CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING May 2, 2018

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[Gavel]

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Good evening. I'd like to call the Regular City Council meeting of May 2, 2018 to order.

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION

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

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

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Present.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Julia Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Terence Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: City Manager Karen Hoskins?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. And we have no one from our Legal Staff here as of yet.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I would like to take a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson.

[Moment of silence]

COUNCILPERSON 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 JOHNSON: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHALL BE GIVEN A TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES TO SPEAK ON ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON A CONSENT AGENDA ITEM, PLEASE FILL OUT A PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED ON THE TABLE DIRECTLY OUTSIDE OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AND GIVE IT TO THE STAFF BEFORE THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA. PUBLIC COMMENTS CARDS FOR THE CONSENT AGENDA WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

AGENDA APPROVAL

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We reordered our discussions by City Manager, Statements by the Mayor and Council, but we did not include the City Attorney under, under that Item. And I also believe that there... Will you wanna address the request for old business?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. So, I would like to re'.., like to reorder the Agenda to include the statements by.., discussion by the City Attorney directly under the discussion by City Manager.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair? Where...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Where do we ha'.., where do we start putting it at? We're moving it...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, last...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...under...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...meeting I asked if we would put it.., we are putting it.., it is immediately... We were doing those first. They are right under the Agenda approval section.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh, okay. So...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right below.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Where... Okay. Discussion by City Manager, statement by Mayor and City Council, and then the Attorney as well?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: The Attorney right under the City Manager?

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk, are there any additions, deletions or substitu'... Madam City Manager, are there any additions, deletions or substitutions?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No, ma'am. I believe Councilperson TD Davis has an Agenda add-on.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Well, not really an add-on, it's a matter of just reordering.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: A reorder, I'm sorry.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Which is Items 14 and 11 under old business. The only addition I will be doing is, I have a series of town halls that I'll be doing and I'll be doing the community benefits for town hall purposes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are you adding community benefits?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: When.., Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, 11 and 14, where's that going?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: 14 and 11 will go under old business. [Pause]. In that order 14 [inaudible].

[Pause]

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And then, what was the other thing [stammer]?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Was community benefits creating an account for town hall meetings for \$2,000 for, for a series of town halls over the course of the year.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: How, how does that work?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: How does what work?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: The comm' [inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Basically what happens is, like I stated before, anytime we have something in the community, it's not a check that's issued, it's an account that Finance would have created a number for and any expenses related to my town hall, will be used just for the town hall specifically.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But, don't we us'.., like, it's given to, like, the Police Department or the Library Department, or?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, what's an example that you've done before like that?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: What I've done before? Like, the movie night, I did on the beach. I had an account opened and I bought popcorn, I bought food, I bought bracelets for...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...the kids to play with, transportation I used before when I...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...took kids from Stonybrooks to the beach.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, the town hall...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I paid for food at Two Dr**UNK**en...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: How much?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:Goat, family...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: How much?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: \$2,000 for a series of town halls, series for, for the year.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And that's going under community benefits.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, I ha'...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, why don't you go ahead and address yours?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. I have two community benefits, one for Ladies of Futurity, for program Tr**UNK**s for Success, basically scholarships for \$250 for Tamyla Fisher, and then another.., the second one is Ladies of Futurity, Trucks for Success, \$250, scholarship for Kendra Scott.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, Madam Clerk, that would be Item 5 for the town hall community benefit... No? We have...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: 4A, 4B and 4C.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible] 4B? 4A, 4B, and 4C?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That is correct.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Four... And there was a request to move Items 11 and 14 under old business.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: With 14 fist, then 11. In that order.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk, does it stand into order in which it's listed?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: I believe the request is to be 14 first, and then 11. That's the pleasure of the Board, if they wanna do that, we'll just leave them in the order in which they're listed as 11 and 14.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I only say that because that's the way I submitted the Items.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Pardon?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I actually submitted the Items in that order.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You submitted the Items in that order?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: 14 and 11 [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, how will you.., you will number them 14 and...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: They can keep the same number. They'll be listed on the Minutes, in reverse order.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Anything...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: That would be the old business.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... further from Council? So, that will be listed as old business?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, ma'am.

DISCUSSIONS BY THE CITY MANAGER

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, a couple of, well, a couple of announcements. The SEIU employees voted on April 30th and the contract was voted down. The vote was 65 to 30, so we'll be going back to the table to negotiate with SEIU employees. As of today, they sent an email with the.., arranging the possible dates of union negotiations.

Also, on May 9th, there will be a workshop. There's a workshop scheduled on rules of decorum, which will start at 7:00 p.m., immediately after the CRA meeting. Rules of decorum and Robert's Rules of Order. You did receive an email from the Charter Review Chairperson that would like to join your workshop, so I'm not sure if you would like to invite the Charter Review Committee, for the workshop on the, the 9th, we'll be talking about rules of decorum and Robert's Rules of Order.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I would be fine with that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, I not only think that the Charter Review, it should be open to all...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: All Boards.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... of our Boards.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Anybody that sits on any of our Boards, I think that we can extend that invitation so that they can attend.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Okay.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, Madam City Manager, when you say invite, it is a public meeting, are you inviting both members to pose questions during that time, or... So, you would need to be very specific when you say invite.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Participate.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, for me, I think that the workshops, the workshop standard process is the workshop standard process where there are no questions. However, the information can be presented to them. I don't, I don't, now how my colleagues feel about that because we would be changing the way we operate a workshop, if we open this up to allow for questions. But, what's the pleasure of the Council?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair? [Pause]. I would hope that we would allow Charter Review, and other Board members, to have the same ability to ask questions of the presenter that we would. I mean, if we are expecting them to get as much as we would get out of the experience, we would allow them to have questions. It's not as if they were members of the public who would not be serving on boards, they're

actually giving their time to serve on a board and they should be afforded the opportunity to have questions of the presenter, I would think.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: As long as that is made clear because we have, we have a process by which the public is not allowed to ask questions, and so, we need to be clear that the, the only questions that will be received outside of the Board, will be members of the Agen'...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: [Inaudible] invited.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... the appointed Boards here.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis, you're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Tho'.., will those questions be submitted before or tit's something that we, we will sit in a meeting, at a roundtable? Will it be at this facility, because we're talking about all those Board members, that will be quite a bit of folks, that will be sitting down to have a, like a roundtable type discussion? That's something that may have to take place at the Event Center.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We may need...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: It's such a large group.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:to, to remove it.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: From here, and place it over at the Event Center. So, we would need Staff to identify availability of space. Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, did you have any questions?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, it's kinda been answered. I was going to say with us inviting them, being that we're saying we're inviting them to participate, then we would be expecting them to have some say, so.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I think we've addressed that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Pleasure of the Board will prevail.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair? Logistically, you have the CRA meeting, I believe, right before the.., don't you all have a CRA meeting scheduled for the 9th?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We do.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: So, I guess we would have to push the time back, logistically, so you can leave from.., if the Event Center's available from here to go over to the Event Center. So, do you mind pushing the time back to 7:30?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I'm fine.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Can we have it all just over there?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Can't we just have the meeting...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Or just see if they can...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: They can have the...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible]...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:have the CRA... Okay. I'll check.,...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: As long as we...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...with Scott.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...meet the notice with the time, then we should be fine. We will reach out to...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...Mr. Evans. One moment please. Let' the record reflect that the Mayor's on the dais.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Will the.., when is the Charter Review scheduled to meet.., have their meetings? 'Cause that could be something where we could join them in their meeting versus having the CRA and having another meeting afterwards?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We, we have not scheduled. Remember, Staff was directed to go back and send out the letters of interest and to fill the complement, based on who decided to return to serve. So, Madam Clerk, after that process is completed, you'll let us know when you have reached a...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, the letters have been disbursed. Seven of the nine members have responded. One regular member did not respond, and one alternate did not respond. We also have to check the availability of the attorney. I don't know if Mr. Wolpin has been reached to as of yet. Legal Department did state that he has been contacted. And so, once we get the contract and everything signed with Mr. Wolpin, we can proceed from there, as to scheduling the meeting with Charter Review meeting, but I would like to also suggest that, if it is the Board's desire that a separate workshop can be set up for our Boards, for their training on parliamentary proceedings, if you so desire.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Any comment from the Board, on, on that offer?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I support Staff recommendations. I support Staff recommendations.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Does anybody else...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... have any comment with regards to what Staff is proposing?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: I don't have a problem with it.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Can you repeat that again, please?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: I was stating if it, if it is the Boards pleasure, that a separate training session can be set up for the.., all of the advisory boards.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. That's fine.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I have no...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... problem with that.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: [Stammer] we did have a specific request from the Charter Review Board. We are gonna have that training on that date, I don't have a problem with inviting other, other boards if, if we're gonna do that. I just would hate to say to the Charter Review, 'No, you can't come.' [Chuckle].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: You're, you're not saying...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: [Inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ... that they come ...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: 'You can still come to the meeting...' [Chuckle].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Councilperson Botel, 'cause it's a public meeting. It is a public meeting, so it's not that they cannot come.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: It's just to kinda keep your workshop geared toward you all and your questions, because you also have your rules of decorum that you all be addressing at that particular workshop.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And I think that, I think that the Chair of the Charter Review will understand that and be amenable to having a workshop with all of the advisory committees present.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. So, we will, we will take staff recommendation.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay. No problem.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Anything further, Madam?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: So, we will have the meeting here, and not move...Okay. Alright.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, we will remain here for.., on March.., on May 9th?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, we don't need [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So we don't have to move our CRA meeting nor the...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Workshop.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Workshop.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Also, as it relates to the City Manager timeline, a list of names, the original timeline, or the timeline that you approved, you wanted to hire a City Manager by the May 18th meeting, and it looks like we're not gonna be able to make that meeting. As I stated in the last.., during the last meeting, I received names from three of the City Council Members, so I just need you all to give me direction on how to move forward, or you wanna revise the timeline, go with the names that we have?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Botel.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Could I please get an update from Staff on the status of the RFP to determine when we can obtain a consultant who's gonna help us move forward on the process of examining our policies, procedures, taking a look at helping us find a new City Manager and all that. I think.., I thought we were gonna move forward with that rather than jumping into getting a City Manager from that pool that we.., that a couple of us, at least, found unacceptable. Where are we with that?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Well, your RFP, you stated that you want an RFP completed to.., for the purpose of policies and procedures, or to.., for the...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: No.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ... City Manager search?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: It was a much more comprehensive thing than policies and procedures. I think you mu'.., must've been given a, an explanation of what that was. Have.., has that been moved forward?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No. As it relates to hiring someone to assist me, I have spoke with a couple of people about serving as an Interim Assistant, so I'm gonna move forward with that.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: No...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: However, as it relates to an RFP, the assistant can assist me with those type policy.., developing policies and procedures. I just need to know how you all would like to move forward with the City Manager search.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair? This was not about getting an assistant for the City Manager, this was about taking a look at someone, the likes of Dr. Richard Orman, or other people who responded to... We had a conversation about this on the dais. Dr. Orman's name was mentioned. Other people responded via email, I believe, with an interest in filling that need for us, to take a look at a variety of things that go on in this City, not just policies and procedures and I thought, I was of the impression, I guess I was wrong, that, that the Procurement Department was developing an RFP so that we could obtain the services of a consultant to help the City in this regard.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, [stammer], let me respond. What I recall asking for, was a.., for us to find out from the Procurement Department what would be the best type of solicitation in order to go after the services of a consultant. Now, we do have several options. The City Manager does have an, an authority of \$24,999, where she could enter into.., enter into a consultant agreement with any one of those, because it was Dr. Orman, it was Anita Favors Thompson. There were several other names that came forward.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, we have that option, but I don't believe that we have come back with the information as it related to what was the best type of solicitation...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... because we wanted to be able to come in and take a look at the various operations, not necessarily the policies and...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...procedures, but that has to be done as well.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And so, we had a conversation with regards to bringing in someone to do a review and a [pause].., just a.., it really is a review of, of what we have in place.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, we haven't come back to have that conversation. Remember the meeting the ended late, there was no conversation that you, you wanted to have at that night? So...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: So...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... that's where we are...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I guess that's...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...with that.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...why I'm asking for an update on that, and I don't recall that we talked at all about getting an assistant. What I rec'.., what I do recall is that we talked about bringing a consultant in. Did I miss...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We talked about getting a consultant...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... but we also talked about giving her the authority to hire, so that she could move some of the business of the City along...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...and I would believe that an assistant would come into that play, but we.., we are also ha'.., we have that on the Agenda to discuss tonight.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: But, most important, I'd like to know where we are with regard to that RFP, or RFQ, whatever process we're gonna use to get the consultant in place.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Oh, hold on, plea'... Okay. Councilwoman.., Pro Tem and then, I believe, Councilman Davis.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: My understanding of..., the conversation started because Mrs. Hoskins was given the authority to get an assistant to help her move the duties along. One of the things that was pulled out and specified was that they would be able to one, help with the assist'..., help with [stammer] the policies and pro'..., putting policies and procedures in place or making sure that they were. The other thing, the, the other thing was, they would also help her with, with managing the day to day process. Now, in, in that conversation, people..., someone sent..., you recommended the letter that we all received from a Mr. Orman. He, in turn, stated he would like to interject into this process and offer professional services. Subsequently, everybody started sending proposals to offer professional service. We're talking about two different things. Ms. Hoskins has been..., has already been given the authority to hire an assistant and we can find that in the Minutes for you. The..., this RFP for a, for a professional services may or may not end up being needed because, if she brings in someone of the Anita Favors stature, or the Orman stature, they will be able to...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...to solicit persons who will, in turn, apply for the Manger or help her with the policies and procedures that she's trying to get in place. The conversation went into two to three different directions that particular night and I..., what I was talking about, is letting her, untying her hands, giving her the authority to go ahead and get some assistance so she can move the day to day operation of the City along and to help get some of the things off of her plate that, that was there. And I guess everybody heard on the TV about a professional service person applying and, subsequently, we have been flooded with that and thus, we will need an RFP to take care of them. But, what we don't need an RFP for, is for her to bring in someone to assist her.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis and then Councilwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I, I do believe... Thank you Madam Chair. I do believe we all are heading down the right road in this process. Now, we did state, Councilperson Botel, that we will look at the consultants, between the two folks ..., the three that had sent some information out. As you do recall, I talked about we previously [stammer] hire someone from the CRA and the City side to already start that process with our policies

and procedures. Under.., and we all agreed that we find someone to assist with that, also with the recommendations, as they review the applications that we're interviewing, to also make a recommendation based upon their unique set of skills and longevity of experience to let us know whether or not someone is unqualified or strong or may be a unique fit for the City, and we also had that discussion as well.

What Ms. Hubbard is stating.., Vice Chair Hubbard is stating tonight is, is that under the pen threshold, if the City Manager chose to, and we allow her to do her job, she can move forward without a RFP or RFQ to select folks to assist with those services for time sake, long as it fall up under the pen threshold. And she has that threshold to do that. Yes, in the last meeting we did state, those questions did came up, just like Madam Chair Davis Johnson stated, she did ask what process was best suited for what we were trying to do. We have yet to receive any information to that question that she stated to the, to..., for the public, in that meeting. So, we still have to address the question that our City Manager asked is, how are we going to move forward with the timeline? You know? Obviously, we can't do what we want on the date, but at some point, we must make a decision to have someone in place to make a stable decision to move the City forward.

Now, with the tools that we've already given her, based upon the folks that sent us emails, she can go ahead up under her pen authority and reach out to all those folks that submitted proposals to assist with the policies and procedures, to assist with reviews and..., reviewing the resumes and talking with folks to let us know, okay, who will be a good fit, a group of people that we can choose from, from the process so we can still get all those things accomplished that we asked those questions about before we got Mr. Orman, Anita Favors and there was maybe one or two other folks that reached out. But, under her pen authority, she does have the, the opportunity to go ahead and move forward with that and sit down with us one on one and so you can have [cellphone ringtone], I just turned this phone off. That's another issue. Yeah. So, she does have the pen authority to sit down with us in our one on one's to get a lot of these questions asked out... hashed out, as well as move forward with some of the folks that you may be comfortable with, with, giving you a recommendation in the process for time sake. We don't necessarily need an RFP or RFQ to do it, she can still go ahead and work with Dr. Orman or Anita Favors or whoever else that may have submitted something, under her pen threshold. One may do policies and procedures, one may focus on, like a Favors, that who has senior years of experience as City Manager to look and review the resumes to say, 'Hey,' you know, 'you have a good group of applicants or you don't.' She would be, probably, the best fit person to that, with the level of experience that she comes highly recommended nationally, on a national level.

So, you know, I mean, we all have..., if you wanna have input, cool, we can do that RFQ, RFP level or allow the City Manager to move forward so we don't waste time so she can reach out to all those individuals and figure out who she want to do what and so we can move forward in our selection process for City Manager, someone to review our policies and procedures or updates we need done, uh... what happened to the last policies and procedures that we did previously from the CRA and City side, 'cause I know there was someone that started that work a couple years ago, but it hasn't been completed yet.

So, we can accomplish all these things, it's just a matter of how soon we wanna do it and do we really wanna do it?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I, I do recall the conversation about the RFP, however, I do not recall saying that she had the authority to go ahead and hire an assistant for Assistant City Manager. Now, I don't know, is that falling under the Item 11 that we're getting ready to talk about, that I clearly do not remember saying that she had the authority to go ahead and hire an assistant. So, that part, I'm, I'm not on board with.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Ch'...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Chair? If it would be the pleasure of the Board, I can look.., review the Minutes, provide a copy of the Minutes to each Board Member.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. I think that would be [inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair? The Item that Councilperson Miller-Anderson is stating is regarding the City Manager hiring her deputy, that was in a previous meeting. The me'.., the last meeting we talked about the department head positions.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, what [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: So, so, so she would have to go back and look in a couple of...

