So, you know, it's just..., it's just not consistent with the backup. But, up to, I would..., I guess covers it.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: But, I would thi'..., you know, going forward it...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Well, Staff...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...[inaudible] needs to be...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...originally drafted the...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO:cons'... Right. It needs to just be consistent.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: We were on a short window for the publication. They wrote the Resolution and the publication for one year. In reviewing it and, and discussing it with other Members, the..., we were gonna address this issue in January so there was no need for the, the one year.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yeah. And I think it's sending a better message...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...that it's only up to six months instead of a year. But, just for consistency purposes, you know...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...going forward, just everything should be uniform.

Thank you.

PRINCIPAL PLANNER SPRADLEY: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Do we have any questions by any other Members of the Board? [Pause]. Here, none. Oh no, one public comment card. Two cards. No. Ms. Bonnie Larson.

MS. B. LARSON: Bonnie Larson. The citizens of Riviera Beach had a vision, we had a plan back at the charrette in 2008. The vision was to have retail, etc., all along Broadway so we have a downtown core. You've designated the south end for Marina stuff and where are we gonna have a downtown if not on Broadway? That's the perfect place to have it. It's the only place to have it. We have a couple large tracks, workers are coming up now, which have been leveled to trailer parks, so that was residential. That's.., those large parcels are the only places available to put in a restaurant, enough room for a restaurant, a retail store. We need those things. And, and you notice everybody who has come here wanting to build residential on those former trailer parks, they've said.., when you've said to them, 'Remember, this is our retail area,' they've said, 'Ah, let somebody else do it. Let the next, let the next person do it.' No. This is our only downtown. And Riviera Beach, from day one, what they had on Broadway was retail. It was always retail and then one lot behind it was a residential. A lot of cities did it that way and it was great because you knew where the stores were. We shopped at, like, four or five.., where the pawn shop is now, there were four or five businesses in there. We shopped at four of them. I was thinking about that the other day. You know, it was wonderful to be able to shop right there. And it is the only area we have for retail. And, like I said, those big parcels, we really have to be careful about how they go. Cause if you start putting in residential, low income.., or, any kind of residential, right on Broadway, that's all it's every gonna be. We will never have a downtown area. We will never have stores again.

Another thing we need to research is the parking. I think the parking requirements were probably made in 1954 or something along that area because, when they were talking about putting that [pause] an apartment complex there, where City Trends is, right behind there, it was like one and a half parking spots per unit. People have four or five kids. Kids today have cars. Where are they gonna park? You can't okay a project with that limited parking. This is 2016, everybody's got a car. Kids have cars, where we never had cars, they have cars now. Where are they gonna park? Does this mean you ca'.., you can't even have company come over, with the parking. The parking is a big, big issue and this is the time to address that.

So, think about that. We want restaurants, we want stores and we want parking for even the stores. Have you looked at the Dollar Store recently? They've got to do something about that sign. They have almost crushed the.., they crushed our landscaping there. That thing is, like, this far from, from our sign. I don't even know how they're gonna paint if they

have to paint there. So, we can't have.., we can't bring in things like this. We need to upgrade and we need to plan and look to the future. Like I said, everybody's got a car. You wanna have company over, you can't live someplace and say, 'No, you can't come over to our place, we don't have parking.' And, if you have parking, limited parking, like is in the, in the rules right now, you're gonna have a lot of problems there when you come home...

[Beep]

MS. B. LARSON: ...from work and someone's in your spot, guess what's gonna happen.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you, Ms. Larson. Mr. Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman. On the last item, we talked about attention to detail. Okay? If you look at the Ordinance before you, it says, 'Whereas, pursuant to §163.391, Florida statutes, at least once every seven years,' at least once every seven years, 'each local government in the State of Florida shall evaluate the Comprehensive Plan to determine if Plan amendments are necessary to reflect changes.' At least once every seven years. And then as you go further down the back up, it says the last time the City's Comprehensive Plan was updated was October 6th of 2010. Well, that's more than seven years. Okay? It's seven years and two or three months. And, at the bottom of the Ordinance page...

UNK: It's 2016.

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...it says at the very bottom, it says, 'Whereas, the City of Riviera Beach's Comprehensive Plan and land development regulations which is a part of the City's Code of Ordinances, needs updating.' Okay? So, it goes back to attention to detail and leadership. This should've been updated within the seven day window. We're updating it seven years and two months after the fact. Okay? Why wasn't it updated year six? There's some municipalities update it in year five. Why are we always after the fact? Where is the profession' [stammer], Why.., oh, our water had no chlorine for five years, we're gonna get to it. Why are we getting to something after the fact? Where is the accountability? It says right there, seven years. It doesn't say seven years and two months, it doesn't say by the time it gets done it may be eight years. It doesn't say eight years.

So, that is what we talked about before, the community.., we need a new community development director who will have the attention to detail to get these things done. I mean, that is frustrating. Now, where's the legal lady? There she is. Has anybody bothered to ask her, what is the City's liability for all those applications that have been put in? Won't they argue we're grandfathered in? We have our site plan application in? I don't know the answer to that. Let me say, we have our site plan application under the old Comp Plan and now you're gonna change it.., say you change it, we say no dollar stores on the Broadway corridor. What happens to these people that have their site plans in? Do they have a claim

of, of taking against the City for taking away their development rights? They bought a lot in good faith, knowing on the old Comp Plan they could put a dollar store on there and now, seven years and two months later or six months later, you're changing the rules to take away their development rights to put their dollar store there? What is the liability for people that have a pending site plan application? No one's addressed that.

You know, these are, these are things that need to be addressed cause they cost money and they're not fair. And, you know, why didn't legal weigh in to discuss those things? Why did..., why...

[Beep]

MR. F. LOZMAN: Why aren't we holding somebody accountable for missing this, for missing the seven year window? Those are questions you should ask in a leadership capacity.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Um...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes. Yes.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. Can we have Mr. Gagnon [chuckle] address that seven year because it re'..., it isn't..., we're not past the seven years. We're still in 2016.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: No. It was last amended in October of 2010, so...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Right.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: ...it's something that will be coming in the very near future. However...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: We still...

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: ...we're still...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...have until...

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: ...within that timeframe.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Correct. Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Alright. Any other questions from any Members of the Board...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...after hearing...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:I...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...public comment? Vice Chair.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:Regarding the comment with those who may have already put in their plans, how does that impact them? Mr. Gagnon or Mr. Jones?

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: Historically, if the site plan has been submitted and in process, it ultimately could be a Council decision or directive whether or not to move forward or if the proposal is just opposite of the direction City Council wishes to proceed, then I believe there are capabilities of City Council to stop, review, and approval of the process. Again, that may entail other legal discussions, however, I believe there are ways of stopping developments even if they have applied, so long as we don't remove all potential development from any particular parcel. So, there, there are mechanisms to stop...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Mhmm.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: ...certain types of development from moving forward.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: And every case will be independently evaluated and weighed and discussed with legal prior to taking..., any action taken.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: It...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Any other questions [sic] any other Members of the Board?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Pardo.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So, Jeff, can you tell us, is there anything pending?

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: There are a few applications that are in process currently.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mhmm.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: There's one that comes to mind, there's a retail proposal at the intersection of Blue Heron Boulevard and

Avenue L. It's being presented as a retail proposal, however, the end user is intended to be a dollar store type of use.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So we just put a moratorium on that? So...

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: Right.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Anything else?

[Inaudible dais comment]

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: Right.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: [Chuckle].

[Inaudible dais comments]

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: Outside of this moratorium, on 2525 Lake Drive, so that'll be outside of this moratorium. The timeframe for the City moving forward with any sort of library discussions, I think will fall outside of this as well. And again, the intentions are to allow just a brief period of time for Council to discuss direction moving forward.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay.

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: And...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: So, right now what's pending is the dollar store?

[Chuckles]

ASST. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON: Can you think of any other [inaudible]...

[Inaudible background comments]

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: You know, there's been rumors about the Broadway and Blue Heron, the old bank site but...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Those are just...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...they haven't...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...discussions, I think...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Just...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...at this time.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...discussions right now?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Discussion...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Nothing...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...at this time.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...is coming through? Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Any other questions from any Members of the Board? [Pause].
Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

REGULAR - OLD BUSINESS

REGULAR

11. ITEM NO. 11

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Now we're gonna go down to regular old business. Item No. 11.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: There is no old business, Mr. Chair. We're now on the regular Agenda which is...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Oh yes, regular business. Item No. 11.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay. **RESOLUTION NO._A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AWARDED BID NO. 822-16 TO B & B UNDERGROUND CONSTRUCTION, INC., OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF WEST 6TH AND WEST 7TH STREET BETWEEN AUSTRALIAN AVENUE AND THE AVENUE P CANAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$829,417.00; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS UP TO TEN PERCENT (10%); AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR SAME FROM ACCOUNT NUMBERS 140- 1123-543-0-6301, 461-1127-541-0-6301, AND 413-1430-533-0-6301 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Do we have a motion? Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Properly moved and second. Staff.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Mr. Mealy, [stammer]. This is a bid, Bid No. 8221.., 822-16. It's a part of the City's streets and road improvement project. This will be awarding that bid to the B&B Underground.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Anybody have any questions for Staff?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Pardo.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So, address the apprenticeship.

