

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 6, 2019
6:00 p.m.**

PRESENT AT MEETING¹:

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CHAIRPERSON TONYA DAVIS JOHNSON DISTRICT 3	CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON
CHAIR PRO TEM LYNNE L. HUBBARD DISTRICT 1	CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD
COUNCILPERSON KaSHAMBA L. MILLER-ANDERSON DISTRICT 2	COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON
COUNCILPERSON JULIE BOTEL DISTRICT 4	COUNCILPERSON BOTEL
COUNCILPERSON TERENCE DAVIS DISTRICT 5.	COUNCILPERSON DAVIS
CITY MANAGER KAREN L. HOSKINS.....	CITY MANAGER HOSKINS
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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MARCH 6, 2019 @ 6:45 P.M.**

(The following may contain unintelligible or misunderstood words due to the recording quality.)

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Good evening. I'd like to call the Regular City Council meeting of March 6, 2019 to order.

ROLL CALL

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

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mayor Thomas Masters?

MAYOR MASTERS: Present.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Tonya Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pro Tem Lynne 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. City Attorney Dawn Wynne?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: You may proceed.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Let's stand for a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Davis.

[Moment of silence]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Shall we pledge?

ALL: I pledge ...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 CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS, PLEASE FILL OUT A PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED ON THE TABLE DIRECTLY OUTSIDE OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND GIVE IT TO THE STAFF PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.**

AGENDA APPROVAL

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manager, do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, Madam Chair. We have the following additions. Community benefit request.., community benefits request on Consent, Item No. 5A, addition, Washington Elementary School, \$500, Mayor Thomas A. Masters to defray costs to purchase.., for purchase of student council attire and cordless microphones. Item No. 5B, addition, Nelson's Outreach Ministries, \$500 from Mayor Thomas A. Masters to support the weekly food distribution ministry. Item No. 5C, Valley of Love Ministries, Incorporated, \$200, from Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard, to support the community food assistance program. Item No. 5D, Heart Health Healing Ministries, \$200 from Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard to support its All about We Me program education'.., educating residents on the prevention of HIV and AIDS. Item No. 5E, Youth Recreation Association of Riviera Beach, \$500, from Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard to support the Riviera Beach, Cares Homeless Coalition providing emergency shelter for displaced Riviera Beach residents. Item 5F, First Baptist Church of Riviera Beach, Incorporated, \$250 from Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard to support the community food assistance program. Item No. 5G, addition, Frepreneurs Incorporated, \$250 from Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard to support the mental health workshop, inspiring girls to become future entrepreneurs. Item No. 5H, Helping Hands Community Resource Center, \$1,150 from Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard, to support the community activities provided to Riviera Beach residents. Item No. 5I, Quasidrums, LLC, c/o Synergy Camp, Incorporated, \$250 from Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard, to support the Synergy Percussion Clinic. Item

No. 5J, the Pink Queen Foundation, \$200, Chair Pro Tem Lynne L. Hubbard, to support My Pink is Unique Cancer Awareness, assisting families inp'..., impacted by cancer.

And, under awards and presentations, Item No. 6A, Proclamation from the Office of Mayor Thomas A. Masters, proclaiming March 24, 2019 as Journey of Return Day in celebration of the churches 92nd Holy Convocation .

That's all I have, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manger, I would like to add the.., four community benefits. The Florida A&M University Alumni chapter for its college tour'..., tour to support twenty students on a one day trip to.., they're going to do a tour of the campus, the local campuses in Tallahassee. It is \$2,500 to support twenty students. I would also like to add the St. Georges Center, who's responsible for feeding some of our most vulnerable citizens...

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...in the amount of \$1,000. And \$1,550 to be trans'..., transferred interdepartmentally to the Department in Parks & Recreation, to assist with our basketball and other program activities over there.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair, I'd like... Madam Chair?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: So, those Items will be Item No., let's see, from 5J... You have it, Madam City Clerk?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I think I did that wrong. One second. Councilwoman Botel, you're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I would simply like to voice a strong objection to the expenditure of so many of the Waste Management community benefits dollars this close to an election.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you for that opposition.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Manager. I mean, Madam Chair?

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

MAYOR MASTERS: I apologize. I wanted to contribute.., I don't.., I haven't spoken to my Chief of Staff, so I don't know whether she's in the office or not, but if we need to get the paperwork, but the Mother's Against Murders'..., Murderers Association is, is doing great work in Riviera Beach, with these young people [stammer] with the families of young people that have been murdered, and I'm a big supporter of Mother's Against Murderers.

There are over 400 mothers, and they're doing great things. So, I would like to..., I have to get rid of..., all of us have to get rid of all of our...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: ...benefit monies to'.., tonight. 'Cause if we, if we do not, it doesn't roll over.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: That's right.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, I need to...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible] rollover. [Pause]. No we don't.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, I wanna contribute.., I want to give \$1,500 to the Mothers Against Murderers Association. I'd like that, that added.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: It doesn't?

UNK: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: It doesn't roll over?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It does not. The monies do not rollover.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: They do not rollover?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I have a question. We're not having another meeting this month?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, ma'am. As far as...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...I know.., I know, March twenty'...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Well, you can do it when you want to it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: March [inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Well, let the man finish talking.

MAYOR MASTERS: I, I, I have finished. I just wanted to contribute \$1,500 to Mother's Against murderers Association. There may be an'.., another meeting this month, but it's not guaranteed that I'm gonna be here, any of us may be here, so I need to do what I need to now, while I am the Mayor of this great City.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Chair Pro Tem, you're recognized.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: I don't, I don't understand the Councilwoman's objection with us giving community bene'.., benefits out, whether it's close to an election or not.., one, number one, it's our choice, and number two, these are viable requests made from a community program that each and every one of us here have contributed to. Now, what I find myself is putting together a folder that says pending, and if there is something left, I di'.., I try to divide it between the different organizations, and especially those that either are new or not have come before me requesting any, any, and funds, but I don't think that anybody on this list from AIDS to homelessness is.., should, should be denied. It has nothing to do.., their need [stammer], preventing AIDS or homelessness has nothing to do with an election. It is still something that needs to be supported in this community.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

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

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: At some future meeting, I intend to make a proposal that the community benefits dollars made available to us by virtue of the Waste Management contract, be pooled and that we assign them collectively.

Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Chair?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, you're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Ms. Hoskins, we are scheduled for a meeting on the 20th, right? Because, the reason I'm asking, I didn't put any through tonight because I will do it for the last meeting of March, 'cause I do know they have to be dispensed before the end of March, but we do have a 20th meeting, right?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

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

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. I just have two community benefits, additions, for programs that I've supported in the past. One is for Suncoast girls track and field team, and the others for St. James mentoring program, Mighty Men and Might Women. Their nonprofit status is already on file. These are programs I continuously give to. Right now, I don't know the available balance that I have left, I just wanna split it evenly between the two organizations.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam Chair?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The balance you want... I'm sorry, Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I don't know what the balance is, but whatever it is, I just wanna split it evenly between the two organizations.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And just for clarification and correction, it will be \$1,050 going to Parks &...

[Inaudible davis comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...Recreation from District 3. Chair Pro Tem, you're recognized.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Ms., Madam Chair, while the Councilwoman probably thinks she knows what's best for everybody's District, and for whate'.., what all of these community.., some of these, some of these initiatives, each of us are more intimately aware of the work that they have been doing. While that might be a request that the Councilwoman thinks that we need to pool, but our Districts have different needs and the community have different needs, so these are some things that we have worked with people and people have come to us to show what they have done for, for this community.

So, that's just what that'll be, I guess, a suggestion.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. Let's move on with the adoption of...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, Madam...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...the agenda.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Chair...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...I have a question...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...I have an addition.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...about...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr...

MAYOR MASTERS: I have others.

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

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I just had another addition under presentations. We have, for March 16th, we have a military Fun/Run/Walk, here in Riviera Beach. Not this Saturday but the following Saturday at Parks & Rec.

[Inaudible dais comment]

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...will be presenting, under presentations. And the other Item will be just a noise ordinance as a discussion Item about the loud music and, and loud cars that ride through neighborhoods. I'd like to get an update from the Chief of Police so we can address this issue.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair?

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, you're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Ms., so, before the end of the meeting, can we get the amount for Mr. Davis' balance so that we just have it?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, yes, ma'am. I'll...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...I'll ask Finance to see if they compile that information.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: You have it? Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

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

MAYOR MASTERS: I've, I've...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...recognized.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...asked my Chief of Staff to...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: ...assist me for a second 'cause I, I was rushing. I didn't get...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: ...get my glasses in, so I do wanna correct a, a couple add-ons for the donations. Debie, what is this one for?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Nelson's Outreach Ministries.

MAYOR MASTERS: And that's \$1,000, right?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: Yeah. I think we had said \$500, but that should be upped to \$1,000. Okay? Come on.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Washington Elementary School, \$500.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: What... I'm sorry. The Nelson Outreach...

MAYOR MASTERS: Instead of \$500, I'm giving \$1,000. I just need to correct a couple things. And the Washington Elementary School...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: \$500.

MAYOR MASTERS: \$500. I thank you.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: That was... I just wanna make sure because this is all my money. Their monies, rather.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Operation Hope, \$800.

MAYOR MASTERS: I'm giving \$800 to Operation Hope, who's doing a fantastic job in the Riviera Beach and Palm Beach County area, with Kenneth..., Ken Bowers. Alright.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: And Mothers Against Murderers.

MAYOR MASTERS: And then, I've already..., I've already stated Mothers Against Murderers, and we're giving, what? Fifteen?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: \$1,500.

MAYOR MASTERS: \$1,500, Madam Chair. Also...

[Inaudible dais comment]

MAYOR MASTERS: ...the add-on..., if you're asking for add-ons, I have three appointments to add..., to reappoint, rather, to the Riviera Beach Housing Authority and I need to do that at the appointment time.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: The Mayor stated earlier about a correction for the community benefit for Operation Hope, and I do not see that listed on the addition and deletion sheet. Is that another...

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes. I'm adding...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...addition?

MAYOR MASTERS: I'm adding it right now.

UNK: What was the amount?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: What was that dollar amount?

MAYOR MASTERS: The dollar amount?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: \$800.

MAYOR MASTERS: Operation'... \$800. [Pause]. And I may..., I need to make a correction. I said I may not be here for the next meeting, but I plan to be here.

Thank you. [Chuckle].

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The current balance in Councilperson's "TD" Davis community benefits is \$2,246.73. So, he said he's gonna split that amount fifty-fifty, so that'll be \$1,100'...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Twenty-three...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...three dollars for each organization.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: And thirty-six cents.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: That's \$1,123.00 for each organization.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Does that complete the additions and deletions?

DISCLOSURES

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any disclosures by Council?

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Request a motion to adopt the Agenda.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So moved, Madam Chair.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Second.

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

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

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.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CONSENT AGENDA (THREE MINUTE LIMITATION)

CONSENT AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: 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.

MINUTES

1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 6, 2019

CITY CLERK CLAUDENE ANTHONY (561)845-4090

RESOLUTIONS

2. RESOLUTION NO. 13-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING

SETTLEMENT IN THE CASE OF MARISA VEGA TREW V THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, CASE NO. 502017CA009339XXXXMD, AUTHORIZING GALLAGHER BASSETT TO MAKE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000 AS COMPLETE SETTLEMENT, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CITY ATTORNEY DAWN S. WYNNE (561) 845-4068

3. RESOLUTION NO. 14-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH PALM BEACH COUNTY TO ACCEPT VOUCHERS FROM THE COUNTY'S DROWNING PREVENTION COALITION PROGRAM FOR REDEMPTION FOR PAYMENT OF SWIMMING LESSONS PROVIDED BY PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR RICHARD BLANKENSHIP (561) 845-4075

4. RESOLUTION NO. 15-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT FOR AGENT OF RECORD WITH RICHARD BERNSTEIN & ASSOCIATES, INC., AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID EXTENSION AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

INTERIM HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR EUREKA IRVIN (561) 840-4880

5. RESOLUTION NO. 16-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA APPROVING THE RENAMING OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY PRESENTLY KNOWN AS WEST 34TH STREET, SPANNING FROM BROADWAY TO AVENUE S TO "REVEREND LEROY PARRISH STREET", AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MAYOR THOMAS A. MASTERS (561) 845-4145

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there...

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...any Items to be pulled from the Agenda? [Pause]. Hearing none, may I have a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly second. Do we have any public comment cards for the Consent Agenda?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do have public comments cards for the public'., for the Consent Agenda. The acceptance of public comment cards for the Consent Agenda is now closed. Lloyd Brown...

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair? Excuse me, while he's coming, if...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...I have... Thank you. If I have any money left over, I would like to contribute the rest to what you did, to the..., for the homeless. They feed the people, and I wanna get rid of all of it, and give it to the people who are feeding the, the homeless and the veterans. If I have money left over.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Ch'... What...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: What organization is he mentioning?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It was the...

MAYOR MASTERS: It's the same one...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...St. George.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...the Chair...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: St. George? Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: St. George?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm.

MAYOR MASTERS: It's the only one that's feeding the homeless, that I know of. I think she said I have \$1,000. I'm sorry.

MR. L. BROWN: Hello. My name is Lloyd Brown. I guess you know that now.

I was looking at this thing about, you know, naming these streets after these preachers, you know? And actually, honestly, I don't think that's right to do it with the taxpayer money. You know? Because, you know, my sister, she worked at the park for a while, and all these individuals that grew up at this park, they now have jobs and they got kids who are doing pretty good, but I don't see ya'll talking about naming a street after Beverly Brown. And honestly, like, I really..., there's a lotta churches in Riviera Beach, and we're gonna have, I mean, everybody that's got a church is gonna have a street named by them? I don't see anything, actually, that these people are putting back into the neighborhood. And I'll be honest, I just don't. They make the most, they got the most, but they do the least. And, I mean, you can have programs going on, but a lotta these programs that are going on don't affect the whole neighborhood, and I really don't see any reason to change 34th Street 'cause we gotta pay for it. I mean, they don't just go out there and the signs just come up..., like, you just mash a button and all the signs'll say, 'Oh, this is so and so street.' I, I don't..., just don't believe in that. I don't believe in you putting these preacher names on these streets because preachers haven't done that

much for the City, and I don't think... And that's what other people ask me. A lotta things that I come up here and say, people be asking me. They ask me, 'When are you gonna be over there, because we wanna see you?' Because the things I say, down to earth. You know?

And another thing, I mean, you' puttin' a preacher name on there, well, tell 'em to put a bus stop on the corner. You know? 'Cause, I mean, tell 'em to do something else that.., where it'll show. I mean, religion, I mean, you got so many different religions, it doesn't make a difference when it comes to politics. 'Cause religions don't get together. You know? Muslims don't like, like, you know, Baptist, Baptist don't like, you know, Protestant. And then, you got some people who are atheist or whatever. So, I mean, you're gonna put it up there, a preacher because what? I mean, what political thing by puttin' this man' name on a street, is it gonna do? I mean, all it does is take money outta the taxpayer money. You could be puttin' that into the water plant. You could be puttin' a lotta these things that you give in the water plant and different things. The streets, I don't even think you should name anymore streets after the preachers. People have a hard time, anyway, finding [stammer] their way around Riviera Beach.

But, I mean, the bottom line, what I'm trynna say is, I don't think it's right, and a lotta people I talk to in the streets... You think a lotta things I say come from me? It's not coming from me. See, I put my feet on the ground and I'm not even elected, and I go and ask people what they think and they tell me. And that's why I come over here and tell you what I tell you. And, you know, one person was saying, like, it's, it's not a black and white thing, you know, when I talk and I say I'm for my people. What I'm trynna say is this, I won't say a black and white thing, it's the ones who'll do for you, and the ones don't then. And it's just like, Ms. Botel...