[Inaudible dais comments]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point of clarification...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...I believe that we t'.., last week, at the last meeting.., not last week but at the last meeting, it.., the hour grew late and we were going to talk about the authority for her to hire because, prior to that meeting, we discussed giving her that authority.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Exactly.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And we were to bring it back.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Absolutely.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Does anyone recall...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... that conversation?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I recall something dying for a lack of a second. I can re'.., exactly remember which one that one that was...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: That's.., that was what...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:for.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: We did not have a second on giving her the authority to hire department chairs, but...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Yeah. Something...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right. But we.., it came.., it was coming back. We discussed that it would come back and the meeting ran late and when that Item came up, there was the lack of second because of the lateness of the hour not because we didn't agree to it because we discussed it at a previous meeting, giving her the authority.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: It was a...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:5-0 consensus.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...[inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No. It wasn't a 5-0.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: We were still over there, at the Center.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You're recognized, Councilwoman Botel.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I have no recollection of giving the authority to hire an assistant. I'd like to look at the Minutes on that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It, it was positions, it wasn't specifically spelled out that it was going to be the assistant.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: But, I do remember talking about specific positions, some of the positions that are critical...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...and we talked about...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: And...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... untying her hand.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Councilperson Davis mentioned that we need to do something quickly, just now. I, I, I don't know what word he used, but if I had my druthers, we wouldn't do something quickly, we'd do something right. And, in my opinion, to do something right means to hire a qualified professional, consultant, not to look at policies and procedures exclusively, there is a range of things that needs to be done in this City, and they need to be done by someone who is competent, qualified, who has the experience. In my opinion, it's someone from the university, it's someone who has, has the experience of having been a City Manager. I don't know any of the people who have proposed to do this work, but I think this is the kind of work that needs to be done by a consultant, such as the one'..., the one's that have presented themselves to us.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Of course.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Whether that takes looking at an RFP by the Procurement Department, or, or some other process, I don't know, but it certainly has to be done right. And it can't be done just by saying, 'Okay, we'll let the City Manager pick and choose who this is gonna be.' I don't think that's the way to do it...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...in my opinion.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, I, I would agree that it needs to be done right, but there is no guran'..., we have..., from the very, from, from the onset, Anita Favors Thompson extended herself, and she is a thirty year tenured City Manager, and so we talked about that but we never moved forward with it, and then we subsequently received some additional names. I am in full agreement that we need someone who has had tenure as a City Manager and for someone to be a City Manager for thirty years, I think that that is superior tenure, and that shows that she has the ability to come in and do the evaluation that we're looking for. So, I'm not oppo'..., I'm not opposed to that. If we want to go through an RFP process, you have to understand that you have draft the RFP, once the RFP is drafted, it then hits the streets, it has a, a period of time that's going to be associated with it, then it has to go to selection committee. This is not a thirty day process, and we need to be aware of that, if that is the direction that we're going but we have not heard from our Purchasing Department to tell us what is the best type of procurement in order to move forward with this.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Chairwoman.., Chair Pro Tem and then Councilman Davis.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam Chair, the, the two things that we are allowing to get convoluted and mixed up, if we're talking about two or three different things, we have to separate them. I'm hoping that Mrs.., that our City Clerk is able to find the conversation where we agreed that the City Manager would be allowed to get some assistance. I don't know what particular date it was, but I want to say that we were still over at the Event Center. I am not certain of that. The la'..., I do know, more recently the conversation took place when we were.., when, when we were here. Now, I'm hope'... Now, the other thing that..., when, when this consultant type piece came in, that was when someone talked about our, about our hiring of the City Manager. Two things, Mrs. Hoskins has asked us, what do we want her to do with the process of hiring the City, the City Manager? We were all given names to submit. Three people followed through and submitted the names, they have a list. They.., my understanding was we needed to create a new timeline if we were going to move forward, or if we were going to decide to extend the time to submit applications. That's anot'.., that's another option. But to say that this person, this professional service provider is coming in to do anything other than assist Mrs..., to assist the, the City Manager that we have in place, is a, is a lot different than what, what we talked about the other night. So I'm really hoping that we get those, we get those Minutes so that we can clear this up, because the professional service provider can come in...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...but Mrs., Mrs. Favors, who had been under discussion before, she's seasoned, to provide assistance as an Assistant City Manager, as a professional service provider to Ms. Hoskins, I think truly she needs to have the luxury of working with whom she can work with to get that. Now, you wanna hire somebody else to put books together, policies, plans and procedures, that's understandable as well, but we're talking about two and almost three different things here.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I believe it was Davis and then Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. I'm gonna be very short. It was just stated, maybe it had been a misunderstanding that I said we make a, a fast decision, what I meant, Councilperson Botel, in my comments, I said we need to make a decision at some point. I didn't say when make a decision..., when to, I said but this Board needs to make a decision.

What Cou'.., Vice Chair Hubbard stated, is exactly what I stated. We've been all discussing two or three separate issues. We were all on the same accord on all those issues at that time. Now, we're at a meeting where we're trying to get back on accord but those Minutes will speak for themselves. I will not speak for the Minutes, I will allow the Minutes to speak for themselves. All I'm stating is, at some point, we must make a

decision. Other cities have made decisions across Palm Beach County, and they t'.., and they made educational [stammer], and they worked together as a team. They made the decisions at a, at a Board level and they worked through the process. All I'm stating is, we must have stability in this City and, at some point, we must show the residents that we can make a decision, don't change our minds and move forward for the benefit for this entire community. Whenever that does happen.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, I just want to.., so, we're not moving... We're gonna wait for the Minutes and see what the Minutes say and then we'll go from there?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, this Item.., there, there is dis'.., there is room for us to discuss this under old business, so we can resume the comment and the conversation...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: If we can get...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:after that.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...that before we have the conversation, then that would be great for me. I just wanna make sure 'cause I don't.., I do not recall that. So, if they can work on getting that so by the time we get there, I would appreciate it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you. Any further comments, Madam City Manager? [Inaudible] continue...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: We, we will answer the City Manager's question at that time, as well? On old business?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Timeline?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We will come back. Yes. Any further...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No, ma'am.

DISCUSSION BY THE CITY ATTORNEY

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Any statements, or discussion by the City Attorney?

CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Nothing at this time? Alright.

COMMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Our comments by the Mayor and City Council.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Start on this end?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Start with Mr. Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. I just wanna say to a job well done to the Housing Authority yesterday, as we took another step forward in Riviera Beach with the \$22,000,000 economic development with senior housing on the old Ivy Green site. It was great to see the hard work over the last decade come to fruition. We put the shovel in the ground, we have our seniors in our community and our veterans, will have a wonderful opportunity to have some safe, clean housing, and I just wanna thank you to them and thank you to all of our Staff, Public Works, who did a wonderful job with repairing the grounds for us to have a wonderful ceremony, as well as HTG and Gulf Construction at that time.

And I will just stick with that.

[Pause]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No comment, Commissioner Botel? [Pause]. Commissioner Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I wanted to know.., I know when we made the approval for the Summer Youth Employment Program, we asked about the plan coming back before us. Do we know when that is going to come back with, like, the timeline and all of the details? [Pause]. No?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: I'll have it at the next meeting.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And then, the.., for the pay study, comp study, that we had a discussion on a few months back, the.., on Friday I asked for additional information from Ms. Hoskins and I did receive that. I'm trying to find out, when we had the actual presentation done, why didn't we receive all of that backup to go along with it? The, the actual breakdown?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: You're talking about the detail...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...information?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: From what I understand, we don't usually give out the detail information of the.., for each individual employee. And that's been the past practice. I don't know if...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: When was the last time we had a comp study done?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The last time a comp study was done, probably about ten years ago, ten, fifteen years ago, but even with the budget, I don't think you received the detailed salary information.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So, with that though, I do think that would, for me anyway, I don't know about anybody else, it would've been very important to have all of that information when we had that discussion back in February. Because I, I do have some concerns about some of the things that are in there that I may have been able to address back then when we had the presentation. And I'll be bringing that back up at another time, to address.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Can... Madam?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: And, we are still going through the calculations and making adjustments, so.., and I can give you updates if you would like.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We all will get a copy...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. And then the other Item, the question that I have in regards to the situation with the Building Official, without going in full detail, I want to know, in our..., with our processes, when someone is in that situation, have..., do we do an internal investigation as well, into the matter or, or address it in some kind of way? Do we have something in place for that? [Pause]. Not even going into guilty, not guilty, or what the situation is about, but anytime we have an employee has some sort of issue related to the job, do we, or should we launch our own investigation and/or do administrative leave while it is being done?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I'm., that for Ms. Manager.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Point of order.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: What... What's...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: As it...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... your point?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: My point...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: State your point.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...is, if this is a legal [stammer], legal matter and we're...

[Inaudible dais comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...discussing this in a public meeting, I think there may or may not be some things that will compromise the investigation or any process moving forward with Legal. So, I don't know what they may or may not be, but I don't wanna put this City, or any employee or any elected official in any disadvantage due to we're discussing a legal issue in a public meeting that should be discussed, if you want to, under confidentiality, behind closed doors with legal representation so they can get you apprised on everything that's going on.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam... I'm not asking to discuss the legal matter, at all...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You're just asking about what...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I am just...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... the policy is.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...what is the policy when we have a situation such as that, whether forget the details, it's there. When we have something like that, is the person placed on administrative leave while an inves'..., internal investigation is being done? That is my question. It has nothing to do with the case, per se, talking about it right now. That's not what my question is. My...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: And I wo'...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...question is...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... if we are dealing with an employee with a situation, do that person come right back and go to work, or are they placed on leave while we do our own internal investigation?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I would have to defer to the City Attorney or Human Resources.

CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT: As I understand the question, is whether or not we have a pol'.., policy in place that addresses that? I don't believe so. I've not seen any.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. If we do not have one, I understand that we probably don't, and we, we probably don't because there's a lot of things that we need to address when it comes to policy, but I would think that that is something that needs to be done. I think it does not send a great message out to people, that if there is an issue that you just come back to work and we're not..., we're just overlooking it. We have to launch some sort of investigation, of our own.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: While...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Um...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: When she's done, I...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Were...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, we're s'...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yeah. I wanna make a statement.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. I think that it would be important and prudent for us to look at best practices for other municipalities and county governments on how they handle that...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And., yeah.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... and look to bring forward some language...

CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...that is.., we want to certainly protect the interest of the...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...community but we also don't...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... to violate the rights of a, of an...

CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT: And I still haven't [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...employee. So...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...let's take a look at best practices and see what is happening out there...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...and bring some language back to us so that we can set that.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, that would be great because.., an that's why I'm asking because I know I.., I know of several entities, that is what happens. You don't just come back to work like that. So, if you could look to find some? You need me to find some or you can find some?

[Inaudible comments]

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: We'll look up.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We can all find some.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And, if we can get that done by Fri'... At least work on it tomorrow...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...and then be able to send that back out to us and see what you come up with. But, I know most places, there are some sort of consequence we... I mean, not even a consequence, just a matter of looking into it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You can't just ignore it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Perhaps we can just reach out to the League of Cities since they have access to...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Absolutely.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...all of the municipalities...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...and have them...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's wonderful..

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... provide some, some language to us that can be presented to our City Attorney and to Staff for us to review.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Councilman Davis.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: And, and as we move forward with that, that was one, one of the things I wanted to add to that, best practices because, when you look at, for example, the School District, a lot of times they handle the case by case for folks that have incidents, they're not guilty but I've seen sometimes where they go back to work, but I've seen times when they move 'em to the District office where they're not going home but they're at the District office until an investigation is going on, but that's the School District. But, I've seen times when the School District, where folks have..., may or may not have done things and it showed, based upon their investigation they was warranted, they was allowed to stay within their job. But those have been case by case basis.

But, the League of Cities will be a perfect instrument for us to use to make a recommendation so we can satisfy the appetite of this entire Board.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But that's exactly what I was.., my point. He even admitted that an investigation is done of some sort, whether they go to the District office, as you just said, and that's my point. We still need to do something and we have not done anything that I'm aware of, because that is what the District does. The District does launch their own internal investigation. And, if it involves something dealing with their job, typically, they are removed, they're either home or they're moved to another location. In this case, obviously, that wouldn't be an option, but there is something done, it's not just left wide open ended and ignored. That...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... an investigation is always done.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point, point taken.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Internally.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We will reach out to the League of Cities and get some language and bring that back to us. Chair Pro Tem.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: The.., I don't think that the City is up to leaving it wide open or ignoring it. I know that the Legal team and the Department have been reviewing the documents, have been looking to certify and to make sure that the City itself is what I.., is in place, and if the City has followed policies and procedures to the letter, then that means that the employee has followed the policies and procedures to the letter. If the City has not followed policies and procedures to the letter. If the policies and procedures to the letter because the two go hand in hand. So, if the City's done what they needed to do, then, of course, the employee has done what they needed to do. The only way, if you read the Ordinance, if you know the rule, if you read it, from what I..., what..., from what I read, the two will go hand in hand, the two will survive or the two will crash together. Based on what I read in the, in the Ordinance.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But as she was saying, pretty much an investigation is being conducted, it sounds like from what you're saying, but that's my whole my point, when that is going on, usually something is done while all of that is taking place. So, I think...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: To let the ...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...you, you...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...City.., to see who, to see, to see if we, as the City, has followed the policies and procedures.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No. That was your example. I'm just saying an investigation...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Of what?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... being done to make sure to make sure that everything was followed and done the way it should be.

UNK: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thanks.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We, we have taken that into consideration. We certainly will reach out to the League of Cities...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...and provide a response. Any further comments from you, Councilwoman?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Not at this time, no.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Chair Pro Tem.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: There.., there's a couple things that I would like to announce. From the MPO Board representation, Tri-rail is going around the county doing... We have a new name, it's TPA now. They have changed the name to the planning organization. So, on May 7th, here in the Chamber, from 6:00 to 8:00, Tri-Rail will be here talking about the different stops that we have in Riviera Beach, expanding that, hearing from the community to see where they feel they might need more stops or less stops or if we even feel that we want them. All the other cities and municipalities are coming out and they're speaking up as to where the money should be spent for Tri-Rail stops, so I'm hoping that the public will come out and have their say, where they would like to see Palm Tran stops. I did say Tri-Rail, but I meant to say Palm Tran, excuse me. Palm Tran will be here in the house on May 7th at 6:00 o'clock to 8:00 o'clock p.m., here in the Chamber and they invite us to share in the vision or to enhance our services. So, you know that the money goes to the squeaky wheel. So, we have something to say and we want a part of that budget, we need to be here to put in for, for those dollars as well.

Also, on Thursday, May 17th, here in the Council Chambers, I will be hosting an affordable housing sustainability forum with the Director Jonathan Brown from Palm Beach County. There has been an allotment of funds for, for first time homeownerships. There're gonna be special incentives for teachers, lawyers, nurses, so come out if persons are interested in, in buying homes. The county will be here to present and to tell us about those, those opportunities.

And, right now, Madam Chair, that's all I have...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible]...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD:for....

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: The affordable... The affordable housing forum will take place from 6:00 o'clock to 8:00 p.m. here in the Chamber.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mayor, do you have any comments?

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes. Briefly. Let me take advantage of the moment to wish all mothers an early Mother's Day because we will not have an airing, another meeting before Mother's Day. Very important day, of the year. Mr. Calloway, with the Youth Recreation'..., Recreation Association and the Mothers Against Murderers are gonna being putting together some type of celebration for mothers who have been impacted because of violence, lost children or have just had some type of tragedy relating to their

families. I don't have the exact date this is going to be but it is going to be sponsored by, mainly, by the Mothers Against Murderers Association, President Mrs., Ms. Ann Williams. And, I know that he, he's asked me to make an announcement to the public for their support and participation, as well as the Council Members, would like to be engaged and support this worthy cause and event, to please get in touch with the Mothers Against Murderers Association, who is primarily hosting and Mr. Calloway is sharing, as he always [chuckle] does at some type of event in our community, for mothers, fathers, seniors, veterans, he's there and we apricate his service.

I also want to announce that I'm going..., the Office of the Mayor's gonna be hosting, hosting a public safety school, safety security workshop, seminar, whatever you wanna call it, conference, that will be held in the Chambers within the next ten days and we will focus..., we will have experts here that will talk about school safety, what partners need to know, what parents can do, as well as what the school is doing to better secure and better make sure that our securities and the attack at the schools and the Police Department, they're, they're involved as well, as it relates to the School Resource Officers and others. It's gonna be very important that we become cognizant of what we can do. We must not wait until something happens, but we must be proactive and reactive. At the same time, we will continue to press the School Board for metal detectors as..., in the public schools as soon as possible. It's just a way for the country, it's just the only thing that metal detector is the only thing that can stop a gun from walking into the campus and there's no argument about that.

And, Madam Chair, I developed a, a cough and so, at some points of the meeting tonight, I'll probably need to be excused during some of the sessions if I'm not able to stay during the entire session, tonight. Please excuse me. So, I'll be in an out maybe.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, we certainly wish you well and...

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... that you feel better.

I would like to [chuckle] make a, a correction, or not a correction but I need to disclose that a family member of mine may be impacted by the City's compensation study, and I have been advised by the City Attorney that I was and am entitled to vote on the issue adopting the study because it did not in'.., injure a special benefit or a special...

CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT: Inure.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Inure, inure., a special private gain to me personally. So, I wanted to make sure that that was on the record.

As it relates to my comments, I want to remind.., just to share that on April 24th, we had the FDOT team in, in the Marina Event Center to share information with regard to the landscape plan that is replacing the concrete wall that was scheduled to be installed along the north side of MLK from President Barack Obama Highway. How far west, Mr. Bailey?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Australian.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Australian Avenue, and we do have the renderings of what the landscape and lighting plan will look like. We will put those in the lobby for you to peruse as you come in and out of City Hall, and if you have any questions, you certainly can direct them to our office and we will share that information with FDOT if there are any other concerns, but the information will also be added to the website so that it's available for the constituents that may not be able to come down and take a look at the renderings.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes, Mr. Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Chuckle]. Did the state disclose whether or not they're gonna give us.., what type of an allotment they're gonna give us for the time to do the maintenance on the landscaping of that road?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, the landscaping does not... We, we discussed briefly that the landscaping does not turn over until the, the project is completed.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, we don't know what that is going to look at, at this point.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Oh, okay. But usually they give us, because that, that road is a state road, they usually give us, let say, two, \$300,000 over the course of a lifetime for us to maintain that... But I guess it will based...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...upon what type of...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We certainly will...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...design you all are gonna do. Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We will have that conversation as we move...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's fine.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...closer to project completion. [Pause]. Both of these?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Oh, yeah.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I wanted to ask my colleagues to support me in providing \$5,000 of funding from the educational budget that we set aside last Fiscal Year, and I believe this Fiscal Year, to support a coding boot camp over the summer. That is a partial part of the cost and I'm seeking sponsorship dollars to help offset the costs, but I would like to have a [pause], have the Council's approval of my use of \$5,000 from that fund to support a coding boot camp for our students here over the summer. We're looking at a July date, and we want to be able to offer coding because we know how important the stem piece is and we want to be able to engage our students over the summer. So, if I can.., I'm happy to provide information with regards to what will happen during the course of the, the session, but I would like to be able to have \$5,000 allocated to that particular initiative.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: With that...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...amount of money that we had put aside, had you looked into how much it's going to be for the Youth Council?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We are still.., we are planning to bring that back to you. So, we want to be able to not utilize those funds but to, as I mentioned, best practices for Youth Councils that are held are typically funded by the Police Departments, from their forfeiture funds. So, those were the dollars that I intended to go after, as opp'..., as opposed to using those dollars that we, we set aside.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And then, the CRA is not providing any of those coding courses through their summer programs that they have going on?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: They don't have a coding boot camp so to speak, they have some tech pieces, but they don't specifically have a coding piece.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: They offered some light coding over the spring break but it was not, based on the information that I received from Code Fever and what was presented, it wasn't an in depth coding course.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm. Because, well, I guess we.., if you can... I, I mean, I would be in support of, you know, the education piece as we did set it aside for that purpose. What, what I don't want to start seeing, is for everybody

having, you know, individually asking for certain amounts to be broken off for something for individual type programs. Like, if we were gonna do twenty-fi'.., I think it was like \$25,000 that we had. If we wanna.., if we can just say, with the \$25,000, this is what we're gonna do for the use of all, collectively, not I wanna use part of it for the Citizen Leadership Academy, you wanna use part of it for the coding. You know what I mean? I, I don't wanna see us start doing that...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... because we essentially are just taking money and adding it as a promotional or community benefits, or however. So, I, I would like to see for us to have a plan, a complete plan of how we're gonna use the \$25,000, or whatever the amount was.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And I don't disagree with you but, because we did not have a plan in place...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... we were not utilizing the dollars, and so I thought that I would go ahead and ask now, but I think that it is incumbent upon us as a Council to...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...to determine what the use of the educational dollars that have been set aside...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, can we...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:for.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Can we either put that for one of our workshops, or a meeting as a discussion and just when we all come back, if we do it on the discussion and deliberation for the next meeting, everybody just comes back so we can have that discussion on what are the things we would like to see and we can kinda do it all at the same time.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Sure. If that's the pleasure of the Council, absolutely.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's cool.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's fine. So what, everyone bring back, like, an initiative for education?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I support that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, does that mean I have consensus that the Board will allow me to use these...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Not yet.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...\$5,000?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I wanna...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: I have no problem with it.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I would like to...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I have no problem with it.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...wait until we... Do you have to do it now?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: It's five a piece.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I mean, is it some'...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: But...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You, you can't...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... summer is here, it's five weeks. But I want to get the, get the consensus of the, of the Board. I mean, we haven't decided, you know, for two years what the initiative was...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right, right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:going to be.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, I certainly think that we can do that moving forward.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, that's gonna be your use of it, pretty much?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: For., yes.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: That could be that and then I will go into consensus with whatever...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... the Council decides that we want to be.., the use for it.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I'm fine with that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: May I have a, a motion?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and... [Pause]. Can we do that in comments?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I don't know. I am so off here.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Because I'm asking. Well, you know, with us having our comments here, I'll bring it back, we can bring it back after.., because we're just in comment.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. And I was gonna say, I don't know if you're.., doing our comments right here in the.., we haven't even adopted the Agenda yet. It's kinda thrown [inaudible]....

