

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 17, 2019
6:05 p.m.**

PRESENT AT MEETING¹:

MAYOR RONNIE FELDER.....	MAYOR FELDER
CHAIRPERSON KaSHAMBA L. MILLER- ANDERSON – DISTRICT 2	CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON
CHAIR PRO TEM JULIE A. BOTEL DISTRICT 4.....	CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL
COUNCILPERSON TRADRICK MCCOY DISTRICT 1	COUNCILPERSON MCCOY
COUNCILPERSON SHIRLY D. LANIER DISTRICT 3.	COUNCILPERSON LANIER
COUNCILPERSON DOUGLAS A. LAWSON DISTRICT 5	COUNCILPERSON LAWSON
CITY MANAGER KAREN L. HOSKINS	CITY MANAGER HOSKINS
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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.**

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

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I'd like to call to order the Regular City Council Meeting on April 17, 2019, 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam, roll call.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mayor Ronnie Felder?

MAYOR FELDER: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Present.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pro Tem Julia Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Tradrick McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Shirley Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Douglas Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: City Manager Karen Hoskins?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney Dawn Wynn?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: You may proceed.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I'd like to, if we could take a couple of moments of silence for our..., that late Maude Ford Lee, who was our former County Commissioner for this area some years back, as well as for Ms. Inez Mickens. And I know Mr. Tradrick McCoy has an Item on the Agenda regarding that, and so, he can talk a little more at that time. If you could lead us, Mr. McCoy, in our moment of silence and Pledge. Thank you.

[Moment of silence]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I pledge allegiance...

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHALL BE GIVEN A TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES TO SPEAK ON ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. IN NO EVENT WILL ANYONE BE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT A COMMENT CARD AND SPEAK ON A CONSENT AGENDA ITEM AFTER THE ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.

AGENDA APPROVAL

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have any additions, deletions, substitutions from the Manager or Mayor and Council?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I have the following additions to the Agenda. On the Regular section, Item No. 6, and that should be 6A. A Resolution No. 33-19. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida approving an employment agreement with Deidra M. Jacobs as Interim City Manager, commencing April 16, 2019 until August 14, 2019 [pause] oper'...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Or un'...Or until...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Or until a new City Manager is hired, whichever comes first, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement, and providing an effective date. Under the regular Agenda, Item No. 15, Resolution 34-19. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, authorizing the amendment to Settlement Agreement and General Release in the case of Jonathan Evans v. The City of Riviera Beach, et al., Case No. 9-18CV-80687 and providing an effective date. And also, attached to that Item is a copy of the executed amendment Settlement Agreement and General Release with Jonathan Evans.

That's all I have, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And I just wanted to make note for the public in regards to the addition. We did have..., we, we agreed that forty-eight hours is what we would go by in regards to adding anything to the Agenda. Because of the nature of the issue with Ms. Deidra Jacobs requesting that her, her contract was approved prior to her starting in that position, which we know, basically because effective, will be effective as of..., after Thursday afternoon, waiting for the next meeting in another two or three weeks would be, you know, wouldn't be as fair to her being that she's been put in that position and won't be able to get, get what she, you know, be up under a contract in that position. So, we, we, we felt that, the other night, that we needed to just go ahead and, and hopefully we'll, we'll be able to get passed this one time of adding something due to the nature of the situation.

And, the situation with Mr. Evans, we all discussed this during the meeting prior, but they had to get the Resolution prepared. And so, we all said that we would bring it during our last meeting, maybe two, two meetings ago, a special meeting or something. It..., they're all running together at this point. But, we said we would bring it on tonight's Agenda, and so, the Resolution was prepared and it is on this as an addition.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Just so I'm clear, the Agreement is not effective. You said after Thursday. The Agreement is effective upon execution, am I right?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes, it is. It is.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And it says on there, I believe it says the...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: 16th.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: 16th.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: 16th. Right. Alright. Any other Items for deletion? Or revision? [Pause].

DISCLOSURES

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have any disclosures? [Pause]. Anyone have any disclosures? Nothing has changed for me in regards to the..., Mr. Evans or Ms. Jacobs since I made my disclosure the other day.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Likewise, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone el'...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Likewise.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I too still have the same disclosures from two nights ago.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Anyone else? [Pause]. Alright.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Can we have a motion to adopt the Agenda?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CONSENT AGENDA (Three Minute Limitation)

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have any public comment cards for Consent?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, we do, Madam Chair. The acceptance of public comment cards for the Consent Agenda is now closed.

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone would like pull an Item from the Consent Agenda?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I would ask if you would allow me to pull No. 5, please.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So, we'll pull Item No., 5.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else? [Pause]. Alright. Ms. Claudene, we're going to go into the comments first, or go ahead with the vote first?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Public comment, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Bessie Brown, Sammie Brown.

MS. B. BROWN: Good evening. I put a...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. B. BROWN: Bessie Brown.

I put a card in for Item 6 because there was nothing in the backup on the Agenda. And, at this time, the Agenda [stammer] it was back there, it was back.., it was put.., it was back there at the time that I went back and the information is in the Agenda now. So, at this time, I don't have anything to speak on that Item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're referring to the Palm Tran, right?

MS. B. BROWN: No.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh.

MS. B. BROWN: I'm referring to Item 6. The addition.

[Pause]

[Inaudible dais comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Can someone get me a new Agenda please?

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Claudene?

[Inaudible comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So you don't need anything?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: If this is not the same Agenda that's posted out, I will need one as well.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Can we all just get a new Agenda up here, please?

[Inaudible comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Inaudible comments]

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Because you all added the, the Agreement for Ms. Jacobs, I took down the Agenda, added the Item, along with the contract, and reposted the Agenda.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: So, if you're looking at it electronically, you will see all the backup.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And that's, that's fine as long as we.., just let us know and then we can have it printed because I usually have a printed copy that I go by. Just as long as we know. Hey, it's your last day anyway. You [inaudible]...

[Chuckles and inaudible comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Thank you, Ms. Bessie.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Sammie Brown.

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Can we have a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with Item No. 5.., is it still 5, being pulled?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes, Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: On the new Agenda?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: The Mickens, is that the one you're...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...talking about? Okay. Alright. Madam Clerk.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second. Do we need a second?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Stammer]...

UNK: He second it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible] somebody second. I'm sorry. I...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Somebody second it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Madam Clerk.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. Okay.

MINUTES

- 1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 6, 2019**
- 2. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 20, 2019.**

CITY CLERK CLAUDENE ANTHONY (561)845-4090

3. RESOLUTION NO. 23-19 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO APPROPRIATE FUND BALANCE IN THE MAJOR DISASTER FUND NUMBER 607-00-271000 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$178,420.00 FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO SET UP A BUDGET FOR SAME; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MICHAEL MADDEN (561)845-4130

4. RESOLUTION NO. 24-19 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A COLLABORATIVE WALL MURAL PROPOSED AT 105 BROADWAY, ASSOCIATED WITH THE MANATEE LAGOON, A FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT ECO DISCOVERY CENTER, THE PORT OF PALM BEACH, AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH (NO COST TO THE CITY); AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

INTERIM DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR JEFF GAGNON (561)845-4060

_[Inaudible comments]

5. CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Item No. 5.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: 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 1ST STREET, SPANNING FROM PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA HIGHWAY TO AVENUE O TO INEZ MICKENS STREET, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

COUNCILPERSON TRADRICK MCCOY (561) 845-3686

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA APPROVING AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH DEIRDRE M. JACOBS AS INTERIM CITY MANAGER COMMENCING APRIL 16, 2019 UNTIL AUGUST 14, 2019; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Ms. Hoskins or Mr. McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Chair.

Members, if you recall, last week I did bring to the attention that I wanted to.., I have been asked by a couple individuals about recognizing Ms. Mickens by renaming

West 1st Street as Inez Mickens Street and, unfortunately, it's a bit.., certainly a bittersweet moment because we learned today that Ms. Inez Mickens has passed away, so I certainly will ask my Members to support me in this Resolution with a vote of affirmative in passing this Resolution, renaming 1st Street as Inez Mickens Street.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Do we have any public comment cards on this Item?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No, Madam Chair. That was a Consent Agenda Item that was later pulled.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Madam...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Does anyone have any comments? And I, I certainly want to support this Item. I know that Ms. Mickens really cherished her community and making sure that it was beautiful at all times, especially in her immediate area. She really took pride in keeping her, her.., the, the City's property very nice and neat, she wanted to make sure that the streets were cleaned at all times and she will be dearly missed by me, as well as my husband and family. So...

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...our prayers our out to the family. And I do support this Item. Anyone else? [Pause]. Alright.

[Inaudible comment]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Upon potential passage of this Item, I would ask if you can indulge me to, really briefly, and I wouldn't even call it a presentation since I don't like unannounced presentations, to provide a, a letter to the family from State Senator Bobby Powell. And also, a commemorative street sign.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And we wi'.., I did request for a Proclamation to be done from the City for her, and, and then Ms. Hoskins will get with you all. Okay? Alright. Madam Clerk.

[Inaudible comment]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Members.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're welcome.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Can I have a moment, Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Sure.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: So, I, I would ask Ms. Linda Williams, if you could, join me at the podium and I'll present you with the letter from State Senator Bobby Powell, and also the commemorative street sign of Inez Mickens Street. And family. [Pause]. And, if I could just say a couple words. It is truly a honor to do this and, you know, my heart does go out to you and your family, and also to Mr. Mickens because this was certainly a, a loss to Riviera Beach and the community at large. I know certainly Ms. Mickens has been a advocate. I learned of Ms. Mickens long years ago and let me tell ya, she was truly a mother to us all. And I remember she used to come, come into my legislative office and I think she used to do the same thing she did at Linda's, if something was out of order, she would stop and make you clean it up...

[Chuckles]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...before she finished asking you what it is that she wanted. And actually, during that time, I was working for.., was Representative Powell at that time, and he said it was certainly a privilege that he extends this letter in support, and I'll just read it and I'll present you with the [stammer].., commemorative street sign. And it's read:

Dear Ms. Mickens, it is an honor to add my voice to the many others thanking you for your years and years of quiet, dedicated community support in our home town of Riviera Beach. And now, a real honor, as of today, you will be living on Inez Mickens Street. You deserve it. Even before I 'came a State legislator in 2012, I recall listening to your concerns about conditions in the City, where you lived all your life, and nearly all of those concerns were related to cleanliness, order and value. We still talk today.

I thank you, Ms. Mickens, for your care and concern. I can remember seeing you over the years, usually early in the morning, walking along Australian Avenue and 1st Street, getting your exercise and picking up trash. As I always say, a life of service is a life that counts. Yours does. And for those who don't know that, they will when they turn onto Inez Mickens Street.

Yours, also in public service,

Bobby Powell, Florida Senator, District 30.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And, you know, just a couple things. I will say this about Ms. Mickens, and I went and seen Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mickens today and they reminded me, two things that Ms. Mickens does not miss, that's voting and going to church. So, I was really interested to see if that voting thing was serious. Well, Ms. Mickens has not missed an election since 1964. So...

MS. L. WILLIAMS: [Chuckle].

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...thank you so much for all you have done for this comment, Ms. Mickens.

[Audience applause]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And, certainly, it's a honor to give you this.., Ms. Linda. [Pause]. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You wanna turn...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Oh sure, please.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Turn. They're trying to take a picture.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Oh. [Inaudible].

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Get in the front.

[Pause while picture is taken]

MS. L. WILLIAMS: On behalf of my mother, Ms. Inez Mickens, passed this morning at 3:33 with all her kids by her. We treated her like a queen that she is. I am honored, I am truly honored because Mama loved her City. And by you doing what you did today, you're loving her back, and I thank you very much from my family.

Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Audience applause]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're welcome.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

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

7. ITEM NO. 7

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION BY PALM TRAN STAFF ON ISSUES RELATED TO THE STONYBROOK BUS STOP RELOCATION.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERENCE BAILEY (561) 845-4080

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Good evening.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Good evening.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Terrence Bailey, your Public Works Director.

As you know, we've been working directly with Palm Tran over the last few years in reference to many bus stops, but specifically come today to bring you an update on the Stonybrook bus stop, as there was a lot of community consternation and working back and forth with Palm Tran in attempt to restore the existing location at Stonybrook. So, with that, I'll turn it over to the Palm Tran staff.

MS. N. WELLS: Thank you, Mr. Bailey. My name is Nikasha Wells, I'm the Senior Manager of Governmental Affairs for...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. N. WELLS: ...Palm Tran.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. N. WELLS: And, I wanted to, one, congratulate all of the new Council Members. And that's part of the reason that I'm here tonight, because I wanted to give the new Members the benefit of some background information on exactly how we got here and what the update is.

Palm Tran recently completed its route performance maximization project, which was basically a complete system wide overhaul to our bus network, that we hadn't done in twenty-two years. So now, approximately six, seven months later, we are realizing some early successes with the RPM projects, both increased on time performance and gains in ridership. Many of our routes in Riviera Beach were extended in both hours and frequency resulting in enhanced access for many residents of the City. The RPM also resulted in a change to the bus stop, as well as the route that serviced the Stonybrook community, located on MLK. In the last couple of months, we met with two of the former Councilwomen, Lynne Hubbard and Tonya Davis Johnson, as well as Stonybrook residents and Stonybrook management regarding some of their concerns with the route being eliminated, as well as with the bus stop being moved from where it originally was at the entrance to the Stonybrook community over to Avenue U. On February 15th, Palm Tran staff engaged in a town hall style meeting with approximately twenty Stonybrook residents. At that meeting, that was really the first time that we really realized that it wasn't just the stop being moved from in front of the Stonybrook community that was the issue, it was the redirection of Route 21. So, once we found that out, we got feedback from the residents. They were saying that there were...

UNK: Mhmm.