[Timer]

MR. L. BROWN: ...done for me and the other people didn't. So, that's all. She's a good lady and that's all I can say, maybe the blacks didn't.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Does that conclude?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, that completes public comments for the Consent Agenda.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

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.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM, PLEASE FILL UT A PUBLIC COMMENT CARD AND GIVE IT TO THE STAFF PRIOR TO THE ITEM BEING PRESENTED TO CITY COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN THREE MINUTES TO SPEAK ON EACH REGULAR AGENDA ITEM. IN NO EVENT WITH ANYONE BE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT A COMMENT CARD AND SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM AFTER THE RESOLUTION IS READ OR THE ITEM IS CONSIDERED. PUBLIC COMMENT SHALL BEGIN AT 7:30 P.M. UNLESS THERE IS NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL 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 BEEN 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 COMMENT SECTION IS ANNOUNCED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Petitions and communications for filing?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: None.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Awards and presentations.

6.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PRESENTATION REGARDING LIGHTNING DETECTION SYSTEMS IN CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH PARKS.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Good evening, Mayor, Council, City Manager. Richard Blankenship, Parks & Recreation Director.

I wanted to take a few minutes to inform you, and inform the community about the lightning detection systems that we've installed at Barracuda Bay, Wells and Dan Calloway. These detection systems [stammer], as we're headed into spring and we're

gonna have lightning, once they go off, the residents are gonna, 'What in the world is going on?' Because they are loud, they're supposed to be loud. They are visible, they're supposed to be visible, but part of the success of having them is to educate everybody on what it means and what you should do. So, if you'll indulge me, I'm gonna play a short video here.

[Video plays]

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Along with the, the installation of the equipment, we will have signage that will tell the public in the parks on what they need to..., where they need to go, what they need to do. Here's an example, or the..., of the sign. It'll be at each of the locations. It tells them where to go, it tells them what to avoid and, bottom line is, if you hear it, clear it. Get out of the way. We've been very lucky, and we don't like playing with fire. These systems are not fool proof. You know, you ha'..., but you have to, to use the technology that you have available.

And with that said, I'll answer any questions that the Council may or may have.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

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

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes. Name the facilities where they'll be again. I know you...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Barracuda Bay.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Wells Recreation Complex and Dan Calloway Park.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Has there been any discussion as far as the City Hall? This..., the, this property?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: No. You'll be able to hear it. From Wells.

MAYOR MASTERS: From Wells?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: ...City Hall will be covered.

MAYOR MASTERS: I'm gonna ask the City Manager to look into what type of warning system that, that we have in this building if anything goes down. I know something about the, the phones or the computers or something, but I would like to get a update as to what we have, unless you already know, in case of a, an emergency and terrorist or any'..., anything that people need to get out the building and get out immediately. So, if you would look into that, Madam Manager, I would appreciate it.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

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

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Thank you. What constitutes an unsafe distance? Two questions actually. That's the first.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Well, we can, we can set that however we want. The industry standard is eight miles.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Eight miles.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Okay. Is there any thought to putting one of these at the municipal beach on...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: There is...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...Singer Island?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: ...and we've been in discussion with Fire Rescue about the possibility of doing it.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Thank you.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Mm.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Any additional questions from Council?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

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

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Just a statement. I just wanna say thank you to Parks & Rec Staff...

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...for a job well done. This is something that's been needed for many years, as we have our, our youth programs and our community programs where, you know, we're in the area where weather definitely changes really fast. Thank God that we haven't had opportunity where we had to address this issue, so now I'm glad to see someone being proactive with protecting our community.

Thank you so much.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Ch'...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: And I need to give kudos to Mr. Payne, Recreation Coordinator, Mr. Souder, Aquatic Superintendent, for pushing this issue.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

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

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes. What.., are there any plans as to getting the word out to the neighbors, and, and sending our literature or a...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We'll put...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...mailer or something?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We'll do some literature, we'll do TV-18, we'll do the website. We're.., believe it or not, we're coming fast on football registration. That'll be in all the registration packets and all that kind of stuff.

MAYOR MASTERS: Would you also include a press release , to the...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...to the, to the press? Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk.

6A.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PROCLAMATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are you ready, Mr. Mayor?

MAYOR MASTERS: I don't know. I, I... I'm ready, but I don't see the, the Chief of Staff. She's.., so, would you come back to it? Do, do we have... I don't know. Just come back to it. Is anyone here from the church, the house? Just come back to it, Madam Chair.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible]-.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Public hearings, Madam Clerk?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

6B.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we have one more presentation that was added on.., added on by Councilperson Davis.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PRESENTATION BY THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: On March 16th we will be hosting the Army Reserve at Wells Recreation Complex. They're coming over with about 200 soldiers and doing their physical training. And then, a two mile run through Riviera Beach. The purpose of the, the event which was the idea of the Army Reserve, is just to

become more familiar with the community they reside and to promote health and fitness, and also to do a little recruiting, to see of there's some kids in the community that are interested in the military. So, Saturday, March 16th, 7:00 a.m. There will be onsite registration. No need to register beforehand, and it should be done no later than 8:30 or 9:00 p.m. We'll have water stations, we'll, we'll have snacks and that kind of stuff. The Police Department will be assisting. And again, the..., they're gonna do this like they would do it on a normal Saturday morning, so, as we progress through the City they will take charge and make sure it's safe for everybody and it should be an interesting morning.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

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

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I just wanna add a little bit to this. This is an initiative that, as we wanna focus on..., it does say run, but it is also..., it says fun/run and walk. So, we want folks throughout the community to come out and participate for this event. It's gonna start at Wells, it's gonna go northbound on H Avenue West, and then 34th Street, go east towards E Avenue, and then come back around 29th and back over. And, the solider have already started preparing a Riviera Beach chant, something positive for our community as you walk and you hear the running in your neighborhoods. They're asking you to join in from where you are, if you don't make it to the registration booth, whether you're walking or whether you're running. The Junior ROTC of Palm Beach Gardens and Dwyer High School is trying to find..., fit it in their schedule to come out and do a demonstration. They would bring out a lot of the military equipment, tanks, vehicles for our young lady' and young women and young men in this City, to look at the military as a particular instrument. We talk about going to college, but we also have other opportunities for our, our community. So, this will be the first time that this has ever been done in the nation. We have confirmed 250 soldiers in Riviera Beach that are excited about the event. I have received that the Governor is, is considering it because he will be in Miami on that Friday, and he's looking at his schedule to see if he can make it. He's not making any guarantees but he's defin'..., has Riviera Beach on his radar, for this March 16th.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We'll answer...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible] fun/run/walk.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: ...any questions.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Were there any other questions for Mr. Blankenship? [Pause]. Thank you, sir.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Thank you.

6A: PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor, your Proclamation.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair, I'm gonna ask my eyes tonight to read this, until I can get some reading glasses from a man in the room. Thank you.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Alright.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Proclamation from the Office of the Mayor, City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, honoring Bishop C.M. Bailey's ten years of leadership and his visionary journey of return.

WHEREAS, the United House of Prayer for all people, located at 3333 Avenue , Avenue I, on July 13, 1996 was established as a beacon of light in the Riviera Beach community. In 2009, Bishop C.M. Bailey was elevated by God and appointed Prophet and Chief Executive Leader over 137 congregations of the United House of Prayer throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Bailey launched his ten year vision for the church, the Journey of Return, which calls for all members to return to where God is greater in every aspect of daily life and worship, thereby according to the Bishop, strengthens the importance of giving God everything; and

WHEREAS, this visionary program inspires membership to recommit to participating in auxiliary service, increase attendance in church and to Sunday school studies, to show themselves approved; and

WHEREAS, Journey of Return is primarily about the children who are the future church. Bishop Bailey encourages adults to be committed to adhere to the word of God by training up each child to model behavior that reflects services unto God; and

WHEREAS, under the illustrious leadership of Bishop Bailey, and with the financial support of the United House of Prayer family, the McAuliffe Theological Seminary, McAuliffe Scholarship College Fund and the St. Lady D. Madison Scholastic Achievement Award programs are all among the many endeavors Bishop Bailey fosters for the fulfillment of spiritual grounding, academic achievement and career success in the church.

MAYOR MASTERS: In witness...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Now therefor.

MAYOR MASTERS: NOW THEREFORE, the Mayor without glasses.

MAYOR MASTERS: NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I... And I'm, I'm really happy to give this to Bishop Bailey.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: Bishop. How are you?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Elder.

MAYOR MASTERS: Elder, Bishop, Prophet, Pope.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Elder Williams.

MAYOR MASTERS: Elder Williams.

[Chuckles]

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Let me start over.

MAYOR MASTERS: NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Bishop Thomas A. Masters, Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, Florida by the power vested in me by the residents of this great City, I do hereby proclaim March the 24th 2019 as the Journey of Return Day. And, you talking about me returning day? Oh, you're return day, I'm sorry.

[Chuckles]

MAYOR MASTERS: ...return day in celebration of the church 92nd Holy Convocation. I know that word. Convocation, in the City of Riviera Beach, Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official... I can do this..., the official seal of the City of Riviera Beach to be affixed on this 6th day of March, 2019, A.D. Bishop Thomas A. Masters, Mayor, Claudene Anthony, City Clerk.

Elder Williams, would you have brief words at this time?

ELDER WILLIAMS: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: You can preach but just a little bit. Just a couple words.

ELDER WILLIAMS: Good evening to everyone.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Good evening.

ELDER WILLIAMS: We give honor tonight for the most high God. We thank him for all that he has done for us. The purpose of this honoring, is that we want to honor everyone that we need to turn to the values that God is the aspect of our daily lives. So, this is the reason why we come to render this Proclamation for the work that the United House of Prayer is doing throughout the country. We have 129 [inaudible] throughout the country, and we're doing the work everywhere. So we ask for your prayers that we continue to do the work, please the community and to be better citizens as we move forward.

Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you. Let's give the Elder a hand. That was [inaudible]. Is that..., where's your church at? Excuse me, [inaudible].

ELDER WILLIAMS: Our church is just down the street, 3333 Avenue I.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you. Thanks...

ELDER WILLIAMS: Welcome.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...for coming and I proclaim this day and you're doing a great job.

ELDER WILLIAMS: Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...and if I don't have a job, I'm coming to join your church.

ELDER WILLIAMS: Well, we look forward to it.

[Chuckles]

ELDER WILLIAMS: God Bless. Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you, Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mhmm. You're welcome, Mr. Mayor. Madam Clerk.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDINANCES ON SECOND AND FINAL READING

7.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we're now on to Item No. 7.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: **ORDINANCE NO. 4130. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE II OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH RELATING TO THE GENERAL EMPLOYEES PENSION PLAN, AMENDING SECTION 14-26 TO PERMIT THE PAYMENT OF ACCUMULATED LEAVE TO THE CITY MANAGER, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS, PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION, REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Is there a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly second. Do we have any public comment cards?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do not have any public comment cards on this Item. The acceptance of public comment cards on this Item is now closed.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Any questions or comments from the Board? Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: 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.

8.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ORDINANCE NO. 4131. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ABANDONING THE UNDEVELOPED RIGHT-OF-WAY, KNOWN AS PERRY STREET, A FORTY FOOT WIDE STRIP OF LAND BEING A PORTION OF CORRECTED PLAT OF THE 3RD ACRE HOME PARK ADDITION TO KELSEY CITY AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 15, PAGE 17 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AND LYING IN SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 42, RANGE 43 EAST, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 18,905.27 SQUARE FEET ADJACENT TO AND SURROUNDED BY THE REAL PROPERTY ADDRESSED AS 1621 WEST BLUE HERON BOULEVARD, PARCEL CONTROL NUMBER . 56-43-42-29-04-007-0181, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND CONFLICTS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do not have any 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 MILLER-ANDERSON: Second.

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

ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR GAGNON: Good evening. Jeff Gagnon, Acting Director of Development Services.

As read into the record, you have before you, the second reading of this Ordinance associated with the abandonment of right-of-way. As we discussed during the February 20th City Council meeting, this right-of-way was associated with the approved site plan for Fire Station 2, as well the Barracuda Bay Complex. Just once again, for the record, as shown before Council, the area denoted in blue is the impacted right-of-way area that's proposed to be abandoned.

And I'm here to answer any questions you may have.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any questions from the..., from the Board?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Question, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Chair Pro Tem, you're recognized.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Mr. Gagnon, can you remind us of what you were saying about the, the access from, I guess, the path from the school that, that was being used or one..., wheth'..., whether or not it was being used? Can you remind us...

ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR GAGNON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...of the point that was being made with that?

ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR GAGNON: We do have a photo. I think there was conversation during the last meeting that the right-of-way area was used as access to the adjacent school. There is a chain link fence however that prohibits access through this right-of-way as you can see by the school bus area. So, there is no direct access from the adjacent roadway to the school.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Oh okay. [Inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Any further questions? Madam Clerk.

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: Pro Tem Hubbard?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Davis Johnson?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

ITEMS TABLED

REGULAR AGENDA

9.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we're down to Item No. 9.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 12-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A CENTRAL DATA STORAGE HARDWARE IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE PERFORMANCE AND CAPACITY OF OUTDATED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE, AND IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN THE CITY'S RESILIENCY TO POTENTIAL DATA LOSS AND DOWN TIME POTENTIALLY CAUSED BY STORM EVENTS AND NATURAL DISASTERS THROUGH AN INSTALLMENT PAYMENT AGREEMENT WITH "ePULS GROUP, INC.," FOR THREE ANNUAL PAYMENTS OF \$266,139.59, TOTALING \$798,418.77 BY UTILIZING AVAILABLE CONTRACTS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES AS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED BY CITY COUNCIL THROUGH RESOLUTION NO. 119-17; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO MAKE PAYMENT ACCORDINGLY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do not have any 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?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly second. Good evening, Mr. Williams.

INTERIM IT MANAGER WILLIAMS: Good evening again. How are we doing everyone? Thank you for your...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Good evening.

INTERIM IT MANAGER WILLIAMS: ...time today.

UNK: Thank you [inaudible].

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: And, Ma'.., Madam Chair, if I may?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: This was.., this Item was presented to you all during the last meeting and we found out that there was.., where a motion wasn't actually made, so this is just to clean up the record, if you go ahead and make the motion and...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...or unless you wanna see the presentation again.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I, I would like...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: We'll be glad to show...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: ...to see it.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...you the presentation.

INTERIM IT MANAGER WILLIAMS: I, I, I did so well last time with my...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Try it ag'... Go ahead.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Chuckle].

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Go ahead.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We, we need a motion. Well, we do have a motion and a second. Does anyone need to hear the presentation again?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I mean is it a brief presentation?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Brief.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

INTERIM IT MANAGER WILLIAMS: [Inaudible] do it.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Please do. We have new people here that wasn't at the last meeting, so.

INTERIM IT MANAGER WILLIAMS: Okay. Alright.

So, this is for... Sorry, let me get closer there. So, this is for City data storage, replacement and disaster recovery implementation. So, all things that are much needed in the City. So, the City of Riviera Beach is in need of increasing our storage capacity, update and disaster recovery capabilities for onsite and offsite availability at all times, cyber security increases, and high availability, failover redundancy and connec'.., connectivity. So, the City of Riviera Beach currently utilizes three storage devices [clears throat], three storage devices we are using. Eight-nine percent of our available storage capacity currently. Why we need the upgrade, our current storage devices were bought

in 2012. The standard lifespan is five to seven years in the industry. The devices are past their useful life. The storage device.., device company actually stopped supporting this device.., the device that we use on December 20, 2018, so the.., it's old technology, it's slowing down production. It' also causes downtime for City services, email, file services, things like that, everything. So, the City of Riviera Beach is currently using an ineffective backup solution. The current backup solution is not an enterprise solution for a City our size, we've outgrown it. Our current backup solution is more susceptible to security concerns, such as ransomware and things like that. Our.., let's see...