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right. But I asked for permission to do that so that we could get some things out of the way and just...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, I understand why, but I'm just saying maybe if.., maybe if we can consider doing it after the Consent Agenda is done [chuckle]. Just, you know, the... 'Cause who knew this was going to last this long?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right. Who knew?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: This is our first time doing comments...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...this early.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And I'm just thinking, if we could at least get passed the logistics of adopting the Agenda, 'cause when we finish talking, we're gonna think we're done for the night.

[Chuckle]

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You know? I mean, just because that's what we're kinda used to doing...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... so maybe if we could get through this stuff and then the Consent Agenda, and then maybe.,.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: That's fine.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... have it...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I, I..., we can bring...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Just let...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... it back up.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...it flow 'cause...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm. I know it's, it's odd. Change...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: It is, yeah.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... is a little odd, and doing things a little differently is odd, I understand.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And it's okay. I just...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: It is kinda gettin'.., throwing us off a little bit.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Of course.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Of course. I, I can imagine.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, with that being said, we will entertain a motion to ado'... Are there any... We did... [Chuckle].

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Chuckles].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Now that we are done with our comments, I'll., I'd like a motion to adopt the Agenda with the...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...changes.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been moved and properly second. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Comments from the public on consent Agenda. All matters listed under this item are considered to be...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair? Did we do disclosures? For everybody?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Did I not do that?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I know you did something earlier just in your comment, but I don't think...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...we all were...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

DISCLOSURES BY COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Disclosures by Council. Any?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I have none. Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Alright.

CONSENT AGENDA

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there.., are there any Items to be pulled?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly second.

<u>MINUTES</u>

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD APRIL 4, 2018.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY (561) 845-4090

RESOLUTIONS

2. RESOLUTION NO. 40-18 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A DONATION OF \$25,000 FROM THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR PALM BEACH AND MARTIN COUNTIES FOR THE RICHARD RELLFORD AND KENNY ANDERSON BASKETBALL ACADEMY AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO INCREASE THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR SAME; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

DEPT. DIRECTOR: RICHARD BLANKENSHIP (561) 845-3411

COMMUNITY BENEFITS REQUESTS ON CONSENT

- 3. WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL \$500- COUNCILWOMAN KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON TO SUPPORT STUDENTS FUN DAY.
- 4. PALM BEACH GARDENS HIGH SCHOOL \$500 COUNCILWOMAN JULIA BOTEL - FOR PROJECT GRADUATION 2018.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do not have any public comment cards for the Consent Agenda.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Which ended with Item No. 4C and so the acceptance of comment cards for the Consent Agenda is now closed. Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

[Pause]

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Stammer]. What...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Agenda [inaudible]...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: For the adoption of the Consent Agenda.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: What are you vo'.., we're voting?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh. [Chuckle]. I thought.., I don't know why I thought we did. Yes. I thought...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We, we adopted.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: You adopted the Agenda...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...with the last motion.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And so, now we are...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You just put me at the beginning this time?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Chuckle].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

5.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we are now at Item No. 5.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PROCLAMATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF MAY 13 – 19, 2018 AS FLORIDA WATER REUSE WEEK **MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, we are, we are prepared. I'm gonna ask the Chief of Staff to go ahead and take care of this, and then I'm gonna as Tawanna, from the City Clerk's Office, to assist in this Proclamation, at this point. Tawanna, Ms. Smith.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Where's the Water Department?

MAYOR MASTERS: Is the Water Department here?

UNK: Mr. Horton is here.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: 'Cause you need to...

MAYOR MASTERS: Yeah. I just like to have her.., someone from the City Clerk's Office to assist and make it official.

[Pause]

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Do you have the language to read the bottom?

MAYOR MASTERS: No, no. I'll just do it from here.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: Do we need.., you need any assistance from the Clerk's office?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: She's here, but...

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Well, let's see. Ms. Smith, could, could you help us? Would you... Thank you.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Debbie Isaacs, Chief of Staff...

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you so much.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: ... of the Mayor.

PROCLAMATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, safe , clean and sustainable water resources are essential to Florida's environment, economy, citizens and visitors; and

WHEREAS, although Florida's water supplies are finite, the state's population and need for water resources continue to increase; and

WHEREAS, water reuse provides a means for conserving and augmenting Florida's precious water resources and is key to the state's sustainable water future; and

WHEREAS, Florida has established through encouragement and promotion of water reuse as state objectives in Chapter 373 and 403, Florida statutes; and

WHEREAS, Florida has risen to be the national leader in water reuse, reusing 760,000,000 gallons of reclaimed water per day to conserve fresh water supplies and replenish our rivers, streams, lakes and aquafers; and

WHEREAS, Florida's permitted reuse capacity is over 1.6 billion gallons per day, approximately 69% of Florida's total permitted capacity for all domestic water, wastewater treatment facilities; and

WHEREAS, Water Reuse Florida, the state section of the Water Reuse Association, has proclaimed the week of May 13 – 19, 2018 as Florida Water Reuse Week; and

WHEREAS, the City of Riviera Beach, Utility Special District has joined with Water Reuse Florida, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the South Florida Water Management District in encouraging and promoting water reuse and conservation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Riviera Beach, Utility Special District, has implemented a water reuse program and encourages efficient and effective use of reclaimed water.

MAYOR MASTERS: And I, THEREBY, HEREBY FOREVER PROCLAIM, the week of May 13 – 19, 2018 as Florida Water Reuse Week in the City of Riviera Beach. And, very proud that we have great water. What happened to our water tonight? I mean, the real City water?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT HORTON: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: I'll., okay. Very good. And I ask for two people because usually we always have two, to assist the, the Mayor.

[Chuckles]

MAYOR MASTERS: Tawanna, thank you for being so kind tonight to help us out. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I have a quick question about that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Sure.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I promise it's quick.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Mr. Horton, don't go away. Please. I just wondered if you could explain what our City's water reuse program is and whether or not we provided citizens with education about water reuse and how we can get more information to citizens about water reuse?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT HORTON: At the present time, because we do not have a wastewater treatment facility, all of the wa'..., all of the wastewater collected by the Utility Special District is transported via pipe to the East Central Regional wastewater treatment plant. The City of Riviera Beach is one of five members who share in ownership of that facility. The portion that Riviera Beach produces presently, is being given to the county to use for reuse, throughout the county. We don't have any reuse lines within our corporate limits yet, but as we move forward in the future, I hope to move in that direction.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You good? Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT HORTON: Thank you.

6.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Item No. 6.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PRESENTATION BY CHAIR PRO TEM LYNNE HUBBARD, RIVIERA BEACH CLEAN RIVERA BEACH BEAUTIFUL!

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, that table will be.., that Item will be tabled until next meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDINANCES ON SECOND AND FINAL READING

7.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Item No. 7.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ORDINANCE NO. 4109. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 31 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "ZONING", ARTICLE 1 AMENDING ARTICLE 6, SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS IN ORDER TO ADD DEFINITIONS FOR AND ASSOCIATED WITH MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTERS AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER DISPENSING FACILITIES AND TO PROHIBIT MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTERS AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT

CENTER DISPENSING FACILITIES WITHIN ALL ZONING DISTRICTS AND WITHIN THE CITY'S JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ACTING DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: JEFF GAGNON (561)845-4060

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do have one public comment card. The acceptance of public comment cards on this Item is now closed.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Is there a second?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly second. Mr. Gagnon.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair, while he is coming, may I ask the Attorney a question on this Ordinance? So we won't have dead time. Mr. Degraffenreidt, can we legally prohibit any type of treatment, medical treatment center in, in the City?

CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: And there's no federal.., is there any kind of federal prohibition that would override the, the county or the state.., or the City rather?

CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT: By metaphor, if we were in Tennessee, we'd be a tri-city.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. TriState, you mean?

CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

[Inaudible dais comments]

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I do apologize, Madam Chair, for that. I just needed the login information. So, I'm Jeff Gagnon, the Acting Director of Community Development.

You have before you an Ordinance on second reading in regards to medical marijuana and dispensary facilities throughout the City. Unanimously, it was decided by City Council at the last meeting to prohibit this use within the City's limits, and this is the second reading of this Ordinance.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Any questions?

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes. Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Well, let's go to the public comment and we will come back with questions.

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Lloyd Brown.

MR. L. BROWN: [Inaudible]. How you doing? I'm glad to get up here on that because, you know what, you don't need no dispensaries, you got 'em in the stores already. So, what about those?

[Audience chuckles]

MR. L. BROWN: I mean, you got 'em in all the stores, on the corners. You got gambling machines in 'em, so you're telling me a medical marijuana center that'll help people who got pains and whatever, you want that, but you prefer to let somebody come in your City and they can sell it at the stores, and they got machines in the stores? So, what's the difference between a facility that's gonna be legal, when they're illegally doing it? I don't understand your, your logic. I really don't. Don't look at me like you're dumfounded, I' don't understand your logic.

[Audience chuckles]

MR. L. BROWN: I mean, honestly. You're lettin' the stores have gambling machines right in the black neighborhood, right on the corners, but here it is, a medical facility that's probable gonna help some people, you wanna keep it out. It's not gonna be in my neighborhood anyway, and you know that, but you let them put these other stores in the neighborhood. What do you think they sell? You think they're just selling sodas and ice cream after 12:00 o'clock at night? But you don't want a medical marijuana dispensary? And all I gotta say is, you know what, I'm not even talk on [inaudible] I'mma go leave.

Ms. Botel, I appreciate you and what you did. And Ms. Hubbard, I'm glad you came out and let everybody know who your true colors are, all the people who've done what they done. Like, everybody here, you know, you're here..., you're not here to help the people. I mean, that medical marijuana place probably wouldn't have anything to do with my neighborhood, but you look in my neighborhood, every store in my neighborhood has something in there that I think should be illegal. You got a 24 hour store over here. Anybody over here goes to those stores 2:00 in the morning?

[Inaudible dais comment]

MR. L. BROWN: I mean, who? Anybody in here, raise your hand if you, if you go over there on Obama Avenue...

[Audience chuckle]

MR. L. BROWN: ...right there and buy something 2:00 o'clock in the morning? But see, they'll let that go on. Now, that's not even logical. And then, here it is, you're talking about beautification, when they built my house, they didn't even build it right, but you weren't there to say nothin' about it. You just lied to me, talking about whattch' you're gonna do. See, I'm gonna bring up this.., see, I can inject what I need to say. It don't have to be on the situation because I feel that ya'all don't have the right to do anything, and then you got people right now walking the plank, so now you wanna turn around and try to get off and get on, get on the boat. See, but it's like this, you wasn't in the, uh, you know, like, when you're in the water, they call these little things trenches, all ya'll need to get in the trenches together and work for the City. 'Cause I'm sayin', you wanna stop this marijuana dispensary thing from coming in but yet, you let every store on the corner stay open 24 hours with gambling machines in 'em. And that's not even logical. That's, that's a crying shame. You're not helping the people at all. For the past ten years, you people have destroyed this City. We need somebody here like me, her and the lady right here. Every time this lady right here says something, everybody in the group look at her like they ready to throw darts at her and say, 'Oh, Ms. Miller, you know, we don't wanna hear it.' Whenever she says something, everybody got something negative to say against her. Everybody. I mean, you know, how you gonna fight out of the trenches when you got everybody in the trenches looking down on her, like she's so wrong. I mean, she has questions that make sense, and when she asks a question about something, then you got something to say. You always got something to say about this lady. That's a shame. And you know what, I got more cards in here, but the next three minutes I come up, I ain't sayin' nothing, I'm just gonna point my finger and shake my head.

[Audience chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Brown.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Any comment...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, that completes public comment cards for that particular Item.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you. Are there any other comments?

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor, you're recognized.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you. Mr. Gagnon, come back please.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes, sir.

MAYOR MASTERS: And let me just say there's cer'.., I can certainly unders'.., this is not to you direct'.., I'm not directing this to you now, I'm just gonna make a statement. I do, I do understand some of the things that Mr. Brown said that goes on, that we turn..,

may turn our head and look the other way. And that creates an environment for illegal activity. My question is, was there a study that was provided to you or that was done for you to look at as it relates to the medical, the medical treatment centers and how they are working in other cities? The impact that they are having adversely or positively?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Right. Mr. Mayor, I can't say there was a study per se. What, what Staff did is look at the current state statute, the abilities that are granted within that statue where the local municipality has the option to either strictly prohibit or to treat this facility identical to any other pharmacy, so we weren't able to come up with any sort of special regulations for this use. Because it's still very new, and there's a lot of **UNK**nown factors, we believe that it would be best to prohibit it at this point in time and, in the future as new information is provided to the City, we can always revisit it.

MAYOR MASTERS: Are there any other [stammer]... I, I heard something on the news when one opened up, do you have any knowledge of any other cities in Palm Beach County that they have these medical facilities?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I think good example is Lake Worth where they were slow to enact a moratorium on the use, so they had two facilities open within their jurisdiction. I think the location ended up being less desirable than they may have initially anticipated, so they actually enacted a moratorium after those two facilities had opened in order to try to curb proliferation of those facilities. So, I guess it's a good, a good case study or example of what could happen if, if a moratorium wasn't enacted, which really allowed Staff and the City some time to consider all the, the factors and information available.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, the reasons that, that this is presented in this way, I know there's been one reading and it was unanimous, that the City of Riviera Beach should not have one because it's new and because [stammer] we just don't wanna take the risk, basically?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I'd say that's, that's part of it because there are a lot of **UNK**nown factors that.., even as, as we initially enacted the moratorium, there were changes that happened at the state level, as far as...

MAYOR MASTERS: Mhmm.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:what regulations were in place, so there could be additional changes in the future that greatly impact how those facilities operate, so, at this point in time, because it's a very new use, it may be best to take the prohibition approach.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, we only had two options, either you prohibit it or you do it?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Right. The...

MAYOR MASTERS: There...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:the state

MAYOR MASTERS: ...wasn't any [stammer], any kind of middle ground as far as regulation?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ... the state was very clear that the local jurisdictions had the option to strictly prohibit it, or it had to be treated identical to a, a...

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ...pharmacy. So, it'd be the same as a CVS or a Walgreens.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, therefore, any resident in the City that has medical problems, respiratory or glaucoma, or any of the.., [stammer], any other pro'.., medical problems that treatment of this sort would.., has proven itself, they would have to go from our City to Lake Worth?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: What I'm hearing, that's becoming more common and I'm not sure of all the legalities behind it, but it's really similar to Amazon or another service...

[Inaudible audience comment]

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:provider where you can call in specific orders and have things delivered. So, I'm not exactly sure how that fits within the state statute and, and legal realm, but that seems to be becoming a trend. So, same as ordering any other medical supplies for...

MAYOR MASTERS: So they can m'...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ...[inaudible] home...

MAYOR MASTERS: So, they can get it, but it...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:

MAYOR MASTERS: ...would be through the mail?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I believe that's...

MAYOR MASTERS: From another city?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ... the current trend.

MAYOR MASTERS: I just needed to know some of the relevant facts. Thank you, Mr. Gagnon. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Any further comments? [Pause]. There being no further discussion, Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miler-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: PUBLIC COMMENT SHALL BEGIN AT 7:30 P.M. UNLESS THERE IS NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNTY WHICH, IN THAT EVENT, IT SHALL BEGIN SOONER. IN ADDITION, IF AN ITEM IS BEING CONSIDERED AT 7:30 P.M., THEN COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC SHALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ITEM HAS BEN CONCLUDED. ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS, PLEASE FILL OUT A PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED ON THE TABLE DIRECTLY OUTSIDE OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND GIVE IT TO THE STAFF BEFORE THE PUBLIC COMMENTS SECTION IS ANNOUNCED.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We missed that.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comment cards, at this particular time, is now closed for our public comment section.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: John Samadi, Lloyd Brown, Bonnie Larson.

MR. J. SAMADI: Good evening, Council. I'm John Samadi. I live in North Palm Beach.

There's no doubt that Suncoast High School in this City is a good school, but I'm here to let everyone know about an inherent disadvantage of attending Suncoast High School when it comes to admission to the University of Florida. Almost 80% of graduates from that school meet or exceed the criteria for admission. However, the admissions officer at UF will tell you, they will not accept any application from any high school in the number of more than 50%, but that doesn't mean they will accept 50% of applicants from Suncoast. The actual number is much lower because they have come up with this selective process which is so secretive and it is so arbitrary that they have come up with a name called, 'holistic', it is a holistic approach. And, nobody knows what it means or how it functions, but after hours of my meeting with the admissions office, numerous emails and public records requests, I came to the conclusion that it works like a monarchy. Whatever the king of admissions says, or in the current position, the gueen of admissions says, that's how it's gonna be. Here are some of the facts that back that up. The range of GPA for those admitted this year is between 4.2 and 4.6. I know of students with 4.7 GPA, hundreds of volunteer, uh, volunteer to work extracurricular activity being member of National Society, and even with the application approved by the review staff at the UF, was denied by the admission director. And when you ask why, 'Well, the, the director has that discretion.'

And the status of all this, is that from the State Senate to the House, and the Governor's Office, nobody is doing anything about it. Also, the admissions office will tell you, you're better off sending your sons and daughters to a lower ranked high school, in the worst neighborhood you can find, because that will increase the chance of getting into the UF, then a good school like Suncoast. So, please remember next time when you hear or talk about Suncoast, this is what's happening once you graduate and you wanna go to the UF.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you [inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Lloyd Brown, Bonnie Larson, Norma Duncombe.

MR. L. BROWN: My name is Lloyd Brown.

The reason I came back is because you were telling me one time about I couldn't say anything other than what you were discussing. Well, you know, the only thing I gotta say about that, if I feel that whatever the situation is, I don't know anything about it. Like, I don't really understand nothing on this paper that I'm talking about now, I don't understand a word, so if you cut it off on a person that's behind me, you know, like if, you say, 'Well, comments are over.' And, like, this person down there, I say, 'Well, I don't know what they're talking about because I haven't heard anybody talk about it.' See, you gotta heard somebody speak about it, and I heard you say something about change, talking about, 'Well, we've been doing this for the longest.' 'Well, we've been riding horses

first too, weren't we? Now we're in cars.' So, that tell you that it's time for change. This City Council do a lotta things that are old fashioned. Like, when somebody come up there and make a comment, another person back there may not understand what's going on, what you got written down here, 'cause everybody I know in the City that talk to me, they don't understand a damn thing you talkin' about over here. And the phone thing you're talkin' about, that'll be a great idea, but you'll be here all night 'cause they'll ask you a helluva lotta questions on why you're screwin' up.