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: Good evening, Council and Mayor. The apprenticeship program was put in place by the, uh, was suggested by the previous director and was approved by the previous Council. The stipulation for the apprenticeship program is controlled by the Department of Education and DOE does a apprenticeship program through different trade schools. Those trade schools are union affiliated. With that being stated, they will only supply.., and I checked various disciplines, plumbing, HVAC, electrical. They only will supply apprentice'.., apprentices to union firms. So, if a vendor bids on this project and they are non-union, the DOE will not supply an apprentice to the non-union shop. So, we have an Ordinance that is in place but the mechanics of, of how we got there are not.., weren't really thought out and we need to come back and re'.., actually readdress the, the, the Ordinance, the way it's written for apprenticeship program because it, it.., Florida is a right-to-work state. You don't have to be a union shop in order to do business in this state.

So, with that being stated, the four firms that bid on this job are all non-union. DOE, in, in..., as much as they said they'd like to give us an employee or an employee or two or recommend an employee or two to the awarded vendor, they will not do it because the firm does not pay union dues to the local Chapter. So it's a Catch 22. Nobody's willing to participate in a program if the, if the other side is not paying dues.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: So is..., did you guys reach out to the unions?

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: Yeah. I, I...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Are they...

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: ...spoke...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: ...aware?

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: I spoke to the coordinator, Dennis Parker, who's the local representative for the plumbing union.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Right.

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: [Stammer] actually, plumbing...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: ...slash pipefitter union in Palm Beach County. He was referred to me by the Department of Education. He stated that he cannot [stammer] provide a name for an apprentice to a non-union shop. So, I gave him the name of the four vendors that actually had submitted bids. He said none of these four firms were union shops, therefore, they could not provide an apprentice to participate in the program. And we, as a City, do not have the legal authority to say only union firms can bid on jobs, it is a right-to-work state.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Correct. But there are, and we learned this when, when we were doing the Marina project. We had an electrical firm that had an apprenticeship program. I believe they were based over in West Palm on, um, Northpoint Parkway. So, they went through that whole, you know, they had appren'..., apprentors...

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: Yeah. Some electrical..., [stammer], depends on what discipline we're talking about.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mhmm.

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: A lot of the...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: They were non-union.

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: Some are non-union but the State DOE was very emphatic that they would not supply a prentice to a non-union shop. So, I, like I said, I gave him the name of the four firms that bid on this. DOE, I talked to him, I talked to the regional vice present of the sh'., of the union shops, they all stated the exact same thing. As much as they'd like to help participate, [stammer], because they have paid the.., paid for these [stammer]...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Right.

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: ...young men...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: ...or young ladies, to actually learn a trade, they're union dues were used to pay for that. So therefore, they will only supply people to firms that actually are paying dues into a local Chapter.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So I agree. That needs to be tweaked.

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: It does...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible]...

PURCHASING DIRECTOR MEALY: ...need to be tweaked and we'd like to come back to that at the workshop next.., in, in January.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Commissioner Hubbard.

CHAIPERSON PARDO: I can't support [inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Even if we can't use the union apprentices and union trainees, there are other methods where we can have trainees on, on the job or insist that they hire trainees on the job. I know that the North Tech [inaudible] school over on North.., on Garden Road, they have a Palm Beach County School District training program there, as well as the union has a training program going on there as well. As the.., just people who are applying and local people who want to learn the plumping and pipefitting trade, we still can insist that some of the local employees are hired to work on this project so that they can learn the business.

So, I mean, there's more than one way, I think, to skin a cat.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: I don't like...

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: No skinnin' of cats?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: And we will, we will make that a request of...

[Inaudible dais comment].

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...B&B.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Can't we make it a demand?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: We, we can wash the cat.

[Inaudible dais comments]

[Chuckles]

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Our Ordinance specifically states, 'A State approved apprentice program.' So, if we're gonna make those kinds of demands, it would be under a state approved apprentice program but if we're looking for a hybrid and we're trying to increase the opportunities for local citizens, I'm pretty sure we can work with them to accommodate the City.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: We have more than one Ordinance, don't we?

[Inaudible dais comment]

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: That one that speaks to that, we can't seem to comply with that so let's talk about our other Ordinance, like, our local preference Ordinance and things of that nature. So, we wanna use the Ordinance that can best yield us what we're looking for.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No. She, she hit point.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Public comment.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: That's a good question?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: We have one, one public comment card. Mr. Lozman.

[Inaudible dais comment whisper]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yeah. He had two of 'em. [Inaudible].

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman. See, you shoulda let me talk about No. 6. Um, if you look at the backup, it talks about \$22M was raised by the City and \$1.3M, I believe, was a grant from DEP, of which \$500,000 from DEP goes to this project. At the end of the day, there's nothing to stop you from rejecting the bid. Just say, 'You know, glad..., we're glad you recommend that stuff but we're gonna reject it because we're gonna have, going forward,' I know the Mayor wants to put people back to work, like Mr. Trump does. We

wanna have bonus points for local contractors. So, if you live in the City and you support this City and you have your, uh, pay tax to the City, you're gonna get bonus points when it comes to bid. Now you say, 'How can you do that?' That's unprecedented.' No it is not. Because, when Viking wanted to redevelop the Marina, they were given bonus points for the RFP process in 2008 because their building was next door to the Marina. So they got five or ten extra points versus the other bidders.

As a taxpayer in this City and other taxpayers, and I know Ms. Hubbard shares my views, we want local contractors to get these jobs. Now, maybe they can't compete on the scale of the West Palm Beach firm, but we can make 'em competitive by giving them bonus points for being in the City. You know? You don't have to accept the bid. You can say something, you know, 'We're gonna reject that bid. We're gonna go out for bid again.' And now, we're gonna have a new criteria to do it. You make it seem like you're just stuck because Staff tells you to do something, you're like deer in a headlight. 'Staff says to do it. Okay, great. We gotta do it.' No, you don't. You don't have to do that at all. You were elected by the residents of this City. You should try to support the residents of this City, the firms in this City and you should say, 'No. We're not gonna give this contract to B&B,' or, in the alternative, we'll give 'em \$500,000 on the DEP side and the other balance we're gonna give the bonus points where a Riviera Beach firm can get it. And to say no, that can't happen. No. I, I don't believe that. I think you can have a hybrid, you could have two contractors working on it. But, again, it's kind of like, why would you ever want a project that's funded with municipal bonds floated by the City to go to somebody outside West Palm Bea'..., to go, to go to somebody outside the City without putting up one helluva fight to stop that from happening? Why? Because you're afraid to question Staff, you're afraid to reject the bid?

That's what the vote should be, we reject the bid. We don't, we don't like Staff's opi'..., we reject it and we're gonna come back with, with a more stringent criteria to try to have our own local contractors participate in this project. That's all.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you for your comment.

[Beep]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: That's the end of public comment.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Hubbard.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Question to Mr. Da'..., Mr. Jones. The..., what language do you suspect that you can use in this particular contract to demand that they have 'x' amount of [stammer], local participation in it? You know, I notice that a lot of people say that our goal is to try to obtain, you know, local participation but we want to see how we can..., this is almost \$1,000,000, how that we get at least some, some..., that we can get some local participation in on this project?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: You use the word goal and demand.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: No. I say that's what we normally see in our contracts that they should have a goal of 30%. We don't want that word.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: I understand. And I think Staff could go back and negotiate with the contractor for those opportunities where we know Riviera Beach residents can be hired. Certain components of this job will require that they hire additional labor and staff and we could go and negotiate with the company to do that and bring back the result to the Council.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: And when you say negotiate, what do you really mean?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Well, it wasn't stated in the prior RFP document that way. And what w'.., what I said earlier, maybe we can develop some type of hybrid with the company. If the apprenticeship portion can't be made or met because it doesn't exist under a state approved program, then we can go back and talk with them and see what we can agree to between the contractor and the City to get us [pause], to accomplish the goals of the City which is to, to improve employment in the City and have those dollars turnover in the City.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: What.., to that last point, what do you think that it's going to take for you to get Staff not to put out bids that doesn't speak to your last comment?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: I think it's gonna require some policy changes in the beginning. And we have to notify those who are participating in the process, at the beginning of the process, here's what's required and here's what we're going to accept.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Not, um, the end user. My question was, what is it going to take for you to get Staff to understand what we're saying, what our goal is to not to put out RFP's that don't have that in it from the beginning?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: It's just gonna take, number one, a clear policy direction in how we do business in the City of Riviera Beach. And when we let an RFP or any type of bid proposal, we do so with our policies that guide us. So, we're asking that.., and another component of the retreat is that we go back and look at the goals of the Council and we make Ordinance and policy revisions to accomplish those goals. That way, everyone who's participating, in the process, understands before we ever put it on the street, what we're looking to achieve.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Exactly.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Any other question by any other Members of the Board? [Pause]. Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilperson Pardo dissenting.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you so much.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Now we're gonna move down to public comments, at this time. So, public comment should be rest'...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: That come after public comment.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh, okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: It's 7:30 now.