MS. N. WELLS: ...points of interest on that route that were very important to them, particularly, St. Mary's Hospital. They also frequented the grocery store on 45th Street and Australian, and the new Route 30 was not allowing them regular access to those stops on what we call a one-seat ride, where they wouldn't have to transfer to another bus in order to be able to access those stops. On February 20th, we came here and we presented to the Commission, to get some more feedback from the residents. And, after that, we had a service board meeting with the Palm Tran service board, which basically, we have to present any potential service changes to our service board. They approved, based on the feedback that we got from the residents, they approved the redirection of Route 21 and, I actually have [pause]. I just wanted you to be able to see where Route 21 is actually going now. If you see on the screen, it kinda got redirected up Barack Obama, it cut over a little bit, and then up to Silver Beach Road. What it used to do, and you have in your packet in front of you, it used to actually go all the way down MLK. So, as a result of the feedback that we got from the residents, Route 21 is now diverted back to where it originally was, the bus stop that was moved to Avenue U is now going back to in front of Stonybrook, which is a real benefit, and we realize that, to the residents because there are some disabled indi'.., individuals who were accessing this bus stop and they weren't able to crossover MLK, which is a very busy street, particularly with the direct access to the Port. So, we're moving the bus stop back to the front entrance of Stonybrook and rerouting Route 21 back to MLK.

A couple of other updates that I would like the Council to have the benefit of. We're also working with the City directly, as well as the developer working on the Stonybrook community to put up bus shelters and bus benches in front of the Stonybrook community, that we think will be a, a definite benefit to the residents. And, I'd also like to personally thank your Public Works Department, under the leadership; of Mr. Bailey because they assisted us greatly in coordinating eighty-eight compliance for the bus stop that was on

Avenue U. Although we won't be using that bus stop any longer, we will still, once we put the bus stop back at the Stonybrook site, we will make certain that it has the same eighty-eight compliances the stop on Avenue U.

And with that, I will entertain questions.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have any questions from the Board? [Pause]. We have public comments on this, you said?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Go ahead with the public comments.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mary Brabham...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you so much, Ms. Wells.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Good evening. Mary Brabham.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Riviera Beach.

Apparently, I'm one of the stakeholders that have a vast interest over there in Stonybrook. We normally attend the various meetings that the residents have over there, so I've heard a vast amount of their complaints. So, Ms. Wells is absolutely correct. She know' that, we as homeowners in that area, we were in questioned about having the bus come down our residential streets, which we know that that was corrected. So, we as residents over in that area that are homeowners, we do appreciate that. And I am elated to hear that the bus Route 21 has been rea'.., restored so that it can proceed to service that vast community, because I've always said that Stonybrooks is totally a community within a community. So, we should, as a City, as I have said always, build up that.., build up that complex so that the kids, the seniors and everybody over there can [stammer] can totally feel that they are a part of Riviera Beach, whether or not they own or rent. So, I am glad to hear that.

And also, the bus route being put there in front of Stonybrook. See, I've always had a problem with them standing in the rain. You know, I don't know, you know, whether that's gonna be just that sign there, that they can just stand there or not, we.., if we're gonna do these things, then we need to make it accommodative so that those peoples there will be able to, okay, wait for the bus, you know, the sun, the rain, you know., You know, that, that, that sort of equipment and stuff that they need. Other bus routes, they do have that. So, that, that also is in question about. So, I also would like to, even though she is not here, but Ms. Tonya Davis Johnson, in our last meeting, she concurred to getting that bus Route 21 back there. Because that was stated in a meeting that we had, and she was over there too. And so, all of those accommodations and stuff there, we would like to see that workable for that community within a community over there.

So, I, I would like to know whether or not, getting with the manager of that complex there, is there any way with that bus stop, that it can have, you know, other bus stops that

have, you know, you can sit there without being in the rain, snow or sleet. Which, which we do not have snow but...

[Chuckles and inaudible comments]

MS. M. BRABHAM: Making them comfortable.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Audience clapping]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have any other public comments?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Do we have any comments from the Board?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Ms. Wells, thank you so much for addressing the concerns of Stonybrook. I believe you state that there is gonna be a shelter put in, for that bus stop and that you guys are working on, on that for the resident, correct?

MS. N. WELLS: Yes. We are. But I would like to caution, we are..., just so you have all little bit of additional information, we're currently working on our bus shelter contract, and that's a total internal matter. But I wanted you to know that it's going to affect the timetable for that, so I just want you to, you know, just be a little patient with us to allow us some time to get that done. We are working on the solicitation for that contract. And then once that process is complete, then we..., once we have a new vendor in place, they we will be putting in the new bus shelter and benches up. But I do want you to know that Riviera Beach is a priority.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: What is the approximate timeframe for that?

MS. N. WELLS: Approximately..., we, we talked about the procurement this morning. I would say probably by the end of the summer, we, we should be able to have a new bus shelter in place.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else? Alright. Thank you so much, Ms. Wells...

MS. N. WELLS: Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...for the presentation.

8. ITEM NO. 8

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we are now on to Item No. 8.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

CHAIRPERSON KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON (561) 845-3684

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: We do have public comment cards on this Item. The acceptance of public comment cards for this Item is now closed.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. So, this is an Item that I will be leading here, for this particular section.

So, the Riviera Beach Citizen Leadership Academy is an..., it's almost like a..., it's a mini what ..., I, I kinda patterned it behind the Leadership Palm Beach County, if anyone is familiar with that. I know City of West Palm Beach has something very similar, Leadership West Palm Beach. And it's basically to educate and equip the citizens with tools. We had each department, did a presentation. We usually did about two presentations a night, and we had about twenty people that participated in this session here. It ran for ten weeks, from December until March, the very beginning of March. And, I think the very last session, which was the Police Department. Well, there was a few of 'em, [stammer] Youth, Youth Empowerment, but I think the Police Department, there is this running, I guess competition, for all of the departments when they present to see who it..., who..., which department really got the crowd going and I think Police was the one for this year. And, and hopefully some of the participants would just give a one minute, if they didn't put a card in, if they would just give, like, a one..., thirty second, one minute testimony of the particular program that they did go through. On last year, this was the first year last year, and this is the second year that we went through the program. It was opened up to all residents of Riviera Beach, middle through adult. And, as I said before, it is mainly to educate our citizens for..., within the City so that if they want to run for office, they would be well aware of what it is that, that helps this City move, if you're just very interested in being a community leader, which a lot of this is about, just being a community leader, being a neighborhood association president, if you wanna be in the neighborhood watch president. It's just an overall experience of learning how your government works, and, and that's basically the gist of it. I have had many inquiries regarding another session. If we will continue with that session, it will probably start until the end of the year. Usually it starts around December.

But I, I really appreciate those of you that participated. What I'll do is, I have some things..., some items to give to them. In order for them to graduate, they needed..., there was a serious commitment with this. There were ten Tuesdays from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. that they had to attend. In order to graduate, they had to participate in eighty percent of the classes. What I will do tonight is recognize everyone that did participate, you know, who came out. Some people only were able to come out maybe two or three times, and that was fine, and we encourage that because the more information we can get out to people, that, that was basically the goal. But, you will notice there are a variety of different

things that I'm giving out. I have a tool chest. I call it a tool chest, so that they're able to continue to add to this box of information. Some of the things that they received throughout, they received emergency kit when we did public safety, they received an emergency kit that they could utilize at home. We also have leadership books that they will be presented with at the end as well. So, I encourage you all to participate later on if you are interested, and I hope those of you that participated this year enjoyed yourselves and learned a lot about our City.

So, I'll come down and I'll call you up quickly and, and then we'll go through this. And if you all could just kinda hold your applause to the end, and that way we'll get through it very quickly. Thank you.

[Pause]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: For those of you that are participants, if you could just kinda give a little [inaudible] and I'll call you up. So, everyone will receive a certificate of some sort. [Pause]. Ms. Ernestine Gordon, participated six out of ten of our sessions. If you can come on up, Ms. Ernestine Gordon. There you go.

MS. E. GORDON: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're welcome. If you could wait right up here, we'll..., if you can come right here, we'll all come on this side. We all just come, come here quickly. Ms. Elizabeth Lawrence, she attended five out of ten of the sessions. I know some people were unable to make it tonight so I will get their items to them at a later time. Ms. Floria Garbitt [sp]. Is she here? Ms. Garbitt? She attended three out of ten. She started late but she was very dedicated during the time in which she participated. Congratulations.

MS. F. GARBITT: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're welcome. Ms. Erica Davis. And I should mention that we had several people that participated for their second year, and Ms. Erica Davis participated three out of ten. She was in campaign mode, so I understood and accepted her, her absence, but she did go through the whole program on last year. Ms. Karen Paine [sp] participated six out of ten of the ten week sessions. Ms. Margaret Sheppard participated six out of ten of the sessions. [Pause]. Ms. Bonnie Larson. Is Ms. Bonnie not here tonight? Oh my. She...

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Alright. Ms. Bonnie Larson participated seven out of the ten, and she has a box here with several leadership books. [Pause]. Ms. Eunice Terrell. Is Ms. Eunice here? Everybody's taking off tonight.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Said we're, we're meeting them out lately. Ms. Mary Brabham. Ms. Brabham participated eight out of the ten week sessions. [Pause]. Ms. Jessie Gray, participated nine out of the ten sessions.

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. [Inaudible]. Mhmm. [Chuckle].

[Inaudible comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mr. Frederick James participated nine out of the ten sessions. [Pause]. Ms. Doretta Paulk, nine out of ten sessions. [Pause]. Ms. Bessie Brown, nine out of ten sessions.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. We're gonna check. I don't... We'll.., I will make sure I do that for you and I'll get your perfect attendance certificate.

[Inaudible comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And, Ms. Jackie Woodard has ten out of ten sessions. She did receive a perfect attendance.

[Audience clapping]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And we also had another perfect attendance, Ms. Samaria Haliburton. Unfortunately, she wasn't able to come tonight, but she had ten outta ten sessions as well. Ms. Baranda Bridley, she had nine out of the ten sessions. She wasn't able to make it tonight either. And we have Mr. Robert Miller. He had nine out of ten sessions. He's not here. And Ms. Darlene Cruz and Anna Cruz, participated seven out of the ten sessions.

So, if you all could please give them a round of applause for their commitment, for participating.

[Audience applause]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, guys. Congratulations. Now, I don't know if any of you put in a card, but if you wanna take thirty seconds to say something, very quickly, you can.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair...

UNK: We have public comment cards.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: We do have public comment cards on this on this Item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh.

MS. E. DAVIS: Well, can I say something right quick?

[Inaudible comment]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: It's on'...

[Inaudible comments]

MS. E. DAVIS: I just wanna say that it's a very good class for every resident to attend. It teaches you a lot about the internal operations of the City. I did take it the first time, I did the ten classes and I just took three classes this time because of campaigning, but I really do insist on people taking it. If you don't know anything about the government and how it works, it's very important to know that, so when you come up here, you'll know what you're talking about.

Thank you.

MR. FREDERICK JAMES: I enjoyed the class very much. You did get to learn about the inner workings of the City, actively participate in some, I guess, what is it live? Like, what we did with the Police Academy, we got to simulate a, a.., in the field training. And also with Public Works, seeing how they get the sewage out with the, with the machines and everything that they use.

So, you definitely get a, get a hands on feel and a personal feel of what's really going on in our, in our administration, in our City. So, definitely love the program.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you so much. Alright, Ms. Claudene.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Ms. Mary Brabham.

As I said before, I've always encour'.., encouraged the residents to get involved in your government, to understand the workable components of your government, when these things are presented to you as stakeholders, as well as any resident that lives in this [stammer] City. I challenge you all to take advantage of that. Therefore, we have an opportunity to challenge those that are in the City Manager department heads, the Library, the City Clerk, Civil Drug Court, Utility Special District, Finance and billing collections, Code, Parks & Recreation, Development Services, CRA, Procurement, and even the City Attorney. So, you know, for a vast understanding of the things that this Academy teaches, it is valuable. And I would encourage any elected official, even [stammer], even if you do not.., would like to run for a seat, I encourage you to take advantage of, of this particular Academy here because it is very much worthwhile.

I totally agree about the Police Department. You only have a split second, and every action.., for every action is a reaction. And that demonstration that we done, was just spot on. So, it, it teaches us, you know, a lotta times with the Police Department, things like that may occur. And once.., when you are in that situation, and you're faced in a dire situation, you can go blank and you will be 'pa-pa-pa'. So, that...

[Chuckles]

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...that was very, very.., one of the highlighted things about this. And that Civil Drug Court too. Because we learned so many different names, of so many different drugs and, and you know, how, how these different aspects of diseases that we are so addicted to...

[Inaudible background comments]

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...that we, as residents, was totally unaware. See, we don't know those little slangs.

[Chuckles]

MS. M. BRABHAM: So, I, I gotta chance to really just, jus learn some of those slangs. So, so you kids out there, I'm well versed with you now. Okay?

[Laughter]

MS. M. BRABHAM: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Good job.

REGULAR

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 26-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF WELL SOURCE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM TO ENABLE THE CITY TO UTILIZE MUSCO SPORTS LED LIGHTING AT DAN CALLOWAY PARK, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR RICHARD BLANKENSHIP (561) 845-3411

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 MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Let me just slow down for one second. I did not get a chance to read the disclosure regarding the Agenda Items.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM, PLEASE FILL OUT A PINK PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS 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 WILL ANYONE BE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT A COMMENT CARD AND SPEAK ON THE AGENDA ITEM AFTER THE RESOLUTION IS READ OR ITEM IS CONSIDERED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We didn't have any public hearings.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC WILL START AT 7:30 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. 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 CHAMBERS. IN AN EFFORT TO PRESERVE ORDER, IF ANY OF THE RULES ARE NOT ADHERED TO, THE COUNCIL CHAIR MAY HAVE AN DISRUPTIVE SPEAKER OR ATTENDEE REMOVED FROM THE PODIUM, FORM THE MEETING AND/OR THE BUILDING, IF NECESSARY. PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELVES ACCORDINGLY.

ITEMS TABLED

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No Items tabled? [Pause]. No Items tabled?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Item No. 9. Do we have a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Item., Ms. Hoskins.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, the Director of Parks & Recreation is here to present that Item.

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: ...Parks & Recreation Director.

This Item is for you to approve using the Well Source Cooperative purchase of Musco LED lighting. Back in February of last year, you approved the grant application to the Small Communities Energy Retrofit Program, which we were.., had been awarded \$250,000. This money will be used to change all the court lighting at Dan Calloway Park. Not only change the lighting, but add lighting controls, it adds.., it's a turnkey operation to not only the materials but the installation, the lighting controls and ten years of service. So, we will not have to touch these lights for ten years. The total project cost is \$313,500. Parks & Recreation will contribute \$63,500 form utility services accounts to make the project whole. This grant is federal dollars, passed through the state so, therefore, a resolution that is attached, is required for.., in order for us to move forward with this project.