The proposed new backup solution is an industry leader in the production against these type of things, like viruses, ransomware and things like that, it saves the City time, money and reputation in the event of such an attack on the City's data. The new backup solution will improve the City ability to meet the retention needs of the City moving forward as well. Now, our current disaster recovery is [clears throat] involves backing up the City's data and copying it to the, the cloud. Why we need to update. If we face natural disasters, we are not adequately prepared to recover in a timely manner. The, the new disaster recovery solution would give the City the ability to rebound critical infrastructure very quickly. This configuration will greatly increase the City's public safety divisions, Police, Fire, always a good thing. [Inaudible] work in a disaster event, the City's data will be backed up and stored on our servers and not on a company's cloud to minimize the monthly cost that the City pays out to our vendors.

And, the benefits for proposed storage backup and disaster recovery solution, increases our storage capacity to better meet the needs of the City, improves our ability to backup and restore.., recover the hardware and data.., in data failures, minimizes the downtime for everyone in the City, email, and the data, greatly increases the security and availability of the City's data, increases the retention time for backups, increases the retention time from the backups while minimizing the City's recurring monthly cost.

And, that's it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any additional questions for Mr. Williams with regards to this Item? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

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.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Alrighty.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Great job.

INTERIM IT MANAGER WILLIAMS: Thank you very much everyone.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Williams.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, that completes our Regular Agenda. We do have Board Appointments by.., that the Mayor added to the Agenda that can occur at this time.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Huh?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair, thank you.

I would like to reappoint Delvin Thomas. He is the current Chairman of the Riviera Beach Housing Authority, and he's done a, great job. As you know, we have a 107 bed facility that's being built as we speak, shovel in the ground and it's going up. And this has been on Devin'.., Delvin's watch. And because of the contracts and all that's involved, it's important to keep him onboard, that there be no change, that there would be.., there will not be any changes with the Housing Authority in order that we can keep our time schedule on, you know, the schedule as we're doing this project. Jeffrey Jackson, who is presently serving as the Vice Chair, and Jessica Thurman, is the resident commissioner. One of the things, Madam Chair, that I have insisted that the Housing Authority, anything that I have anything to do with, be integrated. I just.., I fought segregation and.., all of my life, and it's important that these boards represent the entire community, black and white. And so, I've always insisted, give me an integrated board. And for.., not just for that, but it's good to have different ideas from different parts of the City and make sure that the board is reflective of the entire City's population. The couple.., I've got input from others that this young man from Singer Island would be a big plus to the board, so I am adding him as well, to the board, and his name...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Glen.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...is Glen...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Spiritus.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...Spiritus. He lives at 554.., North Ocean Drive and his credentials are impeccable and amazing. He has great expertise and experience in urban and in environmental studies, [stammer] from the Long Island University School of Administration Supervision. And he also has certification, and I'm done, from New York State permanent social studies teacher, but also principal to superintendent of New York

State Civil Service exam as City Planner. So now the Housing Authority will, will have a planner as well. He would be a great asset to the board, and I'm asking the Council to accept the appointment of the Mayor of Mr. Glen Spiritus.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Is there a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Ma'...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Second.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam, Madam Attorney, we do need a motion to approve those board appointments?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Alright. Is there a motion?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: So moved.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: It's been second.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Alrighty. Mr. Davis, you're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you. So, that appointment that's being requested, for who will this gentleman be replacing?

MAYOR MASTERS: There, there's just a..., it's a vacancy now. It's just a vacancy on the board and they...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: It's been that way for a while or?

MAYOR MASTERS: No. I., has it...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Yeah. Mr. Gatey re'.., resigned.

MAYOR MASTERS: Mr. Gatey resigned.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Oh, okay. Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, we're replacing him.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: One other thing, I would just like to say, it's great we got someone new on the board. To Mr. Jackson, Ms. Thurman and Devlin Thomas, they

have done a wonderful job with providing a safe haven, something that we haven't had in a very long time, which is over 100 units of senior housing. That community, that corridor has been missed out on opportunities for many years and we got a shovel in the ground. We recently got the rooftop event and they're way ahead of schedule. They have said that our Staff had done a wonderful job with the permitting process and the City has been cooperating very well. I think that's a story that, you know, that may not get out that needs to get out, is that we have a development that's a head of schedule, on time and they're saying great things about Riviera Beach. And now, we don't know longer have to allow some of our seniors to get a certain age and leave our community, now we can keep 'em here. And I wanna say to Staff on a wonderful job. And Mayor, I think you did a good job with that appointment, with those two gentleman, bringing in stability for quite some time with Mr. Jackson and Mr. Thomas, and Ms. Thurman. So now we have a new addition, and I'm sure that they.., [inaudible] fall in line with the great leadership that we have in place.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you, Councilman.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes, ma'am.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Botel?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

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.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - 7:30 PM NON-AGENDA OR CONSENT ITEM SPEAKERS (THREE MINUTE LIMITATION)

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD BE RESTRICTED TO ISSUES, MATTERS OR TOPICS PERTINENT TO THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH. PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED RULES OF DECORUM GOVERNING PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING OFFICIAL MEETINGS, WHICH HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. IN AN EFFORT TO PRESERVE ORDER, IF ANY OF THE RULES ARE NOT ADHERED TO, THE CHAIRPERSON MAY HAVE ANY DISRUPTIVE

SPEAKER OR ATTENDEE REMOVED FROM THE PODIUM, FROM THE MEETING AND/OR THE BUILDING, IF NECESSARY. PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELVES ACCORDINGLY.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comment cards at this time is now closed. Sara Goodman, Katie Rubando, Marybeth Coffey.

MS. S. GOODMAN: Thank you. My name is Sara Goodman. I live at the Marina Grand Condominium at 2640 Lake Shore Drive. Our City Council Members, Mayor Masters, City Manager Karen Hoskins and City Attorney Dawn Wynne. I hope I can say all of this in three minutes, but if it takes forty-five second more, I hope you'll indulge me because I'm trying to do everything I can not to sue Riviera Beach.

As you all know, a month ago, on February 6th, I brought an appeal of an erroneous legal interpretation of our City Code's offsite parking laws that are designed to protect the lives of Riviera Beach pedestrians and motorists. This interpretation was from Jeff Gagnon in the course of questions raised by the Planning & Zoning Board at the third site plan application, review of Seven Kings Crab [inaudible] site plan application. The P&Z Board rejected the site plan for the second time at that meeting by a tie vote of 3-3. My appeal is brought pursuant to Riviera Beach's development magistrate statute, which mandates the following, Mr. Gagnon:

'The Community Development Director from whom the appeal is taken shall, upon notification by the Community Development Department of the filing of the appeal and prior to the hearing date, transmit to the development special magistrate, all papers and materials constituting the record of the action, together with any materials supporting the decision.

He did not transmit my appeal, and you know that he did so on the basis that I hadn't paid \$2,000 in inapplicable filing and publication notice fees. There is no fee schedule pertaining to special magistrate hearings, or to my appeal as required by the statute. Yesterday evening at 5:38, Mr. Gagnon sent me a memo from the Assistant City Attorney, dated February 28, in which she opines that I do not have legal standing and she recommended to Mr. Gagnon that he, Mr. Gagnon, the person from whom I'm appealing an erroneous [stammer] interpretation, reject my appeal. Not on the basis of not paying \$2,000 in fees, but rather, on the basis that I don't have legal standing to bring the appeal. So, your Assistant City Attorney has recommended to Mr. Gagnon that he determine that I do not have the right to bring my appeal of his erroneous, unlawful interpretation of our Code safety provisions. The Assistant City Attorney has elevated Mr. Gagnon to be the lawmaker, the judge and the jury on whether I have a right to appeal. You don't have to be a lawyer to know that there's something really [chuckle], really dysfunctional about this. I've never said that I don't have to have st'., I have to have standing. That's why I s'., very clearly laid out, meticulously, several basis on which I have standing, which the development special magistrate can and should determine that I do indeed have legal standing. The City Attorney, of course, can argue to the development special magistrate that I don't.

I just wanna... I know I'm gonna run out of m'..., out of, you know, my time in twenty-four seconds, but I just wanted to give you a real world example. Think about this. If any one of you thought that the Palm Beach Post had libeled you in their paper and you brought a libel action against them, do you think that the writer of the article, and the counsel for the Post, can decide whether you have the right to bring the, the action? Whether your timely? Whether you're in the right court? Or any oth'..., other legal issue having...

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MS. S. GOODMAN:...to do with the case? Of course they can't.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Ms. Goodman.

MS. S. GOODMAN:I've requested Mayor Masters and Ms. Hoskins for you to directly direct Mr. Gagnon to transmit my appeal and I expect the response that request to be forthcoming.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Katie Rub'...

MS. S. GOODMAN:This is the...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Rubandeau...

MS. S. GOODMAN:This, this is the... Excuse me. This is the memorandum that I got from Mr. Gagnon. I'd like it entered into the record for tonight.

Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: I'd like a copy of it too, please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Katie Rubando...

[Inaudible audience comment]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Marybeth Coffey...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No, ma'am.

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No, ma'am.

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: No, ma'am.

[Inaudible audience comments]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Attorney.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: Has that been the process of the Council?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: When we've had a...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: However...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...a public hearing. This is just public comments.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: Right. Under public comment, no.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Uh-uh.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Katie Rubando ...

[Inaudible audience comments]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Marybeth Coffey, Lloyd Brown.

MS. K. RUBANDO: Council, City Manager, City Attorney, Clerk, Mayor Masters.

MAYOR MASTERS: Good evening.

MS. K. RUBANDO: Good evening.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Good evening.

MS. K. RUBANDO: I, I'm here tonight because I am representing myself and ninety neighbors and friends of Sara Goodman in her..., in..., supporting her appeal to be heard by the development special magistrate. The idea that she does not have standing when it comes to public safety issues involving a major intersection in development in Riviera Beach is absolutely ludicrous. I don't know how someone that is..., would be defending and representing the City of Riviera Beach in front of that magistrate, can also make the determination whether she can go before said magistrate. It, it just doesn't make sense to me. So, I would like to enter into the record tonight a group of unofficial petitions, signed by ninety of my neighbors, who also feel that they have standing and would gladly join Sara in any suit against the City of Riviera Beach.

And thank you very much, and thank you Mayor Masters for coming to visit us yesterday.

MAYOR MASTERS: You're welcome.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Lloyd Brown, Horace Towns...

MR. L. BROWN: Yeah. I have...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Delores...

MR. L. BROWN: ...something to say about the... You can [inaudible]. I, I, I wanna say this. You know, when I came into these, uh, like, they had the little discussions, the Council, about debate, and when I heard the individual, I mean, he's a scholar, he went to college and all that, he asked the people and he said he had a 'x' up there, and he had a plus, and he had a... So, what got me was this, when he..., when you all showed the 'x's', he just threw the Mayor under the bus when he said, 'I'm not talking about this Mayor now.' That's not even..., that doesn't even make sense for this man to have all these brains, he didn't [stammer] understand what he was doing? I mean, the Mayor didn't have anything to do with that, they just asked does a Mayor that comes to Riviera Beach, or a Mayor of Riviera Beach, they don't have to say I'm not talking about Masters. So, that means that he's throwing the man under the bus. I mean, I'm not saying that I like the man, or hate the man, or whatever, that doesn't have anything to do with it. I don't think that was right for this man, you know, [inaudible] and all that. I'm not even into that, I think it's another cult to me so don't tell me about college, 'cause I was in the military and, you know, it wasn't no sorority or none of that in the military. You either went there to die, or you kept yourself alive. And, I mean, honestly, I didn't think that was right. And then, a lotta things that I hear over here... Like, you told this lady that she couldn't take the three minutes. Well, you did it before but I think..., I [stammer], unless I was dreaming or sleeping, you did it before, you let somebody use the three minutes. I don't know why she couldn't talk. I mean...

And then you're getting all these lawsuits. All these lawsuits, and you're still drinking bottled water, aren't you? And that tells you something right there. I..., you know what? I didn't put no lotion on my hands. You know why they' all..., I washed them with the water and look at 'em, they're turning grey. I mean, you spend all this money, like, the one lady said on the Marina, you're talking about bringing tourists in, but you don't care nothin' about the people.

And, and I'm gonna get back to this white and black thing. It's not a white and black thing, it's a concerned individual and a unconcerned individual. And the only thing I can say, when I went to this lady with my problem, she done something about it. And I've been going to all these unconcerned, what are you? Negros. I've been going to them, and they haven't done anything. All they did was tell me what they' gonna do. I know you're ready to say something to me. I went to you first, so don't even pull the mic to your face, that'll just make you embarrassed.

And then, you know what, the Warriors are losing, and the Lakers are too. And next week, it's gonna be some more people losing, isn't it?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Madam Chair?

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

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

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I just wanna address the fact that there's been numerous people on this Council for many years that tried to assist the young man that came to the mic, and the last time Staff went out to help, they were cursed at and kicked off the property.

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

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: We tried our job.

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes. Just briefly. I, I wanted...

MR. L. BROWN: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Stammer]... Mr., Mr. Brown...

MR. L. BROWN: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No, no.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Brown.

MR. L. BROWN: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: No. No. You know it's true.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Brown.

MR. L. BROWN: You never came out and you never said nothin' [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Brown.

MR. L. BROWN: They can kick me outta here. But don't you get up here and lie about me. You know you never came out. I told you when it first started.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MR. L. BROWN: I told Hubbard.

MAYOR MASTERS: Mr. Brown.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I have witnesses.

MR. L. BROWN: Oh, you have not came...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I have witnesses.

MR. L. BROWN: ...out there. No, you haven't. You can ask my neighbors. Why don't you go ask them? Just b.s. you're talkin'. Yeah, pull me out 'cause you know what, this man's a liar. He's liar, ya'll. Don't vote for him.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Mr. Brown, you know better.

MR. L. BROWN: No. You know better.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point of order. Mr...

MR. L. BROWN: [Inaudible] making money. That's all [inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yeah. But he cussed Staff out.

MAYOR MASTERS: The, the...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor.

MR. L. BROWN: You'll be outta here...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Point of order, please.

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible].

MR. L. BROWN: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: The statement that he made about the gentleman he thought that was throwing me under the bus, I just wanna respond. They throw me on the bus all the time, but I know how to get back on my feet and go forward, so don't worry about it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: Don't worry about it. I'm, I'm...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...good, I'm fine.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Horace Towns, Delores Dawson, Amon Yisrael.

MAYOR MASTERS: Sometimes they treat me so bad, but I'm okay. I'm gonna go...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...on anyhow.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor. Come on.

MR. H. TOWNS: Alright. Order in the court.

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible]. [Chuckle].

MR. H. TOWNS: Horace Towns, Riviera Beach. Tonight, I'm speaking as a resident, not as a candidate for District 1 in Riviera Beach.

Next week, we have an election and I estimate that the dais will change. I say this to the community and the people that watch at home, 'cause a lotta people tune in. If we say that we want better, we have to require better and more from the people that are

running for office. I, I had someone today say, 'Horace, I think you're the best candidate in that race, but so and so is my friend.' That's why we're in the situation we're in. We have to step away from the tradition of picking people that are our friends, so they don't have qualifications. And this isn't targeted at any one candidate, but we have to do better. The Council, which I believe should be separated, is the Council, the Utility Board and the CRA Board. The people that you elect control millions of taxpayer dollars. So, when they take out a loan or they do some wasteful spending, we pay for it. We're the one that pay for the mistakes that the boards have made in the past. I personally believe as a taxpayer, Ms., Ms. Anderson had a leadership academy, that I was unable to attend, but I think that's the first step for people that wanna run for office in our community. I believe that you should sit on a board. I was appointed to the Housing Board and I'm gonna miss that Board.