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CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: We all have three minutes. The first person we have will be Philip Dukes.

DR. P. DUKES: Dr. Philip Dukes, 1217 Avenue U, City of Riviera Beach. Once again, I would like to thank Councilwoman Pardo for her gifts to Operation Restore. I wanna thank Mayor Masters also for his donation. And I'm asking the other Council peoples to also to give, persons to give. Excuse me. I'm really asking each one of you to give \$1,000 and the reason I'm asking is because our youth in Riviera Beach are being socialized to a culture of

violence and thug life, fueled by drugs and gangs. This is something that is germane all over America in the African American community. Our goal is to create a new and higher standards in the African American community as we change our comm'., community environment. Operation Restore rejects the ideology and philosophy that wherever poor people are you gotta have crime and violence. This is because of apathy and lawlessness. Our program is the missing link between the community youth programs and the police department. You see, when these kids go in these programs that we set up, and we got some good programs in Riviera Beach, they come back into their community and they see thug life dominating, in our neighborhoods, when we stand against this.

We're the only culture that have to face death for our youth. It doesn't happen in North Palm Beach, it's not in Palm Beach Gardens. It's germane to the African American community. Why? Because of our predecessors not doing their jobs. I'm asking you, don't follow the footsteps of some of our negative predecessors in our City who didn't want to invest in our community. 85 to 90% of all gun violence done in any county in America comes out of the African American community. Why? Because we allow drug dealing and thug life. You, you, you go look at the data. You got some of the studies, 85 to 90%. We can change that, if we would just stand and close all dope houses in our City. We can lead the nation in this because the nation on a national level doesn't have any answers. They wanna take up guns. Guns are not killing people, people are.

Also, we found \$250,000 to put sand on the beach on Singer Island, which was probably needed because of erosion and people's property. They probably needed that money. I want you to take that same ideology, mindset and help Operation Restore change our community atmosphere. See? If we can put sand on the beach and find money for that, we can stop killing in the street. But we can't do it through putting out nickels and pennies and a little bit here and a little bit there. These are our children that are dying. Then when they die, we go to the church and we cry. They come in here and they cry and we still don't., won't follow vision to change our community. Cause it can happen. Some people think it can't happen. But there are no white drug dealers in North Palm Beach. There are no white gangs, they don't shoot up their neighborhoods. I'm just asking you to help us...

[Beep]

DR. P. DUKES: ...as we begin to change the community atmosphere on the west side.

Thank you so much.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Mr. Dukes, as we move forward, so you're acceptin'., still accepting toys for Christmas, is that what you're...

DR. P. DUKES: Yes. We...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...asking for?

DR. P. DUKES: ...we, we still do that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: So, I'll, I'll bring something by.

DR. P. DUKES: Alright.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: To, to drop off.

DR. P. DUKES: Thank you so much.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: But, in North Palm Beach, a lot of those places have commercial license and they're finding ways to get around the process.

DR. P. DUKES: I [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Cause they have access to [inaudible] planes and ships and things like that.

DR. P. DUKES: Yeah. But when you...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: And, the cities like North Palm Beach and other.., not saying North Palm has that...

DR. P. DUKES: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...but when you talk about Riviera Beach, we're not the ones finding planes and hidden ships.

DR. P. DUKES: And you're absolutely right but when you start.., if you will give me a time to come to your Agenda and explain to you, drugs coming in the country is not the problem. The problem is the retail market in our community which I used to be the prince of.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: I agree.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Alright, Prince. [Laughter]. Not Purple Rain either. [Laughter]. Ms. Ernestine Gorden.

UNK. AUDIENCE: You're so crazy.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Then Fane Lozman.

MS. E. GORDEN: Good evening.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Good evening.

MS. E. GORDEN: [Inaudible] Councilman. What I come to talk about is that.., I just wanna camp on what the young lady over there said about, in Riviera Beach, we doesn't have any activity. For example, Broadway is so dead. Have you ever walked down Broadway? Just walk and look around Broadway? Start up almost from McDonald up there and just walk and just look around? It is so dead. And you have stores a 'lil bit one here, here, there, you don't see much activity. All of that area over the where you got the mobile

homes and everything over there, you're talking about building low rental house' or whatever. Well, have you ever thought about a theater? We don't have a theater here in, in Riviera Beach. Where do we have to go. When we go to church, um, they have activity. If you had a theater, the kids can, can perform or whatever the case may be and act and get 'em off the street. Give 'em somewhere [stammer], uh, something to do. They see other kids striving and trying to improve. The, the other one you think, say maybe you call 'em, address him as a thug which he's a human being, maybe he would lift himself up and do what he see what the other kid.

You don't have anything for these kids to do. All you do is sit and talk about put this up, a dollar store here and whatever you can get for yourself. Think about these kids. [Pause]. Think about 'em because these young people.., the young.., especially the male, black males, they are dying every day. Think about hat. You have the power in your hand to improve they life but why don't you do it sometime and quit thinkin' about your own selfish self and what you can get for yourself and think about these young kids. They didn't ask to come here. Some of 'em [stammer] can do better, their parent's educate 'em and then leave. They leave Riviera Beach and go somewhere else to live which I don't blame 'em. But, the point is that some [inaudible], or some of 'em always be left behind. Give 'em a chance and a opportunity, please.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you, Ms. Gorden. Fane Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman. That was really well said, the prior speaker. Um, I think it gives everybody up there something to think about. You know, the prior Council was obsessed about the Marina. For five years, that's all they talked about was the Marina. Nobody talked about what went on the west side.

I was at a County Commission meeting recently and the State of Florida... Okay. Let's, let's step back a second. Along Singer Island is a mile and a half stretch of beach where their gonna do dune restoration, with sand, 50,000 cu. ft. of sand, you know, I don't know, a million something. And, the State of Florida says out of that mile and a half, there's only two public access points to get in there. There's a access point on the south and an access point on the north and Channel 12 did two stories about this and you can go look it up on the Channel 12 website. So, the State of Florida said, 'Wherever there's an access point, we will use state funds for the first half mile cause we consider that to be public beach. But in the middle half mile, there's no public access, that was the public access that was closed off at the Via Delfino that I'm trying to get opened up again. So, the State of Florida says, 'We are not going to have our money go there because there's no public access to get there.' The easement that were there is closed off. Yet, the City and the county is saying, 'Well, we're gonna go ahead and do that half mile because it would be foolish not to do it.' Well, I'm not gonna let that half mile be done and there'll be a legal challenge to stop any City money, or county money, from doing that middle half mile because we're not gonna take county.., City funds and county funds and renourish a piece of private property. Otherwise, everybody on the west side should put a sandbox in their backyard and say, 'Hey, let's go dump some sand in there.' You don't take public funds to make improvements to private

property. Now I know that's a little bit technical but the state of Florida is not letting any of their grant money go for that middle, that middle half. So, when Reverend Dukes talked about the beach renourishment, I just want you to know, Reverend Dukes, the money that could be going to the west side is going to make improvements to a half mile stretch of private property in the, in the middle of Singer Island.

Now, Ms. Pardo showed up there. You know, I made some comments about Ms. Pardo. I just want people to know that we are still get leads, most of 'em we haven't been able to confirm but we still have a \$100,000 reward for information on Ms. Pardo involving any alleged political corruption, illegal payoffs and bid rigging. Now, I know the State Attorney, I talked to the public corruption person last week. They're still deep involved in their investigation. I'm disappointed they haven't made any charging decision by now but I'm keeping my fingers crossed.

Finally, Tho'.., Cedrick Thomas, his one anniversary's coming up. The, uh, there's an FDLE complaint filed by the police union. He can be filed.., fired for any reason but once his one year probation period's up...

[Beep]

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...then it's gonna be very hard to get rid of him. Somebody needs to deal with this before his one year probation's up in February.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Ms. Mary Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Ms. Mary Brabham, Riviera Beach. Thank you, residents, for coming out on December the 15. The voice and the call has been placed out and we thank you from the north, south, east and west. These peoples are asking for a special exception. The word special except should indicate that something is wrong here. We, as residents and other leaders, we are ashamed that any elected official would entertain...

MAYOR MASTERS: That's right.

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...something like this coming into this City. We're ashamed. We feel and know that you're better than this. They went down in West Palm Beach and West Palm Beach said no. Yes, they said no. Those tank gallons would totally exceed 400,000 gallons. Stop saying that this bleach. This is no ordinary bleach, residents. I think you all got the word, this is no ordinary bleach here. You're dealing with hydric chloric chemicals and these are gas chemicals. You have a whole community, the City of Riviera Beach will be impacted with this. If some of you are not pushing it, we know that there are other outsiders that are pushing this.

The impact and environmental study have not been done. If we had not come in there on last Thursday, this woulda been a done deal here. Our property value, every life here is at stake and I think the residents are well aware of. Stop this travesty. Two months ago when they called Ms. Brabham, Ms. Brabham said no cause she had already done her research. I don't sit at the devil's table and we're hoping that our leaders respect the entire City. Yes, we have ammonia on the north side over there, we have it on the west side and the east.