Something that I didn't note that is very important with this project is, is that we've also been awarded a \$200,000 land and water conservation grant for Dan Calloway. This will be able to be used as match, so no money will need to come from the City to accomplish what we wanna do out there. So, with that, I'll answer any of the questions you may have.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead. And then Mr. McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Mr. Blankenship, thank you. The grant that was obtained, can you tell us more about where the grant was obtained and where we actually used.., do we use an inhouse grant writer, or was this a outside consultant firm that...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...we used?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We outsource our grant writing.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Mhmm.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: This.., there's no [stammer] retainer, it's a per.., when we ask them to write a grant, that's what the fee is. And, we're up to almost a million dollars in the last two years through this process. The grant...

UNK: Thank you.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Again, it's a Small Community Ret'.., Energy Retrofit, federal dollars coming through the state. And we were quite excited to be able to, to get the grant. It was awarded on points, so that's why we're not doing any of the ballfields, 'cause they don't.., they're not on as much 'cause the court lights are on. So, the more kilowatts you save, the higher points you got. So that's why we're doing the court lighting.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Anyone else? Mr. McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Chair.

Mr. Blankenship, I'm just curious, you said you pulled it from the utility services account, line item of your budget?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Yes. We looked at those utility service accounts where we have excess at the end of the year.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Oh, you guys have excess over in...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Not any more...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...Parks & Rec?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: ...'cause we moved it to this ____.

[Chuckles]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And we're coming up on budget. I was gonna be, 'Oh, okay,' but..., describe that, that account. What exactly is that designated for? 'Cause I...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Well, it's either water utility or electrical and the..., it's comb'..., in our budget it's combined. So those are the..., that's the accounts it's coming from.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: So, it is a projection that you see you're gonna have a excess of sixty-three?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We've trended over the last three years to have enough to, to do this.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay. Alright. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay? Anyone else? Alright. Public comment.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, there are no public comment cards on this item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Any further questions?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Comments?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair? I'm sorry.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I wanted to ask, you said that it was a matching grant, but the City didn't have to put up any money?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: No.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Matching means that you have to match it...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: The...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: ...with money.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: This grant was not a matching grant.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: The, the Small Community Retro fit is not a matching grant. In order to do the complete project, we needed to put in \$63,000. But, this grant will match the land and water conservation grant that we just received for Dan Calloway. So that, we won't have to put up any money for that.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: So that's a total separate grant?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Total separate grant that you've approved and we've been awarded.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Follow up.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: So, of the \$63,000 that came from the utility service account, I think that took the total to what was it? Three...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: \$313,500.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And you anticipate spending all of that?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: No, we don't.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay, good. 'Cause here's my suggestion, and I'm glad you're indulging me since you're gonna have extra money.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Chuckle].

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I had an opportunity to visit the Youth Empowerment Center and they're held on Parks & Recreation ground but they have their own buil'..., building and they have their own utilities. Can we, perhaps, have a, a discussion, myself, you and the City Manager about perhaps seeing what options may be available for Parks & Rec to cover the utilities for that? Because I thought it was kinda, like, one of those things, if..., obviously, we have \$63,000 leftover this year, I'm just curious to know what

their budget.., well, what their expenses were that they have to incur themselves, being such a small department.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We can have that conversation, but remember, we've been asked to cut five percent for next year.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Right. And that's exactly where I'm gonna.., you had sixty-three extra so, you know, you know, I think this is what I really would like to see that... That's a very critical program and, clearly, if you just explained to me that you had three years of an excess and just based on those numbers, \$63,000, I mean, five percent does a lot over in Youth Empowerment, Mr. Blankenship. So, it's not relative to this idea, but certainly I wanna have that discussion because I would much rather see if we can kinda help them out because your money, that you explained to me, is for utilities. Well, I see that the building is theirs but it's on your property. I mean, on your Department's property. So, certainly I wanna see if that's an avenue that we can explore, Madam Chair. Well, Madam Chair and the Interim Madam Chair. So.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you. Madam Manager, I'm sorry.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: City Manager.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I was like, 'Okay.'

[Chuckles]

UNK: Too many Interims.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I just want Mr. Blankenship to explain to Councilperson [pause] McCoy [chuckle], Councilperson McCoy, you said you had extra but your Barracuda Bay facility is running a deficit.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Right.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: So, how is that?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: 'Cause the extra we have is not in the Barracuda Bay budget. It has its own separate budget.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: But it's under Parks & Recs, right?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Yes. But we ha'.., our budget is split up into five accounts, I believe.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: But the whole Parks & Rec is one entity?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Right.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: And you have a deficit in one place and a surplus in another?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Right.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Anyone else? Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Madam Chair, just to piggyback on what Commissioner McCoy has said, if we can do anything to help Youth Empowerment, we should it because it's one of the premier programs we have in the City and I also would like to see them get as much help as they can.

Thanks.

MAYOR FELDER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

MAYOR FELDER: Councilman McCoy, can I sit in that meeting with you guys?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: You...

MAYOR FELDER: If you don't mind.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: You know what? So, I, I certainly don't have an issue, but [sigh], I actually came across something and that's probably something for the Attorney about *Ex Officio* and nonvoting members, whether or not, you know, possibly that could [stammer] present a Sunshine Law violation, even though... But, you know, I, I think Ms. Valerie Grimsley will be more than willing to meet with you. You know, I just, you know, would ask that...

MAYOR FELDER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: [Inaudible] Mayor.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Question?

MAYOR FELDER: If I was to meet with Councilman McCoy...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And the City Manager.

MAYOR FELDER: The City Manager.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Along with the department head to discuss budget items.

[Inaudible comment]

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: It's a Sunshine violation.

MAYOR FELDER: It is?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: It would be. Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yeah. See, I thought, I thought so. [Pause]. So, so...

MAYOR FELDER: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: We are clear, Members, right? What that means?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I've never done it, just to be very clear, but I have always been told it is not a violation, but I have followed the rule that it is. So, I've never done it, but we've been ad'.., we've been advised that the Mayor, because he doesn't have a vote...

UNK: A vote.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...and... Yeah. But, I try to cross all my 't's' and dot all my 'i's', so I've never done it. But I.., we've been.., I've asked that question numerous times and they continue to say that there is no Sunshine violation, however I did not follow that. I just...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: And in an abundance of caution, I would ask that you not, but I will.., I can issue a written opinion to the Council and the Mayor.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: Should you all...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I mean, I'm good with it.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: ...want that.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And Madam Attorney, I believe I've seen that in the Sunshine manual published by the Attorney General. So.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. [Inaudible]. Yeah. I've gotten many different opinions. Alright. Anyone else? Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miler-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

10. ITEM NO. 10

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 10.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Item No. 10.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 27-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE 2019 JULY 4TH INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR RICHARD BLANKENSHIP (561) 845-3411

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 MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Ms. Hoskins.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Council, if you'll indulge me.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Wait, wait. Did we have a motion and a second?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: So move.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Council, if you'll indulge me, I'd like to play.., to kinda wet your taste buds. This was from last year.

[Video plays]

UNK: Good job, Mr. Blankenship.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

[Audience clapping].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That was good.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Well, Ms. Franks and her team did a wonderful job in planning the entertainment and all the activities on, on land and we've got another exciting celebration planned for this year. Not only do I wanna give you an update, but I., we do have a Resolution that we need passed to close the lanes of um... Blue Heron Bridge.

But just a summary of the backup. July 4th celebration will begin on the 4th at 5:00 o'clock to 10:00 p.m. The Resolution is closing the., one lane each side of the Blue Heron Bridge for the safety of those pedestrians that may be on the bridge. The budget for the July 4th '19, is \$158,000. Council has allotted \$150,000 and the remainder will come from sponsorships, both cash and in kind, and we still are taking sponsorships. Major expenses for the celebration or the fireworks at \$72,000, entertainment at \$35,5000, stage and lighting at \$15,000, and there's ancillary costs. We provide additional security to the Marina to keep., I mean, before the weather got bad last year, we had over 3,000 people. To keep them off the docks and off the private boats and oth'., you know, security and tenting and tables and chairs and that kind of stuff.

I'll answer any questions you may have regarding this year's celebration.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, I'd like to say, it was a very well put together event, although the weather was not cooperating for most of the time, but it didn't run people away and people were still coming out, and, and still managed to have a very nice time out there, although I missed the, I missed he fireworks because I saw nature's fireworks going on so I kinda stayed inside.

UNK: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But it was really nice and, you know, I, I know we have not had this in a very long time, so I do support this Item. Of course, I would always like to see how we could trim it down a little bit but I know we did commit to the \$150,000 for it. And I'm, I'm supportive of it, but I would just., if we can come under budget, that would be perfect.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I too wanna say it was a fabulous event last year. The Mother Nature's fireworks didn't scare us away. Some of us were, were ready., ready, willing and able to hang in there.

[Chuckles]

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Of course, we were a little bit protected. But my only question is this, having recently done an event myself, and having had a, a partner over there who's pretty well versed in getting sponsorships from corporate types, is there any opportunity we would have for.., to sell advertising, to sell banners that, you know, corporations might like to.., I'm thinking of, well, I won't name names but I'm thinking of a number of big corporations in the City. So...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We do still have a window. Right now, we got the CRA's contributing...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: I see that.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: ...Viking Real Estate is contributing. We're working on some in kind sponsorships. So, the window's still open. One'.., we will start marketing heavily May.., around May 1st.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Okay. Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'd just like to.., I, I certainly have a.., I don't have a problem with it but certainly the budget needs to stay under budget. I know that it's all fun and games, but it does cost money and we need to.., I think that the effort for sponsorship needs to increase significantly. I think that there's a lot of sponsors here in the City of Riviera Beach and Palm Beach County, in fact, and to only have \$16,000 out of a \$166,000 for a budget, to only have that amount of sponsorship, I think it, you know, maybe next year you guys can kind of start real early with it, because it looks like a very.., I didn't go last year, but it looks like it's well put together, it looks like it's, you know, it's fun and I just think that when people.., I mean, that's, that's your selling piece right there, for people to be able to sponsor this. And I think a lot of money can come from sponsorship then coming from the City.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We, we are working on it.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go.., go ahead, Mr. Lawson.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Blankenship, did you have something? Go ahead.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: No.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Okay. Thank you, Madam Chair.

Mr. Blankenship, I spoke with the Nissan dealership. They would like you.., for you to reach out to 'em. Dawud Muhammad, he will be a sponsor, a title sponsor for the event, to partner with the Parks & Rec event for the 4th of July. So, he said that he would reach out to and sit down with you [stammer] package. Also, do you have anybody in charge of the actual sponsorship department, that's gonna oversee the, the event to reach out to some other local businesses?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: That'll be between Ms. Franks and myself.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: And, do you currently have a, a sponsorship package or proposal you offer to these businesses?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We do.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: The promotion video, beautiful. The promotional video, is a little long for advertisement, if you're gonna be using this for marketing, to bring clients. I would say keep it to between thirty and sixty seconds, if they could trim that down because.., and that's just gonna be more for attracting business to.., or.., attracting our residents to come to the event. But definitely, as Ms.., Councilwoman Lanier said, the sponsorships are something we wanna touch on, to incorporate that, like Dr. Botel and Councilman Lanier, with banners, with radio advertisement. With 3,000 people coming, there's gonna be a lot of businesses that wanna pour in to this event and get exposure. So, with that exposure, we can go ahead and cut this budget down. I see your revenues are \$180,000 that we're gonna be bringing in to host it, and the cost is only \$158,000 but, at the same time, we wanna keep it under budget as much as possible.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Anyone else?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Mr. Blankenship, the road closures, \$1,500. Is that a.., what, is that a permit?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: No, that is hiring one of the companies, Acme or one of tho'.., those companies to, to boarder off and put up signage regarding the road closure.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay. The fireworks, is it a local vendor of Palm Beach County?

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Well, it's Pyrotecnico, which is all over the country. I think they're based out of Pennsylvania, but they do West Palm Beach's, ours, the do several up and down the east coast.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay. And then you have marketing listed twice. I don't know what the Mayor, our former Mayor did, but we were on the radio quite a bit

and I understand he usually use something called Promotional PSA or something like that, to...

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: We get some PSA's. We also buy some so we get particular time.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay. Alright.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Drive time and that kind of stuff.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Alright. Good enough. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Anyone else? Mayor?

MAYOR FELDER: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

11. CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 11.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 28-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$250,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF DOCK E AND ASSOCIATED ENGINEERING UNDER THE FLORIDA ISLAND OF NAVIGATION DISTRICT WATERWAYS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE, AUTHORIZING THE

FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH A BUDGET STIPULATING CERTAIN FACTS AND CONDITIONS, APPROVING JH SPRAGUE CONSULTING, LLC AS AGENT FOR THE CITY, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR RANDY SHERMAN (561) 845-4045

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Do we have a mot'.., a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Alright. Ms. Hoskins.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, the Finance Director is here to speak on this Item.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Yes, good evening. Randy Sherman, Director of...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN: ...Finance and Administrative Services. First, I'd like, on behalf of John Sprague, the City's Marina consultant, to express his apologies., He's with family tonight and, and couldn't make the meeting.

This Item here is authori'.., requesting to authorize the Manager to submit a grant application to FIND in the \$250,000 for the construction of Dock E. For those of you who are familiar with the Marina, if you are facing out to Peanut Island, Dock E will be in the far righthand , southern, western corner of the Marina. And it's finger piers. This is a \$250,000 grant request. It is a matching grant. The matching funds will be coming from the Marina.

I can answer any questions that you may have.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes. Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Why did the Law Department reject this?

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN: I'll let the Attorney.., but I believe it was.., let me tell you, Attorney Wynn should be a, an English professor because [chuckle] she had a lot of commas and [stammer] grammatical issues to, to fix [inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: She can explain?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: It wasn't, it wasn't based on legal sufficiency, but there were a lot of errors, so we rejected it and sent it back so that it would..., could be presented properly.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: So, it wasn't..., had nothing to do with the content?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: No.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else? [Pause]. Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Fane Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman.