MAYOR MASTERS: I appointed you, right?

MR. H. TOWNS: Yeah. But I'm gonna miss that Board, because that Board has done some tremendous things to move this City for'.., forward. The first affordable housing in thirty, forty years.

But I said all that to say, there are people that can get off a couch and say I'm running for office. And, as a taxpayer, as a homeowner, as a resident, I believe that is a problem. I believe that they should get involved, volunteer, get on a board, really, fully understand the duties that are.., that come with the responsibility that you're seeking. I personally believe that, if we have to do financial disclosures, I believe that we should have to give disclosure about our past. Everyone makes mistakes, but I do believe that, that is something that should be.., something that could be considered by the public. But again, March 12th we have an election and I'm just asking the people to move this City forward. Your vote is valuable. You have different groups, you got a bus, you got another group. But every group, I believe, this election is about control. This election will change our City one way or another, and I'm asking everyone at home to vote for someone...

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MR. H. TOWNS: ...who's for the people.

Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: He that is without sin cast the first stone.

MS. D. DAWSON: Delores Dawson, 669 West 6th Street in Riviera Beach, Florida. The nice little City that I've lived since 1959. I'm here on behalf of the Southside Coalition and Concerned Mothers to acknowledge our gratitude to those who have cheered and helped us throughout the year. And we had a wonderful Christmas program, you can tell by our program. We wanna thank Ms. Tonya Davis Johnson for feeding us and always there for us, always helping us. We wanna thank Terence Davis for always.., for our beautiful Christmas tree and always there to cheer and help us. We appreciate that. We wanna thank Bruce Guyton and Mr. Thom'.., Cedrick Thomas for their help. They helped u quite a bit. We wanna thank Mrs. Hubbard and [inaudible] for always encouraging us. That makes us work harder. We're old but we don't mind working. And we wanna thank the

City of Riviera, for all they have done for us, the Riviera Beach Fire Department, Riviera Beach Police Department, Riviera Beach Public Work', Riviera Beach Parks & [stammer] Recreation Department and Mr. Blankenshire. We thank Hope Gentry, Pascale Reid, Alex Freeman, the CRA and Mrs. Jenkins. We say.., thank Santa and his helpers. And, we thank all of you. We have a group men who cheer with us named [inaudible] from Delray, and we wanna thank them. We thank you all for what you have done for us, and we hope you will continue to do for us. Mrs. Hoskins, we thank you for always cheering us along. And we thank you for.., I've lived in this City and I have a small business since 1984. I'm proud to be a member.., proud to live in Riviera, to work, live and play.

God bless you all and we look forward for you all helping us again. Mrs. Davis, we.., you know we love you and we know you'll be there for us.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

MS. D. DAWSON: Thank you so very much.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

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

MAYOR MASTERS: Ms... You forgot the [stammer] refrigerator.

MS. D. DAWSON: Oh.

MAYOR MASTERS: [Chuckle]. Don't leave me out, don't forget about me.

MS. D. DAWSON: Oh, let me just tell ya'll about...

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible].

MS. D. DAWSON: ...about five year'.., about four years ago our frigeidaire had broke down, so we needed a frigeidaire and I think we came to the City Council. And Referend Masters decided he would take us to... What was it?

MAYOR MASTERS: Badcock.

MS. D. DAWSON: Badcock, and they gave us a beautiful black refrigerator for our children. We only use it for our children during the summer.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

MS. D. DAWSON: So, we never use it for my men in my, my apartment.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

MS. D. DAWSON: Only the children.

MAYOR MASTERS: Just didn't...

MS. D. DAWSON: And we thank you all...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...wanna forget me, that's all. I'm a old man now, don't forget.

MS. D. DAWSON: So, we wanna...

UNK: [Inaudible].

MS. D. DAWSON: ...thank all of you all because all of you helped to make us a better community, and we thank you. All we wanna do is share and care for our neighborhood, and we thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Amon Yisrael, Tia Jackson, Mr. Pride.

MR. A. YISRAEL: Good evening.

MAYOR MASTERS: Good evening.

MR. A. YISRAEL: Council, the Mayor, Chair. Amon Yisrael, Riviera Beach, Flo'..., Florida, the Monroe Heights area.

Riviera Beach is really one City. If some streets should be concrete, we should have a unified City when we put streets down. Some streets are concrete and that's wonderful, but why not put concrete streets in all of Riviera Beach to help enhance the City? Monroe Heights, I've had five engineer', construction street people to come in our neighborhood, the Monroe Heights area, and they felt that it was truly disgusting to put something like that in an existing community did not have inverted streets. I don't know where that came from but it takes away from the community and we're at a time we wanna build the community. Riviera Beach is really one City and we need to treat it that way. Again, we're at the crossroads in Riviera Beach, we can go to the right or to the left. It's time to go to the right. I want everybody to know that I'm supporting Ronnie Felder for Mayor and Horace Towns for District 1.

Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: You're welcome.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Tia Jackson, Mr. Pride, Chris French.

MS. T. JACKSON: Hi. How are you doing?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Good evening.

MS. T. JACKSON: I'm very disappointed by sitting in this meeting and hearing how people are bashing you all. First of all, let me start with Terence Davis. A lotta ya'll don't know that he have helped me out a lot. He works in the s'..., he helps out in the School Board. He, he was out there supporting parents that they have things in Stonybrooks. He was out there doing a lotta things. If you look him up on YouTube, you can see him out there with the football team. Ya'll are bashing people for no reason. They are trying their best to try to help ya'll. Reverend Masters made it a way for ya'll to get a job, felonies and all. Everybody sitting up here, there's nothing broken. Why ya'll trynna fix stuff that's

not broken. Give them a chance to continue to do what they're doing. It's ya'll fault in the community, not bringing ya'll self together. Ya'll call on them to do a lotta work, but when they're getting it done, what are ya'll doing? Ya'll are not trynna help them, they out here helping boys. If you ain't got money to put ya'll children on football, one of 'em up here will help you. If you ain't got food, they put, they bought food. Ya'll was not complaining back then. When they took the movie theaters away from us, when they took the skating rink, when they sat here making Riviera Beach look like Palm Beach, we are not Palm Beach, give us back Riviera Beach, they are trying to fix it. Ya'll allowed them to tear down Newcombe Hall. Okay, it look good over there. We got movies for the kids.

You can't make everybody happy, you got haters everywhere you go. Stop sitting here hatin' when you could be out here helping. You can help these kids that's falling dead every day, parents that need help, parents that goes to work. Terence Davis helped a lotta parents that couldn't afford summer camp and couldn't do nothing. Reverend Masters, all of them. If you need help, they are here. Stop bashing them. I wouldn't help none of ya'll if you keep bashing us. They go out and try to help ya'll, and all ya'll do is give negative feedback, but talk about something positive. We get on the newscast and talk about Riviera Beach like it ain't nothin', but guess what? Ya'll didn't say nothing when people before them messed it up, took away the movie theaters, took away everything that we had. We're not having fun like what it used to be back in the day, and that's what I'm saying. So, ya'll need to stop and grow up. Make this a better world. Take these kids and try to help them out. All of 'em up here doing something for our kids. People ain't out here trynna help us, look at West Palm Beach, they're doing better than what we are. But, ya'll bash Riviera Beach,, but West Palm Beach got more problems than we do. So, ya'll get this together and stop doing all this. This is making me upset. I don't even wanna be here.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mr. Pride, Chris French, Willis Williams.

MR. D. PRIDE: How ya'll doing?

MAYOR MASTERS: Hello.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Good evening.

MAYOR MASTERS: How you doing, sir?

MR. D. PRIDE: My name's Darien Pride.

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes.

MR. D. PRIDE: This is my first time here, and this is what ya'll do? Ya'll arguing and stuff like this? And ya'll my elders? And ya'll supposed to be teaching me right? I'm telling ya'll, this is terrible. And it hurts my heart because I got youth out there that's getting killed. And this is what ya'll talking about? Voting? That's all ya'll worried about out here? I'm worried about my youth, what ya'll gonna do for my youth? I'mma be honest with you, I see you Reverend Masters, you be in Stonybrook every now and then.

That man right there on the end is the only person I ever seen. Since I've been here, since day one working with him, I seen some of ya'll, he done had me out here [inaudible] a lotta ya'll.

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes.

MR. D. PRIDE: I ain't see nothing changed but I come in here.., that's why I don't come. Ya'll argue. Where's, where' the unity? What ya'll arguin' for? I thought all the folks be in here together, this is Riviera, all of us supposed to stick together. Ya'll be arguing.

What are we gonna do about my kids? Can ya'll answer me that? But ya'll be sitting here every Wednesday arguing about, excuse my language.., don't even matter. I, I can't believe this. And I'm really hurt, because I don't think ya'll should.., ya'll, ya'll, ya'll should be doing this. Ya'll can't get along? So, how ya'll think they gonna get out there? Think they' gonna get along? [Inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chris French...

MR. C. FRENCH: Hey. How ya'll doing?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Willis Williams.

MAYOR MASTERS: How are you doing, sir?

MR. C. FRENCH: My name's Chris French.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Good evening.

MR. C. FRENCH: I come to show the support on behalf of TD Davis and the services that I benefitted from. I also like, my friend just said, is where I see Masters and I also see, I don't know your name, Council'.., the lady who came out to Stonybrooks, did a Christmas drive. But my point is, like, a lotta things that I was able to experience, like, becoming a man, I was able to experience by making a change with the help, or support of, like I just named ya'll, like TD Davis, being able to be able to call him in times of not knowing, like what route to take. And I'm not saying this just to put him on the map, it's something personal. It's just like a bond that you have with God, like, you, you made a statement when you say he's that, 'Throw the rock,' and however the saying.., whatever you.., the statement you said but a divided house can't stand either. Even when it come to the word of God, you can't mix it with [stammer] with things like this going on, confusing. And that's where I lose interest on trying to understand what's going on in the City. But like I said, I come to support the ones that supported me, and my family, to help overcome the struggles that we've been through.

That's all I got to say.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Willis Williams, Earl Pleasant, Reverend Burrs.

MR. W. WILLIAMS: Good evening, Council. Willis Williams, Riviera Beach.

I won't take a lot of your time up tonight but there's a few things I just need to say. And one of 'em is to Mrs. Hoskins. I think that you have done as adequate of a job as you could have done under the circumstances. You were put in a situation where I think most of your department heads felt that they coulda did the job just as good as you, so you didn't get the support that you really needed to move this City forward. Unfortunately, that's the type of City we have had for quite some time. I think what needs to happen with this Administration, that if there is a change in this Administration, that we acquire a City Manager, that has the understanding, the ability to see wrong and correct it. You have a department of people that would cut your throat at the drop of a hat. And you need to understand that because you're gonna be here, after this election. For a little while. So, let's try to make the best of this, as much of this as we can.

There were things that were put in the... And I said this at the last meeting, and I need to speak on the because I'm confused about those amendments. I have never..., there's nowhere around this country that the governing body cannot talk to the their subordinates. I, I, I just don't understand that. So those amendments, and I'm saying it because those are the way I feel. I'm not tryna change your mind, I would not vote for 'em, because I don't understand 'em. And, anytime, if you got a CEO of a corporation, and the Board of Directors cannot give him or her a directive, there's a problem. And that's just the way I feel. So, we need to get off on a good foot when this election is over next week, whomever wins, let's try to move this for'..., City forward in a direction in where we're all gonna be bettered. Not just a small segment of our community, but everybody. I mean, you know, we, we can pick and choose as much as we'd like, but the right thing is just to do the right thing. And you know, just because everybody comes up here and try to tell you they're the best candidate and whatever, whatever, don't listen to that. You vote your conscious. People in his community need to vote their conscious 'cause they know who the right...

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MR. W. WILLIAMS: ...people are.

Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Earl Pleasant, Reverend Burrs, Bishop Thomas Masters.

MR. E. PLEASANT: Good evening. Earl Pleasant.

MAYOR MASTERS: Good evening.

MR. E. PLEASANT: West, West 37th Street.

First of all, I wanna thank these Council Members that sit up on this dais and do the best job that they can do. I, I really wanna thank 'em for that. I wouldn't wanna be in their shoes, I tell ya. But mainly, I'm here as a member of Pleasant Height Missionary Baptist Church to thank you guys for recognizing my Pastor, that's been my Pastor for about twenty-five years, and he's been the Pastor of our church for thirty-eight years. And

not only that, he's been an employee of the City of Riviera Beach for over twenty years, and I wanna thank you very much for recognizing him for...

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes.

MR. E. PLEASANT: ...changing up that street, the 34th Street. I have no problems with a Pastor that's been working. A lotta time they work undisclosed, you don't know what they're doing. A lotta times, midnight, you don't know when they got to go to see a, a [inaudible]. But I wanna thank you for doing that.

But I also wanna ask this, that the persons that are in charge of [pause] Zone 1, Commissioner in Zone 1, look into what Mr. Brown has been saying about his sister. She was a member of.., she did a lotta work at Goodmark Park. Maybe there's something that we can do for her at Goodmark Park. And maybe that would appease him a little bit.

But I wanna thank you once again for recognizing my Pastor Reverend Leroy Parrish for his thirty-eight years of service. Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Referend Burrs, Bishop Thomas Masters, Steve White.

REVEREND W. BURRS: Madam Chair, Mayor and Council.

I'm not running for no office, and I'm not here to campaign, but I'm here as a taxpayer, to remind the citizens, if they will, of those amendments on the.., for election next, next week to vote no for all of 'em, 'cause they are ridiculous. That some of 'em.., some of 'em's already in place, really don't need no changing in the Charter, so I encourage the citizens to overlook those amendments because you don't need to hire a City Manager that nobody could give instructions to, because if you hire one and you can't.., the Council cannot give him orders, then who is his boss? Everybody got a boss. The City Manager, you all should be the City Manager boss, and the Council, the citizen are your boss. So then, if you hire a City Manager, and then that bec'.., and that amendment pass', you got a serious problem within this City.

So, I, I was in.., I worked for the City for thirty years as well. And then, if I was an employee, I would have my union working [inaudible] somebody to vote for somebody to pose those amendments,. That's what the union should be doing for the employees because they would be affected thereby. So then, let's say to the citizens that those amendments, that they're, they're [stammer], they're just ridiculous, may I say? And, I was looking at the news the other day and I hear someone talking about how the negative information that the, the news give to Riviera Beach. And I was looking at the news and there was a shooting at the VA Hospital, and they specifically said Riviera Beach. If that was something good at the VA, they would say West Palm Beach.

[Inaudible comment]

REVEREND W. BURRS: And these are things that we get negative reports when it come to Riviera Beach, but when it's good reports, it's going somewhere else. So, I say

to the citizens that, yes, go vote. And we should not use this, this, this TV, this program where it's [stammer], was designed not for campaigning, not even with the sitting Council. It was there for the citizens of Riviera Beach to get information what the Council is doing. And if anything oughta be on the Agenda, you oughta adopt some kind of a policy that nobody can come here to this podium campaigning. That's not what this pod'..., that's not what this here program was programed or designed for, for candidates to come in and campaign. You know? So, peoples are wise enough who they wanna vote for... [Audio skips]

[Inaudible comment]

REVEREND W. BURRS: There may be some changes come next Tuesday, it may not. I don't know, but whatever change, it ain't gonna affect me one way or the other. They ain't gonna put no money in my pocket, and certainly ain't gonna take none out.

So, let's, let's..., whoever win', don't come here tryinna just get a job, come here to do something for the citizens, as it was said, not for just a select group of peoples. It's for the whole citizens of Riviera Beach. So let's remember that those amendments, and I'm, I'm surprised that you all let 'em go to the..., go to a referendum because it's against you all. Some of 'em. Well, whoever be sitting there as Councilperson. So, I'll say to the citizens...