Everywhere. They are appalled with this that you would even entertain this here. This is..., this is..., these are gases. These are gases that, that, that will corrode..., cor'..., those tanks will cause corrosive. I saw the stuff is contaminated from Solitron and our water and stuff. If you're usin' this here for our water, we' been chlorinating our water. Stop this travesty.

Those closed containers, we live in a heated environment. They would explode and when they, and when they explode, heat..., and they will cause a fire, with an evolution of chlorine. World War II used this, that killed our American soldiers and British soldiers. When I spoke about the gas this is another form of gas. Ms. Debbie Isaac, you all labored with that for \$1.75 and changing her title. What, what...

[Beep]

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...nonsense is that?

Residents, Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and stay on God. These peoples are taking some of these peoples over in Tampa to see it. You strong men, stand up and be accounted for, for your precious City here. And tell those peoples there to stay over in Tampa.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

MS. M. BRABHAM: They won't even be monitored by, by..., they'll be monitored over in Tampa. And only our fire department and our police will only come for alarm and fire department. It's written here in the documents. We live in a heated, heated City here.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank...

MAYOR MASTERS: Mr....

MAYOR MASTERS: ...you. Thank you.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Margaret Shepherd.

MAYOR MASTERS: Mr. Chair, while she's...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Margaret Shepherd.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...while she's coming. Ms. Brabham, I totally support...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: ...the advocacy on your part, on your behalf and the residents. I think it is shameful that they want to come into this City and I, I, I'll stand with you 100%.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Chuckle].

MS. M. SHEPHERD: Margaret Shepherd. And I do live at 167 East 23rd Street, here in the great City of Riviera Beach. I've been there this March for three years. It's no secret where I'm at. I wanna go on record by saying, Reverend Davis preached a wonderful message, it took a miracle. And Ms. Pardo and Mrs. Tonya Davis Johnson and to Bruce, uh Mr..., not Bruce but Mr. Gagnon and to all the women and men in the City of Riviera Beach, I wanna put you on notice that God is about to work a miracle. To have someone to accuse you of something, no basis, no, uh, realistics of how a system work. They're gonna be held accountable, they're gonna be held accountable for the deeds that they have set before this City. To bother a senior citizen, 71 years old in April and a seven'.., 17 year old girl that has been your model here in the City of Riviera Beach. She won two fashion pageants, she model, she was given a plaque for mother and daughter of the year. We have been your eyes and ears in the City of Riviera Beach ever since the day Summer Shepherd-Thomas was born.

But I'm good with it and I'm ready. It was a gentleman reached out to me who's an attorney and he heard the story and he said, 'Ms. Shepherd, I will take this case on.' So you will see us soon, we're getting all the data, document and evidence cause we're ready to do battle. When you talk about somebody, it's good to say whatever you have to say. That's your prerogative. But make sure that you have all the evidence in order. And so I'll read [inaudible] this because it's slander, it's deframing Summer's character. I am her preliminary guardian. I had to go to court to be her preliminary guardian. Just cause I'm grandmother, I can't make decisions but let me read what they wrote to me. 'Date of action, a household member has left the home and no longer can be a part of these benefits but, if you go to the Housing Authority, Summer can stay in my home until she's 25 years old, going off to college. I will make it clear when you make some type of slanderous remarks, you make sure that you don't send someone from the fraud division and someone from the.., let me get it right. Let me get it right. [Pause]. Dave Aronberg's office, the State Attorney office, from the Public Corruption Division. I wanna set you a motion. I wasn't afraid cause the one thing...

[Beep]

MS. M. SHEPHERD: ...I know, my mother taught me one thing, keep all your data, document and evidence in place. I wanna say to Mr. Lozman, and all that is in this corruptive mood.., God is gonna take care of you. So I ask you all one thing, just be ready to settle down cause Mr. Lozman is outta here. And it's, it's really comin' outta his pocket. He shall not and he will not come here and talk to the residents or women in this City. I want you all to know the men is in our.., in our corner. I'm sick of him.

Thank you. Let's make America great again. Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Ms. Shepherd?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Do you know how America got great in the first place?

UNK. AUDIENCE: [Inaudible] slavery.

MS. M. SHEPHERD: I'm talking about our City, not the world. Let's make America great again and our great City. Let's get rid of this foolishness in our City and move forward. That's what I'm talkin' about, Ms. Hubbard. Yes, I know we're talking about slavery.

Thank you, young lady. Have a blessed new year.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Ms. Bonnie Larson.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Merry Christmas.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: And then Tommy Walker after Ms. Larson.

MS. B. LARSON: Bonnie Larson. The P&Z meeting that Mrs. Brabham was talking about was very well attended, it was like standing room only. And I have to commend the members of the P&Z Board. They're not paid, they come there, they sit for hours and hours and hours and listen to everything. They made the decision to wait on the vote because they didn't have all the information so that was a wise thing to do. And it's the same thing a lot of you on the current Board are doing, you're asking questions. You can't make a sound decision without knowing all the facts and that's what happened. We're missing one member of the P&Z Board and we don't have any alternatives so, are we advertising for those positions, what are we doing? Like I said, it's a thankless job but that needs to be, that needs to be televised so that all of you can see what happens. Rather than just knowing how the vote went, you need to know what questions were being asked and, and what comments were being made by the public for every P&Z meeting.

There's a median on Broadway and West 28th. It's right outside the Broadway Cleaners. Second time there's been an accident in a year. First time, somebody came about 60 miles an hour down West 28th, flew over the median and crashed into the building across the street. Now, someone has run into the pole that's there. It's a pole with a sign on it. So that was laying down for several days. Then the sign disappeared but now the pole is laying down. It's very dangerous, it's a few inches from the ground. If somebody doesn't see that, they're gonna get a very bad injury and end up in the hospital for Christmas. My point is, who is responsible for seeing things like that? It was right in the middle of Broadway. We shouldn't have to wait for citizens to come, 'It's not you but find out who it is.' We shouldn't have to wait for a citizen to come and say, 'Let's stop this accident waiting to happen.' That could seriously injure someone. So we..., that needs to be picked up immediately. We shouldn't have to wait here..., until we come here. Maybe you need reflectors on that curb since it does seem to be a problem area.

The calendar, the City calendar I'd like to request that that be not hidden as it is now. I couldn't find it for a long time, someone from Staff had to show me where it is. I get calendars from companies advertising classes and it's a full-page calendar. It has every event on there for the whole month, not just what's happening tonight. Every event. Your Mingle and Jingle, Ms. Pardo, was not on there. Mayor Masters, your music event the other night, it's not on there. We need to know, is the Utility meeting happening this month? Put it on there, it's a certain..., it's a certain time each month. Leave it on there on the appointed

day and then if you cancel it, write cancelled so we know you didn't forget to put it on there, you're just cancelling it. But let us see the whole month at a glance. I don't understand why it's 3" tall and it's in a hidden spot.

What happened at the Utility meeting the other night? I'd like to know that because I'm very interested in what [stammer] is the condition of our water. We also need to, maybe reconsider voting on the \$1,000 payment each month for that Utility meeting. I heard it was, like, 23 minutes the other night. But what happened at that meeting...

[Beep]

MS. B. LARSON: ...cause I didn't even know about it. I didn't see it on the calendar.

And, Florida Power & Light is coming around, if you see them... Public information. They're coming around checking all the utility poles in the area. They were chomping on one of ours. I asked them what they were doing. They're coming around on a little golf cart, they said they check the poles once every ten months. Then they injected the pole with some kind of [pause], I don't know what is but that's to keep the pole in good shape. But ev'..., so, if you see them in your neighborhood, that's that they're doing.

Thank you.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Larson. Mr. Tommy Walker and then Kevin Justice.

MR. T. WALKER: Tommy Walker, 1582 West 9th Street, beautiful Riviera Beach. The, uh, the presentation that just went passed, I was just sitting back there thinking, um, it, it looks really, really well. Are we still gonna do that thing on Broadway with the senior living? If we're gonna do both of 'em. You can ans'..., you can answer me later but I was just thinking that all that prime real estate we got on Broadway, like the lady said earlier, there's nothing there. We need to get busy on that.

I have a two-part question and I need a Christmas present from everybody up there.

MAYOR MASTERS:[Chuckle].

MR. T. WALKER: And my Christmas present is don't forget my children. Don't forget that we still have..., half the school year is already gone, we still have a 80% failure rate in our elementary schools. I'm, I'm, I'mma, I'm gonna keep coming and I'mma keep reminding you, I'mma keep fighting for this. We have got to come up with some kind of plan, and I'm looking at you Ms. Miller cause I., and I'm lookin' at you too, Ms. Johnson. We..., this Council has got to get us, all four elementary schools are failing and we have got to come up with a plan, get with the task force coordinator. Uh, we've talked to Mr. Jones. We gotta sit down and figure out how we're gonna fix this problem.