Mr. Sprague has done a great job getting this grant. He got us some other grants for dock [inaudible]. So, I support building the dock. One of the things that was..., a rumor that's been drifting around is the prior Council, after my floating home was illegally seized and destroyed, had said no liveboards anymore at the Marina. Yet, the outside management company, apparently, I've heard the last couple weeks allowing liveboards in the Marina. So, my question is, A) are there new liveboards in the Marina and B) will they be able to li'..., if there are, will they be able to liveboard this new dock? So tho'..., those are two questions I want answer to.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. Alright. Any questions, concerns up here? [Pause]. Alright. By any chance, do we have an answer to that? Or you...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...need to get back with him?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miler-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

12.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 12.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 29-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$75,000 FOR A PHASE 1 MANAGED MOORING FIELD ON THE WATER SURROUNDING THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UNDER THE FLORIDA INLET NAVIGATION DISTRICT WATERWAYS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE AWARD, AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH BUDGET STIPULATING CERTAIN FACTS AND CONDITIONS, APPROVING THE JH SPRAGUE CONSULTING, LLC AS AGENT FOR THE CITY, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR RANDY SHERMAN (561) 845-4045

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Do we have a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:So moved.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, Finance Director Randy Sherman is here to speak on this Item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Thank you.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Again, this is very similar to Item 11. This is another grant request to FIND in the amount of \$75,000. And again, it is a match and the match will be coming from the Marina. This is to deal with the mooring field. Back in December, Mr. Sprague made a presentation to the Council about the mooring field, and this is the Phase 1, so this will deal with siting, permitting and , initial steps towards installation of that field.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Any questions, comments?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:No comment.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Fane Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman.

I certainly am in support of, of a mooring field. My concern is I don't see a presentation for the new Council Member..., Members to review what a mooring field is. Have you seen what a mooring field is? [Pause]. Oh, you have seen what a mooring field is?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

MR. F. LOZMAN: Because, I think the, the concern is, I know that Rybovich is widening their channel. They know that Viking is gonna expand their facility, so the point is, are we satisfied that they have signed off on this? That would be my only concern is..., I just learned about the mooring field tonight. You know, are we satisfied that the world's largest Navy yacht repair facility on 20th Street, do they sign off on the location in the mooring field or not? So, I would tell you to hold this Item until you get confirmation that some of the major waterfront operators feel comfortable that the mooring field is in the right place now with some of their expansions. If you guys see, Viking..., I mean, Rybovich has expanded tremendously the amount of boats you see on the [inaudible] from where they were six months ago. I would tell you just wait one meeting and make sure it's in the right place, or take the money and [stammer], and just say conditionally, we need to confirm it's in the right place or it needs to moved somewhere north or south of where it is. So, that's my only thing. Take the money, if you have to take it, but just confirm that the location is still solid after what's been going on at those two facilities.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Thank you.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Thank you. If one were to read the backup provided online, it says clearly that the project will include determining the best location, engineering for hurricane survival, and all studies required for permitting, such as seagrass, water depths layout, navigational issues, sewage and trash collection management, estimated cost, mooring fees and needed MOU. So, none of this is yet set in stone and I believe Mr. Sprague will be making an investigation into the best location, and the other items listed on the backup.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Any other questions, comments? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No... Thank you.

13.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 13.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 30-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AWARDED BID NO. 972-19-2 TO ALAMAZAN CONSTRUCTION OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA TO RECONSTRUCT AVENUE M FROM 23RD STREET TO 27TH STREET, NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$423,000, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS UP TO TEN (10%) PERCENT, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO TRANSFER MATCHING FUNDS TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR SAME FOR PROJECTS 18106 AND 18206, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY (561) 845-4080

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 MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:So moved.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, Interim Public Works Director Terrence Bailey is here to speak on this Item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Good evening.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Terrence Bailey, Public Works Director.

This is our annual allocation for road projects through the CDBG program, administered by Palm Beach County. This road project is Avenue M, from 23rd Street to 27th. As you can see on screen, you have the larger capital road program that we've done with our bonds. Each project...

[Inaudible dais comment]

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: ...in its District.

[Inaudible dais comment]

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Here's a blow up of the roads. We are currently under construction for the Avenue O, 23rd, 24th, 25th and 26th Street projects, as you can see. And Avenue M is the eastern, north, south road that will connect in that, that block. There's a... here, you have an aerial of the road, and you can see where 23rd Street, as you head east, turns into Avenue M at the south and runs north/south up to 27th. Here's another map and a picture of the asphalt as it is today. Here's the north end of the street at 27th Street. You can see, I'm not sure how it.., how well it appears on screen, but you can see what we call a trash hole right there on the right, adjacent to the pole. As we reconstruct the road, we're going to look to eliminate the possibility for eyesores of that nature in the project.

I've added this picture as there was a lot of conversation about the Avenue O and 23rd Street project, with having the as'.., the gutters down the middle, whether it should be down the middle or on the side. This is a picture taken this afternoon where you can see that the road is pretty close to finished. This is at 23rd Street and M, at that intersection as it begins to arc and go north. Here's a picture looking the other direction, down 23rd Street to the west, and you can see with the gutter down the middle, it looks, from the pictures you can tell, like any other street in the City except you have a gutter down the middle.

And, with that, take any questions.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Chair.

And, that's exactly what my question was gonna be for Avenue M. Are we looking to do a center of the road water catch basin?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: No. This road already has drainage on its edges, so this is a mill and overlay project, but we are partnering with the Utility District, to also replace the water main in the road. So, it'll, it'll remain looking the way it does now.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay. And, the bid award amount is for \$423,000, and I think I seen the upwards, highest bid for that one was \$700,000. [Stammer], I seen it somewhere in the backup. So, between the different responsive bidders, why is there so much parity? It seems like a few thousand dollars off?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: That's...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Disparity, I should say.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: That's relatively normal. In ter'..., in today's tight competitive bidding market, having eight to 100% gap between the low bid and the high bid, there are companies out there who will just throw a number at it knowing that there's such high demand for construction services, they may get lucky and have a very large profit on a project, knowing that they overbid it, but if no one else bids and they're they only one and we accept it, it's an opportunity for them to make a large profit. So, we, we typically..., and we can provide, maybe, a, a little history on all the bids that we've had over the last few years in the road program and you would see sixty to 100% from a low to the high is relatively normal.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And, you know, I don't have a problem with not paying the lowest, but cheaper is not always better. Who's on this Evaluation Committee?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: This is a competitive hard bid, so it is qualifications and then price, so there is no Evaluation Committee. It is based on the lowest responsive responsible bidder.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay. And we've done business with Ala'..., Alamazan?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: They've not done business here in the City, but I've worked with them in previous occasions in other municipalities and they have a long track record, again, that's qualified through Purchasing in the bid process.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And then the other portions of Monroe Heights, who's that contractor?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: The existing contractor doing the current road work is Man-Con.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: They've got Avenue H east and west, and they've got the Avenue O project.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Oh. So, the concerns that I'm hearing about the street not being at grade level for those center drainage...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Right.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...are they going back with another grade...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...of fill?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: The..., right now, it's only the first lift of asphalt. The normal construction sequence..., they'll do all of the underground, bring in the rock and they'll put the first lift asphalt down because we know it's gonna get scarred, things happen, you know, somebody's pulling a trailer and they drop the hitch, it'll gouge the asphalt, so you don't want that on your finished pavement. While they're in construction, they're putting in the curb, putting in the sidewalks. Once the flat work is done, all the concrete, then they'll come in with one last perfectly clean finished level of asphalt, let it cure for a week, stripe it, and then they're done. Because if they bring their heavy equipment in, on the finished asphalt and they scar it, they're gonna have to pull up a lot of it and put it back. So, they usually ride on the first lift and then put a finished coat, which is an inch thick so it's all done...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: ...at one time. So, there is another inch layer coming on the entire project after they finish all the sidewalks and curbing.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm. Anyone else?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Is there..., I mean, I've gotten some calls about the roads in Monroe Heights, and I know this Councilperson McCoy's District but, frankly, the people there don't have any [pause] confidence in how the roadwork is being conducted. Do you have a finished..., a picture of a finished product of how these roads will look once they're finished? Because the people who are living there have, have some serious heartburn about how they are now. They are calling, they're, they're saying that they can't park on the street, that they..., people have to wait to go around, and so, I, I'm, I'm, I'm having some problems in, in, in allowing additional work to be done when the issues that are currently going on, with your current projects?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: There have been many public meetings in reference to these projects, and many citizens have expressed concern with the gutter down the middle of the road. Many residents have expressed concern about their ability to park on the street. In those public meetings, we went through the number of options on how the street could be constructed and it came down to..., unfortunately, those roads only have a thirty foot right-of-way, and in order to avoid having to take five feet of property from everybody in that Monroe Heights area, the section as you see it now, was the option that the community selected. In, in order to get a sidewalk, two travel lanes and drainage, the road section as you saw it, had to be done with the gutter down the middle. As for parking on the road, there's currently, I believe, legislation where individuals are not supposed to park in the street. I know that it's a past practice, it's been done and we've a lotta conversation about it, but being that new water, sewer and drainage was the scope and the request of the community for that road, because the roads used to flood before, so in order to give the community everything that asked for, and meet ADA and the Florida statutes, this is the construction activity we had to do.

I have not heard any complaints about the technical aspects of the road, as in the concrete is cracking, the asphalt looks like it's poor construction. All of the issues that we have heard to date are they just don't like the gutter down the middle. And that was the vote of the people when we had the community meetings on what to do in order to achieve the mission of giving them new water, new sewer, drainage, and provide roads and a sidewalk,.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I understand that. And I think that the problem may be here is that people were not prepared for how this is working out here. They are not prepared for..., and you're saying that they can't park in front of their house? I mean, legislatively there may be an..., you know, that may be so, but you can't tell people they can't park in front of their house. The thing about it is that [stammer] I think that you need to go back out to the community and talk to the residents who are there, because, I mean, if they're calling me and not calling you, then clearly there's a problem. So, I think that you should go back out and have a conversation with the residents, get their feedback, let them vent to you about what the issues are with them, and see how you can work with them to be able to resolve this. I think...

[Audience clapping]

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: ...they deserve that.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. Wait, hold on. You..., are you... You're done, Ms. Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes. And I think that you also should be able to..., if you can find, like, pictures of how the road looks during the process, so that the people can see that this how it goes when it starts, this is how looks in the middle, this is how it looks

when it's finished. So that they'll know every time they drive down that street, what phase you are in with their road.

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on. Ms. Hoskins, and then, I think, Botel and then Lawson.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, we can..., we will set up those meetings so the public can come in and express their con'..., concerns. Just..., what phase are we in on the streets that you're..., that she's mentioning? Do you know how long..., how much longer we have to go before completion?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: On the existing Avenue O project, I mean, I believe that project started about twelve months ago, and I think they're about ninety days from being completed. So, the only real work that's left is finishing the sidewalks on all of the streets, putting that second lift of asphalt, as I mentioned, street signs and striping, are really the major elements that are left.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I just still think that, regardless if you're a day from being finished, that you need to go out and talk to the residents so that you can get some feedback from them. And I'm sure I'm not..., I don't know if anything that you can change, but at least hear them out.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Okay. Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: My concern is not with this project, but rather with, in general, the streets and roads projects that have gone on. [Stammer], obviously, I'm thinking, specifically, of Singer Island, selfishly of Singer Island. [Chuckle]. There has just not been sufficient communication with residents. You know, we cannot assume that a doorhanger or something left on the mailbox is gonna be sufficient to communicate to people. We have to try to find better ways of informing them about what's gonna happen on their roads. And I have had numerous phone calls, emails, texts about the disruption in the community by the worker'..., not the workers, it's not the fault of the workers, but by the people who are overseeing the work. Some people say they haven't been able to get to their cars because the ditch in front of the house is so big they can't get across it. Or,

they've been told they have to put their cars outside somewhere, down the block. I mean, it just seem to me like we've got a good handle on how to manage this thing..., these things, in general . And, specifically, with regard to communication, I'm not sure what else we can do to communicate better with our residents about what's happening in the neighborhoods. It's...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Ms...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:One last..., last but not least, have we ever put a sign on the bridges on Palm Beach Isles, limiting the weight?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: No.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:That, that was a request probably six months ago. I mean, six months, you think maybe we could get a sign out there?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Well, I was under the impression there was communication back to you in reference to why the signs aren't there, but...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Oh, then maybe you can refresh...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: We...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...my memory.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: I will, I will find that communicate and work with the Manager on getting it to you again.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Well, maybe you could just tell me why there's no sign there.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: I don't remember exactly what the memorandum said. It was a while ago.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Okay.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: The short version is, [pause], in order to put a weight limit on a bridge, a., an exacting structural analysis would have to be done. Because, as you can imagine, if you., if that structural engineer says, 'That bridge can hold 12,000 pounds,' and there's 11,950 pounds and the bridge falls, and somebody gets hurt, that structural engineer owns that whole situation. So, they are very reluctant to do that, after the fact, when they don't have the original construction plans, they don't have the maintenance plans, they don't know how to calculate any potential deterioration of the bridge, so., and the process by which you indicate the weight limit of a bridge is very prescriptive and it is very difficult to do after the fact. Those are things that are done when the bridge is in its design phase and construction. That bridge is, I believe, forty to fifty years old and we don't., I don't believe there's enough data available on how the bridge was constructed in order to get a weight limit sign on it.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Well, if I were living in that neighborhood and concerned about walking across that bridge while a truck is going across and having the bridge collapse

underneath my feet, I would certainly appreciate it if somebody would look into and say, 'Hmm, maybe we should limit the weight on this bridge.' And maybe it's something that doesn't take the input of a structural engineer, but somebody with a little bit of common sense that says, 'Okay, we don't want big, heavy trucks going across this bridge.' [Chuckle]. I mean, how much..., okay. I'm gonna, I'm gonna leave that there and look, look to hearing a better explanation from your Department.

Thank you.

MAYOR FELDER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mr. Lawson. Hold.., Mr. Lawson, and then Mayor Felder.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair, for sake of keeping our mo'.., our meetings moving effectively and efficiently, I'd prefer if we stuck to the, the reference and Resolutions that we're actually addressing so that we can just keep moving with our actual comments.