And the only thing I gotta say is, you can't stop anybody from coming up here and making a comment if they can't understand about what's going on. Like, I don't even know what I'm talking about, I don't even know what the situation is with is, I really don't care about what this discussion's about, but what I'm sayin', another person back there that might not know, and if somebody get up here and explain what the situation is, then they might understand, but you got these old ways. It's like you wanna still roll around on square wheels, so you figure, 'Oh, we're ain't gonna put the round wheels on 'cause we've been on square wheels all our life.' See? That ain't right. You got to change. That's the only thing about ya'll, ya'll don't wanna change, you wanna keep the same... I don't think it's change, I think it's you're stubbornness and your selfishness. That what it is. It ain't nothin' about change, it's about your selfishness. You just don't want nobody to over-talk you or overlook what you wanna do.

And then, like, the people who are here now, I mean, I think you're going out there on the plank, you know, on a boat when the pirates stick the thing in your back and make you walk the plank? Now that you're about to walk the plank, now you wanna all come together. That's b.s.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Bonnie Larson, Norma Duncombe, Tiffany Williams.

MS. B. LARSON: Unfortunately, this podium is back again. Why can't we use that podium? It's right in the middle of the thing here, people behind us can't see beyond us, it's just.., can I go over there? [Pause]. No. Okay.

Lloyd Brown, he comes here all the time and he talks about drugs being sold in these little convenient stores, why aren't we asking the police to shut that down? You just laugh at him. It's, it's probably true. I personally saw a gambling machine being delivered to an establishment one time. So, he's probably right. He know drugs way better than I do, why don't we ever go out and look at what he's talking about? That doesn't make sense.

Tonight, we changed things around on the Agenda, we reorganized things, let's have it that we come here and we know what we're doing, the Agenda is in order and that's it? That's it. Why did we change it around? Now we have community requests here, they don't even get on the sheet. Community money, you don't need that that night. Two weeks in advance, when this Agenda is being prepared, put it on then. Let's quit doing this back and forth business and leaving things out. When we have community meetings, Mr. Davis, you asked tonight for \$2,000 for the whole year. I, I've never seen it done that way, it's usually done event by event. And it's not I bought popcorn, I bought

bracelets, it's Riviera Beach money, so it's, 'Let's promote Riviera Beach.' Riviera Beach is providing this stuff, it's not one individual out of their pocket giving these things.

Oh, we talked about the consultants tonight, having a consultant come in and the comment was made two weeks about someone wanted to meet them in p'.., in.., behind closed doors. No. Transparency. You meet with those people right here, right in the Chambers so that we call here it. Transparency. Mr. Evans was all about transparency, and now I'm hearing behind closed doors meetings again.

Tonight, we're on the news, we're in the newspaper, we're everywhere because of a, an employee with arrest warrant by the state. Riviera Beach could have avoided this had we done the right thing in the right time. We didn't ha'..., now, we're all in it together, and now we're all looking bad. Riviera Beach could've handled this right up front like they should have.

Applications for City Manager, still haven't gotten it. I was offered a flash drive for \$90. Oh, plus \$20 to take the social security numbers off. Okay, those social security numbers are already gone. \$90, and I was asked, 'Oh, so you're refusing this information?' No. I wasn't refusing the information, but I'm not paying \$90 and neither is anybody else. It's public records.

Code, somebody, please, al I of you, I don't know who's section this is in, drive by Australian and Blue Heron Avenue, look north. That looks like the City dump. There's an apartment building right there on Blue Heron, behind it there's a house, you should see it, it looks worse than the City dump. I drove around, and someone told me to look and I said, 'Whoa,' it looks really bad. There's a refrigerator back there, probably with a door on it. That's illegal. I drove around the front of it, it looks as bad as the, the back of it. You can see it from Blue Heron Boulevard. Security camera in the City Manager's office, back again. Mr. Evans removed that when he said transparency, it's back there again. I asked Ms. Hoskins the other day, how come the security camera came back? You're sitting there in the waiting room with a camera right on you? She didn't know who put it there, she doesn't know who's monitoring it, how did that happen and why is that there? Why is there a security camera in there, and no one seems to know. Who put it there or who's watching it?

Thank you. We don't wanna be intimated. We sh'.., we have a right to go there. And that camera should not be there. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Larson.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Norma Duncombe, Tiffany Williams, Bessie Brown.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Norma Duncombe.

The last time I was here, I sat and I listened to you talk about not knowing Robert's Rules of Order. You talked about not knowing the.., and that you needed to have someone teach you about that and what have you. And also, the City Charter and a number of things that you had to have workshops for, and I was a was a little surprised

when I heard that because Robert's Rules of Order is used in the high schools and student government, and what have you. But, I was a little surprised that you did not know Freedom of Speech. When you stopped the meeting when I was talking, in the middle of what I was saying. I did not come here..., I have never disrespected anybody who sat up there. I have never..., in fact, I don't disrespect anybody, and I do not use foul language.

But, I did come to talk about something because I live in the City, and I've been here all of my life, and I came to talk about something that I did not feel good about. You did not allow me to talk about it, but then a few minutes later, I listened to someone talk about someone taking down signs from the campaign. Okay. Maybe that was something that alarmed someone, but that's always done. So, I'm back here again, to talk about what I came here to talk about and that was the fact that when I received in the mail...

[Inaudible audience comments]

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: When I received in the mail, saying the City's the most dangerous City in the, in the, in the world, but in the meantime, I look in the Palm Beach Post, this is put out by Ms. Botel, I look in the Post and drugs and drugs monies were pulled out of her apartment. I feel that she owes this City an apology...

[Inaudible audience exclamation]

MS. N. DUNCOMBE:to explain that. Now, you can yell what you...

UNK: 'She.'

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: ...want. You voted for her, that's your fault. In other words, we...

[Inaudible audience comment]

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: ... have two kinds of Palm... What did you say?

UNK. AUDIENCE: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Please, please con'... Ms., Ms...

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Okay. I didn't interrupt you.

UNK: 'Shh.'

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Ms. Duncombe.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: No. But you don't have to tell me anything.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Ms. Duncombe.

[Inaudible audience comment]

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: You don't have to tell me anything.

[Inaudible audience comment]

UNK. AUDIENCE: Just sit down.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: But see, this is what you started because, when you cut me off the last time. Okay? Did not allow me to have my full time. I am saying, and it's so sad, that we have a different conversation for those persons, for some people, but those people who look like you, then they can't say what they have to say. It's not that I agree with everything that everybody else says up there, but we have two standards and it's unfortunate that the standards are what the color of your skin is. I rode on the back of the bus, I know what it's like, and that's the reason you're sitting up there. And so, I'm saying, if you're gonna let her say this about your City and get away with it, she's laughing at you. She's laughing at you because of the fact that you refuse to demand the same things from her, that you demand from the other people who are sitting there.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you...

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:Ms. Duncombe. Let me say this before we continue. There.., it, it is never my intent to prevent anyone from their First Amendment right of Freedom of speech. What I am concerned about, is the continued disruption, the back and forth from the audience, the personal attacks and that's what my concern was on last week, at that meeting. I understand your concerns, Mrs. Duncombe, but I want to make sure that the personal attacks and that the decorum of these meetings are kept in order. And it was as simple as that, it had absolutely nothing to do with preventing...

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...you from... I don't... Thank you, Mrs. Duncombe, but I don't wanna have a back and forth. [Stammer], you've had your comments and I'm just wanting to set the record straight so that it is clear that is not my intention to prevent anyone from speaking their truth, however, when it becomes disruptive and it poses a problem, we have a responsibility to maintain decorum in this Chamber. And, that is simply all that I was attempting to do. We cannot have the conversations when, when someone is here making a comment, we may not agree, but we don't need to have the back and forth from the person to the podium. So, I would just encourage us, we are talking about decorum, and we're going to workshop decorum and we're going to get further into what that actually means for us, as a Council, and a City, and that's the intent. It was never to keep you from speaking or having your First Amendment rights.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Well, why didn't you...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: S'...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Tiffany Williams...

MS. N. DUNCOMBE:[inaudible] yelled at [inaudible]?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ... Bessie Brown, Dr. Phillip Dukes.

MS. T. WILLIAMS: Tiffany Williams, Fire Department, general employee. Mayor, Madam Chair, Vice Pro Tem Hubbard, Councilwoman Anderson.., Miller-Anderson, Botel and Councilman, Mr. Davis.

Good evening. And I would like to thank you for implementing the job analysis questionnaire. As you're all aware, the vote failed, which indicates the majority of the employees did not agree to the terms within the contract. It is our understanding that the job analysis questionnaire would not be a part of the negotiation process. It was supposed to be separate entities and not combined. By this point, the funds that were allo'..., allocated, should have been disbursed to all qualified employees, and today, we stand as a united front requesting that you vote yes to release such funds. Both Fire Department and Police Department has received their pay and the increase from their negotiation and we're looking to do the same. When you go back to negotiations, please consider not removing sick and vacation days, our longevity and good cause day. Once the negotiation process is completed, we should be provided retro pay starting from October 2017.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

[Audience clapping]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Bessie Brown, Dr. Phillip Dukes, J.B. Dixon.

MS. B. BROWN: Good evening, Council.

I'm here to.., on behalf of the Human.., not the human, the employees that work to this City, that they're not being paid like ever'.., and treated as everyone else. Your classification study was for the entire City. Now, the police and fire have been paid, so it's time for the general to be paid. And, and, and these are the things that I would.., I would love for you all to pay more attention to what's going on with these employees at the City.

And, [pause] we allow, we allow other people to tell us things and do things [stammer] and, and you do. And you all Council do too, but you all need to make sure that you're doing your doing your due diligence and know exactly why you're doing it because... And, and, don't shut 'em out because some things you need to hear. You really do need to hear it. And I have..., and I'd like to say, Chair, Tonya Davis, Ms..., what's her name? She had some problems and you cut her off. Honestly. And then, then, then

when it comes to talking, you say, 'We don't want you to do this, and we don't want you to do that.' She only had three minutes, let her say her three minutes and go.., and go. That's, that's all had to.., that's, that's all you had to do. Okay? And, and I.., and you addressed, called my name in here and I was sitting back there and I.., but you called my name, I didn't call your name. You understand what I'm saying? I was sa'.., you know, I would say, 'Yes, yes. Mhmm.' Because you all literally.., you read the statement for public comments and you close it right then. Now [chuckle] that is, that is... I think you're shutting us out, I think you're shutting the public out when you do that. I really do. Because it has not.., it wasn't handled that way and you're, you're handling it that way now, and some people literally come for public comments but they may have not had put in their card, because that's... I, I experienced that. And that's why I was saying, 'Yeah,' and making noise back there and agreeing with Mr. Brown. So, and, and, and, and then, and then, the police come and tell me am I alright. You called my name, I didn't, I didn't start anything.

That's all I wanna say. I, I really don't like that. And I, and I'm talking for the public, you know, for the public now because, if you're gonna read the thing, why you shut it o'..., close it right then? That's all I have to say because it was not that way before. And, um, [pause], I'll just, I'll just stop here because I'm just getting a little tee'd about how some things are changing around here, with the, with the [stammer], with the public because you can't, you can't shut us out. And that goes for anybody, you can't shut us out 'cause we're here. And I'm here to stay.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Dr. Phillip Dukes, J.B. Dixon, John Miller.

DR. P. DUKES: Dr. Phillip Dukes, 1217 Avenue U, Riviera Beach, Florida. Council, Mayor.

May 19th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at 1217 Avenue U, we will be having our Change Our Community Atmosphere Rally. I wanna thank Coach John Miller for his generous donation to us to help us continue these rallies at our last one. I also wanna give thanks to Mr. Dan Calloway, and the Youth Recreation organization, for helping us with free food at our next event. No, there will be no free conch fritters. [Chuckle].

Listen, we're gonna be having our Change Our Community Atmosphere Rally. This rally's designed to bring people out in the community to help us change our community atmosphere. I have submitted the vision to you to change, to take away 90% of all the drug retail market on the streets in our City, but it seems like you guys are refusing to hear me. Some people ask me, 'Why you keep going there talking, Dukes? They know about your work, they.., you've already proven yourself. They're ignoring you.' I said, 'No, they're not. They have to change,' 'cause you're used to doing something in patterns. Ms. Liz Wade set a pattern in this City when we first started, she ignored us. Death and murder was over there in Federal Gardens. We changed Avenue U where the Jiffy store is. We stopped all drugs up there and nobody recognized us. And, they shot at us, and that's what most of you are afraid of, why you won't come out 'cause you're afraid of what somebody's gonna do to you in your own community. That means that we are held hostage.

Now, what do you think about these little children that grown up in these communities? What do you think their psychological profile is? They talk about Palestine and Syria going.., Syria, what about these children in our communities? Right on 11th Street and R Avenue, yesterday, we had a murder. When you look at our City, the size of our City and the population, and the number of murders that we have in our City every year, it's unacceptable. And we can change it. My job is not to come up here and lambast you and to castigate you, my job is to get you to do what you've never done.., what the City Council of Riviera Beach or the Mayor's office, has never been to the west side in our communities and changing our atmosphere. Our children are socialized to a culture of violence. I said this before, I'm gonna say it again, every place I sold dope in this City, you 'sell.., buy dope today, except two places, that's that Blue Heron corridor and Broadmore, and that's because they tore 'em down.

So, I've given you the vision. I hope you will come and support.., people are watching. They're waiting for this. We know it's fear in our neighborhoods. You don't have that in Palm Beach Gardens or North Palm Beach, they can come on the streets and deal with whatever they gotta deal with, nobody's gonna threaten their life, but we have community terrorists and we're afraid to admit that. We have murderers. This boy who killed this boy on 11th Street, I bet this is not his first murder and I will guaran'.., I will bet you that he's under 25 years old. So, we got serial killers, this is the condition in our communities all across America. Somewhere in America, we have to stand up and join everybody together. It is about culture. I don't like to use the term race, but it is culture bias.

So, May 19th, 1217 Avenue U, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Come out to the rally. We're gonna have a good time. And I wanna thank Ms. Botel from coming last time, and for your kind words that you spoke about us. Now, ya'll help us get some money.

[Chuckle]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: J.B. Dixon, John Miller, Reverend Burrs.

MS. J.B. DIXON: Well, I regret having to address this topic, but since it's come up twice, and it's disingenuous at best, that's the most generous thing I can say, I would like to set the record straight for people who heard the disingenuous remarks. A) the thing about Riviera Beach being the most dangerous in the county, not in the country, was a piece of campaign literature, and it was a headline from the Palm Beach Post. It was not something that Dr. Botel said or made up [chuckle] about Riviera Beach. The mailer had to do with unfortunate headlines and news about Riviera Beach. And, that was one of them. There was a survey that showed that Riviera Beach was the most dangerous in the county, and the newspaper ran a story about it and that was a headline, and that's why it was on that piece, along with many other headlines. Two, the other piece referenced [chuckle], somewhat disengen'..., more, more than disingenuously, was that there was not in the newspaper, it was, in fact, another piece of campaign literature put out by Dr. Botel's opponent, Ms. Pardo, about a drug raid on guote, her apartment, her home, as Mrs. Duncombe said. Her home, it was not her home. She was not living there, she had never lived there, showed a piece of property. She had rented it out and the

tenants who were vetted both by the realtors and by the condominium association, did have a raid. She had never met these people and that was very well known. She had nothing to do with drugs. Drugs were not taken out of her home, and the inference was that she allowed that to happen, which is ludicrous. Okay? So, that's just put to rest for all of the people who may be watching this at home, that's the truth. Two pieces of literature. I'll send them to anyone who wants to see them. That's that.

The thing that I really wanted to talk about, and I guess I only have forty-five seconds about it, is that one of the Councilpeople, I believe Councilman Davis, made a suggestion at the last meeting I attended, that there be a PR committee put together, to improve the image of the City. I spent my entire career in public relations. I'm accredited, I belong to the Public Relations Society of America and was elected to the College of Fellows. I was paid a great deal of money to advise people [chuckle] in public relations, and I would advise you not to have a public relations committee because a professional PR person, first thing they will tell you is, the first thing you do is you fix the problem, then you tell people about it. You don't try to detract from the problems by saying, you know, we're having a ping pong tournament, or we're gonna have a free concern with free food. That is not the kind of thing that PR, reputable PR people would ever deal with. You have real problems here, and when you fix them, and I have great confidence that you will, there will be a great deal of coverage of that, and your PR problems will solve themselves.

Thank you for listening.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: John Miller, William., Reverend William H. Burrs...

MR. J. MILLER: John Miller, 1290 Manor Drive.

First of all, I apologize for my outburst. I've been watching this going on for, I guess, five meetings, starting back before the campaign. I don't like anybody being attacked, I said this. You can'... you can't look at the Minutes, you can go look at the tapes, and you can see me stand up here and say that I don't wanna see Mr. Davis attacked. My Councilwoman, Julie Botel, who's an outstanding woman, has stood up for..., in our City and won this election in the mainland by 85%. That's how..., do you have anybody that ever did that? I don't think so. But, what I'm getting at is this, if you're gonna.., if people are gonna attack people, you have your rights to do that, but is it right? Is it right for us to come up here and spend three minutes and dress down either Mr. Davis, Ms., Mrs. Botel, KaShamba, Tonya, Ms. Hubbard, or Ms. Hoskins? No. For what purpose? What does that do? How do we move our City... I keep hearing we, we wanna move forward. I've been asked to talk to people to stop putting things on Facebook that were de'..., that were detracting. I did that. I asked for..., can we knock some of this stuff off? And I thought that I was making..., I really thought I was making progress, and so I was disgusted here two weeks ago when I came in late. And I'm not happy about it. That's my right to say that to you.

But, what I'm getting at, is how do we move forward? Do we come.., do we keep coming in here every two weeks and tearing down Julie, or maybe TD's next? People come in here, they can tear you down, TD, or anybody here. We know that. Does that make it right? No. And.., but we have a right, we have a right to speak. When are we going to speak what's right and move this City forward? It's knock off all this nonsense and we can start it by everybody up there taking your views and pushing 'em out here and saying, 'Let's move our City forward.'

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Reverend William H. Burrs, Dr. Lydia Smith, Hyacinthia Becton.

REVEREND W.H. BURRS: Madam Chair, Council, Mayor. Reverend Burrs.

I'm disturbed during the fact that I was sitting home and I looked at Channel 5 and I saw an attack on a young lady here, in the City of Riviera Beach, Ms. March. I never met the lady but once. Some months ago, I've been hearing some negative things about her and, uh, of course, she's not qualified, this, this and et. cetera. So, I took it on my own to go and sit down and ask her about these things that I heard concerning her, and I said to her when I first met her, never saw her but once, that was the first time I met her, never seen her since. I says, I understand there's their side, your side and the right side. I says, these things that I hear about you, you tell me, are they true or not? She began to explain to me about her qualification'. She said the test that was supposed to take [stammer] consists of five parts. She said she passed four of 'em and the committee in Tallahassee gave her two years for the other part. When she came back home, somebody cut it down to one part, one year. So, and I began to ask her about the situation concerning the inspection. She says to me that there's contractor, these big fat cats been there, been hustlin' the City, not paying their fair share for their permits. And she caught up with them and made them pay their fair share, and she showed me a copy of the cancelled'..., she showed me a copy of the checks that they had to pay before they do the work, what they had been getting buy, and it was over \$2,000,000. And then, I hear on the news that she'd been, been arrested or charged for some crime or something. This is a young black lady trying to do well, and I think that's terrible for her to have to go through what she's going through with.