Happy Holidays. Ya'll are doing a great job. Be blessed.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Mr. Walker. And just to kinda give you a little hint, starting January, we're gonna be having our [stammer] our education committee meeting again so that information'll be coming out and I have been working with Mr. Jones. So, we have some things that are coming down the pike. So they're not forgotten, trust me.

[Inaudible background comment]

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Believe me.

MR. T. WALKER: Thank you for [inaudible]...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: I, I do know the importance of it. Mr. Kevin Justice and then George Gentile.

MR. K. JUSTICE: Good evening, Mayor...

MAYOR MASTERS: Good evening.

MR. K. JUSTICE: ...Manager Jones and Members of Council. Thank you for an opportunity to speak tonight. My name is Kevin Justice and I'm with Southport Real Estate. I am here..., we also are the owners of San Marco, the, uh, housing pro'..., affordable housing project just south of..., on Congress, just south of North Lake. Southport Real Estate, for everone's..., so they know, we're the eighth largest affordable housing developer in the country and, uh, and one of the largest here in Florida. No one won more tax credit deals last year than Southport Real Estate. So, I'm very proud to stand in front of you tonight and all I'm asking you for tonight is to, to have your help. On November 28th, we had submitted a letter to Mr. Gagnon to be put on the Agenda for this evening to have our zoning forms and local contribution form, to be able to make our submittal by December 30th at 11:00 a.m. for this year's tax credit rounds. We have the property on..., three properties on Leo Lane, just south of..., or east of Woodbine along 95, south of the church on 95. We have 13 acres there and we're working with the VA Hospital, Ms. Vilente [sp] who is the HUD/VASH Voucher Program Director to be able to build..., we wanna be able to help veterans, to be able to help homeless veterans to be able to help them for this property. But..., and also making it open to the community. But, we would ask you tonight..., all we're asking for tonight, we will come back later for site plan approval and to be able to work with you to..., all we're asking for tonight is to sign the forms like you have for others and for the local contribution so we can make application by the December 30th.

We've been working on this for a year. As I told the City Manager today, I think there may have been some breakdown in communication but we're here tonight to ask you to at least let us make our presentation. I have Mr. Gentile here with me and we can be very quick and show you what we're talking about. But, um, I think this is a, a very strong proposal here that we're talking about and, and for a very, very good cause. We, we work with the Veteran's Administration now and we have residents at the San Marco who are..., use the VASH voucher program and...

[Inaudible dais comment]

MR. K. JUSTICE: ...but we think we can open this up to the entire community and it's a great project, uh, with the VA providing services. They'll be able to provide services. This is a great opportunity for the City and we would hope you would give us that opportunity tonight to, uh, to be able to, at least, make a quick presentation to show you and hopefully be considered for signing the zoning form and, uh, or also local contribution.

So, any..., if I have any questions or..., and also, Mr. Gentile's gonna speak as well.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, Mr. Gentile has a three-minute time allotment, so if you all wanna utilize his three minutes to do the presentation, being that it was not on the Agenda, you can use those three minutes.

MR. K. JUSTICE: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

MR. K. JUSTICE: [Pause]. I, I also wanna, wanna add, this is Mr. George Gentile of Gentile Holloway, our land planner.

[Inaudible dais comment]

MR. K. JUSTICE: [Inaudible]. While he's working on that, I'll also tell you we're currently building , right now, in Belle Glade. We're actually actively working on..., we had just acquired a site...

[Inaudible dais comment]

MR. K. JUSTICE: ...in Pahokee to build another project as well. And, and we wanted to be able to show everyone the quality of what we build, it's outstanding product, it's great for the community, we're providing jobs and, and...

[Inaudible dais comment]

MR. K. JUSTICE: ...this shows you the exact location where we're talking about.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. We're gonna go ahead and start the three-minute clock. Okay?

MR. G. GENTILE: Yeah. And I will be very brief. For the record...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

MR. G. GENTILE: ...George Gentile.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. Three minutes.

MR. G. GENTILE: Yes. This is the project site. It's 12.27 acres. It's east, uh, west of the I-95 corridor..., of course, Leo Lane is on the north side of that, uh, of that square. We are doing two phases. One is a family housing project and one would be a senior living.

This request is just for the family housing portion. We're asking to do 87 units. It's the side to your left. They're apartments, it's a secure community, rental community and, as Mr. Justice indicated, they are working with the Veteran's Administration and also opening it up to the community for this. We, we went over the site plan. We've made this site plan meet all of your current zoning conditions. We're at a.., a little bit below the 12 units per acre which is allowed in this zoning district. Although the Comp Plan in this area allows 15 units per acre, we stayed within the confines of the current zoning so there would have to be no PUD or requests for anything else.

The senior housing living project, which'll be another phase that we will come back later, is to the, um, is to the east as you see there. This is some of the products that Southport has done in other areas. This is one of their projects. And I'm gonna go through these quick. These are some of the rental townhome and, and flat apartments that they've done in other areas. This is a community building, playground area. They provide open space playground and amenities that are available to all the public. This is another shot of one of their, um, projects. And, this another one. This is in the Tampa area. We just finished, um, the, uh, this is a courtyard area in between units. They just.., we just finished a, a.., going through this process in Belle Glade with the Calusa Development apartments there and it's being, uh, actually, it's in permitting and they've started the infrastructure construction on it. It was very well received by that community and the western communities of, of Palm Beach County. Again, I, I wanna be brief. It's only 87 family rental units and we will bring back phase two at another time.

Madam, Vice Pro Tem, I.., I'm done. I'll be glad...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

MR. G. GENTILE: ...to answer any questions.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. I'm over here.

MR. G. GENTILE: I'm sorry. There you are. [Chuckle].

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: [Chuckle]. Okay. Well, during public comments, we do not do.., typically, don't...

MR. G. GENTILE: I understand.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...do the questions but, what I will say is to contact each Councilperson, as well as the Mayor, if you would like to have further discussion with them, at another time.

MR. G. GENTILE: But, thi'...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: I understand you're.., that would require a special meeting in order for that to happen before the end of December. And again, that would be something that you can reach out to each person to see if anyone is willing to do that.

MR. G. GENTILE: Okay. [Inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Cause, I mean, we can't., we're not gonna add it on tonight and, especially we haven't had any dialogue, we haven't discussed it or anything.

I will ask though, was there a reason Mr. Gagnon or Mr. Jones, as to why there's.., they didn't come, get an opportunity?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: I spoke with George, uh, six months back and I told him to work with Mr. Gagnon to, to get it done and I did not engage or hadn't had any conversation with them prior to it, it appearing on the Agenda last week and the Chair and I discussed it and it was removed from the Agenda because it hadn't been discussed and talked about prior to...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Okay.

MR. K. JUSTICE: Madam Pro Tem, the.., there's a letter that we submitted on November 28th to be on the Agenda to Mr. Gagnon.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

MR. K. JUSTICE: Here's a copy of that letter.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. They, they can give us a copy of it. Thank you so much. That's the end of public comments. I think someone did submit theirs but it was submitted after we started public comment.

12. ITEM NO. 12

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: So we're gonna go to Regular Business Item No. 12.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTON NO._A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH AND PITTMAN LAW GROUP, P.L. TO PROVIDE LOBBYIST REPRESENTATION AT THE STATE LEVEL ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH; COMPENSATION SHALL BE \$5,000 PER MONTH FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2017 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO MAKE PAYMENT FROM THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, ACCOUNT NO. 001-0203-519-0-3106; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: So moved.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Second. Mr. Jones.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: What you have before you is an Item to consider to [pause]..., continuing the service of Pittman Law Group to provide those lobbying services for the City of Riviera Beach. Earlier in the week, a memo should've..., you should've received a memo with all of the supporting documents and the projects that Mr. Pittman has been able to provide us assistance on. The most recent was last year where we were able to receive, I think, a \$1.3M grant for projects that he lobbied on behalf of the City and was very successful. Mr. Pittman is in the audience tonight if you would like to ask any questions. I'm asking that we renew his contract, at this point, for two years in similar fashion as we've done with the, the federal lobbyist. As you know, the session starts in March and he's currently gathering information to submit on behalf of the City. And we would like to retain his services as they've been outstanding thus far.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Any questions by any Members of the Board?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes. Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: There's no doubting that Mr. Pittman's firm and himself have served the City very well and we have received numerous grants and A1 service. What has, what has happened since is that there has been several firms showing an interest in serving Riviera Beach. And, even at the least, we need to put this contract out because I'm sure that Mr. Pittman's work can stand on its own but I think that we, we talk about having fair opportunity to service or to contracts for professional services, if you will, I think we need to put the contract out for bid and, and we [pause], as we do for other contracts, not to say that we do for all but we need to do it for all.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: And to be consistent, I want to continue to suggest that we put the co'..., our contracts out for bid, eliminate things like piggybacking and extension as much as possible.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Pardo.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. Ms. Hubbard, I have no problem with going out for bid but I have a problem doing it right now. In the next couple of weeks, they're gonna start committee meetings up in Tallahassee and I know Mr. Pittman is already working with Staff, trying to put our priorities together. Once..., and, I'm sure Mr. Jones is gonna have them very shortly because of the committee meetings. And, um, I think it would be a disservice to us to stop that process right now. If we want to go out for bid after the session ends, then, you know, I have no problem with it but I think... Um, you know, there's a possibility that, this year especially, things may look..., well, I think, right now, things are looking pretty good for us and, you know... We have a fan up in Tallahassee right now,

Senator Latvala. You know, he's always been a fan of Riviera Beach, though he represents the west coast. And, this year, he is the Chairman of appropriations. And, Mr. Pittman has had conversations with him, I had lunch with him over the summer and, you know, we spoke about some issues.