Mr. Bailey, what I would like to address is the timeline that we're looking at for the actual completion of the road project. And also, in regards to the communications, what cost would it be to actually address some on the communications on these roads so that the residents can have a little bit more notice in reference to when the work's gonna be started and completed and finished?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: I'm sorry, could you repeat that?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Additional...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Additional cost?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...communication?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: What additional cost would it be? 'Cause I know that we were putting out doorhangers, but what additional communication could we do to the residents on this specific section that we're gonna be doing and completing, so that they can be updated on the notice of completion of this project? 'Cause right now, I think the timeline is what's been addressed, so a lot of residents, their issues are, is that the project has just been dragging too long.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Are you speaking in reference to the Avenue O project that has currently gone on for a year, or this project that we're under consideration...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Both.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: ...that hasn't begun? Okay.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Both.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: In a, in a abun'..., above and beyond the existing doorhanger program that we use, we could send a letter to each address but, please understand, there's about two hundred to two hundred and fifty houses in that larger block. And, the individuals who live there that are impacted, aren't necessarily the individuals who are on the property appraiser's website, which is where we would get the name and the address to send the letter. So, the letter would go..., it go to that house, but it could end up being rerouted by the post office to the owner versus potentially a renter. There are a number of reasons why just sending out a mailer may be less effective than actually physically putting a notice on every single door, hoping that whoever lives at that address can get the doorhanger and get the information that we're trying to communicate. Unfortunately, you can imagine the difficulty for us to get a phone number or an email address for all of those individuals, that is not a level of detail we have on our residents in a specific community. This is why the doorhangers typically are most effective way to ensure that that information is at the house.

But, to your question of..., we..., I will work with the management team and executive office on creative ways to do better communication to residents as we conduct these projects.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: And the...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...Chair?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...timeline... I'm sorry. Go ahead.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible] one minute.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: And the timeline as well, in regards to completion of the current project and the one that we're gonna be starting?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: The current project has about ninety days left on its construction schedule.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Mhmm.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: This project, if approved tonight, will start on May 1st, and that's a construction start, which means they're gonna have to get shop drawings and do all the spin up. I wouldn't imagine you'll see actually physical construction out there for another month. So you would see someone show up onsite, probably June 1st and it is a 180 day contract, so six months from the first of...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: June.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: ...May.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on one minute. Were you finished Mr...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Councilman Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Ms., Madam Manager wanted to respond to something with..., in the line of what you all were talking about.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: And we'll work with the billing and collections department to get that information out also, as it relates to the notices to the re'..., current residents.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Mayor Felder and then Councilwoman...

MAYOR FELDER: Yeah. Mr...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Lanier.

MAYOR FELDER: Mr. Bailey, you said that Monroe Heights, the citizens, they voted for that middle drain.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes, 'ma'am. Yes, sir.

[Inaudible audience comments]

MAYOR FELDER: And so, the new project you're finna do, is that gonna be a middle drain also?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: No. It's just a mill and overlay. The, the...

MAYOR FELDER: So...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: ...it's just pick up the asphalt and put it back down.

MAYOR FELDER: So, we'll have mixed mack'..., we'll have a mixed mack City? For..., like, you'll be..., in some areas of Monroe Heights you'll have a middle drain...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes.

MAYOR FELDER: ...in other areas, you won't?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes. The, the..., on Avenue M, there's existing drainage and it's out..., it's on the outside currently. That's why the..., on Avenue M, the asphalt has just aged, so if we're gonna have brand new asphalt on the cross streets, we wanna have new asphalt on Avenue [audio skipped] O, so that, in the future, twenty or thirty years, you can come back in and mill and overlay the whole area and it'll..., it's age will be aging together.

MAYOR FELDER: What's the difference? I was with the Utility District last week over on Singer Island. They have concrete.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes.

MAYOR FELDER: What's the difference?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: The..., the elevation of the road on Singer Island is about six to seven feet above sea level. The roads here, I believe are in the thirteen to fifteen range. So, you've got eight feet higher above sea level, and the..., because they're so close to the ocean, you can imagine that, at whatever point the sea levels begin to rise, whether that's in fifty years or three hundred years, the infrastructure that's under the ground, that is so close to the salt water, on the ocean side and on the intracoastal, will begin to impact that infrastructure. We elected to go with a concrete road over there because it is so low and because it, it will be impacted by tidal impacts, sea level rise and things of that nature. You..., that's, that's the longer than..., yes, that's the long version.

MAYOR FELDER: But they're gonna be unformed?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: In...

MAYOR FELDER: Singer Island.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: There are some asphalt roads on Singer Island.

MAYOR FELDER: Yeah.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: I mean, there are asphalt roads and concrete roads on Singer Island.

MAYOR FELDER: But they're all, like, uniform. They're not gonna be so different. Your asphalt is not gonna have, like, a middle drainage going down some streets, and other streets, it's, it's not. The point I'm tryna make is I think we need to get with, and Council, the community before we start this new project to really find out what the citizens want and let's be clear. I don't know how clear it was, the direction of [stammer] everybody or everyone knowing that, that middle drainage would go... 'Cause it doesn't look, it doesn't look good. And I know you probably did what you had to do but I'm just saying, before we start this new project, that we can really get involved with the citizens and really kinda educate them on what it's gonna look like, and have some samples on what it would look like before we start this new project.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Well again, this project is just an mill and overlay so it'll look exactly like the road does now, with fresh asphalt. So the asphalt'll just be black and the concrete'll be new and white. So, there's no change to Avenue M, you're just gonna get fresh asphalt.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on. You're..., are you finished Mayor?

MAYOR FELDER: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Councilwoman Lanier, and then Councilman McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I, I just think that it, it behooves your Department to speak with the residents. I don't wanna try to beat a dead horse here, but you can get a sign and just put it in a neighborhood and say, you know, 'It'll be, it'll be completed on this date.' You can tell people, you know, 'This is where we are, we're in Phase 1, we're in Phase 2, we're in Phase 3.' You have to let people know what's happening in their neighborhood because if, if, if they don't know what's happening, then they're getting frustrated, they are..., they can't get anything from your Department. So, we wanna be able to make sure the residents are informed. That's all I'm saying to you.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Council'...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: As you know, we created a hotline, or we were directed to create a hotline for residents to call in, that goes directly to our Department to answer questions of that nature and we get multiple calls on that hotline every day. And those questions are answered and people are responded to through the hotline.

In addition, I would mention that this issue came up a few Council meetings ago, and one of the Council Members recommended having a...

[Inaudible audience comment]

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: ...for lack of a better word, a PIO, for Public Works to do direct communication to the residents, and we were directed to put that in next year's budget as a FDE in the Public Works Department.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Councilman McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Chair.

Mayor, you know, I, I understand exactly, Mayor Felder, I understand exactly your concern. And in defense of Staff, I actually served on the P&Z Board and, in another hat, I actually worked for the legislature and we got design money, I believe it was back in 2015, for the design of the Monroe Heights and I know we talked about this design, specifically, on the Planning & Zoning Board. I wanna say two times. And there was a lotta concern about exactly what that would like, and in fact, I had seen renderings. And, you know, it was interesting, this actually occurred during the time that Councilman Guyton was on board, and then when councilwoman Lynne Hubbard came, the whole entire design changed. And, what I can, you know, in defense of Staff, there has been public participation all the time. You know, my grandparents have a home in Monroe Heights and they got the notice, and they came to the meeting. So, it's kinda like

everybody's not gonna be satisfied all the time. And I believe, in a.., you know, I was actually impressed until the credit of my predecessor, you know, she went back with Mr. Bailey and they came up with the idea because the issue with those homes, those streets that's going east and west, no one wanted to give up any of their property.

[Inaudible audience comment]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...because that, that was the major issue. So, it was either gonna put the, the drains on the side, which would require them to give up some property, or it had to in the center of the street. And that was a different design, and it was a much improved design compared to... And it's not Councilperson Guyton in particular, but the initial design did call for one-way streets, or.., and that was not option, and then the alternative, was to take property from both sides of the road. So, you know, it, it's like we had three options. And, in my personal opinion, I thought this option was the most.., well, the least invasive of all three. So, I.., and obviously, Monroe Heights is a community that is.., has, you know, it had some interesting dynamics because we have telephone poles right center in the middle of sidewalks. So, it was kinda like.., it was a better idea compared to what, in my opinion, that I had seen before.

So, those are my comments. And I just know that there was [stammer] significant amount of input. In fact, they were even mailed home.., they even mailed out surveys and individual just had to check the box and put it back in the mail as to what they thought it was. So, while it isn't consistent with the street, Avenue M that's gonna be going north and south, you know, I, I think this is probably been since 2014 or '15 that this has been, been worked on in the City's plan.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Luckily, if I may? I was able to find the presentation that you're referring to. That is how, four years ago, this project was going to be. The'.., all those roads were gonna be converted to one-way streets, with the drains on the outside, and we had a full design ready to go out to bid and the community expressed their concern based on some of the age of the residents that, after living there for fifty years and going both ways, that that was unacceptable for the community. And, we moved.., and this what the road would look like, a standard road, very normal, sidewalks on the outside, drainage on the outside, but the Councilwoman had, I think, two or three community meetings to allow the people to express themselves and we started over with the design to.., this is the option where we would've had to taken, taken five feet on each side of the residents homes, and I, I made this point, if you look at this graphic, the gentleman who owns the home on the left, his boat is a problem, all of those beautiful trees in his front yard are a problem. The home on the right, basically the road is going to be right up next to their house, in that image on the right. That is why taking five feet from everyone in that community was also a nonstarter. Another one, you can see how taking five feet on the outside of what you see there on the sidewalks, presents such a problem across two hundred and fifty homes in that community.

[Inaudible comment]

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: That is something of.., this is similar to.., this is the option where you have two lanes of road, the drainage on the

outside but you have no sidewalks. So, all of the children and, and our most endangered individuals will not have anywhere to walk and be safe away from the pedestrians. This also became a nonstarter because our Code says when we build roads, we must put sidewalks. That was the Code, I'll skip it. This is the option presented on where we landed, with the drain down the middle. We spent a lot of time explaining that we don't have to take anyone's property, we still.., we don't have to do the one-way, and the community gets the sidewalks that are required, but really a safety issue for the children and our most vulnerable. I'll switch back to other presentation of the picture that I took, that is what is out there today.

[Inaudible comments]

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: So, I hope that provides a little bit of clarity.

MAYOR FELDER: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Do, do we have anymore comments and questions?

The, the only thing I wanted to just reiterate is regarding the.., I know for this project in Monroe Heights, there were various meetings and everything that you just went over is.., and.., as well as what Councilman McCoy said, all occurred, and it, it went back and forth a few different ways. The only thing that I, I want to make sure that we continue to do a better job on, is communication with the residents because that.., not only was the.., Singer Island having an issue with their road project, Park Manor area with the H Avenue. We're still getting emails regarding concerns about the roads. And so, and we know we had a number of issues that occurred through that process of trynna get that project through. So, we just need to do a very.., a much better job in, in communicating with the residents in terms of when you're in the middle of the project.

Any other questions and comments regarding Item 13? [Pause]. We have public comment cards? Did we already do 'em?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments cards on this Item was close at the beginning of the...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Okay. But, we called them already?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: I didn't have any. And, at the time I announced...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh, you didn't have any.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...I didn't have any.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: [Stammer].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, we don't have any 'cause we closed it off.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Long time ago.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. It's 7:48 so we will go into our public comment cared section. Just a...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Ch'...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Are you gonna read or?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I did it already but I was just gonna make note that everyone has three minutes and you've already closed off public comment cards at this point.

[Inaudible comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay. Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comment cards for this section of the Agenda is now closed. John Clayton, Mark Beaumont, Henry Taylor.

MR. J. CLAYTON: Good evening everyone. My name is John Clayton, I live at 1809 Avenue E in Riviera Beach.

Councilwoman Botel, you had mentioned in..., something you wanna propose, a couple days ago, I think at the Monday meeting. Forgive me if I sound a little nervous. [Chuckle]. But, it was in regards to banning plastic cups, plastic bags, etc., I will say I think that's a bad idea because every place this has been implemented, like New York and LA, it's resulted in a tax in'..., well, the equivalent of a tax increase of about ninety, ninety plus percent..., ninety-four I believe. The smaller businesses have to bear the brunt of that, which in turn, we have to bear the brunt of that as consumers. For example, a big company like Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, they're already banning all the plastic cups and containers, they're phasing those out. So, those'll be phased out by 2020, 2021. And so, that doesn't even need to be addressed on their end, they're big companies, they can do that. But your smaller mom and pop companies, or restaurants and, and the like, they have to pay for the brunt of that implementation, which I think is a very thing for a City like this. The last thing we need are more tax increases or more fee increases period. Most of our residents are low income or..., low income and also, forgive me, the word is escaping right now but on social security retirement, fixed income. I apologize. So, but once again, forgive me for being nervous but I just thought I would put my two cents out there and I just think it's a bad idea.

Thank you.

[Inaudible comment]

MR. J. CLAYTON: Oh, I did? Thank you. [Chuckle].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mark Beaumont, Henry Taylor, Vernnika Shadwick.

MR. M. BEAUMONT: Good evening, Council and congratulation on all your new positions. Mayor Felder, congratulations. My name is Mark Beaumont. I am the President of the North County Democratic Club.

The reason why I'm here tonight is to introduce myself to the community of Riviera Beach and the Council. North County is interested expanding our reach and trying to invigorate the community of Riviera Beach in governmental affairs and understanding the importance of getting involved with government. We recent elected to our Board, Joe Anderson, who's a Board Commissioner.

[Inaudible dais comment]

MR. M. BEAUMONT: He was gonna help us with the effort. He's been a little bit ill the last few months, but we are still moving ahead with trying to get outreach and..., to include Riviera Beach in our club. We are looking to have a meeting here next month, May 9th. We are still looking for a venue. We were trying to get the Marina but it was not

available on that night, which is May 9th. So, we're looking at possibly the library, or other venues. But, we wanna work with the community and try to move forward with good things with local government.

And, I wanna just say hi to the community here. I know Bessie Brown here, I've seen here in a few different places, in meetings. And, we just look forward to working with your community. And thank you for having me tonight. I'm really impressed with the way you guys conduct yourselves and it's a real great community.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Henry Taylor...

MR. M. BEAUMONT: Mayor, I have a..., just a email that I was trying to send to you the couple days. I don't know if you got it, so here's a hard copy. Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Henry Taylor, Vernnika Shadwick, Bessie Brown.