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REVEREND W. BURRS: ...vote no for all of 'em.

Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Bishop Thomas Masters, Steve White, Douglas Lawson.

BISHOP T. MASTERS: I joined the pastors of this City in also encouraging people to vote no. I think it's not, has not been a secret where the Mayor has stood on, on these for and the pastors now are beginning to say it all over the, the City.

The amendments. Term limits. If you think you're gonna get term limits, if you vote yes, you're not gonna get what you really think. Term limits. Look, look at this. You could be the Mayor and then when your term is up, you can run for your own District, or you can run for Terence's..., the Citywide District, so you're just going from one chair to the other. If you are number two District, when your term is up, then you can run for the Mayor, or you could run for the City [stammer]..., you can go to another District, or you can run for the Citywide... So, you, you're not getting anything. And then it's very discriminatory towards young people. Are we..., do we really wanna say to our young people that you can only hold a position 'x' amount of years? You go to college, you come back and you're prepared and that's it? When we have been there six..., five terms or four terms? I don't think that's fair.

And, what bothers me about this election, I was at the SEIU office the other day and I looked up and saw a sign said, 'If you wanna lead, then you must serve.' And I thought about a lot of the candidates, and this is to people who are desiring these offices.

You know, I ask one question, where have you been? Where were you when we talked about pull up your pants? Where were you with the hurricanes? Where were you when Trayvon Martin got killed? Where were you when Corey Jones got killed? Where were you when we changed Old Dixie to President Barack Obama? Where were you when we talked about job fairs and veterans and seniors and our young people? You know, it's okay to run for an office but I wanna know where you've been. Are you just now waking up? And if you wanna run for an office, somebody needs to ask the question, where have you been during all that has gone on in our City? Where have you been and what have done? That's it.

And I do wanna commend young people for coming tonight, and others, and challenging us to watch how we conduct ourselves and respect one another, and it does start up there and it goes out there as well. So, we wanna encourage our young people. I'm glad to see them come, not only those..., any of our young people come and, and encourage and, and speak truth to power. And the young man that talked about the church, the naming of the..., after the ministers. It's not just about naming the street after a pastor, but it's what that church is going to do for that street. I'll talk more about it as Mayor when it comes up.

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MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Douglas Lawson, Lynne Hubbard, Fane Lozman.

[Inaudible comments]

MR. S. WHITE: Good evening. Steve White.

I was before you all, I believe it was..., may have been October of last year, but anyway, to talk about the mentoring program that we were about to kick off in the City of Riviera Beach to serve 12 to 18 year old young men, here in the City, an initiative of Councilwoman Lynne Hubbard. Well, we successfully completed phase one of the program. We had a, a really beautiful and touching graduation ceremony about two weeks ago at Lindsey Davis, probably had more family come out to support the young men who were graduating from the program. And those who were there, heard some really touching comments from those young men about how much they benefitted from the mentoring program. And so, I really wanna thank Councilwoman Hubbard for really having the vision and the initiative to, to bring this mentoring program to the City. I wanna thank City Manager Ms. Hoskins for her, her support. And, I, I think that it's..., like I said, it's just phase one so we're gonna continue to work with the young men. They have really benefitted from what we've done with them so far. And, like I said, it's just, just the beginning, so we have some really big plans for working with them.

So again, I thank you, Councilwoman Hubbard. You've always shown a commitment to the, to the City and to the youth in our community and I look forward to working with you as we move forward for the next three years. I also wanna thank Councilwoman..., Council', Councilman Mr. Davis for his unwavering support to the youth in, in our community as well. And I think that's been attested to by the young men who

came up here before. So, I really look forward to working with both of you as we move forward. You both serve this community with integrity and I hope that the people in this community will understand that we have people on the dais who are really committed. So, I thank you Councilwoman Hubbard, thank you, Mr. Davis and look forward to working with you as we move forward and continuing the mentoring program. So thank you.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: You're welcome.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam Chair? May I?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Chair Pro Tem, you're recognized.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Thank you, Madam Chair. Mr. White, thank you for hosting and facilitating that program. I must say, the, the young men that participated, we were very touched. Ms. Hoskins was there. It was ve'.., a very moving graduation and we do look forward to doing phase two. But, what I remind the public of, is we might remember that this was on the heels of the shootings that we were having over in the National Village Timber Run.., Timber Pines area. And we wanted the parents who had the younger kids, or other siblings, to know that we could put something into the area, or to the community, to divert that and to stop some of those things. And this, this went very well. And one young man put it very mildly, and he said, 'You know, I was, I was acting as a juvenile and I had very childish behavior, but Mr. White talked to me about what it really meant to grow up and be a decent young man.' And that is exactly what we wanted them to come away. That was the takeaway that we were hoping for from, from that program. So, I look forward to you cont'.., continuing your work, something you've done for years, Mr. White, and providing a service for our young men.

Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

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

MAYOR MASTERS: I also want.., I don't know whether this mic is off or not, Walter, but I do want to commend Mr. Steve White for the work that he has done and is doing in, in this City. But I also want the residents to know that Mr. White didn't just pop up over night and start something. He has been involved many, many years. My grandson benefitted from one of your programs. But I want the residents to know that there's a scripture that says, 'Charity starts at home and spreads abroad.' This young man has been recognized nationally for the work.., I'm talking about Steve White, that he has done. He is a nationally recognized author. And you may not know it. So let's not, you know, I just need you to know that we have great talents here, and we need to know the people, that in this community, that others can recognize but, for some reason, the man may be without honor in his own home, as the scripture states.

Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Douglas Lawson, Lynne Hubbard, Fane Lozman.

MR. D. LAWSON: Good evening, Council, Chairperson Tonya Davis Johnson, Mayor.

Today I see that it's a platform for canvassing and political election time, and everybody's up here just jockeying for time. My name is Douglas Lawson.

I'm coming to talk to Councilman Davis about an event that occurred last Tuesday. We had a candidate forum that's currently being aired on Riviera Beach TV, and concerns were addressed from Councilman Davis that, ironically he's not here for public comment to address them. So, I'm gonna address them to the Council because he requested and made allegations of a business, a local business that he's never stepped foot in. On February 26th, Black Village Voice hosted this candidate forum. So, this Black Village Voice candidate forum is being aired on Riviera Beach TV, and his allegations were towards a business that had fraudulent documentation, illegal operations and he had documentation and proof. So, I'm asking Councilman Davis for the documentation. I put in a public records request, the day after this event, yet, I was told he has a timely fashion to deliver it to me. It is a week later and I still have not received any documentation of what Councilman Davis has pulled on any business related to the allegations he made, which is currently being aired on Riviera Beach TV.

So, Councilman Davis, in the event he wants to continue to make allegations of any brand, business or affiliation of any local business owners...

[Inaudible audience comment]

MR. D. LAWSON: ...he needs to provide that documentation within a timely fashion. I'm as'..., I'm asking the City Manager and our C'..., Attorney to allow for this timely fashion to be achieved so that we can know what documentation he is addressing. Prior to any legal actions coming against a Council, of a Councilman making allegations of a business. So, in regards to any operations the City is doing, let's continue to operate with integrity, honesty and transparency, without using the public time, to address issues and concerns for political reelection.

Council, thank you so much for your time. Dr. Botel, thank you for visiting my brother's studio today. He was appreciative to have you, he was excited to have you there. KBL Studio, he was happy to have you there. Okay? Have a great night, Council.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Lynne Hubbard, Fane Lozman, Rhonda Shaw.

MS. L. HUBBARD: I am Lynne Hubbard. I reside at 1405 West 23rd Street in the City of Riviera Beach.

And, you know, for so many days and so many times, all kind of comments have come to be made here, things that are derogatory. And as the la'..., last speaker said, sometimes people need to have proof of things. There are signs all over the City that are, are labeled as corrupt and corruption and there has never been any proof or..., only

allegations about corruption in the City. And as candidates, and people jockeying for other seats, one person came up here to talk about things that.., being prepared, qualified and trained for seats. As far as a.., the Housing Authority goes, I have served and developed programs for Hou'.., Housing Authority, have served on the Boards, have created community self-sufficiency programs, and I was there when we closed the deal to build the units that are being built there, and we insisted that there was local participation. Everyone who knows, knows that I insist that there is local and equitable distribution of resources here in the City. So, to continue to sit up and listen to people stand down here and say things that aren't true. The reason that I, that I believe that the degradation and the demoralizing and the demonizing of one's character, is because people know that I will stand up and fight for this community and the residents thereof, instead of the weakest link that is being massaged and manipulated so that they can continue to do what they.., what they plan to do. And that is to take over the City of Riviera Beach and move those residents out of the City of Riviera Beach so only the rich and the affluent can afford to be here. And that is, and that is the, the intent.

Anytime there is something [pause] about.., for our youth or the businesses, the local business, quote unquote here, then there is a big ex'.., explosion about it, but when there is something that.., for other people that are just passing through or coming in here, then there always seems to be a problem.

One thing that I am proud to say, we were able, as a, as a group and during our t'.., my tenure, was to remove homestead liens off of homestead property. People were having liens on their property that they didn't know what to do with, investors were coming through here, taking the property, scaring the property'.., [stammer] the tenants of those properties, but everybody needs to watch their mail to see that you should shortly be receiving a certified copy that the removal of 105 homestead residents have their liens removed. Now that's a big deal. That's stabilization of our communities.

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CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Fane Lozman, Rhonda Shaw, Mary Brabham.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman.

By the way, Ms. Chairperson, there are no rules in the back of the Chambers to follow. So you keep saying there's rules back there, they're not on the wall back there, they're not outside the door. So, if you're gonna Chair a meeting, be accurate in what you talk about.

The lady earlier that came up and talked about Gagnon, I've been telling you that for years. Gagnon's incompetent. He may be corrupt, I don't know, I've heard allegations of corruption, but he's certainly a racist. He certainly shouldn't be working in this City. And there's facts to back up the racism and there's facts to back up the incompetence and I'm glad sixty-one other people are finally agreeing with me, but you as a Board, are aware of what's gone with.., gone on with him and you should've done something about that by now. Hopefully, you know, the process will get rid of him once and for all.

Now, for those who respect what I did back in 2000' and, God, I've lost track, what is it, 2007 when I fought the eminent domain battle and you kept your houses, and it ended up costing me my home, the one individual up there I want removed and replaced, Tonya Davis Johnson. I don't care who you vote in for her, she needs to go. Why does she need to go? She helped bring in our new City Attorney and gave a contract that is violative of state statute, number one. Number two, our new City Attorney, who has a..., who's been here, what, three months? She has refused to follow the Council's directive and get rid of Benjamin Bedard and his firm. I gave her a video, which the Mayor knows all well about, that disparaged the Mayor, accused him of all kind of nasty things, and brought dishonor to the City. And those Members who saw it last summer said get rid of Bedard. The City Attorney has seen that video and she has refused to unilaterally fire him and said, 'Oh well, the insurance company may not like it,' and, 'If we have another law firm, they may not get up to speed.' You can get up to speed in that case in a few days. I hired a new attorney to represent me in the 11th Circuit, he got up to speed in three days. You have the responsibility... You don't work for Tonya Davis Johnson, you work for the Council. They said to fire this guy last August and he hasn't been fired. So, there's a leadership failure in the Legal Department and it just..., one thing after another, it's not getting done legally. That woman who was here earlier with that thing, she could've put an end to that. I mean, it, it's just horrific.

And finally, Bruce Guyton and Cedrick Thomas are on the list? How could they be on the list? Guyton was arrested for violating the Sunshine law, and Thomas admitted that he broke the Sunshine law to get immunity. We certainly don't want those two up there again. But again, one person needs to go...

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MR. F. LOZMAN: ...up there, I believe, strongly, Tonya Davis Johnson.

Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Rhonda Shaw, Mary Brabham, J.B. Dixon.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Here is something [inaudible].

MS. R. SHAW: Good evening everyone. My name is Rhonda Shaw. I live at 1642 West Blue Heron Boulevard.

And, I've been up here quite some time, this is probably my fourth time, what happened about two or three years ago. They did a [pause] fixing the [pause] the sewers and fixing the water thing in the back. It used to run over into the yard and, and when it get all filled up, it'll come toward the house. So I complained so much of that and they came and fixed it, but when they fixed it, they, they, they didn't put all, all the way down to the end to Taco Bell, they didn't put any kinda [inaudible], they put a slab there so you can't come in and outta your yard. So, I had complained about it before, a different panel, you all are new people to this, and they had explained to me who I needed to see. I went to go see them, nothing got..., didn't get done. I kept complaining about it. I'm here again. The only thing I want, some understanding if it's gonna be done, or why it can't be done. And everybody on that whole panel, we came altogether at first, now it's just me. Now, I

have to [inaudible] for myself. But, I just wanna understand, if it's not gonna be done, why isn't it gonna be done? I bought the house with that like that and I am a homeowner, and I would like to have that done. I've messed up my Mercedes getting off the big hump. I just want some explanation, that's all I want, for some help to be done in the property.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

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

MAYOR MASTERS: I, I, I... I was here when the Council did order that work to be done. I was here, I'm a witness and I'm surprised that it has not been done to this point to her... Hold on, just a minute. I'm...

[Inaudible dais comment]

MAYOR MASTERS: I'll wait 'til the, the Manager gets through 'cause I was talking to the young lady.

[Pause]

MAYOR MASTERS: Ms. Shaw?

MS. R. SHAW: I'm not, I'm not a complainer. I like...

MAYOR MASTERS: No, no, no, no. No. I'm.., let me just finish.

MS. R. SHAW: Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: I just want, just for the record 'cause the Manager now wasn't here then. I was here and I heard what was going on, and it was redirected, the Manager at the time, to make sure to fix this. And so, we have a fiduciary obligation and responsibility to take care of that situation behind your house. That's what you're talking about...

MS. R. SHAW: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...right? Yeah. It, it does create a problem for, for public safety...

MS. R. SHAW: [Inaudible]...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...as, as well. Thank you for coming back. I am a witness.

MS. R. SHAW: [Inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: And I also want it done.

MS. R. SHAW: Nobody come to see it but you and...

MAYOR MASTERS: And it's shameful that it...

MS. R. SHAW: ...he came.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...wasn't done.

MS. R. SHAW: Yeah.

MAYOR MASTERS: The Manager hears it. So now, she will...

MS. R. SHAW: Thank you so much.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...take it from here. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You're welcome, Mr. Mayor.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mary Brabham, J.B. Dixon.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Good evening. Mary Brabham, Riviera Beach.

First of all, you see I have my vote shirt on. This is the form of democracy. I will not stand here and degrade, degenerate any of you, because this is what democracy is about. Each one of you that sat there, you have done something that is good in your own rightful way. So, whatever the voters.., whoever the voters choose, that's democracy. And that's the way government's supposed to work. Ms. Miller-Anderson, you thought that no one caught this, you were in the party picks in the notary, dated on February the 13th. See, Ms. Brabham keeps up with all of this here.

[Chuckles]

MS. M. BRABHAM: The Shower for Shelter luncheon celebrated holy grounds, Palm Beach County's [stammer] accomplishments to help at risk mothers overcome homeli'.., homelessness. Thank you.

The coding, Code. We talk about the children and stuff, and what we should do about the children. Coding. Ms. Johnson, Tonya Johnson did establish that, and other criterias. We talk about Mr. Steve white. The most prolific program in this City here, is the Youth Empowerment Program. I hear none of you, elected officials, talk about this, including the Mayor. This 'what saved our at risk, 17, 15 and on up adults. The program is magnificent, but none of you all talks about this. I think Ms. Ka'.., Ms. Miller-Anderson does. You all really, really overlook what's detrimental here, to your City here. These.., this program helps deter, and helps the Police Department.

When we talk about the amendments.., I see my time is running out, it's running mighty fast, I don't know...