Now if CAP was the one who's supposed to go on inspection, why wouldn't they catch these peoples, for to pay the City over it's money? Now, and they wanna claim that this lady's not qualified, to do the job. But, she must be qualified to do something, she, she made these people pay the City over \$2,000,000. And I'll say to anybody who's sittin' here tonight, go and talk to her, at least hear her side of the story whether they wanna accept it or not. She deserve that much. And I, and I.., and it just hurts me to hear people wanna criticize her based on what the news says, and don't hear her side of the story. I'm kinda agreeing with Trump on some things, the news media gonna..., is not gonna tell the whole truth all the time. So, and you, you.., not being discriminating, but you black

ladies oughta understand that the hell that black people have to go through to get jobs.., especially a black woman. This is young, black lady, single, trying to take care of her family, have to go t through this.

Many of these people, these fat cats had not been payin' their fair share of their permits, over \$2,000,000. She showed me the checks, and now she got to go through this harassment due to the fact, uh, she ain't qualified to do her job. I could set.., if there was criteria set for you to sit on the Council, I could set 'em so high where none of ya'll would even sit there. That's a fact. So, I think that we need to understand and find out why these peoples wanna bring this young lady down, and it's all because she made these people pay they' fair share of the permits that they're supposed to pay. Support her. Find out why. She shouldn't be treated like that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Reverend Burrs.

REVEREND W.H. BURRS: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Dr. Lydia Smith, Hyacinthia Becton. After Ms. Becton, Madam Chair, that will conclude our public comments.

DR. L. SMITH: Hello, good afternoon, Council, Chairperson. Thanks for having me here.

I, I have a question. At the last Utility District meeting, you guys voted to rescind the stipend, I personally, as a resident, I was under the impression that it was \$4,000, but on Dr. Botel's page, she wrote that the Utility meeting, it was \$4,000, but it was \$110,000 that went back into the budget. I just wanted to know, is..., was there a difference in the stipend that you guys were getting, or was it only the \$12,000? Or, how did that number \$110,000 got put back into the budget. That's all I wanted to know.

Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Hyacinthia Becton.

MS. H. BECTON: Good evening. I'll, I'll catch up with the Mayor later. And to Council, Staff and everyone, I'm Cynthia Becton. I'm here on behalf of the Education Committee and we are asking for funds for the scholarships for this year. We now have forty packets of applicants for, for this particular year. As you know, the City has been very generous in the past to youth, as it relates to scholarships and we certainly are going to ask that that is repeated again. The, the, the young people really put together a beautiful, beautiful packet. We are very, very proud of them and I know you will be too. Just, just to refresh you, these have the potential of being four year scholarships. The children start off..., and I can call 'em children. See? I, I, I've earned that. They start off as freshmen in college and they can submit each year for the next four years, and they have the ability to get a scholarship each year from the City, and we certainly hope that that will continue. It is our understanding with the Education Committee, that we have a \$9,000 pot to start with. We would hope that that is the case, and we would hope that you will help us fatten that pot, so that we will be able to again qualify each applicant. We'll keep you informed.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Becton.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Just, um, clarific'.., you mean, \$19,000. Correct?

MS. H. BECTON: Yes,, ma'am.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Okay.

[Chuckles]

MS. H. BECTON: I'm sorry. A slip of the tongue.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Alright.

MS. H. BECTON: I'm so glad you caught that.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: It's alright.

MS. H. BECTON: But you know that's just a start.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, ma'am.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: One moment. Do you have any responses for any of the questions that were posed tonight?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: As it relates to the SEIU contract, as I stated earlier, we are scheduling the additional negotiations with SEIU [pause]. Let's see. As it relates to Ms. Larson's comment, Staff did present her with the, the thumb drive and they spent a lot of time redacting information from the applicant'.., City Manager's applicant's. We did, you know, as for \$90 but she refused it and then she requested additional information, put in a couple of other, a couple of other public records requests. As it relates to... I think that's all I have. Yes, ma'am. That's all I have right now. Oh, Dr. Lydia Smith talked about the stipend and that's the \$12,000 times the six Councilors, right.

[Inaudible comment]

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:	Well, you're talking about the FICA on top of that.
COUNCILPERSON BOTEL:	And retirement. And retirement.
CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair.	Right. FICA and pension. [Pause]. That's all I have,
CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNS	ON: Thank you, [inaudible].

8.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Item No. 8.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ORDINANCE NO., 4110. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 31 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "ZONING", ARTICLE VI, "SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS, SECTION 31-551, PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL COMMERCIAL DESIGN STANDARDS OVERLAY, TO AMEND EXISTING OBJECTIVES, APPLICABILITY AND OVERLAY DISTRICT DELINEATION AND TO ENACT NEW REGULATIONS FOR THE APPEARANCE OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, LANDSCAPE DESIGN, BUFFER STANDARDS AND SIGNAGE, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ACTING DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: JEFF GAGNON (561)845-4060

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do have a public comment card on this Item. The acceptance of public comment cards on this Item is now closed.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Is there...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been moved and properly second. Mr. Gagnon.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Thank you, Madam Chair. Jeff Gagnon, Acting Director of Community Development.

You have before you, an Ordinance on second reading. It was unanimously approved on April 18th. What the intent of this Ordinance is to do is reconfigure the existing pressure overlay standards that we have provided, additional design criteria, architectural standards, landscaping requirements, some new sign allowances within that District, and really the intent is to provide a more uniform and, I guess, desirable appearance along our major corridors within the, the City.

So, I'm here to any questions you may have.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis, you're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. Do you have any visual transformations to show us, like, for example, what things look now and they way they'll be transformed as [stammer].., what's being recommended for the future?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Unfortunately, I don't have any images to really identify. Some of the items would be increased landscaping buffers along those roadways, as well as, if you had a, a new development approval, that you would have a uniform or unified architectural theme. So, similar to some of the other major corridors that you'll, you'll see in South Florida, or Palm Beach County, that's really what the intent of this Ordinance is to achieve.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Public comment.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Tradrick McCoy.

MR. T. MCCOY: Good evening, Members, Madam Manager.

Item No. 8 related to the arterial commercial design standards overlay. This is an Item that came through Planning & Zoning Board and I initially supported it, and I do support it. However, and I think, in just the spirit of where we are on a couple of items and a couple phone calls that I've received, I think it may be prudent for us to defer in passing this, and I'll elaborate why, especially on Item 10.

But, being a part of this Planning & Zoning Board, we serve on these meetings and individuals in the community see us on TV and I'm approached guite often and asked questions about things and I have to remind members of the public I'm just a volunteer and I don't have any authority, I just an advisory board member. But, one of the things that came to my attention just recently was an applicant that came forth with submitting an application that's been trying to do this for over the past two or three weeks and they've, at some point, communicated with the Building Official and they've not been able to make contact and get a meeting to get clarification, but they only submitted preliminary zoning verification, which should only be some planner saying, 'Is this compatible with the Code? Is this use allowed,' as opposed to going through the entire process of having a Building Official to weigh in on if it's structurally sound. And, certainly, I didn't wanna kinda get ahead of Staff because I'm sure there's some details that I'm not aware of, but the mere the fact that this applicant has told me they've been tryin to do this for a few weeks now, I think it's important that we know what's in the pipeline as far as applications so we don't have people that's been trying to get through the door and now were met with new languages and new ordinances that then blocks them, and have them now to reconform to a whole new principal arterial overlay, which is really not fair because, you know, I know we've been working on this, at least on the Planning Board, for some time and I, and I gotta commend Staff because they had a lotta Items that they brought forth this meeting, and also the prior meeting but I think it might be, you know, in order to defer this to just make sure that we have recognized what's in the pipe coming down so that we don't disenfranchise anybody that wants to do business here in the City.

Thank you, Members.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any comments from Council?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I have a question.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Thank you. For Mr. Gagnon. Jeff? Mr. Gagnon. [Pause]. My question about this Ordinance is, as I understand it, this is really just to lift the moratorium?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: So, in addition to those design criteria's in the supplemental information, it's, it's specified that once this Ordinance is adopted, the existing moratorium in zoning and progress for site plan applications along the Blue Heron and Broadway corridor will be lifted. So, that's Ordinance number 4091. So, that' Ord'.., Ordinance will sunset by approving this Ordinance.

I'll be happy to look into Mr. McCoy's specific comments and questions. I'm not familiar with that specific item at this time.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I guess what I don't understand is, if.., will it im'.., will it, in any way, negatively impact anything that's in the pipeline? It seems to me that there's.., anything that's in the pipeline can only be benefitted by lifting a moratorium because anything in the pipeline is just stalled there because of the moratorium. Am I thinking right on that?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I, I'd really need to know the exact facts behind Mr. McCoy's inquiry. Technically, right now, we can't receive any site plan applications, they can't be submitted to Staff due to this moratorium in zoning in progress, so, perhaps that, and maybe it's a smaller scale type of item that can be resolved administratively

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: But, there really aren't any newer projects that have been allowed to submit applications because of the previous moratorium in zoning and progress.

So, that's what this Ordinance would alleviate.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: This basically lifts the moratorium?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, when we typically lift the moratorium, what is the, the procedure in which we do for that? Are we doing something different tonight, from how we would normally lift a moratorium?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: No, no. I've actually seen, previously, the adoption of new language is satisfactory enough is an indication that the Council is pleased with the end result to really create that previous moratorium to sunset, but what we did with this Ordinance, is specifically call out the previous Ordinance and.., that enacted the moratorium and that the enactment of this Ordinance will cause the previous moratorium Ordinance to sunset.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And so, so you're saying there are no applications that are, are currently in the pipeline as the concern Mr. McCoy addressed? That...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Well...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...will be impacted by it?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: What I can say is that the City has not been able to accept any new site plan applications...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Were there some put in right before we put the moratorium on? That got...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Not...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:stopped or no?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Not that I'm aware of. Again, I'd need to know the specific information. I'd be happy to get with Mr. McCoy to see what project that's associated with.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But if we go ahead and pass this tonight and we find out there are some, how do we rectify if after the fact?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: What we've done previously is, if applications have been submitted prior to the enactment of a new Ordnance, we can look at the timeline associated with the submittal, so if, in fact, there was a project submitted prior to the enactment of this Ordinance, I've seen City Council take the stance, and Staff take the stance, that they have applied in good faith based on existing requirements. So let's say the applicant..., and this hypothetical 'cause I'm not sure what situation we're referring to, but let's say the applicant referred, or provided a site plan application to Staff just before moratorium was enacted, we can take the approach and we can move forward with the approach that they're allowed, and kinda

grandfathered in to the existing Code structure. So, they'd be able to proceed unimpeded by this language.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Any other questions? [Pause]. Well, with us lifting this and we're specifically talking about the appearance of building structures, landscape design, anything that come' in.., comes in after tonight, will then be subject to Or'.., will it be subject to the language or do we have to revise language to go along with this?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: It will be subject to the new regulations. So, so the City would be able to accept new site plan applications tomorrow morning.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. Any further comments?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly second. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller-Anderson dissenting.

9.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, Item No. 9.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ORDINANCE NO. 4111. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 31 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "ZONING", ARTICLE I, ENTITLED "IN GENERAL", SECTION 31-1, ENTITLED "DEFINITIONS" AND ARTICLE VI, "SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS" BY CREATING A NEW SECTION 31-560 ENTITLED "REGULATIONS FOR FILLING STATIONS", (AKA GAS STATIONS), IN ORDER TO PROVIDE AND AMEND DEFINITIONS AND TO PROVIDE SEPARATION REQUIREMENTS BETWEEN FILLING STATIONS, TO PROMOTE DIVERSIFIED DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS WITHIN THE CITY, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND CODIFICATION AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ACTING DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: JEFF GAGNON (561)845-4060

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do have public comment cards. The acceptance of public cards.., public comment cards on this Item is now closed.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: May I have a motion?

[Pause]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly second. Mr. Gagnon.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes. Madam Chair, if it pleases Council, I'd actually like to table the Item until an upcoming Council meeting, preferably May 16th. I noticed an item within the Ordinance that may need to be revised and I just want a little bit of extra time to revisit that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. Okay.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Public comment?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You can go ahead and take...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:public comment.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I rescind my motion, if he's asking for this to be tabled.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay.

ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING

10.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Item No. 10.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ORDINANCE NO. 4112. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 27 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "PLANNING", ARTICLE II, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION" BY ENACTING SECTION 27-16, ENTITLED "PLANNING MANUALS" AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A TECHNICAL MANUAL AND THE CREATION OF A POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ACTING DEPT. DIRECTOR: JEFF GAGNON (561)845-4060

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do have public comment cards on this Item. The acceptance of public comment cards on this Item is now closed.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Is there a motion?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been moved and properly second. Mr. Gagnon.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Thank you, Madam Chair.

You have before you an Ordinance on first reading. Staff has actually looked forward to presenting this Item to City Council for some time now. We did receive support from the Planning & Zoning Board previously to move forward with this, and it's really to enact two different planning manuals. It's the policy and procedure manual, and also a Technical Manual. So, really, the ultimately benefit of both of these manuals is it creates a uniform and unified area to keep these procedures, policies. There are other organizations in the area, or in the county specifically, that utilize similar structures as far as creating documentation to streamline processes and to really increase transparency within those processes.

The, the Technical Manual is probably the most boring of the two, if you had to say, but if you can imagine the Department would receive building permit applications, site plans for review, and with our current configuration and current requirements, each applicant can submit a site plan with very unique characteristics. So, for example, you could have essential elements of the site plan for one submittal in the top left corner, while the next submittal the Staff receives from a different agent or a different property owner, maybe that crucial information is placed in a different location on the site plan. So, what this will do is create a format where it's understood the format of submitting applications, submitting site plans and similar documentation to the City, which we're hoping will also streamline review processes, so it will streamline submittals we're hoping because it's very clear and concise as far as what the expectations are from any applicant or property owner to develop their property. It would further streamline the review process because once you've reviewed a few plans that match those criteria, it would just be almost a repetitive process and you don't have to go through a, a search process for specific information on the site plan. So, that's the Technical Manual in a nutshell.

The policy and procedure manual has, I guess, a wider, wider ability as far as implementation. It can be utilized for slightly different things. We wanna use it as named so to really record our existing policies and procedures for any existing process. But, I think the most important way to utilize this is to allow Staff, and provide Staff with a mechanism to make administrative decisions on certain Code elements. To put those decisions in writing, and to have a central placeholder, which we're hoping to put this online, that's the anticipated use of this, put this information online so that way administrative decisions are uniform throughout the, throughout the City's processes. I have an example from the county I'd like to bring up as well. [Pause]. And, Palm Beach County does utilize this policy and procedure manual, and here's one example. So, what this helps to deal with is any new techniques, new trends, things of that.., and outdated Code, may not be able to handle. Our current process that you've seen firsthand and the general public has seen firsthand is, to update any existing Land Development Regulation or Code structure. There's a Staff review phase, it'd have to be reviewed and recommended by the Planning & Zoning Board, then it would come to the City Council for two readings. So, the timeline associated with creating new regulations can be months. It, it can take a significant amount of time. So, what this manual will do is, with situations that are not called out in our Code structure, it provides authority to have Staff review the situation, analyze the Code, create a memo that identifies exactly how it relates to the Code structure and it also creates a path forward for analyzing or approving any identical requests that the City receives.

So, before you, this is a specific PPM that is within Palm Beach County, and the question they received was, I'm sure it was associated with tiny homes, that type of development but they were receiving requests associated with utilizing storage containers for homes or residential structures. Apparently, their Code structure had language, and I bore you with the whole thing, but their Code structure talked about utilizing shipping containers with an agricultural type of use, as agricultural facilities, however, their Code was silent as far as utilizing shipping containers in a residential capacity. So, because they have this manual in place, and they have this capability in place, it allowed their zoning director at the time to review the Code structure, analyze what was existing within the Code, and also provide a recommendation as far as how that was to be treated when they received similar requests moving forward. The ultimate intent of all of these PPM's, is to bring a final Ordinance before Council, but what this allows to happen is, it allows applications to move in between their original submittal to the City and a final adoption of the Ordinance by City Council. I think one more relevant example that has been coming up very frequently actually, I think because we're getting back to hurricane season, is questions about generators and how that relates to our existing Code structure. Again, unfortunately, our Code structure is outdated in, in a lot of ways and currently, any sort of mechanical element or any sort of building, has to be done within the specific setbacks of any given zoning district. So, Staff would like to amend that and we think it may be appropriate to bring forth an Ordinance to allow for generators within setbacks, under certain circumstances. So, if, for example, if this Policy and Procedure Manual is available to Staff, because the Code is silent on this Item, we'll be able to make a recommendation we could implement this, this structure and this action prior to bringing that Ordinance before City Council, with anticipation of City Council approving this Ordinance based on the Staff's analysis an input. So, that, that's the intent of the Policy and Procedure Manual.

So, Staff is requesting that City Council approves this Ordinance. The Planning & Zoning Board recommend approval of this as well, and I'm here to answer any questions you may have.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Botel.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Mr. Gagnon, I think I, I might just need a little bit of an education about this because what I don't understand is, why this is coming to Council, why you want to have Council involved in doing an Ordinance for you to do a Policy and Procedures Manual? Doesn't, doesn't it really just get us involved in the weeds of your work? And, and does it mean that, for...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...example, going forward, if you wanted to change this Policy and Procedures Manual, you'd have to come back to Council? Is that really what you want, and you'd have to come back to Council to change this Technical Manual? Ah, by the way, let me, let me preface my question by saying I love the fact that you wanna streamline the submissions and review process. I think it's fantastic that you wanna make things easier for people to do work with the City. I applaud you for that, it's a great idea. You need to have it done, but do you really need to have Council do an Ordinance to get it done?

That's my question.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I think it's a very good question. I think, very technically speaking, I don't think I need the Ordinance.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Oh, well [inaudible]...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I think that, that.., if, if I wanted to move forward in an administrative level, I believe the authority is there to, to just do it. However, because of the potential Citywide impacts of this, I thought it was proper to actually put it within our Land Development Regulations. That way, if you are looking to come to the City and, and build a new development, all of those regulations

are available online in, in one location. We use a third party provide, which is MuniCode, so if you're searching through our regulations, that would identify that both of these manuals exist and it would also create a placeholder for these manuals to exist from now until whenever in the future. The individual elements that Staff is anticipating to place within the manuals, we're not seeking individual approvals of each element, but what we're trying to do, and what I thought was important, was to bring before Council, ensure as much transparency as possible, incorporate this language into our Land Development Regulations, and that way, if there is a question about our own internal procedures in the future, we can reference the public process, this public meeting, the Ordinance that approved the language. So, I, I understand why it..., it's somewhat confusing and, again, I think that the authority already exists. However, to make the process extremely transparent, and to ensure it's embedded within our Code, that's why we took this approach.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: So, you're not really even looking for us to say, 'Yes, we like the way this policies and [stammer], this, you're calling it a technical [stammer], technical...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yeah. It's, it's a Technical Manual...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Technical Manual...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ...and Policies & Procedures Manual.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...and Policies and Procedures Manual. You're not concerned about that we like the way it looks, like the way it reads, like what's in it, you just want us to say, 'Yes, go ahead and do it.'