So, you know, I would hate to cut off the Pittman Law Group right now. Just, let's get through this session and then I'm all for going out, you know, and seeing who else bids.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Well, Mr. Chair?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: That's my [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Hubbard.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: And, and.., and I understand what Mrs. Pardo is saying and I agree with her to some extent. The only thing was that we had mentioned.., this didn't just come up. We mentioned this to Staff earlier to put it out and there was no movement on it. We didn't vote on it, we didn't agree on it or anything but it was ti'.., when, when they brought it to us that there was time for renewal, I thought that is when Staff start to put things [stammer], out for, out for bid.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: That [stammer], that just didn't happen. So.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And, and I understand your point, Councilperson Hubbard but we never collectively, as a body, voted to put it out. There was discussion and I...

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: I said that.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I remember, specifically, speaking to the point of the fact that we have touted that we want local businesses to do business with us. And, um, yes, Mr. Pittman is out of Tallahassee but he is also.., he also has an office here and he mirrors exactly what we said we wanted. And so, with him having done the job that he has done and with the mere fact that he is, he is gearing up to go and represent us in this new session, I don't.., at this particular moment, I would not support sending this solicitation out and allow the Pittman Law Group to continue to lobby on our behalf because who knows better the City of Riviera Beach having, you know, lived here and, uh, working here. I think that we have fair representation by utl'.., utilizing the services of Mr.., of the Pittman Law Group.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Stammer], before I go... Vice Chair, do you have anything before I go to another round?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mm, she can go ahead.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Councilperson Hubbard.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: It.., and, and I said previously, we have received superb and excellent service from Mr. Pittman and the Pittman Law Group. Several months ago, when Staff brought to us that this was coming up for renewal, that is the time when we, we.., I can pull the minutes when we di'.., we didn't vote on it, we, we may or may not have voted on it but we discussed the fact that we needed to go out for bid. The, the.., what I'm saying is that, I'm not, by any means, saying that Mr. Pittman hasn't done a great service for us and that he is local and has an office here. All I'm saying is, for businesses to continue to want to do business with us and for.., we.., for loc'.., for all the locals to have an opportunity, at least to compete then that's okay for, for ... [Pause]. Competition is healthy, competition is good and, as we all have stated, the level of work that he has done can stand on his own and up against competitors. That's all that I'm saying.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Davis Johnson.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Specifically, I remember the, the discussion that was had, Councilwoman, you indicated that you wanted to shake the trees and see what was out there. I believe that was the language that you used when we were discussing it. But, at any rate, I do believe that his work can stand up, I believe that the firm's work can stand up. I don't believe that we need to put ourself at a disadvantage in trying to send out a solicitation at this stage of the game when, as a Council, we'll be going up to DC to meet with the newly elected officials this.., coming up in March. And so, trying to put out a solicitation at this time, I think that that would just be a detriment to us, as a body.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Vice Chair, any comments?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: I hear, you know, I hear everything that we're talking about. I know maybe a few months back, we discussed.., I can't think of his last name, Mr. Maurice's contract for him to renew...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: That's the federal lobbyist?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...his contract. What's his last name again?

[Inaudible dais comment]

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Maurice Kurland

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Kirland.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Kurland, Mr. Kurland. And we discussed about how well of a job that he did. I know he helped us out a lot when we went up to DC and I, you know, I don't want to leave out the fact that when we did go up to Tallahassee as well, several times we've worked with Mr. Pittman and he, he did an excellent job, just as Mr. Kurland did while we were up there in Washington, he did the same thing for us when we were in Tallahassee. Um, and, you know, we, we approved that pretty quickly for Mr. Kurland. I think we should give the same courtesy to Mr. Pittman. I do understand what you're saying, Ms. Hubbard, in regards to putting it back out there for, you know, others to have an opportunity. But again, you know, we're all gonna be probably going up to Tallahassee in March and we will need someone to assist us in the way in which they did when we went up there a year or so ago.

You know, after the two years, then, if we would like to go back out, I'm, I wouldn't haven't any problem with that. But, at this time, I would not be in favor of supporting that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: And, and I can support what the Vice Chair has stated just this far. You know, after two years, let the federal lobbyist, let the state lobbyist do what they do. We did talk about putting things out for competition. Then, the federal lobbyist did come before us. There was approval to give them two years. Mr. Pittman has done, done his due diligence with bringing us funding. Let's give him two years the same [inaudible] and ahead of time we know, maybe a year out ahead of time that when we do put out, we can see what the market has to offer at that point. But at this point, it's too late in the game to, um, to switch it.

So, I support what the Vice Chair and Davis Johnson have just stated, with supporting the two years and then..., within the next year or two, we can start what that language should look like, when we're gonna send it out so we can be ahead of the curveball. On the federal and the state level.

MR. F. LOZMAN: I have a card in.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: And Mr. Fane Lozman, public comment card.

[Inaudible dais comments]

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman, owner of 25 acres of land in Singer Island. Largest landowner in Singer Island, unlike some..., Ms. Shepherd that doesn't own anything in the City.

The..., I have followed Mr. Pittman. Mr. Pittman has done a tremendous job. For \$60,000, he's done a wonderful job. There is an alternative where we can have it all. \$60,000 for the seven figures this man brought in is a bargain. We oughta say, 'You know something, based on merit and performance, you got your contract.' But he can't cover everything. Tallahassee's a big joint. You got Ron Book, you got the Bredder [sp] Group, you got a whole bunch of other lobbyists. You should say, 'You know something, based on how well he's done, we're gonna double our lobbying budget. We're gonna put another \$60,000 out for bid and see if that group can get us a couple million.' That's the way to do it, is double the lobbying budget form \$60 grand to \$120 grand.

[Inaudible dais comment]

MR. F. LOZMAN: Tag team. Pittman has his half and the other group that has their performance, they have their half but, you know, we're talking about spending, you know, millions of dollars on, on b.s. but here we have a man for \$60 grand that brought in seven figures. We oughta say we're not gonna run the risk of losing him. You know, we may alienate him. He says, 'You know something, you don't like what I have, I, I'm not even gonna put my name in contention, just forget it.' That's what I would do. You oughta say, 'On a merit-based, performance-based, we like you, we're [chuckle] gonna keep you but we think..., let's see what else, if we can supplement your performance.' So, Ms. Hubbard is right. Put it out for bid, another \$60 grand, pick the high roller there and then between both of 'em, who knows. Somebody may hit the jackpot for 3, 4 or \$5,000,000. You just don't know but it's a low cost to find out. That \$60 grand was probably the best \$60 grand the City spent since I've been here. Look at the rate of return. Why don't we just do it again and see what happens? If it doesn't work out, great. We still always have him in there but don't alienate him by saying, 'Well, we're gonna put it out for bid.' He may say, 'Hey, if my performance isn't good enough, there's plenty of other municipalities will be happy.' You can't run the risk of alienating people who've done a wonderful job.

You know, finally, um, this wraps up the Agenda but, finally, I'm not gonna sit here and be threatened by any member of the audience. I'm here to stay, I'm making additional investments on the west side. I've been looking at some major projects out there to invest in. I'm investing in this City. Okay? I'm putting my money where my mouth is. I have other friends of mine are coming in and making some tremendous investments in this City. So, to sit here and be threatened by somebody who's committed housing fraud who's a public official on the Planning & Zoning Board, that's not gonna happen. The evidence is sound. I would not rule out a charging decision against Ms. Shepherd.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Alright. That's the end of public comments as regards to this Item.

MAYOR MASTERS:Mr. Chair, I have a question on this Item.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Mayor, go ahead.

MAYOR MASTERS:I, I just want to, um, just for the record, to say to Mr. Pittman, as others have said, particularly the Vice Chair, I appreciate your, your efforts. When we came there regarding the Corey Jones situation, you were, you went far and beyond the call of duty to set up meetings for us, even with the Lieutenant Governor and other legislators and it was very successful as a result of those meetings. The now senator has introduced legislation that will be coming up. I'm trying to think who I'm talking about, Bobby...

UNK: Powell.

MAYOR MASTERS:...Powell, yeah. And, so I wanna thank you. Now, the other thing I wanna ask you is, or, or the City Manager, how long has Mr. Pittman been getting \$5,000 a month?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Actually, Mr. Pittman is getting \$6,666...

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: [Inaudible].

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...a month But when the contract renewal was placed in the, uh, on the Agenda, it was placed for \$5,000.