[Chuckles]

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...but I must say this, when we did the amendments, Chris Smith came in here and our Ms. Tonya Johnson had him to come to educate us about 'em. There's nothing wrong with those four amendments. We should have 'em. And I'm encouraging the voters to vote for them. If we want accountability as the citizens in your City here, these.., nothing wrong with these amendments. No one should sit in a seat for a lifetime. It is others should come along that, that we should be willing to groom, so that

everybody can grow. Ethics, on this amendment was one of them. Federal government, they said yes. What's wrong with our...

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MS. M. BRABHAM: ...with our municipality? We should have that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: This, right here...

[Audience chuckles]

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...bribery. Mayors, Councilpeoples, all of 'em do it. Just so happen', you're perhaps lucky that you haven't got caught.

[Audience chuckles]

MS. M. BRABHAM: So, congratulations for that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Residents, you have five days out for election day, and that's next Tuesday. Now, if you hold that ballot out, and mail it in on Friday, it will not be counted there, on election day.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: And a designee must have your, your voters approval. Here it is right here, the Supervisor has outlined it. They have to authorize someone to pick up your ballot.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: And this is true.

One more thing. I have to say this.

[Audience chuckles]

MS. M. BRABHAM: This is in reference to my husband, Mr. Brabham. If anybody too lazy, too sorry, too sick. I buried my husband last year, Febru'.., in February. Every voter, every time that Mr. Brabham was able to vote, he voted for the last two years of his life. And I always made a copy of his absentee ballot to make sure, because he was so concerned about his ballot. And sometimes he was so sick, but he got up and he went to.., and he voted. He stood there and he voted. What is wrong with us? What is wrong with us people? We have to get up and vote. If you wanna keep 'em, keep 'em. If you don't, this is what democracy is about. It is about to vote. And when we say that, that we wasn't educated on these, there's four simple ones that determines this City here. It brings accountability. Not just for the.., not for the Council, but for we, as a resident and we as a City...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: It's time for us to get right, and be right. Because...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...you will only get right in, in God's sight if you are right. And I have no animosity toward none of you all. And none of the candidates that are running, because my vote is my vote. And your vote is your vote. So, get up and vote. Get up and vote. The struggle...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...has been too hard.

[Audience clapping]

MS. M. BRABHAM: It is many laying all over the land for your right to vote. Residents, you get up and vote.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you...

MS. M. BRABHAM: Mr. Brabham...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...would be proud of you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: J.B. Dixon.

MS. J.B. DIXON: I pass.

[Chuckles]

MS. J.B. DIXON: Follow that. How do you follow that?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, that concludes public comments at this time.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: We are now on to discussion and deliberation. Madam Chair, Councilperson Davis added a discussion regarding loud music throughout the neighborhoods.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Davis.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes. Thank you. Is the Chief of Police here? [Pause]. I was approached this, this evening on my way to the Council meeting by a resident, showing concern about loud music in cars and loud cars racing through a particular community, and I did reassure that resident that, that we will find out what is our pro'.., procedures on how we address these issues and what are we doing to be proactive with it and how we can help the entire community address this issue. And, I just wanted to put it on tonight, to kinda, kinda give us a, a, a little overview of how this issue's usually addressed. 'Cause if she's having this issue, I'm sure other's may also, on the block.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Okay. Mike Madden, Interim Police Chief.

Loud music complaints are.., they vary from vehicles to someone playing loud music at their house. They're, they're all unique. The, the one thing I can recommend is that you call the Police Department. We have a community policing team that if it's a constant problem in your neighborhood, their, their number one objective is to solve your problem. So, you know, without going into detail, 'cause there's so many different types of loud, loud noise complaints, I just encourage them to call the, the Police Department's non-emergency number, which is 845-4123.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you. Is that all that you have?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: That's it.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Stammer]...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...questions from..

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Does... One last, Madam Chair?

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

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Is there something that we can do, signage or some, some information out to be more proactive with folks being sensitive to the community needs as they ride through the neighborhood?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: With regards to loud music?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Yes. [Pause]. If not, just think about it.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Yeah. It'd be something we'd have to talk about...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Mhmm.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: ...as far as what signage would be effective.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: And the non-emergency number again?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: 845-4123.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Thank you.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Welcome.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

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

MAYOR MASTERS: Under the discussion and deliberation, it just kinda went by me for a minute, but I, at some point, I don't know whether you wanna do it here or under statements by the Mayor, but I received a email at 4:30. I think that was the time of it. As it relates to the Family & Friends event, that we've always had once a month, about tomorrow. And, I am very upset about it, and I need to bring it to the attention of the Council, and then we move on. So, whatever you want to designate when I can do it, I'm, I'm obliged.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: It would be most appropriate under your comments since we didn't add it to the Agenda under discussion and deliberations.

MAYOR MASTERS: That will be just fine.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, sir.

MAYOR MASTERS: Nothing changes the day before, it's ridiculous.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We've already taken care of the board appointments. Ms. Hoskins, would you like to provide any responses to... Ms. Hoskins? Would you like to provide any responses to the comments that were made during public comment?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No. Not at this time. I don't have any responses. I will contact Mrs....

MAYOR MASTERS: Shaw.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...Shaw, regarding her complaint. And, Mrs. Shaw, I will also need to get your address. But, other than that, I don't have any responses regarding any of the other comments that were made.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Discussion by City Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, I have none.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: You have nothing?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Discussion by City Attorney.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: Nothing at this time.

CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any City Council committee reports?

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Madam Chair, I have a couple.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Chair Pro Tem, you're recognized.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Thank you. The... I sit on the Planning, we call it TPA now, it used to be the MPO, and so we often, we always get a report from, from Palm Tran. And, speaking of Palm Tran, we have had comments about the removal of the bus stop over at Stonybrook, and I have met with Mr. Forbes, so has Chairwoman Tonya Davis Johnson. We also have met with the residents at different times over there, concerning this bus stop. So, I am proud to say that, through those discussions, we were able to have the bus stop replaced to the Stonybrook area, in its original location for the convenience of the residents that live in Stonybrook. So, that's a quality of life issue that was very important to me, so I continued to work on those types of things and we're, we're glad that it's back and I wanted to let you know under that committee.

Also, I sit on the Riviera Beach Cares Homeless Coalition, a newly formed group through one member from the Bridges, Terry Ferguson. She was originally a member of Bridges, an employee thereof and she started the Homeless Coalition because this is for emergencies. The presentation came.., was here the other week. A lot of people will be.., find themselves out of homes or without shelter in the middle of the night, and what we are doing is trying to put together resources that will help those people. And, right now, we have secured a 501(c)(3) that we're able to use.., what will probably be 'til December until the group gets it's own 501(c)(3) to take on monies. And the Riviera Beach Youth Recreation Association is the Treasurer right now, or the facilitator of those funds. So, we want everybody to know, when you're looking throughout the year to different things that you are, are going to support, homelessness is definitely at an all time high here, in this county, and also here in Riviera Beach. So, when you wanna contribute to different things, think of that organization because at night the people will be faced with either the Police or the Fire Department, most times when they find themselves without a place to live. And the average place that we found is starting at, like, \$85 a night. So that's what we're trying to do, put something in place so that we can address those issues rapidly, so that people will be able to find themselves immediately taken care of.

So, those are my two reports from the committees that I serve on, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Alrighty.

STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Statements by the Mayor and City Council, starting with Commissioner Davis, Councilman Davis, I'm sorry.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: I have a question before I get into the statement. Madam Manager, we had something being addressed in the Fire Station, is it 83 or 88?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Cou'... Chair? May I?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manager, you may.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: [Chuckle]. Yes. We.., Staff was called out. We had a.., another roofing issue.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: And I believe it was mentioned, probably about seven or eight months ago, where we had one a, a roofing issue also at that Station.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: So, we, we are still having problems there. And, as I mentioned earl'.., I believe in the last meeting, that I wanted to have a facilities workshop with the entire City Council because we are having some major problems with our buildings.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Okay. I, I think that's really good. One of the questions, concerns, can we make sure that we have a meeting with all our Staff that's impacted with that, so they can know when and where, what's gonna happen? You know, we've had numerous facilities workshops over the la'.., well, two really. [Chuckle]. One was a special meeting and one was in our Council retreat. Just so we.., just so Staff can know when and where what's gonna happen. That was brought to my attention as I walked into the Council meeting tonight.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, sir.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: To the residents of Riviera Beach, I just wanna say thank you to everyone who came out tonight and, and showed their concerns. It's very obvious what time of year we're in, but I would like to say thank you for allowing me to serve you. It is wonderful to be able to come back home from college to the community I was raised up in, and being able to continuously give back, prior to running for office and even at the legislative level. You know, we always talk about telling our story and one of the things I would like to make sure that we continue to do that, and there's some things I just take great pride in working with that I would like to state. That, when we got elected in 2013 through '16, there was a big effort, push forward, to reducing our water bills, and we, we're moving forward. And I'm happy to celebrate that with this entire Council. With the Raydell water meters. Right now, things had went out for bid. So now, you're gonna have some water meters that a allow you to catch leaks prior to coming to pay your water bill. You'll be able to monitor your water bills and be able to budget your water based

upon a price because you can kinda evaluate it as the water meters are in place with the Raydell water meters.

It's great to see the senior housing coming online, [stammer], at the old Ivy Green site, with the 105... Mayor, is it 105 or 109?

MAYOR MASTERS: It's seven.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: 107 units. We talked about putting our seniors in the community where they can be fit for them. And so, they don't have to worry about loud noises, different things that's going on throughout the community. I'm proud to see the explorer program with the Police Department continue moving forward, as we have great young ladies and young men get the opportunity to work on becoming future police officers in the community they grew up in. I do firmly believe in community policing, and it starts from, from home at a very young age.

This year, you know, we had.., the first time we had the 4th of July. We, we made that promise and we did that. This entire Board. Christmas came back to Riviera Beach. You know, I took a great deal of joy in, in being Santa and working with the entire Council and the CRA. We had over 4,500 people travel across the country.., across the county, to our City. These are great things we must continue to tell our story.

We are still in discussions of a new library, with a potential P3, having.., at Riviera Beach Training Center. We must continue to work forward after the elections to really do some real serious, down hard work to get that accomplished, expedited as possible. The Ban the Box, something that we've done, giving the opportunities for those who have been incarcerated and coming back. Just a fair chance. You know? With Mr. Bullard [sp] and that Department done a wonderful job with giving people a chance to work, young men and young women being proud. And we see a lotta folks, when you drive through this City, throughout various departments that are escalating at the administration level. And they've probably been some of our best employees. And, and I really feel good when they stop and they say, 'You know, it really feels good to come home, 'cause everywhere else we go you don't get that second chance. And that Ban the Box did work.' Resorting rights with Ms. Cobb in the library, Mr. Bullard. We've done numerous events with that. You know? Making sure that we restore rights, and the Council worked together, jointly, to push those issues. These are issues that are very non-controversial that we have to find a way to continue to celebrate together. Some say they're political, I say they're, they're human. These are issues that really change people lives.

One last, but not least, our Police Department was the best rated technical Police Department in the country, just a'.., just a few years back and we've been building off that. Our general employees got the raises they asked for, our Fire got the raises they asked for, our Police Department got the raises they asked for. We have been doing some great things in this community. And I don't want people to cloud our community with a negative cloud. These are facts. These are wonderful things that you should be proud of, that this entire Council, and previous Council Members, had put so much time and energy to move forward.

And last but not least, we will talk about Lift Stations 10 and 50. Those are issues. We talk about your quality of water, they have been addressed. And, \$20,000,000 of road improvements that you see on H Avenue, Monroe Heights, H Avenue East, H Avenue West. You see it on the southside. You see your money working for you. And you have a much better quality in water, no matter what folks are telling you. Our Utility Director has done a wonderful job in that Department, and the Health Department has supported him in telling the truth of the facts about making sure that Riviera Beach has continued to protect its brand with its water. And that's why so many folks are purchasing water from you.

So, I just wanna say thank you for allowing me to serve you. Thank you for allowing me to get these facts out as an update from the Councilman Davis office. And I ask you to, when it comes around for election time, vote based upon facts, don't vote based upon the emotions. And vote based upon truth of what's in your heart.

Thank you.

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

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Thank you. [Chuckle]. I have a lot to say and I don't usually talk this much but I'll try to go quickly.

I., we had a great beach polo event. I might thanked people the last time we met, but I, I just wanna say again, thank you to all the City Staff that helped. I'm looking at Jeff Gagnon. He went through a lot with the Founder of the event. Mr. Blankenship could not have been more helpful. Chief Madden, with the troops that he had onboard, just outstanding service. I can't thank you enough. Our, our Legal Department helped tremendously. Karen Hoskins, of course, was extremely helpful. The entire City Staff helped make that the tremendous event that it was. I, I., of course, I can't say enough about J.B. Dixon who raised the money to support the event. It, it was wonderful.

Ms. Brabham, I want you to know that the Youth Empowerment Program is near and dear to my heart. I may not talk about it a lot, but Valerie Grimsley is an important part of my workforce development task force. She's an integral part of that and I ha'..., I make great use of her services. So, I may not talk a lot about it, but I certainly use her services quite often.

I wanna mention that I voted yes on all of those amendments. I feel very strongly about the amendments. You know that the Mayor and I have agreed to disagree on those amendments. I wanna make it very clear, people say that the Council can't tell the City Manager what to do. That is absolutely a misinterpretation of that amendment. We, of course, can tell the City Manager what to do, as a body, not as single individuals. That's the most critical thing about [stammer]... People don't un'..., don't seem to understand what that amendment is about. It does not prohibit the Council from directing the City Manager.

[Inaudible audience comment]

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: It, it, it says that the City Council must direct the City..., the City Manager as a body. Not as individuals. So please, please consider voting yes for those amendments.

I wanted to let you all know that we had a very successful Christmas party at Stonybrook, as the young man mentioned earlier. Having seen me out there at Stonybrook. We, the Friends of the Riviera Beach Schools, which is a 501(c)(3), that J.B. Dixon and I started, will be going back for an Easter party. We'll be using JAY Ministries to put some money. I'll be donating some money through my Waste Management funds...

UNK: What?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...to JAY Ministries next..., at the, at the next opportunity, so that we can give an Easter party to the kids at Stonybrook. I was asked by Jennifer Nugent Hill, who was a partner with the Christmas party from the Tropical Shipping, she said to me, 'Didn't you give them any personal items?' I thought, 'Well, kids don't like pajamas at Christmas, they like toys.' All we did was give 'em toys and a Christmas tree and a good party. Now I felt the nec'..., the need to go back and give them personal items, so I'm gonna go get them some socks, I think, and probably there'll be a lotta Easter eggs thrown in there with the socks, so. We're, we're gonna do that at Easer, on the 21st. So, if anybody wants to come out and join us, the 21st of April we'll be there at Stonybrook.

I also attended the Riviera Beach Cares Homeless Coalition, and I have to say I did ask that evening about whether or not they were a 501(c)(3) and I pledged \$1,000. It is a wonderful model that they have and I, I applaud their efforts because we, so many times in City Council, have people knocking on our doors and saying, 'Hey, where can I go tonight?' And, just last week, I put somebody up in the Travel, Travel Lodge, that one up on Broadway. And it is...

MAYOR MASTERS: Travel Lodge.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: ...in fact \$85 a night. [Chuckle]. And so, when people come to us looking for immediate help, there's just no process for that, and this group is..., has de'..., devised a process that we can follow and all [stammer] working toward the same end to get people..., to get people homes.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I serve on two committees that you might be of interest, the Economic Development Committee of the North Palm beach Chamber. I serve on. And I serve on a subcommittee called the Environmental Subcommittee, and we're..., we are working hard to get rid of single use plastic bottles. In fact, we're devising a, sort of a contest to give green awards to people in the community who are most successful in getting rid of the plastic straws and plastic bottles. In my office, as a matter of fact, I don't use the plastic bottles that are available to us in the Council Chambers. I filter Riviera Beach water and drink it out of a paper cup. I also serve on the Government Affairs Committee of the North Palm Beach Chamber.