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes. Let, let it be?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis and then Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I, I want Staff to help me out with us. So, this is a policy, yes or no? Policy decision?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: So, the, the request that's before you is to amend the existing Land Development Regulations to incorporate both the Technical Manual and Policy and Procedure Manual.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Correct.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: So, in order to amend that Code, it would have to come before City Council.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Correct. And that's what I, I just wanna make sure that is on record.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes, sir.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That we be clear on that because I thought there was a comment made that this didn't need to come before the Board. And the only reason I state that because, on the CRA side, we review'..., we went through all the policies and procedures and all the updates that we're discussing now, and we as a CRA Board at that time, went through every single policy. We had a workshop, we reviewed..., we sat there for about three hours and then we came back later and we took a vote on a later date and we approved every policy. So, I'm just trying to find out..., so, once we approve this, this goes back. Now, will the Staff get a training to be conducted on this, on this manual? How will that be structured, Mr. Gagnon?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I think an educational component is needed. The, the first step is really compiling and updating all of our existing policies and procedures, identifying what may be missing or what needs to be added.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Mhmm.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: But, there's definitely a, a huge training component that is essential in order to make sure that everyone's on the same page and, and understands what the policy and procedures are.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: So, what we're doing, based upon your comments, we're taking our existing policy and just creating like a [pause] playbook, so to say, like, a guidebook with the existing policies we already have in place?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Right. So, we're...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:we're creating a vault. So, this Ordinance would create a vault and then that way Staff can put all the policy and procedures into that vault.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I, I understand now. So, that's.., so, you're just creating a system to structure our current policies?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes, sir.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, with the Ordinance, because you said that it's not necessary that we have the Ordinance. I don't see the point in having it. And, the other issue is, I would..., I, I honestly don't feel comfortable in setting this Ordinance, or approving this without actually seeing what the, the actual manual that you're gonna come up with. I know you said that it would come back to us, and I think it should come back to us, we should know what the policies are and be okay with it as we just talked about a minute ago, but just to turn it over and.., because, see, I don't want it to get back to the issue we had with Mr. Lozman's address. Remember the policy was changed and nobody really knew that this policy was changed and, and however that went down? I don't wanna see that happen again, and so, I do think we need to know and approve it before we say this the law. And if we can do that, would you brining' it back..., work on it, bring it back and you don't need us to do an Ordinance to say it's okay for you to go work on it and bring it back. I don't see the point in having to do an Ordinance for it, but I certainly feel that we need to have some input on what the final thing is. If, I make myself very clear on that.

Any concerns, questions about it?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I think that, again, [pause], the, the effort or, or the strategy, I guess, in bringing this before Council, is to ensure that it, it's transparent as far as providing authority to Staff to, to take the steps needed in order to incorporate some of these elements that we need.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But you can the steps without the Ordinance, and still be transparent and go...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...ahead and start working on it...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: [Stammer]...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...bring it together, present it, so that it's transparent and we say yes or no, just as Mr. Davis said that that was something that we looked over and made sure that everybody was okay with it and, you know, it wasn't Mr. Jeff Gagnon's plan. And then that way, we could be transparent and open and, and everybody's on the same page with it.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: The problem, I think right now...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ... is the current system...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ...it lends itself only to only the Jeff Gagnon plan, which is...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Which is what...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON:it's not good.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... we don't want.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Right, right. So, the, the Item that was referenced before about the address issue, I think part of that was created because there wasn't a centralized location for new policies, for procedures. So...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ...if we had that location, other than just saying, 'We'll just have it online.' Right? It's, that's not sufficient. We need to have a location that's, that's really codified that is identified as, 'This is the central place for, for all of the regulations.'

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, right now, you're just saying a matter of identifying the placeholder for it would be in the direction in which you're talking about. So, can we just decide on what it's gonna.., let you work on it, we say it's fine and then we can bring the Ordinance, or however, to place it in the vault? As you put it.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yeah. But...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We don't have to give the approval to put it in the vault before we even know what it looks like that we're putting in the vault. 'Cause that's what it sounds like to me.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: That's, that's, in essence, what it is. So...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I, I just feel like...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: So, the, the...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...that would be doing...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ...problem...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... something blind.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Right. The...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I don't.., I'm not comfortable with that.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ... the problem we're running into now is, that's the current system.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But we can fix that. By having you...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Well...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...work on it, then bring it before us, we're okay with it, then we know what's in the vault, we don't have to wonder if it changed or...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's where I am with it.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I under'.., I under'.., I understand what you're saying. I think the one issue that we'll have with that...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ...is, and, and I'll go back to the Palm Beach County example. So, as we get new inquires that may not be in line with the existent Code structure...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: ...it, it functions as a release valve, so to speak. So that way, if you don't have.., maybe it's the best idea for the City, maybe it, it's gonna work out really well but, because our Code's outdate, we can't move forward in any direction. So, what this will do is it provides that release valve again that would allow that development community to move forward in at least a direction. And then, the next person that comes in with the same proposal, you'll have something in place that's in writing, so that way it's not an arbitrary decision from Staff saying, 'Well, this time we're gonna treat this like this. This time we're gonna treat this differently.' So, it, it creates this standard pattern of review of site plans for development proposals.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: One moment. We have public comment cards. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Tradrick McCoy, Bonnie Larson.

MR. T. MCCOY: Members, Tradrick McCoy.

I would agree in part, there has to be a policy and procedure. And, the point that I was making earlier goes exactly to what Mr. Gagnon presented today. This applicant was not allowed to submit the application, and it wasn't for a site plan. What the application was, it was for preliminary zoning. And here's why that Policy and Procedure Manual was so important, there's no real policy or procedure on how that application for preliminary zoning is accepted. I know some people wanna write in, had a signature done. Then others, this applicant that I spoke of earlier, went in, submitted the application, the planner looked at the application, said, 'Yeah, it meets the zoning requirement but you have some other issues with the building.' That has nothing to do with preliminary zoning. When I have an ordeal that I wanna bring a business to the City, and I wanna buy a, a parcel, I'm gonna have my agent to go in front of the City, in front of the Planning Department, and say, 'Can I build here, on this lot? Can you sign off on the zoning approval.?' Don't tell me anything about the structure because I may demolish the structure. So, the, the current structure has nothing to do with accepting the preliminary zoning application. And that applicant was disenfranchised today. Now, guess what just happened? Now, that applicant is gonna have to conform to the new arterial standards that were just put in place because that zoning person that they seen, over in the Planning Department, didn't accept their application. So, no. It technically wasn't in the pipeline because it was never accepted. And all they needed to do was get the preliminary zoning accepted.

Now, here's what I would say about this language. You know, I did., I will admit that it was a bit of a oversight on my part when it came to the Planning & Zoning, but if you look at the Minutes, what's very unique about the Planning & Zoning Board Minutes, they're verbatim, and what I said specifically was that, we have to proceed with caution because of those same things I just heard you say, Councilwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson, because these are gonna have unintended consequences and we don't need to hodgepodge, this application is treated one way, and then there's another one that's treated a different way. And, ironically, I do public records requests and sometimes I ask for things so unique, when I go into a government office or organization, they don't even have a policy in place. And they will hold an applicant out, or hold a public.., a person of the public out on something that they're entitled to receive so they can go back and create policies. And, I respect Mr. Gagnon and what he does, but I think there has to be some review from either this Board or from the Planning Board, or some other authority because it's essentially gonna begin in with the Planning Department. And I think..., I'm having people contact me already with enough frustrations about just getting a simple application through. And it's unfair because that is needed. Part of the reason why is there's a community garden going up and nobody seems to know about it, not even the Planning Department. Imagine that. You know?

So, these are the kind of problems we have because that's a function that should go through the Planning Department. We seen how that happened with Cunningham Park, when you have projects that relate to Community Development and Planning that doesn't operate within the Planning Department. So, it's important that we have policies and procedures because I get approached and I'm asked about things that folks should expect that I know, but I have no idea. But we need it, but there has to be some oversight, and we need to make sure that we do it right because this is becoming pretty, pretty arduous. Alright?

Thank you, Members.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Bonnie Larson.

MS. B. LARSON: I understand the need for both of these things, the Planning Manual and the Technical Manal, I understand it. It's just a wonderment to me that we haven't had it to this point, or that it's so behind at this point, the people can't even come into the City if they wanna come into the City. 'Uh, maybe we can do it, maybe we cannot do it.' It's just a wonderment to me that so many years have gone by without this. Generators have been.., we've had generators for how many years? A long time. There should a been an, a situation outlining how to do that.

My question now is, and maybe, Mr. Davis, you'll know the answer to this because I remember we paid somebody to do some manuals for us, policy and procedure manuals for us. We paid that. Now, this was an outside person, so what would they know about how we want our policies to be? They would have ask. It didn't make sense to me, that we were hiring someone from the outside to do that. Now, Mr. Davis, you said tonight, that was never completed, so why did we pay someone to do it and why was it never completed? So, we wasted that money doing that.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I'll answer that.

MS. B. LARSON: Okay. You'll answer it? Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair? Just to answer her question. Well, I'll wait 'til we're finally done with public comment, but I wanna address that question.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, that end'..., that ends public comments.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you. Councilwoman Botel.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yeah. I, I still have a lot of questions about this and I'm concerned that we may be voting on something that's not necessary. I have a, a question for Mr. Gagnon. If we, if we said that we wanted to table this tonight, or if it.., or if we said, 'No, we're voting no on this,' wha'.., would this stop you from moving forward on developing a Policy and Procedures Manual and a Technical Manual? How would this impede your work?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yeah. So, so this Ordinance is on first reading, so it'd have to come back to the Council no matter what. If the Council doesn't wanna move forward with it, then...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: No. I, I guess.., let me make myself clear. We.., I would like...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Right, right.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Personally, I want you to move forward with...

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...it yesterday, but what I'm saying is, I, I'm still not certain that it needs to be something that's moved by Ordinance of the Council. I want it to be moved by Ord'..., by, by your work that you do in your Department, and outside of the work of the Council. I don't know that's it's a, it's an issue that comes before the Council. That's my con'..., that's my point of concern. I, I don't want it to stop. You're working on this, you have got to get this done. This is critically important for the City to move forward. So, that's my question, if it's not voted on tonight by us, if we table it, if we decide that we need more information, how does that impede your work?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I think it's essential for the City, so, it won't stop our work, however, it will never be incorporated into our Code structure, which is really the intent of bringing it before Council.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: One last question. You talk about the Code being outdated, is.., are we also working on remedying that situation? Is the.., is someone working on working on bring the Code up to date?

[Inaudible comment]

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: We, we are. However, it is.., it's a time consuming process. So, as new elements are identified, almost case by case, we are revisiting the Code structure, but the reality is, there is a lot of Code and a lot of it hasn't been reviewed in a significant amount of time. So, having this, this Policy and Procedure Manual available for Staff, and providing that ability to Staff, would really assist in that process.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay. It was my.., one of my Singer Island neighbors who brought up the issue today of the generator and because this hurricane season is imminent, she said, you know, I have.., I cannot get a, a firm to come and put a generator in my yard because they won't work with Riviera Beach because the, the.., it's impossible to get anything done and because.., and I, I have a copy of the current method by which someone has to get a generator and it's.., she doesn't have a lot big enough to, to, to put, you know, enough frontage in front of her house. So, when I went over to your Department today to get information about this, I was told, 'Well, if you pass this thing tonight, then this woman can get her generator.' So, [chuckle], I guess that's my other

concern. If we don't pass this thing tonight, what happens to the lady on Singer Island who wants her generator?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Well, our other process would be create an Ordinance. It kinda..., the, the backend, right? So, the overall intent of this is to keep moving on Ordinance creation, but this is the stop gap in between. So, in, in reference to generators, it's definitely more than one individual that's impacted by that generator question where existing setbacks don't allow a generator to be placed on the property. And that's, that's throughout the City, that is a Citywide issue, it's something that we need to address as quickly as possible. So, ultimately, the steps that Staff would have to take is, create new regulations, bring it before Planning & Zoning Board, get the recommendation from Planning & Zoning Board, and then two readings before City Council. So, even in the most aggressive timeline, I'd say three or four months before it comes before City Council. And, the problem with that is, we're into hurricane season. So.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: So, you're saying that doing this expedites that process?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: It, it provides that, that stop gap that allows us to create regulations and, and create abilities to move forward with projects in advance of City Council taking the final action.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any other questions from Council?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Just one other comment.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Ms. Larson made a comment about what I stated about the policy and procedures. The ones that were completed was the CRA, like I stated, so once we got to the City side, we started that process to get going with that, but it never came back to.., for us to finish the City side, but on the CRA side, we did finish all the policies and procedures that was recommended before us, as a Board, and then we started on the City side. So, it was something that we was working through but we did complete the CRA, now we have to get back on track on the City side for those policies. But, it was something that the City side had just started. It was something that we never did, once the Board changed, it, it was a ..., everyone came in with different focuses, and so, we just kinda had to wait and see which direction folks wanna go. So now, we're at a position now where the Board wants to address it, so now we have to contact the individual and say, 'Hey, where we at with the initial policies and procedures on the City side? But the CRA, I do remember Scott Evans, and Mr. Gagnon you worked with us, I think it was [pause] was it. Palm Beach Consultant, I think, that did the CRA side, those policies, [stammer] for the CRA. I remember Mr. Brown was here, but it was something that we definitely worked, worked on. It was a very good meeting.

But, what we're saying here, this is just an instrument to place the policies and procedures in for a footprint. Is that what you're stating? Correct?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes, sir.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Okay. That makes sense.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Chair Pro Tem.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So, Mr. Gagnon, we have an Ordinance which is Ordinance 4112, and you're asking us here to amend Chapter 27 of that, of the City's Code of Ordinances. So, this is an amendment to an Ordinance that we already, we already have. The [pause], in this manual that you are going to put together, do you have content already for it, or are you talking about creating a framework? I heard you mention a place to put the new Ordinance and the new stop gap material that you might create?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: We, we really have both. We, we've been working on new regulations in anticipation of approval of this Item. So, we have the previous standard operating procedures and operating procedures that would, would go into the manual, but we've also been working on other documentation, specifically for the techni'..., Technical Manual as well. One of the benefits of that is, we're trying to come up with a naming structure, which seems really small, however, what the naming structure will do is ensure that whenever the City receives digital information..., so, let's say it's a pdf of the site plan, that, the way it's named and kept in our internal server is it's gonna be uniform. That's very important right now as we migrate into a new software system. We're, we're migrating to Tyler, so having that information that follows that naming protocol will allow the City to import it much more easily, in the future.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So, if you, you.., if you have been working on, say five or six different regulations that you wanna move from just a general standard operating procedure to actually be one of our Code structures. Now that it has.., now that you have gotten this, I guess worked up to a substantial amount of documents that would go into this manual, would you bring us back one... Say you have one for a fence, one for a setback for a generator, you come up with another one for driveways, and then there's another one say for structuring a daycare. That's like five different regulations that you and Staff have worked on now. So, would each regulation be voted on prior to being put into this Land Development Regulation Manual?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: So, some of the elements that you used as an example, I wanna be clear that the, the intention of this is not to replace existing Codes, so if there's, if there's a clear requirement, let's say a fence, right? Let's say, in a residential property in the front yard, the maximum height of a fence is four feet, and that's clearly stated in our existing Code. What this manual will be used for, it's not to contradict the existing Code, but let's say..., again, the shipping container example comes up and we have somebody asking about shipping containers,

and if our Code is completely silent, instead of telling the applicant, 'We're sorry, we don't have Code to even regulate that, you're gonna have to wait four or five months before we can get an Ordinance finalized,' what this allows Staff to do is provide that stop gap and say, 'Hey, this is, this is the, the management practices associated with this item. We think that this works in line with the existing Code structure,' which will be identified within the memo and that will be placed within the Policy and Procedure Manual for future use and, and reference for that project.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So, if the... Last question here, if that's.., say something that the Council finds absurd and it's already in that manual, then what? Or if it's, if it's.., it, if we see that it has become detrimental to the community, this particular Code it's stopping progress, this particular Code... These are just examples that I'm just making up. So, it's stopping progress, it's stopping business from coming forward, or that want to relocate or locate into the City, then how do we manage it if you've already put into the manual?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: I, I think that the true argument right now is that some elements of our existing Code, are doing just that.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Okay.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: So, because we haven't visited some of these sections since 1982 or 1957, when the Code was originally enacted, the current Code is, is serving in that capacity much more than I think this manual would cause in the future.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Botel.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Thank you. So, just, just to put a finer point on it, will someone.., for example, Planning & Zoning, be taking a look at these items that you're putting in this manual to just have a second look at them, something other than just the Planning Department?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yeah. I think when it was presented to the Planning & Zoning Board, and I refer back to the meeting Minutes, I think that Staff committed to providing all of the anticipated, let's call it the memos, that are gonna be provided within that manual to the Planning & Zoning Board for their information, so if there is a glaring inconsistency or if, if they feel as if something is going to be extremely detrimental to the community, it will be discussed in a public forum.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: And then, if a community person who makes application wants to argue a point, they would come before Planning & Zoning, maybe or, where would the recourse be if somebody has a concern about something that they're not being allowed to do?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: If there's ever an appeal of an administrative decision, that goes to our development special magistrate, and that's the current appeal process that the City would utilize for any, any appeal of an administrative decision.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: And concurrently with this, you'll be working on getting the Code up to date?

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Step by step.

ACTING DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GAGNON: To the greatest extent possible, yes.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay. Alright. Good.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any further questions or comments from Council? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller-Anderson dissenting.

ITEMS TABLED

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk, are there any Items tabled?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No. There are no Items tabled, Madam Chair.

REGULAR – OLD BUSINESS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Regular – old business.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, earlier in the meeting the Agenda was reordered to take No. 14 before No. 11.

REGULAR

DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

14.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Item No. 14.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION REGARDING THE MAYOR'S SUSPENSION OF INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We're doing 14 first?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do have one public comment card on this Item. The acceptance of I'.., public comment cards on this Item is now closed.

[Pause]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Good evening. Councilman Davis. And I just wanna state why we're here. Just real briefly, this'll be very brief.

The last Council meeting, we came before the City.., well, the Mayor brought all of us an issue before the City, it was the suspension of the Interim Public Works Director. Oh, he's here. Thank you. The Interim Public Works Director. In that meeting, we all was working together to find out what are the issues that caused for the Public Works Director to be suspended? We all work on one accord, asking for information that wasn't necessarily brought to us, 'cause the biggest question was, where was the proof that Mr. Bailey did maliciously remove the signs, where was the proof that Staff had removed signs and they..., that wasn't in a public right of way? Who gave the directives, and why should it be held accountable, and how we should get there. In any typical process of an investigation, that should be conducted by the HR Director, the City Manager, along with the Clerk and in conjunction with whether the issue may be with the Mayor and his suspension powers. I stand corrected, he has that authority. At no point through the Council has the authority to supervise or to give directives to any Staff member outside of the Board. The only two members, employees that work for the Board are the City Attorney and the City Manager. That's our authority. Responsibility. As you can see, this information concerning... Okay. Here we are. On March 14th, when this investigation began, we have our Facility Manager, Mr. Jan Bockmeulen. I apologize Mr. Jan if I messed up your name, but he sent a email to the City Clerk. He said:

Good morning. Unless otherwise directed, I will schedule my crew to start removing the voting signs in the next day or so.

Now remember, the election was what? March 13th, the day before. Correct? That email was at 9:50 a.m. Two minutes later, you can see Mr. Bailey responded:

Ms. Hoskins, should we be spending City resources removing campaign signs or provide notice to the candidates to remove their signs?

Remember, he said, what?

Should we be spending City resources to remove campaign signs or should we be notifying the candidates...

...so they can remove them themselves? Which is fair. 9:59, same day, about seven minutes later, the Clerk said:

Mr. Bailey, he was only speaking for the red City signs, which belong to the City only.

He was'.., she, she was'.., he wasn't talking about the campaign signs. 10:00 o'clock the same day, Mr. Bailey said:

Okay. Sorry for the confusion.

He was trying to address the issue, protect the integrity of the campaign process. Each elected official, whoever the candidate was so they can remove their own signs. And he said, 'Oh, I'm sorry for the confusion.' Being sincere, being sincere. It's all in writing. Ms. Hoskins came back two days later, 10:30:

Have the City.., have the red City voting signs been removed?