MAYOR MASTERS: So is that a mistake?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: His current salary is \$6,666.60.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, this is a mistake here?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Uh, [pause], it's what's in the agree'.., it's what was in the contract. It was the negotiated price and I wasn't in on Monday and Tuesday to go over the Agenda...

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...on Monday. It's something I will have to discuss with Mr. Pittman but it was in the contract that was submitted.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. I just wanted to make sure that he was [inaudible] \$5,000. Okay. Thank you.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: So, question. So...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Vice Chair.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: So, what is it going to be? Is it going to be the five that we're voting on tonight or is it gonna be changing?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: It.., it should've been renewed at his current rate of \$6,666.60.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: And, it was a scrivener's error that Staff just wrote in the \$5,000 and submitted it and I didn't have the opportunity to review it prior to the meeting tonight.

MAYOR MASTERS:[Inaudible].

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: I normally review these Items on Monday for a general review...

MAYOR MASTERS: So it was a mistake.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...of the final Item.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Honest mistake. Right?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Councilperson Hubbard.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: I just wanna say for the record, there is nothing about Mr. Pittman or Mr. Pittman's work that I'm referring to. I'm referring to what I continue to say up here in order to not to be one that talks out of both sides of my mouth, I'm saying that we open things up for bid. I, I do, I do believe that fair competition is the only way that we're going to move the City forward. So, I just want that part of it to be real clear for my colleagues and, um, and, and Mr. Pittman as well, and the, and the general public. So, that is why I couldn't go along with it as it is.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: [Stammer]...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: We ask that it be renewed at its current rate...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: So that'd be...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...Mr. Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...an amend'.., amended motion?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Amend the motion to be renewed at his current rate.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Can someone.., who was...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Okay. So...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...the original motion maker?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: I made the original motion so I amend the motion to renew his contract for two years at his current rate of \$6,666.66 per month.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Does the second still stand?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Who second it, was that me? Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS:[Chuckle].

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Pardo?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilperson Hubbard dissenting.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Alright. That's the end of Item 12.

ITEMS TABLED

DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: So now, we have to go down to discussions and deliberations. [Pause]. Do we have any?

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: No.

UNK: No.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Nope.

DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: By the City Manager?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: No.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Any discussion or deliberation?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: No.

DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Sorry, Mr. Jones. City Attorney?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: [Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Any updates? Anything?

ASST. CITY ATTORNEY BUSBY: No, Chair. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Any committee repor'...

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Mr. Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes, sir.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: I would like to report...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...that Mayor Masters and I did travel to Philadelphia and to Camden, New Jersey...

MAYOR MASTERS:[Inaudible].

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: In the delegation with the Mayor, myself, Captain Glenn Meyer from the police department and Roseanne Brown representing the police department. We met with...

MAYOR MASTERS:Valerie Grimsley.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: And Valerie Grimsley from YEP, Youth Empowerment Center. We did meet with the police commissioner for Philadelphia, Commission Ross and former commissioner, Chuck Ramsey, along with Camden, New Jersey Chief of Police, Mr. David Thompson. We looked at best practices, visited several real time crime centers and we plan to bring you a full report...

MAYOR MASTERS:[Inaudible].

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: ...on what we've learned and some suggestions that we would like to discuss and try to implement in the future at Riviera Beach. So, we do plan to bring a full report by the first meeting in January. It was a.., we consider the trip to be a success and it was well worth the time and effort spent to get there on such short notice during the holiday season.

[Inaudible dais comments]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Legal? Legal?

[Inaudible dais comments]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: No'.., there's nothing from legal?

ASST. CITY ATTORNEY BUSBY:No, Chair. But...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

ASST. CITY ATTORNEY BUSBY:...[inaudible].

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Council, Commission update. No, we have Committee Reports. Councilperson Pardo, we'll start on that end and work our way to the left.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: There's no committee reports. Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: No comments, sir.

BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

I would just like to wish everybody a...

[Inaudible dais comment]

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: ...Merry Christmas. And I see Senator Powell sticking his head in the door, Mr. Chair. The.., I'd like to wish the public and all the residents a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I think we will have another meeting before the New Year though. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Sure. Mr. Chair, thank you. Mr. Jones, will you be preparing a.., I know that the Board of County Commissioners met with regards to the oversight committee for the surtax. Will you be presenting something to us in the New Year for.., on this matter? And then, and then secondly, we had a listing but I think that the conversation that this Board had was we wanted to review the list that was put forth as it

related to the projects that we wanted to see to u'.., to be able to utilize those dollars on. We were going to get together as a Board and have a discussion as to what those actual projects were going to be?

INTERIM CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes. And yes. We will provide you with a list of all of the unfunded capital projects that we currently have and schedule a meeting to try to rank those projects and make them a priority. I was not available yesterday for the meeting that took place. I understand that the county will be moving forward with their Board. I will reach out for the County Administrator to set up a meeting and discuss their policy and how they plan to move forward. We have some thoughts and ideas and I will be making a recommendation to you at the beginning of the New Year on how we can move forward in a, in an expeditious manner, without any delay, to make sure our funds are received timely.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you. And then, I also wanted to commend Trinette Morris and the Trinity Gourmet for their efforts. We partnered and we were able to provide 100 students from all of the schools here in the City of Riviera Beach with, not just only presents but an experience. There was quite a bit going on, on Monday at the Event Center for our students. So, I want to publicly thank Ms. Trinette Morris and the Trinity Gourmet staff, as well as the local businesses that adopted students from each of the schools. And I want to thank my Legislative Assistant, Pascale Reid, for a wonderful job in helping to coordinate those efforts and to make sure that our students, their needs and their actual wishes were met.

And, having said that, I wish to wish the City of Riviera Beach residents a very Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and a beautiful New Year.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Vice Chair.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Are we gonna.., are we doing comments and committee at...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yeah. We'll do both.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...the same time?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. In regards to the Committee Report, I just wanted to report that I was accepted on the Federal Advocacy Advisory Board for Human Development and, uh, with the National League of Cities and I think it's very important because of, one, that that particular advocacy deals with children and learning. So, we'll be talking about a lot of pol'.., policy positions dealing with the area of education. We also talked about poverty and income support, employment and in work force development, as well as Equal Opportunity, social security and seniors. So, it comprise'.., it's compromised of a number of issues but, as we know, I am the liaison for the education with the City and the School District. So, I, I felt that that was a pretty good position to be in. So, I, I was just accepted there maybe a couple weeks ago. And I think a few of us up here were accepted

somewhere else but maybe they'll come back and say what they were accepted on in a few minutes.

The other thing is, I met with Ms. Roseanne Brown, maybe about two or three weeks ago, I sat down and spoke with her in regards to the Education Advisory Board that has been inactive for a while. They've been doing the scholarships but they have not been very active in terms of working with the schools or utilizing the committee as a way to be a, a connecting bridge with the schools. So we're looking to activate, reactivate that in the month of January. More information will be distributed on Channel 18 as well as flyers and doorknockers will be put out to inform the residents, so that everyone can participate because, as I stated several months ago, it's gonna take for our businesses, our community, our church leaders, our residents to come together in order to help our schools be more successful. I did hear that West Riviera did a wonderful job on their diagnostic test and that gave them an indication of how well they may do on their state test, which used to be the FCAT. So, I think we're beginning to, and, and I know they've been working very hard so all of the accolades go to them. They've been working very diligently trying to improve their score. So, I think we're moving in the right direction. Several months ago..., I'm sorry, several weeks ago, we spoke of the..., ha'..., possibly having a Youth Council. We did set aside several thousand dollars to discuss and, and how we're going to put that to use with our students, whether we're gonna do a summer academic program for next summer or if it involves us doing Youth Council.

So, there's a number of things that we've talked about, first of all but there are some things that we do need to put into motion. So, I just want all of you out there, especially Mr. Tommy Walker since he called my name out, I want him to know that, you know, there's a lot going on and the public will be invited to participate because we do need you. We can't do it by ourselves and neither can the schools do it by themselves.

I just wanted to say that I look forward to the year 2017 where we can do some, even more greater things that we've already been doing. I think we've been kinda bogged down. We've had a lot of special meetings the past few months, we've had a lot going on here on the Council but I think we're all beginning to gel. I, I think in 2017, once we have our retreat, we'll be able to really identify which way we're trying to move as one and what's best for the City. So, I look forward to working together in 2017. I just wanna wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. And I..., did I hear someone say we have another meeting before the end of the year?

UNK: No.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh, okay. No, right?

UNK: No meeting.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: No meeting.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: I didn't think so.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: No.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. [Chuckle].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Pro Ch'..., Madam Pro Tem?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I, I'd like to share with you that we did reach out to the City of Savannah and their Pro'..., their Mayor, Pro Tem, has reached back.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And is willing to come and to share with us how they got their Youth Council started because it's a very active, very vibrant, very robust...