So, I think that I've covered everything for this evening. Please get out and vote on the 12th. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. I just wanted to thank all of the department heads who came out and did presentations for our Citizen Leadership Academy. We completed our ten week program on last night. As you all probably know, usually the participants have a.., they kinda rank their departments based on presentations and I believe Police probably were the winners for this particular...

UNK: What!

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...event this year. So kudos to the Police.

[Clapping]

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: What was really nice, and I think what really put it over the top for 'em, was they, and maybe at some point Interim Chief Madden could kinda give a little video, or a little advertisement, of the new simulator that the Police Department has, where the officers are able to go in and [stammer], almost pla'.., almost similar to laser tag, but it puts them in different scenarios, traffic stops, hostage situations. And so, the participants on last night, sev'.., those who volunteered, had an opportunity to participate in that scenario simulation. And, I think it, it really provided people on the outside to have a better understanding of what policemen's go through when they're, when they're doing a traffic stop and, and other situations. So, kudos to the police. We have a very good technology program over there on.., at the Port Center. And, you know, I'm.., I, I was very impressed and pleased with the program that we have. And I know that we're always on the cutting edge of everything, in terms of Shot Spotter and, you know, with the license plate readers, and I think we'll probably.., I would hope that we're on the cutting edge with the simulator as well. So, I wanted to thank all of the department heads for their presentations. At a future meeting, we will have our presentations for the participants to graduate.

And then, also, I'd like to just thank everyone for the calls, texts and the gift car'.., not gift cards, that's not what I meant.

UNK: Prayer cards.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Prayer cards, yes. Cards, greeting cards, for the loss of my father-in-law, Mr. Joseph Anderson. Mr. Anderson was around this City for many, many years. He was a very devoted person when it came to working the polls, he worked the polls a lot at Tate's, for many, many, many years. And, he will be greatly missed. He was living with us for the last three years, so we really had a lot of close time with him and, you know, it, it, it's one thing to lose a parent, but my husband's lost now both of his parents, and, and we understand that that's a part of life, so just keep us in your prayers. And, his memorial will be this Saturday at Emmanuel Deliverance Church of God at 11:00 a.m., which is at 1309 Georgia Avenue. So, if anyone is

interested, you're more than welcome to attend, but we do appreciate everyone for reaching out. And, and he was missed this year in the Citizen's Leadership Academy. He did participate last year, and he was trying to get there again this year, but he.., his health was failing him so he wasn't able to come. However, he always wanted to know what was going on. And, I do want you all to know that he continued to follow Riviera Beach's elections and the candidates that are running, and he put in his absentee ballot. And so, that was very important that he did that. Because he, he, he took voting very seriously here, in Riviera Beach.

And so, thank you very much to everyone. And keep us in your prayers.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Councilwoman Botel...

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Just a quick comment.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...you're recognized.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I took the Citizen's Leadership Academy before I was elected and I have to encourage anybody who is even mildly interested in Riviera Beach politics, or just the government, the way the government works in Riviera Beach, it's a great way to understand the workings of the Riviera Beach government. I would encourage anybody who's interested to take that Citizen's Academy. Citizen's Leadership Academy.

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Vice Chair, you're recognized.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, I want you to know that you have our condolences for the loss of your, of your father-in-law.

Indeed the.., I think the Citizen's Leadership Academy is, is a tool that's definitely needed. When I decided to run for office, we had Leadership Palm Beach County. I we'.., I went through that. That was a, a very instrumental program in.., for being able to provide resources to the whole City. 'Cause I came up through the ranks, through the Housing Authority's creating community self-sufficiency program. Knowing where things are and where to direct people so that they can get the help they needed is vital. And those are the things that you learn in leadership programs.

Also, serving on boards, if you want to run, it's important that you serve on boards. I've served on the Planning & Zoning Adjustment Board, the [pause]...

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Housing.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: Housing Authority Boards, county and... County, I worked at the County, West Palm Beach and Riviera Beach. So that.., so, so those things are important if you wanna know what's going on.., on in the City. And just by, just by merely getting involved, we created the West Side Civic Association, trying to move and

create Riviera Beach on the west side, and to make it.., to make it better than, than it has been. And that has been our continual fight, our continual struggle to help to get the things on the west side of Riviera Beach, that the residents of Riviera Beach need. My goal was, and still is, that the quality of life improved for the residents of Riviera Beach. What I want to see is that.., for example, as Stonybrook, what I want for the residents at Stonybrook is safe and decent housing. I want them to have quality jobs and income so that they can provide their own housing, and they can provide the things that they want to need.., they want for themselves, and they can buy the different types of things that they would like for their own children.

So, as I cont'.., you know, I, I too thank the residents of Riviera Beach for, for an opportunity to serve. I do hope to continue to help to improve the quality of life for the residents. No, this is the not the most popular job. Not when you stand up and you speak up for what you stood on the corner and begged people for you to do. And that's what.., that, that's where I am with this. When we have a, a place that is rich as Riviera Beach is, and there are \$300,000,000 projects coming down the pike, we had a \$40,000,000 coming.., project coming down the pike. Monroe Heights project is a \$12,000,000 project. When you don't have local people participating in those type things, those are the things that bother me, those are the things that improve the quality of life so that people won't always have to give the families handouts. People want a hand up, people wanna pull their, their own selves up. So, when we stand up.., when we say that, you know, that people aren't qualified or ready to serve.., one thing for sure, I worked with a group called Results, and the goal was to eliminate poverty in our.., and hunger in our lifetime. And those are.., and what we did was fashion policies and procedures that we could take to Washington and other places to try to move people forward. And that's what this has to be about. It can't be a popularity contest, when you have people coming to this community trying to do things without permits, trying to do environmentally unsafe stuff to the community and to the people of Riviera Beach. That's what we have to think about. Who's gonna stand up to them? Who's gonna say something about that? We have to speak up for ourselves. We have to speak up for this community.

One thi'.., one, one of the things that I want people to remember, is why it's important that we have a Summer Youth Employment Program here. Someone gave me the name of the program that I had been trying to think of, it's called CEDA. We had SYEP, SEDA [sp], PIC, the program was called all those things. It went through a myriad of changes. What that did for us coming up, is introduce us to career opportunities, and that's what we were trying to do for our kids here. But anytime, when you start to pull up your youth, or help your older people, you will watch naysayers attack those two veins first, because your youth is what's coming up and we want them to know that there's opportunities for them outside of what we have been hearing, with the shootings and stuff, in this community. We wanna expose our kids to those type things and that is what I think is most, most important.

Let me say about the educational system. One thing about the educational system, it isn't designed for the advancement of, of these kids these days. These standardized testing are keeping a lot of our kids down. And if every parent can't afford a tutor for those kids, they will stay in that school, end up with a certificate and not a high

school diploma, and for you to want that for these kids, I think is just..., and I..., not personally want it, but when you don't do something about it, you inadvertently want it. And we need to do something about it to help our kids and help move our kids through, through the programs like that, giving them somewhere safe to play, somewhere safe to be, like the Cunningham Park. And, the mentoring program that Mr. White conducted, happened over there in National Village. Right now, through Mr. Blankenship's leadership, we're getting ready to do that park over there, so those kids can have activities and somewhere to be, and even the senior citizens will, will be over there.

The other thing that I would like to tell you about, is Riviera Beach being cleaner, and Riviera Beach being more aesthetically pleasing. That's contagious. The more that we clean the City, take the trash out, remove the trash piles and clean up the City, that's another [stammer] initiative that I led in the City. A quality of life initiative. Those are the type of things that interest me, making sure that our City can look cleaner and be better. So, when you hear about demonizing things, it's because I'm a strong person that's gonna stand up and speak up and fight for this resident'..., these residents, the City of Riviera Beach, and also our employees.

So, I say to you that my name is indeed on the ballot.

[Chuckles]

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: I would like you to consider reelecting me and to note the things that I have done.

One other thing about that street out there, the reason that we have the drainage in the middle, is because the streets are so narrow in Monroe Heights, and no one wanted to give up five feet on each side. And now, with the Disability Act, the sidewalks have to be expanded to five feet, they can no longer be three feet. So, the only place that we can put the drainage was in the middle. And while it might be a valley now, when they finish putting all the pavement in, everything'll be smooth. So, it's a grave inconvenience, but it's going to be alright when it's all done. You won't have water backing up into your properties.

So, thank you for letting me serve you. I hope to come back and serve you. And, have a good night. Madam Chair.

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

MAYOR MASTERS: I gotta deal with a couple issues. One, I have a letter with several questions and complaints, as it relates to members of the Administration from the people who signed the petition as it relates to Marina Grande and others, who have been writing letters back and forth to the City. I do wanna say this, I want everybody to be treated fairly and justly. And I'm always concerned about justice, for everyone. But based upon this letter and the accusations that are being made as it relates to our Staff, from the top to, to others, I'm, I'm..., I don't know whether this needs to go to the City Attorney, but I am gonna give it to the City Attorney and ask our Attorney to look into these issues. And, if it is necessary to ask for an independent investigation, as it relates to some of these very serious allegations, FDOT is definitely involved over there, there's others

that'.., that's being called into question. Planning Zoning Board and it goes on and on, and I'm talking about the Crab Pot.. So, I'll give this to the City Attorney. Ms. Isaacs, would you come and give this...

[Pause]

I want to thank, first, Dr. Botel for today. And I wanna thank you for making some very strong, I think, and I was pleased, statements as it relates to this Mayor. And.., particularly the statement that you said that there's none like the Mayor, that I work twenty-four hours, and you haven't seen.., you don't.., you have not seen any candidate that would do what the Mayor does. And, I don't wanna go into detail with.., about your statement, but it will be seen and heard and read. I want to thank KaShamba Miller-Anderson for her faithfulness down through the years, as it relates to our City and the progress that we have made, and pleased to let Josep' know. And I call him Josep', your husband, that he, his family, are in our prayers, and we're praying for the peace, communion of the Holy Spirit to rest, rule and abide with your family. I'm not for sure if I can be there, but certainly if I can, I think I have another funeral too. I'll try to shift between the two, if possible. Thank you. I've known KaShamba Miller-Anderson for probably twenty-five years and plus and she has always been a true champion of fairness and justice and I can just go on and on. So, I wanna thank you for standing up and I always, always have, on behalf of my sister, Cora Masters-Berry, she always says, 'One thing about KaShamba, she's been very supportive,' and she wants you to know that she's very appreciative of that as well. So, I'll tell her I told you and I said it publicly. And I said supportive so leave it at that.

I want to thank Councilwoman Lynne Hubbard for her service. I'm not for sure who's gonna get back up here so I wanna take my time and not miss anyone, for your service up here, as it relates to several initiatives that you have done and instituted in the community. I want to thank our Chair, Chair Tonya Davis Johnson, for your leadership as Chair, and for other things that you have done in, in this community. The garden down there is just beautiful. I know that being a Chair, being a Pastor, being a leader is not, is not easy. You get.., take potshots from people from.., all the time. But you've weathered the storm, and I wanna thank you for your service. I want to thank Councilman Terrence Davis for his service, what he has.., particularly with the youth. There were two witnesses there tonight, and some of the, the work that you have done in the community and I know you've been very.., you and Councilwoman Hubbard have been very [stammer] attentive and vigilant with Stonybrook. So, I thank you for that. And I thank.., I don't think I missed anyone. And that's not to say that I have agreed with you.., you meaning collectively. I've disagreed on issues. We, you know, we.., that's a part of life, we disagree sometimes. But, we must never become disagreeable. So, because I said those things about my colleagues, doesn't mean that I, I've [chuckle] agreed with everything they said and have done, 'cause I haven't and I'm sure they haven't agreed with everything the Mayor has said, and done.

I also want to say something as it relates JAYS Ministry. The relationship that I've had with JAYS Ministry and Pastors Felder, Sr. and now, Ronnie Felder has been very, very good. Down through the years, the Office of the Mayor has been there a few times, as it relates to doing things with Pastor Ronnie and with the church, with the ministry and,

and it doesn't matter. However this turns out, that relationship will, will always be there because JAYS Ministry has been in our community for many, many years, and has done great work. I also want to say this about the other candidates that are running for Mayor, Cedrick Thomas and, and I probably served the longest. And I tell you that I talk to him frequently, and I, I wanna thank him also for the several projects that he did as a Councilman, and others who have, have served. So, you know, we must understand, this is one community and we must all get along and work together. We can disagree and not be disagreeable.

I want to thank the SEIU, who represent the service employees of, of Riviera Beach for your support and your favor, as it relates to this Mayor. And Cedrick Thomas and I both received that same type of accommodation from AFL-CIO as, as, as well. I wanna thank the residents of Riviera Beach for giving me, and allowing me, to serve you for these twelve years. I look forward, if you decide that I should continue, I look forward to... If not, I would accept the will of the people and continue to be a voice, and to be an advocate for the poor, for the unemployed. I've [stammer], I was doing job fairs before I became Mayor, and I will continue 'cause I think it's important to give people jobs and to try to help them get work. And we do that., Debie's here, we do it weekly. Almost daily sometimes. I wanna thank the veterans for allowing us to have a Veteran's Affair Administration in the Office of the Mayor. I wanna thank the seniors for having., I worked with you in the golden free senior discount program, the body cams for the Police Department. The Obama, thank you for allowing me to lead, changing a racist concept of Old Dixie into a, a beautiful new south that President Obama represented as he was President. And the list could go on and on.

Please come at this time. Debie Isaacs, the, the Chief of Staff. [Pause]. I just wanna make it., be very clear about Family & Friends event. I wanna thank this Council for voting for it, for the budget that we've had every month to finance this event here at the City., on the City property, and sometimes at the, at the Marina. It's an opportunity for young people to come, to display their God given gifts, whether it's poetry or whatever. Also, for local bands to be displayed with their gifts. So, I wanted to have it here, on this property this month.,. The weather's been somewhat inclement so I'm glad that we moved it, but I had a conversation with the Chief Administrator, and she felt that it would probably be, and she was right, it would probably be a little taxing on the employees out there Wednesday night. They have to come and set lights up and bring chairs and do a whole lotta stuff. So, I sought the other venue that we have used from time to time, and that has been the Marina Event Center. So, I do want to announce at this time, tomorrow at 6:00 p.m., we are blessed to have a legend, for the first time, come home. And that legend is George McCray. There will be others that will be performing, local talent. You may remember George McCray from Rock Your Baby and I Get Lifted, and God knows whatever else, but he's from Riviera Beach. There's absolutely nothing different about the event tomorrow as we had a few weeks ago. The only thing is, Mr. McCray had to come from Aruba?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: And this was the date that he could come, and he agreed to, to come. Normally it would've been on the third Thursday, but we have made amends

before and have had it at other times in the month, and sometimes we've missed a month or two and not had it at all. So, this will not be the first time that it has been moved earlier. It's just to accommodate the airfares and the fact that he would be coming. He has family here so we, you know, jumped on it.

I need to ask you a couple questions...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...Ms. Isaacs. How long have there been the Family & Friends events here at City Hall?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Um...

MAYOR MASTERS: To the best of your recollection, your memory.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: I believe we've been having Family & Friends since about 2016, or maybe even a little before that because this Council voted, or the previous Council voted to start funding them. But before that, you were paying for them out of your..., and you would also get donations...

MAYOR MASTERS: From the community.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: We were paying for them out of the community benefits. So...

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible].

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: ...it's been quite some time.

MAYOR MASTERS: And this event is once a month, is that correct?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Once a month.