Just asking a question.

If not, please ensure that they are taken down today.

Also, Ms. Hoskins again, to the Clerk:

Ensure that the campaign signs that are in the City's right of way, which the Mayor agreed that that was okay in the last meeting.

The Mayor agreed that any sign that was in the City right of way, it was okay.., he agreed that he stated that in a meeting.

Or City property, to be removed.

The Mayor agreed to that.

Here's our summary at this point. Mr. Jan, who's our Facilities Manager, indicates that the signs are being removed. We all saw that in, in this presentation. Mr. Bailey

asked the City Manager if he should what? Should we be removing the campaign signs? We all saw that. The City Manager directed Staff to do what? Remove the City signs only on March 13th. Then what happened? The City Manager directed Staff to remove campaign signs from the City right of way, and City property only. Only. In red, you see it says what? Mr. Bailey, at no point, gave what? No directives to what? To remove the signs. At no point do you see any information where he gave the... 'Matter of fact, he said I apologize for tr'..., you know, for assuming that but we should be what Removing campaign signs with city time and funding. He did that. [Pause]. Here's Councilwoman Miller-Anderson on March 21st, on that Wednesday. And she, I'm gonna read the email, to her respect. Her email basically is stating that she had [inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Can you read it verbatim? Ju'.., can you read the whole thing for us?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I, I said I'm gonna read it verbatim.

[Inaudible comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yeah. I have to read it in the record so people at home can see what she stated:

Hello. Eight of my...

Well, she sent this email to Ms. Hoskins, the City Manager from her votekashambamilleranderson@gmail.com, at March 21st at 10:12 a.m.

Hello. Eight of my thirteen large campaign signs were removed and destroyed from various locations in the City and Public Works.., by the City and Public Works and I was not notified of the request to remove nor request to pick up items up, one [stammer]. One they were...

It was supposed to say when they were removed by Public Works.

By law, I had thirty days to remove my signs from locations and, as of yesterday, exactly seven days posted election. Post-election. The majority of my lost campaign signs have been disappeared from the roadways. Upon winning my election, I ordered thank you decals to have them placed on my large signs to say thank you to the residents basically for participating in the voting process. My large signs would have been removed.., have been removed completely by me.

Say that again.

My large signs would have been com'.., been removed completely by me no later than fourteen days post-election, had they not been removed.

That's Councilperson Miller-Anderson.

Please explain to me how each of my large campaign signs, by location, violate the sign rule right of way. What is considered the right of way in this case of each of my signs being? Please explain how each one violated the rule according to the location it was in. Why were my signs removed, destroyed without notifying me, giving me an opportunity to remove them from the location myself, or the opportunity to collect them from Public Works once they' removed.

Now remember, Mr. Bailey said what earlier? Should we be removing City, elected officials, campaign signs with City resources? He did.., they're in tune at that time. She also states:

When I won my election in 2015, I placed thank you decals on all my large campaign signs and those signs were removed and destroyed. They were placed in the same spot in 2015 as they were in 2018. I'm sure everyone was aware of what I did with my signs in 2015 because it has not been done before. Those signs in 2015 were removed from the roadways by me within thirty posted.., thirty days post-election without any issues. How does this statute below apply to destroying my signs? The statute below? Clearly, the signs were permitted to being'.., to be there because they were allowed to remain in those locations with no notice being given to me to remove for close to.., for close to a month that they were there? All of a sudden, within seven days of me willing to.., willing my...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Winning.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...seat back... Winning my seat back, the signs were removed without being notified and Mr. Bailey willfully had them destroyed, denied me the opportunity to collect them.

She said Mr. Bailey denied her the opportunity. The statute is quoted, it says here:

479.21. Willfully and/or maliciously removing, destroying, damaging or altering permitting signs penalty. Any person who willfully or maliciously remove signs, removes, damages, destroys, tampers with, or alter in any way a sign for which a permit has been issued under this Chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in the statue. 775.082 or statute 775.083. This is no way for me to be compensated.., there is no way for me to be compensated for the \$283.55 for the thank you decals that I no longer used due to large signs being removed and destroyed by Public Works that I ordered last week.

Upon winning my reelection and receiving.., received on yesterday, due to the funds being used from the campaign account, I expect Mr. Bailey to be held accountable for destroying my signs. Please respond back to my email with the answers to my questions and the actions taken with Mr. Bailey by the end of business today.

There's a directive being give'.., given.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: As a, as a citizen, yes. And resident.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Now, remember, here we are again. Karen sent an email to who? The Clerk and Terrence Bailey.

Also ensure those campaign signs that are in the City right of ways and City property are bring removed.

Now, when you start talking about the City right of ways and property, the first question you ask yourself, where's the survey? There's no survey to determine where the right of way was. At no point.., at one time last summer, this Council wanted to address the political process on the surveys, but they wanted to wait 'til after the election because they want'.., they didn't wanna impact this election, so we posted'.., so we postponed that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Davis, you're distorting the sound by holding that up.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Here's Ms. Anderson to Ms. Hoskins:

I have serious concerns regarding the situation, it was handled. I look forward to your response.

She sent this to Ms. Hoskins on March 21st, that same day, at 1:12, after giving the directive, making sure that Mr. Bailey get addressed. And that came from her votekashambamilleranderson@gmail.com email to her City email and to Ms. Hoskins, and cc'd Bailey and the Clerk.

Here's Ms. Hoskins to Mr. Bailey:

Please advise why the campaign signs were destroyed, placed in the garbage and why wasn't KaShamba Miller-Anderson contacted to pick up her signs?

So, Mr. Bailey's... The City Manager's doing her job. She was asking the question, 'Please explain what happened to the signs.' Trying to find out who did it. March 26th, there's a email from the Facilities Manager to Mr. Bailey:

Mr. Bailey, as per the email sent by the Interim City Manager, Ms. Hoskins, on Tuesday, March 15th, on Thursday, March 15th at 10:05 a.m., the email was also sent to Mr. Bailey and also Ms. Claudene, the City Clerk. The director of this le'.., the directive of the letter was to remove all political campaign signs from the, from the median, right of ways, and/or the City owned roadways.

Now you have the Facility Manager telling you, telling the.., Terrence Bailey that I removed these signs, right? He's telling.., not Mr. Bailey removing the signs, he's telling you, 'I have received a directive to remove 'em from the City right of ways and property only, which the Mayor, at the last meeting stated he was fine with that.

Following the directive of the letter, I instructed my Staff to remove any and all political campaign signs. As a matter of course, all materials were distr'.., discarded in a dumpster

as we would have no use for any wood that has been exposed to the elements of, and possibly damaged insects.., damaging insects.

So, the last meeting, those signs were at the old Public Works site, that you saw on this board. But here's a Staff member stating that those signs were put away in a dumpster at the new Public Works site. So, how did they get out of the dumpster and at the old Public Works site, via email by your Facilities Manager? Your Facility Manager said, 'Hey, we dumped 'em into the dumpster at the new Public Works site.' The last meeting that we were in, there was a picture on there showing you the od Public Works site. How did those signs get out of the dumpster into the old Public Works site? That's what happened. That's the magic question. Who moved the signs from the dumpster?

Now, this is the Facility Manager, not Mr. Bailey. At no point did Mr. Bailey do anything but try and protect the process, but he was suspended, removed from work. Ms. Hoskins sent a email, a email over to the Clerk and Mr. Bailey. Also, here it is again, the 15th, this is when you see it again. On the 15th:

Also, ensure that those campaign signs that are in the City right of ways, and City properties, are removed.

That's her again just talking about what the Mayor said was okay. The Mayor stated in the last meeting, if you check the Minutes, it's okay, 'long as you only remove the City signs from the right of way and pr'.., and the City's property. Now, there's no survey.., at no point have we seen a copy. All this information is six weeks of emails back and forth, and the biggest question I had was, where was the survey? There was never one taken to demonstrate whether it was on City property or not. And never, at one point, did we ever see Mr. Bailey give a directive. He only intercepted and tried to stop this from happening with the understanding there may be a political issue coming with the sensitivity to what may happen. Now, the City Manager was in her right to do her job, with the City property and the City right of ways only, not private property. But there's no survey to determine where it was at.

Here's a summary. Councilperson Miller-Anderson emails stating that she wants Mr. Bailey held accountable without inquiring as to Mr. Bailey's role in the sign removal. She want' him held accountable, but you all saw the emails where he was trying to stop the process, but he got suspended.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: In regards to that, Ms. Karen Hoskins can verify that she said that he destroyed it.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Ma'...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And I'll her.., when you finish.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Let me finish. I'm only stating the emails that you all sent back and forth.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I understand.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Okay?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: She can put all...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: See? We all...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...[inaudible] what the...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: We all had...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...conversation was though.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: We all had.., we all had six weeks to ask any information, to find out what happened.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I was there. I know [inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: So, I asked in the last meeting, and Councilperson Botel, you can call.. I said let's do an independent study so we can have some comeback with all the information. You remem'.., do you recall that?

[Inaudible comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Stammer], thank you so much. The City Manager's email also.., email as to why signs were being destroyed. Mr. Jan indicates that the City Manager's email did not indicate that the signs to be returned to the candidates. Mr. Bailey, once again, he never gave a directive to have the signs removed or destroyed. He was suspended for four days without pay, and when he woulda been at work, he was in a major car accident.

What is this not about? What is this not about? I love this City, I love my colleagues, but we have to stay on one accord together, this is not about campaign signs. Councilperson Botel, this is not about emails, this is not about Ms. Hoskins our, our wonderful City Manager. She's doing what she can with what she have. She's short staffed, she's under a lotta pressure, she got people giving directives behind the scene, when the Board should be giving the executions. And that's not fair to her, what she's been going through. And all she did for 29 years was save this City, and save employee's jobs. This is not about Mr. Bailey. It's not. I'll tell you what it's about, this is really about outsourcing jobs in Community Development, outsourcing jobs in Public Works, outsourcing jobs in the Utility District, privatization, outsourcing jobs in the Legal Department. 'Matter of fact, on tonight's Agenda, there's a Item on the Agenda to go privatize Legal. Now, I'm sure Councilperson Botel, that you did not know a lot of these things were taking place. I'm sure you didn't know. I'm sure you didn't know it, so I'm not accusing you of being a part of the, what people say, the conspiracy that's been going on, because you're new. You're gonna learn a lot more as you sit in this seat, a lotta more information's gonna come to you, and 'm sure you're gonna do the right thing as the time come'.

Staff, who resisted selling out Riviera Beach, selling out employees, has been under attack for quite some time. Just follow the documenta'.., I can give you much more, but tonight, we'll keep it professional and clean. We must make sure that we do what we must do. This is about the truth and the future of Riviera Beach, and whether we will be the community of opportunity. 'Cause what's next? Police and Fire? Those are the only departments that haven't been discussed about privatization. And you got one on tonight's Agenda. Believe it. I'm not saying that Councilperson Botel's a part of it. I know you're new, you're gonna learn a lot more information over the course of last year. This is really about revenge, retaliation. Listen, the emails are there. Harassment, of Staff by Council. By Council. If we all could roll back the truth, it's about telling the truth. All I did was get the emails that the Mayor should've gotten and we asked for it, and I..., and Councilperson Botel should agree. I said I want an independent study so you don't have to believe me. But these are emails..., these are not notes taken, these are emails where Mr. Bailey... Let's go back. Let's not forget what he said.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Mr. Bailey said.., I mean, he was really trying to be proactive and they say he was maliciously doing something wrong.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: 'Ms. Hoskins, should we be spending City resources on removing campaign signs, or provide notice to the candidates to remove their signs?' That's Mr. Bailey trying to make sure that we ask the right questions before the Facility Manager took any action. That's Mr. Bailey being sincere, not malicious. But he was suspended for being malicious. Does that sound like a malicious individual? Does it sound like a malicious professional? This young man represents all our employees. We want every employee in the City of Riviera Beach to be able to come to work every day, get better, don't have a blemish on his record, but just continue doing the right thing, but not being under attack for just doing your job. Look what's happening to..., in the Building Department. The only person that hasn't been attacked in this City, is the Finance Director. He's the only person that hasn't been attacked.

[Inaudible comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: The only one. The only one. These are facts. The only person, department head, that hasn't been attacked is him. And that's the only department there hasn't been discussion on privatization. These are facts.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Stammer], Madam Chair, my...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ... presentation is complete. I.., the emails speak enough for themselves. I think they speak for themselves at this point. Mr. Bailey's been,

clearly, based upon the emails, that he was trying to do the right thing and somehow [stammer] campaign signs were removed from the dumpster over to the Public Works site while he.., and we still don't have the answers to that. And that's a separate investigation for the cameras and the Police Department, to find out who really moved those signs, and put us, all of us, in a voting situation where we suspended a man for trying to do the right thing. Not only did he get suspended, he lost pay, and he major car... Now, he gotta buy a new car. Car totaled out. When he woulda been at work, he got suspended for trying to be.., and you read it. You know? I'm not gonna say any.., too much more. I think the presentation is enough, but all I ask all my colleagues on that Board to understand, we are a team. At no point should I be in a position, or any colleague be in a position where I am, where we have to do our own investigations. We have Hum'.., I said it time and time again, Mayor, we have HR Department, we have a Clerk Department, and we have a Legal department and the City Manager's Department that you should work with and do a complete, thorough investigation so we don't get into this embarrassing situation before the public eye.

I would like to make sure that when we're transparent, we're transparent [stammer] facts. The same thing that's stated with.., asking about the other young lady. We don't.., let all the facts speak for themselves, let investigations go down the line and then that way no one can be in an embarrassing situation. Mr. Bailey did the right thing by this Department by asking the right questions. And, at no point, was there a survey to determine whether it was in the City's right of way or not.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Did you ha'...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Stammer], he's challenging the Mayor, I think. So, the Ma'...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: He made some comments [inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I., yeah. And I will do that after 'cause it really was him trying to, you know, deb**UNK** the Mayor's...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:suggestion....

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ... we do have a public comment card.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. Let's, let's address the public comment cards, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Tradrick McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And, Madam Chair, I just wanted to give facts. I'm not arguing the suspension right now. It's just a matter of... That's what my part is.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. Thank you.

MR. T. MCCOY: Members, Tradrick McCoy.

Let me give you a disclaimer, these are my comments and they are not, and have not been coordinated with anyone.

But, you know, I must say, what I seen two weeks ago tonight, seemed almost like a television sitcom between Matlock or, or Law & Order between the Mayor, who was acting as prosecutor, and Councilman Davis who was acting as a defense attorney and the audience was the jury. And it almost seemed like, you know, like a story out of the movie of a Few Good Men. 'You want the truth? You can't handle the truth.' Well, the truth is this, this is nothing but a bunch of hypocrisy by Councilman Terence Davis, as well as the Mayor. Because, Councilman Davis, and you sat there and did not even give Jonathan Evans a mere due process hearing and before you to sit up here and advocate for this guy, seems like exactly hypocrisy. And then Mayor, the same thing with you. You actually stood up here without giving this guy an opportunity to respond in light of the fact that he had a car accident. Now, granted, I think fundamentally, due process is the cornerstone of the Constitution and I'm all for that, but just as in this pattern that this has happened two weeks ago, and even tonight, I would expect, clearly, that it's a natural progression that the Building Official be suspended too. So, don't start this in'..., like, listen, we come out here because we wanna be a part of the political process. Don't waste our time talking about campaign signs, 2 x 4's and dumpsters. Like, seriously, there's a lotta issues in the City and it just...

[Inaudible audience]

MR. T. MCCOY: ...pissed me off two weeks ago when I was sitting in my office and I was seeing this play out, and I'm thinking to myself, 'You don't even have this kind of time or leisure to even do this kind of things.' And, you know, I would go on to say, the best thing to do, was to let this be handled administratively. Now, you have this guy..., sir, you're not out of the blue because you sat up here and pulled emails and you couldn't even find your text messages, so...

[Audience chuckle]

MR. T. MCCOY: ...let's not even get to starting that. But...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MR. T. MCCOY: ...let this be handled administratively.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MR. T. MCCOY: This guy should not have his whole career publicized in front of all these people about something so minute as campaign signs. Now, respectfully, I know they're yours and I agree that they're paid for, but clearly, that was a complete abuse of authority. And you know what, when the Charter Review Committee reconvenes, they need to reconsider that because, Mayor, it is clear that this was very much premature and you did not even give this guy an opportunity to much less respond, or even find out all of the details. And, like, if this is where we're going, I, I'm sad to say, we're in a bad position in the City, that we spent at least thirty minutes last week, and then another half hour on Mr. Davis' dissertation today. Like, come on, let's get it together, folks. We're professionals. At least, I hope we are.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

[Inaudible audience comments]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I'm gonna save my comments to the end when they're done public comment and I will address this matter.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I.., is it necessary?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: It is.., it's very necessary because he pulled out misinformation. Here...

[Inaudible audience comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: And I sh'.., I should have the right to make corrections, like when we do when people make questions and statements, I don't typically get involved with that prat of the process, but the reality of the situation, if the gentleman who spoke before will recall in the last meeting, I did ask for Sta'.., that it be addressed at the Staff level.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: 'Still making the comments, Mr. Davis. And...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...here, here...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I have that right. You have the right to do what you wanna do, and I have that right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, let me...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...call point of or'.., order on you for one moment. [Pause]. We don't need to continue the back and forth with our citizens with each other. We need to finish this public comment, allow the Mayor to make whatever

comments he needs to make and then we need to move forward. Wallowing in, in this, is not going to change the, the, the.., what has happened.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Le'...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It is unfortunate...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...and I agree that it was an administrative process.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: And I asked for that. And I wanna make sure that's.., for point of clarity, that what I asked for in the last meeting. I didn't wanna do that. Unfortunately, the gentleman before did not see that in the meeting. I asked for this be handled at the administrative level and brought back before the Board, but no one in the Council supported me in that decision, so that should a been addressed properly. He was incorrect in his, in his statements.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any other, any further public comments?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. I, I do but it's.., the Mayor's speaking...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...regards to the...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Would you allow me to...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:suspension part?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I, I, I understand. You, you said that you wanted to defer and allow the Mayor to [inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right. But then you just said are there any more, I thought you...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No. Public comments...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...were gonna wrap it up.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... from the [inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh, from them?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: yes.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thanks. Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you, Madam Chair.

I guess we've heard from a defense attorney, we never heard from the client. Mr. Bailey is here and I would like to ask you two, maybe three questions on point, if that's possible.

[Inaudible audience comments]

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. I just, just wanted to know.

Alright. Mr. Bailey, and I, I've lived all my life fighting for fair', fairness, civil rights and equal right. Mr. Bailey was given an opportunity at the last Council meeting to come and present his case. The City Manager said she called him and asked him, and told him, that he had a right to be here and present his side, da, da, da, da. He said, according to our City Manager, that he would get back with her [pause] and let her know. City Manager, did that ever happen?

[Inaudible audience comment]

MAYOR MASTERS: To the Manager, did that ever happen?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I'm checking my text messages.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you. [Pause]. I think you said on the, on the record that you never heard back from him.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Right. I believe that, that is what I said.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Well, that's, that's kinda.., that's what I was asking. Mr. Bailey was suspended, not because of what his workers did, but he was suspended because a directive was given to him, with clear language, 'Remove these signs that are on public right of way.' Ms. Manager, is that true? Did you not give Mr. Bailey a directive to remove the signs that were on the public right of way?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I said in City property...

MAYOR MASTERS: City property, I'm sorry.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...and right of ways.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. However, that's not what Mr. Bailey directed. Mr. Bailey directed his Staff, and I think you will verify this, I think in his own admission, he

went out and directed to remove all the signs. They could've been in.., on the planet somewhere, just remove all the signs, no matter where they were.