MR. M. BEAUMONT: My phone.

MR. H. TAYLOR: Just...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on one second...

MR. H. TAYLOR: ...before I begin...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Hold on, Mr. Taylor.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on, Mr. Taylor. Just.., you can.., she can read out your number. Right...

MR. M. BEAUMONT: So...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...after...

MR. M. BEAUMONT: ...the telephone is (561) 262-3419. We have a website too, North County Democratic Club Palm Beach County. You can find us on the internet.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And I'm also a member, as well, there with my husband, Joe Anderson. So.

MR. M. BEAUMONT: Oh. [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah.

MR. M. BEAUMONT: [Inaudible]. [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We're, we're, we're taking care of that for you. Don't worry. Thank you.

MR. H. TAYLOR: Just before I being, I would like to...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening, Mr. Taylor. You can [stammer] to her. [Pause]. I'm Henry Taylor. Here to represent Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church.

Back in February, the 20th, we were in a meeting about a digital message center, a sign to be put in front of our church. The Council, at that particular time, voted to allow us to do that and instructed your Planning & Zoning division to go ahead and provide us with a permit and look into reviewing their existing Ordinances, because they did not address a digital sign. Your Planning and, and Zoning Department has some antiquated laws. We sent a representative from Baron Signs into your Building Department to obtain a permit, by order form your City Council. Your Planning & Zoning division refused to give us a permit. And I'm coming to this Council to ask you if the Council makes the decisions and the laws in this City, and ask the City Manager and department heads to grant permits, do they have the right to not res'., give us the permit? Are they making the laws? Do they tell you what to do, or [stammer], disregard your decisions? Now, I think I have more experience in City planning and zoning than most of your people in your Department. I have some thirty-eight years of building divisions, and what's to be done as far as zoning and planning departments do. I have a certificate to be a building division director. And I'm asking this Council if you would have a talk with your City Manager and your department head, and have them issue the permit for this particular sign?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. I, I...

MR. H. TAYLOR: I...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...I was here when this came up, and so we'll check back and have Ms. Hoskins answer that at the end of public comments. Okay?

MR. H. TAYLOR: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

MR. H. TAYLOR: And I would like to also know, I know that my time is up...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. Yes, it is.

MR. H. TAYLOR: Is that we are in the process of our 95th anniversary...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

MR. H. TAYLOR: ...of this church. This is the first church that was built in the City of Riviera Beach.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Thank you so much. We'll get an answer at the end of public comment.

MR. H. TAYLOR: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Venrnika Shadwich, Bessie Brown, Guy Woods.

MS. V. SHADWICK: Hello.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening. State your name, please.

MS. V. SHADWICK: My name is Venrnika Shadwich.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. V. SHADWICK: Good evening. I'm a little nervous.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's okay.

MS. V. SHADWICK: This is a touchy situation, so pardon me if I start to cry a little. Hello, Members of the Board.

I come to you as a voice. The people of Riviera Beach are asking for, are asking for you to help us as well, [sigh].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Chuckle].

[Inaudible audience comment]

MS. V. SHADWICK: I come to you as a voice of the people of Riviera Beach, asking for you and your help, as well as suggestions to bring unity in our City, starting with bringing the children of the absence of the parent., or parents due to gun violence in a crime. I stand before you as a mother of a son that lost a father seventeen days before he was born. I dedicate this Rise Against Violence Easter Extravaganza on the behalf of Jabar, and also my son, Jabbari, and other kids that endure the same pain that I fight almost seven years later. This event will bring kids together to understand that violence is never outlet. We come from all over the world. It doesn't make this little, or this big, I just want peace in our City again. What hurts me is to see so many kids grow up without a mother or a father, or mothers having to bury their kids, their child. No, this one event will not stop the killing but it's a start. We, as a City, have to come together and show our future that we can stand and we can live in peace and joy.

So, I come to you asking for help and support to bring my vision of peace and joy and happiness to life. The City of Riviera Beach mission states, it starts in the parks. And I am doing just that, bring the kids together to build a friendship and know that their neighborhood is., their neighborhood has unity. I want to thank the Parks & Rec, and also Douglas Lawson, for providing me direction.

That's it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you so much.

MS. V. SHADWICK: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And...

[Audience applause]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: This is the, this is the flyer here? Okay. So, April 21st, 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Dan Calloway Park.

MS. V. SHADWICK: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: \$10.00 per adult, kids free.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I believe that they're actually gonna be free for everybody. I...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...believe that it is going to be open and free...

MS. V. SHADWICK: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...for all residents. So, there's not gonna be a charge for them...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...to actually attend.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Thank you.

MS. V. SHADWICK: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Bessie Brown, Guy Woods, Fane Lozman.

MS. B. BROWN: Good evening. Bessie Brown.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. B. BROWN: I would like to give some information out to.., as a, as a friendly reminder to the community that the Riviera Beach Housing Authority is accepting applications for future senior residents at Heron Estates. Additionally, the West Palm Beach Housing Authority will be accepting applications for fifty future senior residency at Heron Estates. There are fifty vouchers from the 216 vouchers from the old Ivy Green Complex that was granted by HUD, under the HUD action, back in 2006. There are special exceptions granted to former Ivy Green residents, and special consideration for City of Riviera Beach [stammer] senior citizens. We encourage City of Riviera Beach seniors to take advantage of these housing opportunities. And thanks, thanks for letting me do this, but I was.., I would like for all the seniors that, that are looking for residency to have, you know... You can contact me about anything that, that.., about this. But you, but you should call the Housing Authority, the Riviera Beach Housing Authority.

[Inaudible comment]

MS. B. BROWN: That's it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Guy Woods, Fane Lozman, Mary Brabham.

[Pause]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Is Woods here?

[Inaudible comment]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Guy Woods?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Next.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Fane Lozman, Mary Brabham, Dr. Phillip Dukes.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Couple questions. Ms. Botel had told me before we had [chuckle] our falling out, that she'd use City computers and printers to print up flyers for the election and she'd reimburse Mr. Sherman. I'd like Mr. Sherman to confirm if he was reimbursed or not. The flyer that was handed out said that Ms. Lanier and Mr. McCoy pledge to bring back City Manager Evans, and micromanage him by Council Members, and to replace City Inspector Ladi March Goldwire. One of the reasons I've been fi'.., fighting to preclude bringing Mr. Evans back is, Ms. March has been doing a wonderful job as the Chief Building Administrator. And, what's happened lately is, you talk about micromanaging, Ms. Hoskins may not have remembered what happened in last week's meeting, but a lotta department head did. And basically, Ms. Botel showed up at a meeting, of City employees and some department heads, and gave direction to the Building Official to say is it possible that you can go get DEP's dock permit pulled. Now, Ms. Hoskins couldn't remember that in her notes, but plenty of other people remember that. So, when it comes down to micromanaging, why is a Council Member participating in a Staff meeting to try to get somebody's dock permit pulled?

Now, the permit for Taylor's dock at 5280 North Ocean Drive was issued earlier this week and, since it was issued, Gagnon, Mr. Gagnon has been hysterical seeing what he could do. He sent a, a, a letter to Taylor saying that we're rescinding your dock permit, it was issued by mistake. Florida statute 468. Something, says you can't do that, you gotta be al licensed [pause] Building Official to do what he did. He committed a crime. I [chuckle] will forward that to the state tomorrow, say he should be prosecuted on 468.632.

[Inaudible audience comments]

MR. F. LOZMAN: That's right. When a, when a permit is issued, it has to be issued by somebody who's certified with the state, Gagnon is not. Only one person in this City is,

and that is Ms. March. Now, people said like, 'Oh well, we're gonna have a dock in the lagoon.' Do you know there's 288 docks within 3,500 feet of Pine Point Road? Two hundred and eight-eight. One dock is going in there. There was a legal battle in 2003 over the, over the matter and the state and City said, 'You're right. You have vested rights to, to fill that in, Mr. Taylor.' So, he wants to fill it in with five square feet of wood pilings. Would you prefer he comes in there and fills in two acres with dirt? That's certainly an option. Would you prefer to spend \$3,000,000 bucks an acre, \$6,000,000 'cause you don't wanna give a dock? That's certainly an option. They are making policy decisions, Gagnon, that can cost the City a huge amount of money. We have vested rights to fill in the property. I got fifty-one acres. Do you wanna write me a check for \$150,000,000? I don't think so. So, one of the options that you're gonna have to do is let us develop the property. Right now it's zoned single family, and we plan to develop it. And we're gonna get docks from DEP that says we can do it, and we're sick and tired of Gagnon and Botel interfering in the development of our private properties.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mary Brabham, Dr. Phillip Dukes, Norma Duncombe.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Good evening. Mary Brabham.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Riviera Beach.

I would like to... [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead, Ms. Brabham. I., we will., I'll give it back to you.

MS. M. BRABHAM: This what [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Let., Ms. Claudene, let's start the clock over for Ms. Brabham and she's going to start talking now.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Mary Brabham, Riviera Beach. I would just like...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. M. BRABHAM: ...to make some comments. I know that his was on the Consent Agenda, but I think that it is still appropriate that I make these comments. It has spewed out about Ms. Deidra Jacobs. The process was opened. It was reopened up, Lawson..., Councilman Lawson suggested that they give the employees an opportunity to submit their applications. These were general public, these were the names that were on there. Ms. Taylor' name was already on there. You had other applicants, as well as the City employee to open up that process, and Ms. Jacobs applied. It was no fenagling' that was going on. Now, each department that resides in this City had that opportunity. They had that opportunity. And on that Saturday, on the 13th, myself and others attended that workshop. I commended all three of those ladies. It was Ms. Jacob' that came out ranking number one.

[Inaudible audience comment]

MS. M. BRABHAM: Why? Because she was, she was equipped for it. Not saying that Ms. Taylor nor Ms. Brooks was not..., it was not tainted. You, Councilman, opened up that, so that I could be fair. Nobody triggered this. This, I can say, was a fair process because I was in here when that injustice was done to Mr. Evans that Saturday, to, to hire him a City Manager. This was no..., nothing that was done with this process here, deviates Ms. Jacob' from ob'..., obtaining that job. It was fair. And to all of the, of the, the department heads, you too had an opportunity to [stammer] to submit your application. And shame on you all, for always throwing your rocks and hiding your hands.

[Audience chuckles]

MS. M. BRABHAM: It was opened up for you. If you were qualified and if you felt as if that you wanted the job, that's why this Council made it possible for you. And for you to think less, shame on you. If you did not possess the qualification, you would've submitted your application, and it wouldn't'a been no problem. We could sat here and heard you out too, like we did those three candidates. She was ranked. And what I admire bout it this time, you all ranked them so we could hear them. And I know, I have it in my note' here, each of one you all picked various candidates. See, the general public doesn't know this because see, they do not know what goes on behind the scene.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Audience clapping]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Dr. Phillip Dukes, Norma Duncombe, Lloyd Brown.

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

DR. P. DUKES: On June 29th at 3:00 p.m., we're gonna have our next event. We can change our community atmosphere rally. We are committed to [stammer] to promote, and to accomplish a zero tolerance for the drug retail market in our city. The negative image in our City comes from the westside of our City because we have continually to allow this negative activity, to bring a bad image on our City. It started in 1982 with the crack epidemic. And it has escalated. The great majority of our youth are not involved in thug life and this counterculture behavior but it, it is affected by it. We must have a CRA for the black community in the City of Riviera Beach, a culture redevelopment action. All over the City, I mean, I'll say all over America, we have thug life in our communities. We don't have any white gangs in Palm Beach County, we don't have any white gangs in Riviera Beach...

[Inaudible audience comments]

DR. P. DUKES: Although some say other people are but it's not true. No white gang shootin' up their city in, in Palm Beach County. It is what is cultivated in the black community and it's allowed, and we change it. I truly believe that we should lead the nation in this. I have submitted the vision to former Council Members. I will be submitting to you on Monday. That young lady who just go up here talking about gun violence, that's tied to thug life. But what we do, we like to kick the can down the road because we don't really wanna deal with it. There are people that believe that we're supposed to have that in our communities because of poverty. Poverty does not make criminals. This has something to do with disenfranchisement, lawlessness, apathy, and fear. Now, I refuse to be afraid.

So, I'm asking you to support us, this City Council. Last time I asked to do a presentation, of Terence Davis and, and, and Tonya, they were supposed to give me a twenty minute presentation, they turned it into a five minute presentation. I was very angry. This is the most important thing you can do in our City for our young people and for culture, is we stop the drug retail market. It fuels thug life. And we come in the street and have a movement of a zero tolerance, and we guide these people into [stammer] youth impact. Did I say it right? Youth impact, yeah.

[Inaudible audience comment]

DR. P. DUKES: Youth impact. I'm thinking about urban impact. [Chuckle]. And we guide them into the... That should be the crown jewel of our City but Ms. Grimsely, who is a very, very bright person. Now, we don't agree on everything, because she's more gentle than I am. But that should be the crown jewel of our City. We can change our community atmosphere. Now, there are people that don't wanna see this happen because they're..., they have these low standards for black folk', but I do not believe that.

So, I'm asking you to support Operation Restore, P.O. Box 10111, Rivera Beach, Florida. We're a 501(c), anybody who wanna send a donation. And on June 29th, I hope you guys come out, and any Friday night. Come out one Friday night and 13th and U. Not this Friday, 'cause I got a show to do in Georgia, but come out any other...

[Chuckles]

DR. P. DUKES: ...Friday night and just hang out. Don't bring the police wit' ya, just come and hang out and you'll see what I'm talking about.

[Audience chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Norma Duncombe, Lloyd Brown, James Howard.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Wow. How do you follow that?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Listen...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: State your name, please.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Oh, Norma Duncombe.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: A citizen of this City.

And, the first thing I'd like to do is say that I was very excited to see so many people throw their hat in the ring to run, and what have you, for the City Council. I think it's very important for people to understand... [Stammer], and the reason I'm saying this, is because I've had people to say that they weren't gonna vote. And the first thing I wanna make clear is that people died so people of color could vote. White people, black people, Jews, Protestants, every religion and I think people need to understand, it's most important that we get out and vote. You do not have to agree with the people who are sitting up there, but you respect them. But you get up here and you put your case before them. Whether they agree with you or not, you can still present your case. Okay?