MAYOR MASTERS: What has been the process that has been required from the Office of the Mayor as it relates to, and I'll be..., I'll be wrapping up in a minute, Madam Chair.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Performers.

MAYOR MASTERS: To, to performers, local, or whoever comes and sings, or play an instrument, or read a poem, or whatever.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Well, the reading of the poems, that has been just something that they would just come and do, because we were just giving them a small stipend. But as far as the bands that are performing with us, then the Finance Department insisted that we implement per'..., performers agreement with the band, and we have done that religiously, for those performers that we paid, you know, \$1,000, \$1,500, or whatever we paid them. So...

MAYOR MASTERS: And you signed those performer's agreements on behalf of the...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: From the Office of the Mayor. I don't sign them your name, I sign from the Office of the Mayor, because that's the agreement.

MAYOR MASTERS: And there has not been a problem with that?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: It has never been a problem.

MAYOR MASTERS: And you've been doing it every month?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Every month.

MAYOR MASTERS: Did you do it last month?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: And the month before?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, as I conclude, Madam Chair, I just want to be really clear that there should not be any reason, or anything new today that we have not had before. 'Cause the event, I pay'.., we've paid \$500 for the radio...

[Inaudible comment]

MAYOR MASTERS: He's here. And there's been [inaudible] expenses in the contract with the.., as far as the performers agreement. That's all that we've had to do?

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: That's all we have had to do.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Madam... And we also received a email, Madam Attorney from Marie Sullen, the insurance, that said that our insurance... Can you read that? What Marie Sullen said.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: Well...

MAYOR MASTERS: 'Cause this is all foreign, the day before, to me.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: I received an email from Mr. Sherman in Finance asking if the signature of Ms. Isaacs was appropriate. That was my first time seeing the Family & Friends performance agreement and I said that it was not. However, this is my first time hearing that that has been able to.., that has been acceptable in the past.

MAYOR MASTERS: Every month? Three years. Go ahead.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: After.., I responded to the email saying that it was not appropriate because she doesn't have the authority to bind the City. However, and then Ms. Sullen.., and I asked Ms. Sullen was anything else required because I noticed that there was also no indemnification language and no insurance language. Ms. Sullen

replied and said that there were three things that we needed, which was the indemnification language, the City listed as an additional insured on the insurance certificate and I can't recall the other. I don't know if Ms. Hoskins...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: And...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: ...has it.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

MAYOR MASTERS: But she...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Entertainers or entities must provide a copy of their insurance coverage.

MAYOR MASTERS: But she also...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: And..

MAYOR MASTERS: ...said after reviewing... Go from there.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: So...

MAYOR MASTERS: After she reviewed...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: And I did not., I haven't seen that., the email that I know you're referencing. And I asked Ms. Hoskins about it and she...

[Inaudible comment]

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: We haven't received a different opinion from Ms. Sullen.

MAYOR MASTERS: But I showed...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: That was what...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...you that.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: ...the, the Risk...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...after...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: ...Manager stated, that those were the things that were needed. I don't know why it's different now, if that was never required in the past.

MAYOR MASTERS: But I showed you that it said after reviewing , that the City's insurance...

[Inaudible comment]

MAYOR MASTERS: ...policy, general liability, that there was not an issue. That's what she said, that it would be covered. It has not been a issue, we've had it every month and it's not going to be an issue tomorrow at.., twenty-four hours before. We are not gonna make up law or do anything differently than what we have done. I know people are talking about politics. Well, let me just tell you this, our events are our events. And there's no political shirts, no political literature, no political speeches are allowed in the Event Center. We know that. So, I just wanna make sure this Council will just.., the Council Members, I've spoken to them individually, all of them. I think.., except for Councilwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson may not be attending, but the rest of them will be, and there will be a welcome by a Council, a greeting. Dr. Botel is doing something on family, so I just wanna make sure that this Council tonight will okay this, as you have done all the other events. I mean, I never had, never had a problem like this. This is shameful, it's ridiculous that anything new comes up a day before, when this is being announced over and over again.

So, I don't really have anything to say other than we'll see you at, at 6:00 o'clock, tomorrow at the Event Center. Mr. Sherman, if he needs a signature from the Mayor, all of a sudden, I'll do that. But I'm not doing anything else, because there's nothing else required. There's nothing new. Council'.., Council Members, do you have any objections to anything of the event being held tomorrow as planned?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: [Inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: I don't have any objections, Mr. Mayor. I would suggest that Ms. Sullen gets with Legal and in'.., and if general.., if our general liability insurance needs a rider or if it is okay, if we're gonna move on from, you know, after this event, then, you know, we can tighten it...

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...up and we have a new Attorney...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...this event [inaudible]...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...who has noticed things that we need to put in place to keep us out of as many lawsuits, so we want to... We wanna, we wanna heed her advice and after this event, I think that we.., make sure those things in place that, that Ms. Wynne thinks that we should have.

MAYOR MASTERS: Absolutely. As long as we get time to do it, and it's done in an orderly way. I don't have a problem. You wanna change the rules, or update something, fine. Anyone else have any comments? Dr. Botel? Are you okay with this?

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: I would like to see that Ms.., or that our Attorney have a meeting as soon.., tomorrow morning [chuckle] so that we feel that we are safe. I mean, I, I understand the Mayor's concern about not wanting to pull the plug on something, I certainly support his desire to have this thing come off tomorrow, so I hope that there's some resolution can be found first thing in the morning.

MAYOR MASTERS: Mr. Davis, did you have any comment on this?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: Assuming that we have the facts, or if we don't have all the facts, from, from, from what Staff is..., from what I'm hearing from Staff, is they're still getting the information of the event as we speak today. Until I receive all that information, I would have to pause before I take a position one way or another. Because I have to support Staff on what they're doing because we hold them accountable for the things that they do when they follow policy. So, if they have some things they can move forward a policy with, I support Staff. If there's some questions, there's some things that we don't know about, then I'm gonna have to pause.

So, I just have to focus on, on, on that [inaudible].

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Manager, is there any other con'..., any concerns that you have with this event for tomorrow? Although it's not here, it's at the other..., the, the CRA. At the Marina, I'm sorry.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: And, Madam Chair...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...if I may? Mayor, as we s'..., we spoke earlier today, I know you were upset because I sent the email at 4:30 but I think we need..., we do need to have the insurance coverage, make sure that, you know, the City, as it relates to liability, that, you know, we are covered. We don't want any lawsuits and it's our responsibility to ensure that the participants at the event, you know, that they don't sue us for any falls or whatever. I've been involved in jazz festivals and, you know, people are falling, things have happened, so we just wanna make sure we have the insurance coverage properly noted.

COUNCILPERSON BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: One moment, please. Madam Attorney, just simply make sure that we are legally sufficient for this event to move forward. If you have some questions, then certainly we can address..., you can address those with Staff tomorrow morning.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: Yes. I don't have a problem meeting with Staff. And I, I did ask the question regarding what has been done in the past, for all these other performances and I didn't get an answer to that question because if, in fact, Ms. Isaacs has been signing and it's been acceptable, I, you know, I don't know why the Mayor's office would do anything different. But, I will definitely meet with Ms. Sullen first thing in the morning.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: As well as Mr. Sherman to determine...

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...what's different.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: Right.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: And why. Thank you. Do you have anything...

MAYOR MASTERS: I think someone has said...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are you, are you done, Mr. Mayor?

MAYOR MASTERS: No. And I just, I just need to make this clear, that Ms. Sullen sent, in her email, she stated that after reviewing, that the, the insurance policy for the City covers this. That we're not, you know, that indem'.., identify, whatever word they use, that she was okay. After reviewing. I just don't want, under any circumstances, after all this radio and everything else, something comes up tomorrow that ain't never came up in three years. Every month has been fine.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: And, just for the record, I haven't received that email from Ms. Sullen. You did show it to me on your phone, but...

MAYOR MASTERS: I got it from Ms. Karen, the email.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I, I...

MAYOR MASTERS: The email?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...haven't received it.

MAYOR MASTERS: It's in your thing.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No.

MAYOR MASTERS: The, the email.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No.

MAYOR MASTERS: It's right there.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No, it doesn't say what you're saying.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Well, read it. It says after, it says after review. The one that, the one you sent me at 4:30.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I don't see that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: The email you sent me at 4:30...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor, the Attorney has some concerns. Let, let the Attorney work it out. We're clear on what you want.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Are, are you done with your comments at this point, or do...

MAYOR MASTERS: The last comment ...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...you have anything else?

MAYOR MASTERS: ...is, the Mayor has stated on the record that these.., there were nine amendments, the City Council threw out five. So, they must have thought five were bad, and I think the other four are not good for the City. And when you change your Charter, usually with the state... Someone mentioned Chris Smith. It takes sixty percent to change the Charter. The other four only passed on a 3-2 vote. So, that tells you something.

That's it.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Manager...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: May I, may I...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...you're recognized.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...address the email? She says, 'After reviewing the liability policy, I am able to confirm that our general liability insurance will cover liability claims that arise for this event. However, in addition, I am recommending the following for all events: The third party,' who is the performer, 'indemnify the City in all contracts. Add the City as an additional insured on the certificate of coverage, and entertainers or entities must provide a copy of their insurance coverage.' That's all we need, those three things.

MAYOR MASTERS: And those are her recommendations. Right? She's recommended that, but for this event, this has to go. This event has to... We can't do recommendations the day before.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: She said...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: It's up to the Council.

MAYOR MASTERS: It's up to the Council.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: But she said that, in the, in the letter that this event can go.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS: [Inaudible]...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: That she would recommend...

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

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...for, for all other events...

MAYOR MASTERS: And I'm good with that. I'm good...

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: [Inaudible]...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...with that. But t this event can go.

CHAIR PRO TEM HUBBARD: ...add those three things.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you. So, this event is, is fine. Council?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Attorney?

MAYOR MASTERS: Are we...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Do you have...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...clear?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: We'll get with Ms. Sullen in the morning, and Mr. Sherman. Yes. And we'll let the Mayor know.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: Know what?

[Inaudible dais comment]

MAYOR MASTERS: Let me know what?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNNE: What the decision is and whether or not she still needs that information or not. We have to.., you know, in an attempt to protect the City, we will do everything we can to try to move this event forward so that it does not need to be cancelled.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you. Ms. Isaac, please.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Excuse me, Ms., Madam Chair? I just need to say..., because we have more than just the band performing at our events. We have, like, the SOS Band, which is the student group that performs, we have individuals, um, Ms. Lydia Smith's children, they are performers and they perform. We have all kind' of performers that come. Are we expecting each of them to also start delivering these insurance indemnifications and performer's agreements? We have not had that in the past.

MAYOR MASTERS: Some of 'em cannot afford that.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Right. Although we have not had it in the past...

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...if the City Attorney determines that we in fact need to in'..., indemnify anyone who is performing on our property, then yes, they would need to comply. We have to think in terms of what's going to ultimately affect the City and how. So, if that is a requirement..., someone may not have caught it, it may not have been addressed, but if the Attorney is saying to us that we in fact need to have these things, then absolutely we have to put those things in place. I know that it may be troublesome and burdensome, but let's think about it on the flip side of that and how it will affect us as taxpayers moving forward, should something happen. So, we are trying to resolve the issue of what has been brought forward to..., forward tonight. And then, we have to look at possibly revamping the way we handle events. That's just the reality of it. We may not..., you know, just because we didn't do it before, does not mean that we were doing it right, and if she's saying that there's something else that we need to do, then absolutely we must.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: But you're saying that for each performer. Is, is what..., I'm...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I have no idea...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: ...just trying to be clear.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Ms., Ms. Isaacs, I...

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: For each performer?.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...can't answer that, I'm not Legal.

CHIEF OF STAFF ISAACS: Alright.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Legal will address it and provide a, a, a response to the Mayor's office, Council and, and members of the..., of Staff, who put on events. If that...

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...if that becomes universal, then we need to do it. Mr. Mayor, may I...

MAYOR MASTERS: Yeah. Madam Chair...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...please have my comments?

MAYOR MASTERS: I'm, I'm just closing. My concern was having this come the day before, at 4:30, with something that we've never ever done.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: I...

MAYOR MASTERS: Now, if we're gonna do it, we'll do it in the future.

UNK:: Right.

MAYOR MASTERS: But, but this event has to go. And we're not., we., that's all. [Stammer] ya'll...

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Mayor, we...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...get that straightened out.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: We're, we're clear, we're clear on...

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...on your intent. We, we...

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: ...really are.

I would like to just take a moment to thank the participants, although we were light in attendance, for the tenant's rights symposium. The information that was provided was very valuable, very helpful and very important, and we believe that our residents, in various housing, be it a home or apartment unit or Stonybrook, we wanted to make sure that there was a..., what every tenant should know symposium, and that was held this past Saturday. I want to express my appreciation to the Florida Rule Legal Services, we had our Riviera Beach Code Department, we had members of Police, we had members from Building, Community Partners and Housing Services were there. This was sponsored in part by the City of Riviera Beach, the Florida Rule Legal Services. We want to thank the Food Bank for providing fresh vegetables that we were able to distribute to participants and other residents at large, and we also want to thank Healthy..., Healthier Neighbors for their contribution and their work with us, and providing childcare. All of the volunteers and Staff that were there, we say thank you. It is our hope to have this information aired on TV-18, and as soon as that is ready, we will certainly make you aware of when it will be aired.

I wanted to just kinda piggyback on the comments that Vice Chair made with regards to the bus stop being replaced at Stonybrook. The final piece to that puzzle was, during the meeting with the residents, there was a request to return Route 21 to the area, and that is the, in fact, the last piece of the puzzle and we will contact Mr. Forbes and his team to get a status and an update on the return of Route 21, which was the service that provided the greatest coverage to meet the needs of our residents in Stonybrook.

So, let me say that on yesterday, I had an opportunity to meet with Mr. Blankenship down at the community center and we did the final walk through and it is absolutely beautiful and ready to go. All furniture, supplies and the repair of the windows that were damaged due to gunshots, has been completed. And that's most unfortunate that a new building would be damaged in that way, however, you know, we don't want to rush and put our residents in harms way, but there were stray, I believe they were stray bullets. But nonetheless, they damaged the building and that has been repaired. So Staff is now working on the programming, it is being finalized and applications for the workers have been received and Mr. Blankenship and his Staff is going through the vetting process.

So, we look forward to the programming and staffing and serving the children and the seniors of the south end. We want the entire City to come and to be a part it, but we wanted to be able to put something in the heart of Riviera Beach Heights that will be beneficial to our children.

I want to say thank you to Mrs. Dawkins of the Southside Coalition, as well as the Concerned Mothers group. They have been very diligent in providing opportunities and access for our children, and it's just wonderful to know that they will be coming out of the elements.

I have a meeting on tomorrow morning with Ms. Maura Plant, who is the CEO of Living Hungry. If you'll recall, earlier this year we provided over 10,000 boxes of food that went to our co'.., our senior citi'.., our senior citizens, our daycares, our assisted living facilities and any resident that wanted to come through. Well, apparently they have a.., an overabundance again of ready to eat meals that are being offered to the City of Riviera Beach, so we're going down tomorrow to look to see what we ha'.., what they have and how that can be utilized for our residents. She also mentioned that there were some school supplies, so we are anxious to know what those school supplies are so that we can provide them within our community centers and the parks for our children.

I want to just say that [pause] Riviera Beach is resilient. She is poised for greatness and we have an opportunity to really do some amazing things. And, my record, I believe, speaks for me. I have been professional, I have given you policies and procedures, and I have worked very hard on behalf of the residents of the City of Riviera Beach and I will say to you that on Tuesday, March 12th, your vote, your voice.

ADJOURNMENT

CHAIRPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: So, there being no further business, we stand adjourned.

[Gavel]

[End of video]

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