One of the rights'.., do, do you remember that his response was later on that he told that he did admit that he directed his Staff to remove all the signs, all, all signs?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No. The email that I wrote to the City Clerk and to Mr. Bailey, with a copy to Jan, said, 'Please remove all City signs on City property, and in the right of ways.'

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. And you did ask him to remove the campaign signs on the, on those same properties too, as you just said.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: City property and the City right of ways.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. You are aware, that the, the signs that we are talking about, that were removed, were not just City right of ways or City property, but they were on private property? So, he did not follow your directive. That's point one. To Mr. Davis'.., Councilman Davis' assertion of what's.., we don't know, or they don't know what's private and public, well, if you're working for the Public Works Division and you don't know what's private and what's public, then maybe you oughta not be working at all. You're dealing with public properties all the time. Everybody knows that no one has the right to go on anybody's property and do anything. Especially, when you gave the directive and was very, very clear.

Now, I did talk to the owners. The owners of a, of a couple places, even the gas station right here on the, on the corner of Blue Heron and President Barack Obama Highway, walked the property with me and said to me, 'This is where our property ends. This is where the City property ends.' The sign was clearly on back, way back, on the public..., I'm sorry, on the private property of the owner. We also have a signed statement from the owner of the mechanic shop on Silver Beach Road and [clears throat], excuse me, President Barack Obama Highway. Mr. Davis has been there, he's done..., he's a good businessman, he's been there for years. If he doesn't know his property line, and he doesn't know private or public by now, then [chuckle] I don't, I don't, you know, that would be baffling. He clearly pointed out his property. This sign wasn't even close to the edge, it was private property. Now, I gave the benefit of the doubt as it relates to Australian and Blue Heron, although it's [stammer] be argued that, that too was public property. I even talked to the people and showed.., and they showed me on the map what was public and what was private, our, our Staff. I did that, and we saw that. Even a man, a deceased person sign was removed who had..., who was running for office, Peppi Hendrix, his wife doesn't even have the opportunity to have that sign anymore. It's clear to me that it was probably public because it was back from the easement.

Now, here's the deal, [pause], supervisors and directors, they give orders, and they tell their subordinates what to do, or what not to do. A clear directive was given, and it went beyond what was asked to do. That's a problem. It's almost.., I would think it's criminal, it's trespassing, to go on somebody's property without their permission. That is

why I believe that the City Manager wanted to be clear in her directive. When asked what happened to the signs, the response was, 'I.., we got rid of them.'

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

Well, I happened to discover some signs that were at the old MAYOR MASTERS: Public Works that was not rid of, it was, it was..., they were there. And I'm sure that no one in their mind believes, and no one's gonna go to the new station, take some signs and put 'em behind an old building, no one believes that. Ray Charles doesn't believe that from the grave. So, Madam Chair, I, I just feel that the suspension was justified on the fact that a directive was not followed out as directed. And because private prop'... pu'..., private property was involved, no one had that permission, and Mr. Bailey was never authorized to tell his people to go get all campaign signs regardless. That's, that's the fact. So, I want to res now because I believe that what was done is in accordance of what we expect. And I, I have some something right here, Mr. Bailey understands because he's a department head, that you suspend your subordinates for actions that you direct them to do certain things and they do something else. But, on the other hand, he should understand, as well, that when you are given a clear directive by the City Manager to do A, that does not give you the right to authorize, or to allow your Staff to do, not just A, but A, B and C. And just for the record, Ms. Bailey.., I'm, I'm sorry, Ms. Hoskins, at the last Council meeting said that sh'.., it was on her desk, a letter of, I think, reprimand or a warning should be given to Mr. Bailey. So, that's obvious that he did something wrong, because why would she have a letter, a warning letter if she did not feel that there was any disciplinary action? And she said the reason why it could not be carried out, because the City Attorney objected. And if the Mayor had not used the suspension power, then that means nothing would've happened. No, no kind of disciplinary action would have been allotted to, to Mr. Bailey.

Thank you, Madam Chair. That's all, I'm gonna just rest my case and we either uphold this or reverse it and I think three f you, four of you voted to, to uphold the Mayor's suspension. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, you wanted to make some comments?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I just wanted to kinda clear up a things. I'll just maker a few comments about the presentation that was done.

Yes, it was sent from my.., well, first of all, let me start off by saying this, when I did this email to Ms. Hoskins, I was speaking as a candidate, as a resident. And so, therefore, I did use that email and I did for that specific reason because I wanted to make sure that is where she understood I was coming from. So, for the, the insertion to say that I'm trying to give her a directive on what it is that I wanted to see done with Mr. Bailey, it was because sh'.., of her stating that Mr. Bailey destroyed them. I did'.., first of all, I was not even told. I had not been out the house for, like, two days or so after the election, and so, I did not know those signs were missing. I placed my order for the decals. When my decals came in seven days later, I went to go pick them up. Days before that, as I

would drive around the City, I begin to miss my signs. I thought my husband may have picked them up but I know he knew I ordered decals so there was no point in those being picked up. I called Ms. Anthony, the City Clerk, because I know at one point we were talking about changing the amount of time in which we could keep signs out or put them out. I called her and I asked her did she know whether or not my signs had been removed, she said she had no clue or didn't know anything about it. At that point, I decided to check with Ms. Hoskins, and I may have called her, I think, first to find out if she knew anything about what happened with my signs. She.., and that's when she went on to say that she had given them a directive to remove the voting..., red voting signs only, not the campaign signs. I said, do you know what happened with them? I said, 'Can I get them?' She said that they had been destroyed. I said why would they destroy my signs and not notify me to say that they needed to be removed? And I reminded her that those positions that those signs were in, were the same places they were in back in 2015. No one ever had a concern about 'em, no one said anything about 'em, they stayed up, I put the decals on, took 'em down exactly right after they should've come down. And so, nothing was said about it. I utilized those same spots which were public and private property, and there was never an issue. Same thing for this year, those signs have been up for about thirty days, no one ever issued a complaint or said they couldn't be there or any of that. Even when they were removed, I w'.., I never received notification that they needed to be removed. I never received notification that they were in the right of way. I asked numerous times to just explain to me what is the right of way, if I don't..., maybe I'm not understanding the right of way, but please explain to me what the right of way... The majority of those spots were not right of way spots, and no..., and they were not all public. So, I just wanted to clear that part up. Ms. Hoskins is the one that said that they were destroyed, because I asked to try to get them back so that I could put them up. And, Ms. Hoskins, am I correct in saying that you were told that they were destroyed? And you said Mr. Bailey told you they were destroyed, right? [Pause]. Okay. Alright.

And so, the other thing [stammer] about the presentation, I know a point was made saying that the Council is not to oversee the employees, or giving directives to employees. I asked for Ms. Hoskins to address the issue. And that was the whole point of me having the conversation with her, for her to address the issue. Ms. Hoskins offered to pay me \$280'... or seventy some dollars, whatever it was, out of her personal pocket to replace the cost of my decals. I then told her, as you sw in the email, I said, 'I don't think that's proper.' In o'.., actually, one of the emails, you didn't see because I went back and said, 'Ms. Hoskins, I do not expect for you to use your personal money to replace my decals, I expect for you to handle that administratively.' That is what I shared with her because I didn't feel that she needed to [pause]. I mean, she should have addressed the person, not try to pay it off and say, you know, 'I'm sorry,' which I understood that but that wasn't what I was looking for, you needed to be the City Manager and address the employee. That was all I wanted. And so, I told her, obviously, as you saw, I could not take money back because, first of all, five days before the election, you are not to receive any more funds, so that was not gonna work and nor did that satisfy me anyway. I said, 'You do what you need to do as a City Manager and handle that.' So, that about me trying to oversee an employee, that had nothing to do with that, but I will say on the record that I know that Ms. Hoskins has given numerous directives and there are quite a few Councilpeople that are up here guite often, and as if they work here and are the City

Manager, and are giving directives. So, please keep that in mind when you're saying that.

The other thing is, the email that.., saying that there was some confusion. That.., I mean, that may have happened but as he said, and as Ms. Hoskins just said, she did say the voting signs only, she did say the right of way, the public, but that was not exactly what happened in all cases. When I sighted my eight signs missing, I would.., at that point, because I didn't know what the problem was, no one ever shared it. I just simply said they're missing, eight of them. Now, maybe two were in the City's property, maybe five were on private property, that wasn't my concern. My concern was, the signs are gone.

So the other thing is um, the part about the willfully and.., destroying the signs. That came in because Ms. Hoskins said that he destroyed 'em. I said, 'Well, can I go pick them up?' He said he threw 'em in the trash. I said, 'Well, why would he throw them in trash? I mean, what.., I mean, just call and say pick 'em up or something.' So, to me, you willfully destroyed something, clearly if you threw 'em in the trash or had them thrown in the trash, asked.., whoever threw them in trash, willfully threw it in the trash and destroyed it, because otherwise, you would just call a person and say come pick your stuff up. So, that's where the will'.., when I cited that statute, that was the willfully destroying it.

The areas that were listed as a private property, I don't think we need, as the Mayor already said, you don't need a survey to know that it was on the gas station's property. You didn't need any survey to see that it was over by the, the railroad track, you didn't need private property to see that it was in the back of somebody's house. So, those..., you know, that, that about the survey is unnecessary.

I, you know, I, I enjoyed your presentation, Mr. Davis, but as Mr. McCoy did state, you should be doing a presentation on identifying where your text messages are.

[Inaudible audience comment]

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And the other thing is, when you had all of these things talking about what this is really about, it's about people giving the City away, it's about outsourcing, all of that is just propaganda, which is totally irrelevant to the situation. I think that just.., the presentation for this incident just gave Mr. Davis a platform to sell the lie to pull the wool over people's eyes of what is really going on. And so, there are absolutely no facts of any of the outsourcing 'cause I don't recall any of us up here talking about that. At no point, had that ever been something that I discussed, so because that was put there, in the presentation relating to something that I supported. At no point, have I ever supported outsourcing of anything. I will say that is something to sit here and try to blind the public on what is really going on. I can certainly tell you, it's not about revenge or retaliation or harassment of Staff by Council, but I can say that it does happen. And, if you recall back when I became the Chair over a year ago, when I spoke, I talked ab out the retaliation that's going on in the City by [stammer] against many

employees, I talked about all of the things that are being covered up many times with harassment. That eventually came out. So, some of the points you made are absolutely correct, and it almost seems like a psychopathic person standing up there saying this stuff because you know very well of all the things that's going on, and you're behind a lot of it. So, don't, don't come here putting stuff up here trying to say that this situation has to do with retaliation, harassment, 'cause, at no point, have I ever done any of that, but it is happening and I mentioned that over a year ago. And some of it has come out. There's still more probably coming out. So, you were absolutely correct, but that had nothing to do with the signs. Not that it had nothing to do with Mr. Bailey, 'cause I, I, at no point, have I said that he's retaliating, harassing or, or revenge for anyone. However, that could be true, if you're saying that.

The Mayor did the suspension. Like I said, I asked Ms. Hoskins to follow through and do what she needed to do. I hear now the Mayor said that there was a letter that was drafted by her, for whatever reason she didn't follow through on it. Ms. Hoskins, can you just el'.., just expound on that situation a little bit, what that was all about?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The letter that I had drafted was a, a written warning to Mr. Bailey. And, after I spoke with the City Attorney to review it and discuss it, he stated that there was.., that, since Mr. Bailey did not physically go out and remove, destroy those signs, then it wasn't warranted.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: He never gave a directive.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And, [pause], and like I said, the, the suspension or no suspension, that's not my issue. My issue was for the administrative part be handled and the way in which it went, is the way that it went, but I know that I asked Ms. Hoskins to follow through and Ms. Hoskins was more comfortable with just paying it off and making it go away versus addressing the issue.

And so, that, that's.., I just wanted to clear up the presentation part, the Mayor and Mr. Davis did cross examination of each other, that was not what I wanted to get into, but id did wanna clear up some of the stuff that was stated on the presentation.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis.

[Inaudible audience comments]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I'm gonna be very brief.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Because...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We still have business to attend to.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I, I, I know. That's why.., like I stated, I'll be extremely brief.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, sir.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Now, when Ms. Hoskins made a comment that Mr. Bailey had removed the signs, she was only referencing what he told her what his Staff member had did. He didn't do it himself. In the email on March 26th, that I was talking about, the Facilities Director admitted to removing the signs. Mr. Bailey was only telling Ms. Hoskin what his Staff did, not what he did. So, let's correct that. That's what happened. That's the reason I said that this, this Council, at no point, should we be in position to even having this public discussion. That's the reason Councilperson Botel, in the last [stammer], I said, 'Let's do an independent investigation, they can handle it inhouse and we ain't gotta address this..' You can recall that. This was nothing that I was trynna do, but there's no way in the world that I was willing to suspend somebody with the fact, when the Mayor never at one time, interviewed him. He had six weeks to ask Mr. Bailey One question, 'Did you give the directive?' And he never did that. The emails are talking about the Facilities Manager, never once did Mr. Bailey give any directive. He tried to prevent it. My text messages have nothing to do but then distract the folks from the truth. My text messages, the ones that were missing, that someone professionally did, uh, without my authority, the text message was to KaShamba Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's a lie.,

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, they are.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Don't even try that.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No. They are.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No, they...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...were not because...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. Point of order.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... they asked for mine...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point of order.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... and I gave it to them

[Gavel]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point of order.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's how I know.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And you know that was about the hurricane and we were all on that...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Listen, that, that...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point., please.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's not what's missing.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Hold on.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: List'...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's not what's missing. Don't even go there.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point of order

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: She just agreed.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Listen...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Cause it's a lie.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Listen. This is...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible]about the hurricane...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...this is ridiculous.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's all I was referencing.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Davis...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...point of order. Councilwoman...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: | was, | was...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...referencing, Miller-Anderson.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Please.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That is five.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point of order.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's what I was referencing.

[Gavel]

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Five.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's what I was referencing.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Recess, please. Five minute recess.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's what I was referencing.

[End of video]

[Back to order]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Did she call [stammer]... Madam Chair, you call to order?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I've called the meeting back to order. [Pause]. With all of the discussion that's, that's been had to this point, what [pause], what was your end goal? What is, what is it that you would like to see...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Ver'.., very simple.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... by bringing this forward, Mr. Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I would just like, based upon the information that Counc'.., that, that MR. Bailey never gave a directive, never participated in the process or touching any signs, I make a motion that he's.., that his record is unblemished, goes back corrected and he get his money back that he lost during his suspension. That's it.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Second.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That, that was it. There was no harm from nobody, it was just simply the fact that we just wanna address the fact that he never gave a directive. It was the Facilities Manager that did it. That was it. That was it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly second.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, may I make a...

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been moved and properly second, however, the, the City Manager would like to make a comment.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I just wanted to clarify for the public, and no disrespect to Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, she kept mentioning that I offered to pay the \$250 back to her for her thank you signs, but the reason that I offered that is because I was being bombarded with emails, 'What are you gonna do?' The Mayor coming, 'What are you gonna do?' Let me see the emails.' And, it's a waste of taxpayer dollars. I couldn't get anything done, and I..., coming from Finance, it was just..., it's just a waste of taxpayer dollars, spending going back and forth trying to investigate, trying to do this and that. I said, 'You know what, I'll just take it out of my personal funds so this'll go away,' because I just saw taxpayer dollars going down the drain, like it is tonight. We have Staff that have been here since 7:00 o'clock this morning...

[Audience clap]

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...sitting over this, a two hun'.., I don't know how much the signs were, but we've been talking about this an hour. Just a waste of taxpayer dollars.

[Audience clapping]

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: It's ridiculous.

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk. No further comment...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion fails.

[Pause]

11.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Item No. 14.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Item No. 11, Madam Chair. We've just finished Item No. 14.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I'm sorry. Item 11.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANGER TO HIRE DEPARTMENT HEADS TO FILL VACANT POSITIONS

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do have public comment cards on this Item. The acceptance of public comment cards for this Item is now close. Also, Madam Chair, it is four minutes to 10:00. What is the pleasure of the Board.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I make a motion to extend the minutes, meeting fifteen minutes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Is there a second?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Second.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: No.,

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion fails.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilman Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: How much time do we have left?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Four minutes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Four minutes.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: For the sake of, of the time, we all just.., did we get the.., did we state what the email stated in the Minutes about allowing the City Manager to hire her assistant?

UNK: [Inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yeah. I just want it for the record.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: The Board has received a copy of the February 7, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes. If you look at Page 109, it actually.., the discussion regarding the City Manager being able to hire an assistant, actually starts at 107. So, the information that you all have been provided, it's a detailed discussion of that Item, which was approved at that meeting.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. So, she has...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ... the authority. I just wanna make sure on the record, that we all, at that time...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I voted no for that, just for the record.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: For the record, I was not here.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: What was the vote?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: 4-1. I., no. 3-2. Ms. Davis Johnson voted no as well, I think.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: How'd it pass if...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:3-2.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I will verify [inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Pardo one, Davis one.., I mean, yes, Hubbard, yes, Davis Johnson, no and Miller-Anderson, no, on Page 114 and 115.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: So, it passed 3-2?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: With.., who was the 3-2?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I just told you.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: You said Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Pardo, Davis and Hubbard.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That would be.., that would've been Councilperson...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Oh, that was in...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:Davis

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...that meeting.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson...

[Inaudible comment]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY:Pardo....

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: February 7th.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ... and Councilperson Hubbard?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: For the deputy position, correct?

[Inaudible dais comment]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Authorizing the City Manager to proceed with the hiring of a, an assistant.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Well, I think at some point, she need' help, and she stated it tonight. At some point,, we need to support her doing.., let her doing her job. I make a motion that the City Manager's allowed to hire a deputy.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Second. We've... Madam...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: [Inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: We've already done that?

UNK: Yeah. It's already done.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: It's already done...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That's the motion that was approved at the...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ... February 7th...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: February 7th meeting.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...meeting.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Oh, it was approved.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So, do we need...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: It was approved.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ... do we need to do it again?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Oh, I see.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No, sir.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I make a motion that the City Manager's allowed to hire Staff. That's the motion.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes, it's... Second.

[Inaudible dais comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair? Are you changing'...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Are you changing the nature of that originally...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I'm just going back to the Item.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: No, no. You're, you're saying Staff. Are you, are you reiterating the motion that was approved...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Depart'...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ... by a previous...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Depart'...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...Council?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: We're talking about department heads, not the, not the...

[Inaudible dais comment]

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: You, you've changed that now?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I started that, yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Oh, okay.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, correct. Correct. The only reason I state that because, when I talk about the Item, I just was in it, about privatization and everything...

[Inaudible dais comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ... we keep going down this road where we don't have department heads, you will be privatizing.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: No. [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: We have no leaders in the ship and you.., everyone on this Board keep kicking the...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I'm gonna call the question.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Huh? I'm just...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I'm done.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I'm gonna call...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: We only got...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... the question.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But this is just for...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: That's for what is on the Agenda, the assistant. And we discussed this at...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're talking about...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...a previous meeting.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ... from the February 7th meeting?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No. That...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: No, no, no.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...that, that has already been done. We are talking about what's...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Assistants.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ... on the Agenda, the...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: To hire department heads...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Hire department heads to fill vacant positions.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's.., we did not... No. That's not what we were talking about just now. We just said about the...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: We, we were talking about...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...assistant manager.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...this.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So then, we...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ... The time is now 10:00 o'clock.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...don't have anything else to talk about.

ADJOURNMENT

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Meeting adjourned.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: That is...

[End Of video]

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