Now, with you, you are new, and I realize that maybe some people do not think the way I do, but I feel at this point in my life, after having lived in a segregated society that was very cruel, that I'm in a position to ask you to make sure that I'm not segregated again now, in this point in time. And what I'm presenting to is that where I live, those things that are in my community, are the same as they are in other communities. And what I'm gonna present to you, and you take it and you handle it the way it should be handled, when I step out of my house and get in my car, I hit either a state road or a county road. Neither one of them look like those that are in other parts of this City or in other communities. The first example, Broadway is a state road. They said that they did that road. Right now, if you look at the light poles, they have been there for ninety years. They have some that have boards holding them up. The curbs and gutters, they were never done. Let's move down to 8th Street leading to the Port. And I forgot to talk about the..., they threw some trees out there, I don't know where they came from. But if you look at the Port, the road leading there, it looks completely different. Why? Silver Beach Road, right now, they're getting ready to work on that si'..., lower part. I want you to look at that road and look at 13th Street leading to the Marina. You have decorative lights, you have beautiful sidewalks, drainage, beautiful landscaping. Why is Silver Beach Road..., they're throwing [inaudible], they don't even have sidewalks there. I feel so sorry for people who are walking or on bicycles because they have taken their lives in their hands. I'm asking you, 2019, to give me the same things that they have in other communities. I drive a...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: US-1 beyond my little City, there's a difference. And, you know, the horrible thing about it, they said they did Broadway. One night I'm coming home from downtown, I get up here, the lights are out on the streets.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Duncombe.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: I'm asking you to step forward and do what needs to be done so I have the same amenities that others have.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you so much.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Lloyd Brown, James Howard, Karen Gleason.

MR. L. BROWN: How ya doin'? My name's...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. L. BROWN: ...Lloyd Brown. I guess you know that. I live at 1460 [stammer] 35th. And it's bad to come up here and don't have nothing bad to say, ain't it.

[Chuckles]

MR. L. BROWN: Well, you know, I know I've been a little arrogant, you know, and, whatever, but I appreciate we got new people in here and I hope ya'll can deal with it. And I know there's a lotta people don't like what I say, but you know, that really doesn't matter to me and, like I was saying, you know, I grew up just like everybody else did. I... matter of fact, I sleep in the same room where I was born, in the same general area where I was born, 'cause we a mid'.., my mother had a midwife, you know, whatever. You know, I love my neighborhood. I love black people, so I'm not saying, you know, I'm against anything else but I love my people. And, you know, I was looking in the paper and this one thing I saw, down there in Miami and certain places, Key West, they're closing down a lotta these stores that you see in these neighborhoods because somebody's investigating in them. I don't know if it's because this Hepatitis A came up, you know, 'cause like, some of these places you go in, you can't really tell 'til you move, like, the stoves out of the way or whatever. But, like, we got a lotta of the stores in our neighborhood that's been there since I was in elementary school. I never saw Orkin or those two little twin guys, you know, who come over with a tent. I never saw none of these stores with a tent over 'em.

[Inaudible audience comment]

MR. L. BROWN: So, like, if ya'll don't think we got any rodents...

[Audience exclamation]

MR. L. BROWN: ...or rates or whatever, in these stores, you know, I mean, look into that. I mean, here it is, you got people shopping in these stores.

[Inaudible audience comment]

MR. L. BROWN: And these stores got, I mean, they got items in there that's probably been in there for months overdue and nobody says nothing about 'em. You know, I, I really don't like wearing suits, so I don't really want your position, but I think maybe ya'll should get out here and walk through the neighborhood. I mean, go over there, that man

at this gas station, and say, 'Why you got 3.89 gas right in the middle of a Section 8?' You know, everybody, like the guy said, we got a poor neighborhood but we got the most expensive gas station. And then...

[Inaudible audience comment]

MR. L. BROWN: ...ev'.., everybody in our neighborhood, every store in our neighborhood, they got.., they sell food. I mean, is that considered a restaurant? I saw on Sanford & Son where they were having a restaurant and the man say, 'You got to have a bathroom for a woman, you got to have a bathroom for a man.' These places don't even have a restroom for anybody, but they want you to come to their place. Deal with those people. If we got those places outta our neighborhood, I'll tell ya what, crime will go down a lot. Close 'em down, you know, at 9:30.

UNK. AUDIENCE: Yeah.

MR. L. BROWN: 'Cause I went to West Palm, I was shocked. I went down to West Palm and didn't see none of those stores that were open, you know, like we have in Riviera. I mean, you got a 24 hour store where a couple of my friends, nephews and people got killed...

UNK: Mm.

MR. L. BROWN: ...at these places, at the gas station, at the one store right there. And they're still working. I mean, do something about those and then you'll probably solve a little bit of the crime.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Audience applause]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: James Howard, Karen Gleason, Matthew Kiskowski.
[Chuckles].

MR. J. HOWARD: James Howard of...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. J. HOWARD: ...3721 Avenue H East, Riviera Beach.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. J. HOWARD: I have a, a concern for my residents in my area. They did re'.., redone the streets there and they put in a walkway and the sidewalks, and it looks terrific, but nobody contacted the residents in regards to bike trails. They put in a bike trail, then they put in no parking, and then they told us that they're gonna have the Police Department to give all the residents that park in those areas, tickets. And I don't think that's right. 'Cause I don't think.., when ya'll heard what happened to Monroe Heights and others, we was never even considered. Never even give us a notice stating that this is what you were planning to do. So I'm asking this Council, and my District person, to

look into this matter because, here it is, we have a residential area where we have a lotta kids. We have a lotta elderly there. So, when you' planning Easter egg hunts, like we're planning this, this Sunday, the residents are concerned about if they park there, will they get a ticket. So, I have rea'.., I'm reaching out to you now because this need' to be addressed. I'm not saying the street don't look well, it does look well but, at the same time, consider the people that is in these residential areas. Look into the matter first and then consult us before you make a decision because we still are taxpayers too, and we don't mind if you all just take the time and consult us.

We don't have improper lighting. We have a light that been out over twenty years and nobody came and did anything about it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hmm.

MR. J. HOWARD: Then, we got our elderly that tried to catch the bus, but you put a concrete in for them to stand, but nothing to sit on. That can't happen no more. I'm asking this Council to take the necessary steps, because these people and myself, we're concerned about it and we was tried to go ahead and get this matter solved with this Council 'cause we believe, by me being here tonight to speak for those that cannot speak, I'm asking this Council to look into it, see what you can do and help rectify this situation with us. 'Cause we definitely will appreciate it because a lot of my neighbors did not come 'cause they had to work but they designated me to come, and I told 'em I will speak for them. And I hope this Council, I'm really praying that this Council will do something 'cause we don't wanna take the next measure.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Audience clapping]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And I just want to reiterate the fact that I did make mention, numerous times, regarding the complaints that we received in the Park Manor neighborhood regarding that project. I know the Park Manor Neighborhood Association meeting is held every third Thursday at 6:30 p.m., over at the Marina, and one of those concerns are to be addressed this Thursday. Mr. Bailey has been invited to come out to speak on that issue. And that's Thursday, 6:30 p.m., at the Marina Event Center. And that issue is being looked into.

Ma'am, you can come on up.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Karen Gleason, Matthew Kiskowski, Sammie Brown.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. K. GLEASON: I'm Karen Gleason. Good evening.

I'm here to ask the Council to consider a one year moratorium against any developments in the area that is Lake Worth Lagoon. That is from Mc

MacArthur Beach Park to and including Pine Point Road, for a year so that we can finally, and once and for all, decide what the landowner's rights are versus what the City's rights are, so that we can protect this pristine area that we have that is so important to the environment and the success of Riviera Beach.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. K. GLEASON: That's it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you so much.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Matthew Kiskowski...

[Audience clapping]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Sammie Brown, John Miller.

MR. M. KISKOWSKI: Good evening. My name's...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. M. KISKOWSKI: ...Matthew Kiskowski.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. M. KISKOWSKI: I just wanna reiterate what Ms. Karen Gleason said. These are some documents that I would like you to look through. Those include the City Comprehensive Plans. And, during the most recent election, many of you came out to our neighborhoods and have said that you align with the policy that [stammer] are stated in the Comprehensive Plan. And these are the documents that show you exactly what the plans are. There is, though, one very important voice that needs to be heard, and that's the voice of all the endangered species and pristine area of Lake Worth Lagoon. That's why we need a one year memor'.., study of these, on all the submerged land so that permits we issue, if, if we don't do that, will not create a big mistake. Let an expert of submerged land use attorneys review everything, so that the City doesn't get sued for going against the Comprehensive Plan.

I'm sorry for my being nervous. I'm not reading well to you.

As we know, there was a permit issued for the area, which is a dock for Mr. [stammer] Taylor and I'm afraid that if we do that, it will reverse.., irreversibly affect the important habits'... So, I plead with the City to maybe go ahead and study the area, or maybe [stammer] set up a memorandum.., not memorandum but moratorium for one year so there's no permits issued for a period of one year.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Sammie Brown, John Miller, Warrie Leonard.

MR. S. BROWN: Good afternoon, ladies and gentleman.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. S. BROWN: Sammie Brown. Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen.

I just wanted to take a, a moment just to address..., a few minutes ago, I was called fool by a specific individual in our audience for supporting Councilwoman Dr. Julia Botel. I'll have you know, I support our entire Council Board, along with the Mayor, because once again, we are a community. This person also..., and I quote said, 'You're only a fool because you're not experienced.' Well, don't let this seventeen year old mind fool you...

[Audience exclamation]

MR. S. BROWN: ...even a dummy does his..., does their research. We know good people when we see them, but we know bad people when we see them too. Hidden agendas, hidden agendas, temper tantrums and false accusations. This individual, this individual also tried to convince me that Dr. Julia Botel was a racist. A racist is some'..., a racist isn't someone who fights for jobs for everyone, or feeds the homeless of Riviera Beach on all sides, or pays for someone, [inaudible] out of..., out of their pocket and this person being from the westside, yes, a black person. But, but like my mom says, 'Good will always overcome the evil and the only..., and only strong shall survive and evil shall fall by the wayside.'

UNK. AUDIENCE: That's right.

MR. S. BROWN: Also, from just mentioning from what someone said earlier, if I can recall, the Building Official, before she..., before her employment with the City of Palm..., with the City of Riviera Beach, wasn't even a certified Building Official and that certification was paid for by the City of Riviera Beach, as far as I know. I'm not sure how correct that is. And also, I've heard things about Ms. Deirdre Jac'..., Ms. Deidre Jacobs not being [stammer] qualified to be our inter'..., Interim City Manager, and if you were there at that workshop on Saturday, I didn't..., I wasn't..., I didn't have a chance to be there but I watched it on TV, Ms. Deidre Jacobs is more than certified to be our Interim City Manager...

[Audience clapping]

MR. S. BROWN: ...speaking of twenty-two years with West Palm..., with West Palm Beach as there, I forgot what it was exactly but she has..., she's well more than qualified. And for her to even accept a..., or, you now, go out and have a position as a legislative aide, is just absurd to me. I don't even..., I just..., I would'..., couldn't understand that.

But thank you. That's all.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Audience clapping]

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead. Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair, I wanted to just quickly just congratulate Mr. Sammie Brown on being elected as the class president for Palm Beach Gardens, Class 2020.

[Audience exclamation and applause]

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I look forward to seeing you up here in a, a few years.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Hey, you better watch out.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Look out, Mayor Felder.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Of course.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: John Miller, Warrie Leonard, Latrisha Donnelly.

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening, Mr...

MR. J. MILLER: First of all, we're all proud of you, Sammie.

[Inaudible audience comments]

MR. J. MILLER: You know, takes guts to come up here.

[Inaudible audience comments]

MR. J. MILLER: And, a few things. You know, I, I've been coming here for..., well, I've been retired just about seven years and I've watched the same things go on and on and on. And it's just wrong. I know that we have First Amendment rights, and I know we can get up and say anything, but I want all of you's to throw me the hell out if I start trying to tear any of you's apart. 'Cause it's wrong. It's just wrong. You have a right to speak but you don't have a right to tear anybody apart. And I listened to Ronnie the other night, say, 'Well, one.., attack against one is attack against all.'

[Inaudible comments]

MR. J. MILLER: And that's not gonna move our City forward. And I can tell ya, Julia Botel is not a racist. Period. And I had to listen to that two meetings ago. She is a good person, far from a racist and maybe I'll be called a racist too, but here's the thing, you know me? You know I'm not a racist. Look at the people that holler out these bad things, 'cause it's wrong. Let's move this City forward, not attacking Julie Botel. And maybe, you know, I can remember that it was Guyton five years ago, I watched..., I told Guyton to stop and he wouldn't. 'Cause he would argue back. Tonya, they said that she was attacked even at work, it's wrong. You're up here and we're trying to move the City forward. Please look passed these things.

And the last thing I wanna say, is about five people got up here the other night, all from the mainland and had the guts to call this out. I walked around it like this, and I shouldn't have. But I'm not anymore.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Audience clapping]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Warrie Leonard, Latrisha Donnelly, Delores Williams.

MS. W. LEONARD: Good afternoon.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. W. LEONARD: Warrie Leonard. I am the President of the National Village Timber Pine Homeowner Association. Last night we had a meeting and one of the items that came out is the school crosswalk, that cross from Congress from our Association, 26th Street, across to Congress where they can then walk to Washington Elementary. We need to get a police officer there sometime during the day when the elementary children are walking.., because the, the cars are not listening to the direction of the individual that 'telling them to stop. Less than a week ago, one lady was almost hit and she had the stop sign going. It is time we care about or kids, we need to have the police out there s'.., not every day, and I know it can't be every day, but sometime in the morning, sometime in the afternoon, guarding the kids. Because, on Congress, they're getting ready to go to work and they don't care. Those are not their kids, those are our kids, that also go down for Suncoast also, and Kennedy. We're having the same issue in the all the school zone'. I know you can't do it every day, and I understand the police have other things to do, but sometime just sit a car out there. The car alone will stop them from speeding.