[Inaudible dais comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...Youth Council. So, they've, they've reached back and said that they're interested in coming here to South...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Very good.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...Florida to talk to us.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Very good...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...cause I did speak to a few of them...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...down south in, in Broward County there's one very active. And I believe West Palm has one but I'm not sure of how active theirs is. So, we have...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...a few blueprints...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: I think Pompano...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...that are already out...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Absolutely.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: ...that we could, um...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Absolutely.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:...really follow and won't have to recreate wheels.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Because, if you'll remember, they had a large contingency...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...[inaudible]...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...this past...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Exactly.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...November.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Exactly.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Didn't Pompano have a large one as well?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Joy Co'..., Joy Cooper?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm. They have a...

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: There were qui'... Yeah. There were quite a few. So, we're, we're...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We're moving.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: We just need to catch up. We, we just need to catch up with 'em cause there are a lot of cities that are doing it and doing it well. The kids were very excited while they were up there at the...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:...conference. So, um, I look forward to starting ours as well.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Alright.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Great job. Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you, Mr. Chair. I just wanna say briefly to Councilwoman Lynne Hubbard, I appreciate you selecting the family that you selected, the Hester Family, right? For the Family and Friends event and Ms. Tonya Davis Johnson for selecting the family... to select the family for the month of January. And we're asking each... I will get with each Councilperson and ask you to [stammer], as well, to se'... What we're trying to do is to highlight families, not necessarily large families, but families in our City who have been here for years who have..., you've been law abiding citizens, have been positive citizens, have given back to the community. We just wanna say thank you and this is, I think, a good time to do it. So, I'll be calling Councilpersons that I haven't called and ask you, as well, to select a family that we can highlight and encourage and say thank you for being a family here in Riviera Beach.

Also, I wanna say to Councilwoman Hubbard that I do appreciate your, your advocacy on making sure that the contracts, that the local people here, local jobs, local..., the local community, I think, is, is awarding and I also support you on making sure that, um, in the future, that we stop some of the piggybacking and, and send things out, as well as you have said for others to participate in the, in the process.

I have a note from Ms..., uh, from, from a person out here that..., to announce that the Planning & Zoning Board will meet on Thursday, January the 12th and January the 26th. And that they're asking residents who are interested in coming out and speaking against this exception for the sodium hypochlorite...

[Inaudible dais comment]

MAYOR MASTERS:...is that it? I can't pronounce that big word.

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Hypochlorite.

MAYOR MASTERS: Alright..., project. However, our Family and Friends Day will not be on either one of those days, it will be on January the 19th, which is a Thursday so there will not be a conflict because I know it's kinda hard to take care of business in here and we're making a lot of noise out there. So, that won't be the problem. The reason why it is on Thursday, because it just rains on Friday. [Chuckle]. So, that's the main reason why we said let's go with Thursday. It rains on Friday for some reason.

For those of you who know that the Mayor is always giving..., or, or partnering with someone in Christmas gifts for our children, I don't do it as well as..., I don't do it as well as Councilwoman Pardo who has done it for years, even before she became a Councilperson, I remember she started it in her living room with just five people. But, uh, we do, I think, I do..., we've given bicycles, different..., almost every year, given something. I'm not for sure exactly what... I'm waiting on the partners now but if you call the Mayor's office in the next couple days, I will let you know if we're going to be doing any Christmas gifts. I'm sure we are but I just don't know what and how many. I certainly don't wanna leave out Stonybrook and the children there, in figuring out how we're going to share with, with them. I'll be talking more about Stonybrook later.

But, I do wanna say Happy Greetings to the residents of our City and we look forward to working and sharing with you and working together and continuing to make Riviera Beach the best waterfront city in which to live, work and play and pray. And, having said that, Merry Christmas as well.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you, sir. Really quick, as the Port liaison, I was at the Port Commission meeting the other day and one of the things that came up was the Port local bill and a lot of the things that's getting ready to come down the pipeline. Recent'.., in the past, we've had issues kinda come up at the last minute and one of the last things that came out of that meeting, that.., and I asked the Port and they agreed to, is for us to have a special meeting with just the Port and us, here at Council Chambers or some lo'.., disclosed location where we can talk about that bill, as a'.., so the public can see exactly what's being asked and what's being recommended and.., so we can all be on one accord before, um, way before Palm Beach County Day. I see our state lobbyist is here, Mr. Pittman. Have you been following that bill? You got anything...

MR. S. PITTMAN: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: ...you wanna say about it?

MR. S. PITTMAN: Yes, sir. I...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Please.

MR. S. PITTMAN: I, I sent it to...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Please.

MR. S. PITTMAN: ...all of you, I think.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

MR. S. PITTMAN: And, and the City Manager. First of all, thank you for the opportunity to work with you again. I did send the bill and I know that the Man'.., the Manager is having the City Attorney look over it. You know, I.., it doesn't have all the things that it had in it in the past...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Correct.

MR. S. PITTMAN: You know, it [stammer], you can only tell us whether it's something that...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: We want.

MR. S. PITTMAN: ...is offensive to you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Mhmm.

MR. S. PITTMAN: The trade stuff that was there is back in there so...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: But we all agreed on that.

MR. S. PITTMAN: Yeah. I think you..., that's what I was gonna say, I think you, you met...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Clean bill.

MR. S. PITTMAN: ...like you just said and you all agreed on that so, my first preliminary look at it, I didn't see any flags, um, but...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: It's a clean bill.

MR. S. PITTMAN: But it, but it's in your boxes and, and we'll welcome any feedback.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: One of the things that, Peyton McArthur, who is the liaison for the City, we ha'..., in that conversation, he stated he wanted to find ways to guarantee jobs for Riviera Beach residents. Cause, as we know, the Port, for so long, has been that backyard and there hasn't been education outreach, strong enough effort to get us involved with those real high paying skilled labor..., whatever jobs and trades that come through that in'..., that industry and that enterprise. We talk about the Port as they're, uh, landowners and everyone is leasing their property and we talk about finding a way to get their legal team to work with our legal team to guarantee service industry jobs for those who come to lease their lands, since they're landowners so we can create a real partnership between the City and the Port moving forward. And I think that was a really great thing that came out of that meeting.

So, you will be getting, um, [inaudible] I guess, drawing some straws for some dates with the Port and locations. Some emails will be going out from either Peyton McArthur or myself or Mr. Jones... Yes, sir?

MR. S. PITTMAN: Mr. Chair, and, if you remember, the, the part that was..., that didn't work for us before was the zoning piece that they were..., they, they wanted to not have to come here to deal with their zoning issues. That's..., I didn't see..., that's not in there.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Yeah. Zoning..., it was permitting.

MR. S. PITTMAN: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Right. Exactly. Before, they didn't wanna have to come back before the City and ask for..., and pay those permitting fees and getting speci'... No.

One other thing I would like to talk about, you know, just..., when Vice Chair talked about we had a long year. [Inaudible] this Board has worked extremely hard to bring all our goals together to..., in the best..., better good of the City. We're in..., we are now being charged to do something in the most critical time of the City's history. As you look at the Broadway corridor, things are gettin' ready to happen. We're getting ready to make a decision on

what that footprint is gonna do as we start attracting private development. We have a new library that we're gonna talk about the programming, what that's gonna look like, what that's gonna entail. Will it have a museum inside, will it have a movie theater, will it have retail space? Where will City Hall be? Where will the new recreation facility be? What's gonna happen with our so critical water plant? We gotta be engaged with that part. We got..., don't forget, that water plant is the most valuable resource we have in this City. If folks are gonna pay high water bills, then make sure we get the right quality water, making sure that our Staff is getting the proper training and we can support them with making sure that our residents are very, very healthy.

So, I look forward to the, um, the 2017 year as, when we go into these brief retreats and meetings with the Port, that we do something with this new Board that's ne'.., I ain't gonna say never been done before but it hasn't been done in a long time, which, comin' out fired up and really working well together to focus on a Citywide goal. With that being said, I have anything else to say.

Can I have a motion to adjourn'...

MAYOR MASTERS:One, one quick...

COUNCILPERSON PARDO: Motion to adjourn.

MAYOR MASTERS:Just one quick thing. I wanna announce that Jimmy Hicks, national artist, will be the...

[Inaudible dais comments]

MAYOR MASTERS:Yeah. For the event.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Is there a motion to adjourn .., Ms. Pardo?

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON:Ms., um, she had a...

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: I was just reminded of one last thing. We, as a City, with the cooperation of the Council, hope to launch a biggest winner's contest, a health and wellness challenge this year. We're hoping that what we could do is give the award for the winner will be \$1,000 or more, second placer maybe \$750 and \$500. We're gonna launch that in February but we will be in the parade giving out information. So, just stayed tuned, keep that in mind. We're gonna have a biggest winner contest, a weight loss health and wellness challenge for the entire City.

UNK: And I'm gonna lose some [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Alright. Thank you.

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON: Are you looking to have people participate in your meetings that you've been..., you're still looking for people to [inaudible]?

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: Yes. We are looking for people and we're gonna put it, um, the meeting dates on the TV because we believe that the time will have to change at the beginning of the year when we meet. So, we're going to advertise on TV for committee persons to come and be a part of it. We're gonna advertise it so that more than one Councilperson can come...

[Inaudible background comment]

COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD: ...to the committee meetings.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Motion to adjourn the meeting?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Alright.

UNK: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS: Good night.

[Gavel]

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