The second thing I need to talk on, is the Riviera Beach scholarship. It is now on the website. We're asking that you go ahead and fill it out, the deadline is April the 26th, a'.., at 5:00 p.m. If you send in the application after April the 26th, after 5:00 p.m., you will not be put in the, in the bunch in order to be notified that you might be a recipient for application. We will notify you we receive your application but it came in too late. We are also taking money, we need more, more money. Money is always more. We.., last year we had, like, forty-seven students that applied. We.., not only do seniors [stammer] freshman, we do sophomores,, juniors and seniors. And we do trade school. So, it's not a one cut deal. We are here to help the children, please help us help the children.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Audience clapping]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Latrisha Donnelly, Delores Williams, Doretta Paulk.

MS. L. DONNELLY: Good evening, Council.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. L. DONNELLY: My name is Latrisha Donnelly. I have with me one of our members from Neighbors United, Doris Rogers, and we are here...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Could you pull the mic down a little to you? Just pull it down a little bit.

MS. L. DONNELLY: You missed everything?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

MS. L. DONNELLY: Oh. [Chuckle]. Okay. Can you hear me now? Alright. Again, my name is Latrisha Donnelly. I am President of the United Neighbors of Riviera Beach, Florida. We have one of our members with us, Doris Rogers. And, twice a year, this organization does a cleanup, and this time it is the Great American Cleanup was gonna..., we're gonna be hosting over at Community..., over at Cunningham Park on April 27th, which is next Saturday. We're asking for support of the Council Members, especially in our District which is District 1. And, we're also asking that the people..., the children who usually..., those who come, we usually get about a hundred children to come out and clean up. And we clean up different areas. In the past, we've been in Monroe Heights. This is the first year that we're gonna be at Cunningham Park, namely because we have toilets over there, we have a pavilion, it's beautiful. So, we're gonna be hosting the event over there. We usually get a hundred students out, we do. We give community service hours, and we provide a hot lunch, and we also, for those of you who are interested, we have these shirts on that you also will receive, once you register to join to help clean up.

[Chuckles]

MS. L. DONNELLY: So, we're asking for your support and we really hope that you can help us out and come out and join us. And...

[Inaudible comment]

MS. L. DONNELLY: ...it's a beautiful..., a beautiful event from 8:00 to 12:00 on next Saturday morning.

UNK: [Inaudible].

MS. L. DONNELLY: And, Mr. McCoy..., Councilman McCoy and Mr. Lawson, we're asking for your specific support to help us because we have, in the past, provided lunch and we just need help in terms..., and we've had a little problem because of the transition with Counc'..., City Manager and all that, but we're gonna work that out and we're gonna have a great event.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you so much.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Delores Williams...

[Audience clapping]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Doretta Paulk, Horace Towns.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: Good evening, Mayor and Council, and all the, the citizens of Riviera Beach.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: My names is Delores Williams. I have several comments I'd like to speak on.

The first one, someone spoke about Ms. Goldwire...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Just pull... Yeah. Pull it down.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: Ms. Goldwire, the Code Manager, Planning Manager. I think she was under someone else when she first started, but she has gone, gotten her degree, has passed her test. I have heard anybody on the Council, before, nobody congratulated her on passing her test. And I believe she's a good person to make sure things don't go wrong for our City by just giving somebody a permit. Okay.

I wanna go back to.., I saw him come back in, the man for the road thing. I don't live up in Monroe Heights but I have some people that go to my church.

UNK. AUDIENCE: I'm sorry. But...

MS. D. WILLIAMS: I shou'...

UNK. AUDIENCE: ...I can't hear you.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: I shoulda brought the, the wire in, they brought me was punching their tires when they was paving this road and telling.., bring us used stuff to dump on these roads in Monroe Height'. I shoulda brought the wires in. [Inaudible] and this stuff, it shoulda been looked to.., about the.., all this wire. You're fixing this roads and paving 'em up and double paving all that. What's underneath this stuff? I could bring those wires back, let ya'll see what was being put... They're bringing refurbished stuff from somewhere else, dumping it in, in the Monroe Height'. I don't live there and I don't think that was right. And the man, he say they're doing all kind of communication? I heard all the people back there. Well, you wanna find out, then get.., go in the community, set up a.., you got a community center there in More Height, meet with them.

The person saying different people being a racist, if that's what this mother felt like, for her, asking [inaudible], that don't mean she's a racist. She talking about her experience she had in her life.

And I think you should go out and really see.., and the Building Code person, and let em' get back to Stonybrooks again. I don't think nobody should get upset with me because I say those people are living in poverty out there. Every time it r'.., rain, it's bad there. And I wanna know, what are ya'll gonna do? You got a, a company that's in here,

\$21,000,000 they say. What are they doing? It's going on two years, what have they done? I've seen..., these people got a [inaudible] thing. They was actually telling me, all this stuff that these people are promisn' them, they' gonna do this and do this here, they' patchin' up, they're paint' over mildew. You know if you get a certain type of mildews in, you, you can never be healed from it? They're spraying and they..., well, you know they're gonna come and do something, what they do? Spray up a little bit of stuff. Let people come like they're doing a whole lotta stuff. I think the Council [stammer] need to go out there and see, really, like you wanted to come out for the..., the Mayor wanted to come out for Monroe Height'. Ya'll send these people out there and see. Talk to the people out there. They said they come out there and talk but they don't never do anything.

I don't live out there, but people are talking to me. I go to the food place and I pick up food, for different people I know need it, seniors and some that are not senior, but have elderly people..., have a sick person in their home.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: And I give it around. But we, we need not forget Stonybrook. We can do the egg hunt, whatever you wanna do...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you...

MS. D. WILLIAMS: ...but make sure...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...so much.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: ...those people live in a nice, decent place.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Doretta Paulk, Horace Towns, Marvelous Washington.

MS. D. PAULK: Good evening, Council.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. D. PAULK: My name is Doretta Paulk.

And, I would just like to mention that Mr. Blankenship brought up in this meeting, concerning, I guess, the new..., the, the new budget for next year, that possibly a five percent decrease in working with everyone to, to save money for the City of Riviera Beach. And, as I've been saying a couple times at this podium, that my suggestion is having one chief legislative assistant, and if you can just keep that in the back of your mind and that could probably really save money. 'Cause Ms. KaShamba Miller has been doing this on her own since December, and she has a full time job. [Stammer] as well as all the Member doe'..., do. But that's just one suggestion, just to keep in the back of your mind.

And, I want to know, it's not on the Agenda, but the situation with the young man at the police K-9, if we can talk about that. And I know he was reprimanded, but what policies have been taken, you know, place since then? So this will never happen again.

And also, the status of our fire..., our first responders, and what was the findings of..., they say it wasn't mold, but do we have the findings now of these, these fire stations that's making some of our firefighters ill?

Last but not least, Mr. Lozman. I wanna talk about that because, even last..., when Councilman Davis was on the dais, he, he so many critical comments concerning her. Now it's Mrs. Botel's time.

[Audience chuckles]

MS. D. PAULK: We can agree to disagree, but when it comes to disrespect, that's another thing. And I wanna let him know, when you have so much hostility inside you, that decreases your peace of mind, that decreases your wellbeing, and this needs to stop. And that corrodes the brain. I don't know what his issue is, but he has to be respectful. He has to be respectful and knowing this co'..., this conduct that he's doing is not even serving himself well. And, another thing, I think he's opening up a big can of worms when he [stammer] says, 'Ladi March this, Ladi March that,' but he has to remember, like we all know, at one time she did not have the licenses she, she should've had. So, let's not open up that can of worms.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. D. PAULK: And I thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Horace Towns...

[Audience applause]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...Marvelous Washington, Amon Yisrael.

MR. H. TOWNS: Good evening to the Council.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. H. TOWNS: The election is over so let's move forward. I feel for you guys because you guys, every other day there's some new [chuckle] something new you guys get to face. And my dream for you guys would be to get in a position where you can be proactive and handle some of the, the pending issues that we have in the City I believe is gonna be a crisis [inaudible] in the future. I wish I coulda spoke on the last Agenda Item about District 1 and those streets. Me and Mr. Bailey have had some spirited debates over the last year but he kinda inherited that project, between the Guyton and Lynne Hubbard era and some of the issues with Brent Johnson's decision. I, honestly, I hate those roads but we're stuck with 'em now to an extent.

One the things I did want to ask this Council because, I'll say this first, throughout the week, I get people that'll ask me different issues going on in the City. I do remind the Council to make the residents aware that they can email you some of their concerns, or issues they're having in the City. That way, you can forward it to your City Manager and they may [stammer] lighten some of the public comments that you have during the week. But my issue this week is one that has been a thirty year issue, and I'm simply asking the Chair to speak with the Cou'..., City Manager, that'll instruct the Public Works Manager. I don't know who handles the rail utility crossings, but FEC and this train, every few years we gotta get back..., go back to the table with them. From 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., 7:00 to 7:00, that train'll sit on the tracks. I was late twenty minutes tonight. In the morning, if you don't get out the house at the time, you're at that track. I've seen emergency services having to reroute...

[Inaudible audience comments]

MR. H. TOWNS: ...because of that train.

[Inaudible audience comment]

MR. H. TOWNS: I've seen people stop their train and go into the store. [Chuckle]. And, and I, and I say that to say, that train, we've had issues with FEC and every now and then, we have a conversation with them and they'll kinda lighten up a little bit, but I would rather see that that train stop near the Port and handle or hold up some of that commercial traffic, as compared to it stopping on Blue Heron, which, you know, traffic from Riviera to Singer Island, and again, emergency services. So, I'm just asking that this Council be aware of that.

[Inaudible audience comment]

MR. H. TOWNS: If one of you can solve that problem, I'll put a statue in front from my own dime, but is gonna become a issue that we cannot ignore. We've had that discussion, but because of the consistent turnaround with the Councils, it hasn't been consistently addressed but, if we had a conversation with FAC or CSX, I don't know who controls that railway, it does need to be the subject of a conversation.

Thank you, guys, for your time.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MR. H. TOWNS: They don't [inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Marvelous Washington, Amon Yisrael, J.B. Dixon.

MS. M. WASHINGTON: Good evening. Marvelous Washington.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. M. WASHINGTON: What excited times. We got change moving forward, and after the election, we voted for new individuals to bring change to our City. I just ask that our new Council have the opportunity to create their own legacy, and not continue the same

legacy of our previous Council. What has occurred the last couple weeks is the same business as usual. Things have been planned, Agenda Items have been added and our new Council Members haven't had the opportunity to even speak with their respective Districts, or supporters, to see what way of.., how they feel about some of these Agenda Items. This was just thrown on their tables and they haven't even been in the seat a month. Here.., it's already done. We've already approved to amend the Settlement, but now we're getting into the conversation about the contractual arraignments with Mr. Evans. One of the reasons why there was a motion to.., well, it wasn't a motion, it was a suggestion, to have him undergo a competitive interview so that you have other options. Right now, we're gonna enter a contract negotiations with Mr. Evans without options behind. Last month, there's was reservations about Attorney's Wynn contract. I'm wondering if those same reservations will be discussed or voiced during the approval process of Mr. Evans' contract, because we have to keep in mind that, although it's natural response to come and defense of a individual that we know was treated.., mistreated unfairly, and it's also our duty to act and respond in the best interest of our City. Not the best interest of special interest groups, or supporters. It is not fair, and what I've been witnessing, and par'.., just pardon me 'cause it's nothing.., it's no offense, but what I'm seeing is, our new Council Members are sort of being bullied into making decisions...

UNK: Yes.

MS. M. WASHINGTON: ...and voting for certain Agenda Items that was set forth before they even took the seat.

UNK: That's right.

[Inaudible audience comments]

MS. M. WASHINGTON: So, please allow our new Council the opportunity to create their own legacy. Change has never been achieved by looking through the rearview mirror. It's only been achieved by looking through the windshield. So, give them the opportunity to create their legacy, to vote on Items that they have discussed with their respective Districts and supporters, nothing that was encouraged or bullied into. We had a change of meetings in which we had a pro-Evans audience, which created more pressure on our Council Members, and none of their questions that they asked were addressed. Just give them the opportunity to do what the citizens put them in those seats to do, was to create change. Bring integrity to their position, and transparency. What you have been doing so far is none of those things. We did not vote in a Council to act as Human Resources, we voted in a Council to enforce the laws and create laws.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Amon Yisrael, J.B. Dixon.

MR. A. YISRAEL: Good evening...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. A. YISRAEL: ...Council, Chair, and Mayor. Amon Yisrael, Riviera Beach, Monroe Height.

Earlier, we kinda talked about communicating, better communication. When you looked at the Agenda I'., 13, it really doesn't say anything about Monroe Height'. In communicating with your residents, it might help when you're discussing a topic that directly affect their community, if you identify that, it would help to get more participation.

I, I invite all of you to just come to Monroe Height' and look at the streets. We have mix match streets in Monroe Heights. It's inconsistency. I've had three planners to say that having mix match streets, or inconsistent streets, brings the property value down. Now, we've had one of our., the person that's responsible for the streets, if you go look at 23rd Street, it has a crown street. The rest of the streets are inverted. All of the streets should've been placed back the way they was. If you're gonna add a curb, you coulda kept the drain on the side of the curb. Now, you have someone to come up and say you couldn't put the drain on the side. I've he'., talked to multiple street people that, that specialize in highways and streets, say that if you'd'a put a better foundation around the drainage...

[Inaudible comment]

MR. A. YISRAEL: ...that the, the concrete, or that asphalt wouldn't pull away from the concrete. Now you have the drain in the middle of the street, which is concrete...

[Inaudible comment]

MR. A. YISRAEL: ...then you have asphalt adjacent to that...

[Inaudible comment]

MR. A. YISRAEL: ...and all of them say eventually that's gonna create some potholes because when you have a soft product up against a hard product, with the water rushing down, now you have all the water coming to the middle of the street as opposed to water running down the sides of the street, is eventually gonna erode that., those streets in the middle. We just need to do a much better job in communicating. We're spending millions of dollars to improve Riviera Beach and the communities.

But I invite you, just come over there and look at it. Look at the sidewalks how they vary on different streets and they're smaller than used to be. But it's an inconsistent project in Monroe Height', and it just doesn't look good. Crown streets are much better.

Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: J.B. Dixon. [Pause]. Madam Chair, after Ms. Dixon, that will be the completion of public comment cards.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Thank you.

MS. J.B. DIXON: I can't tell you how great it is to look up and see all of you sitting there. [Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Chuckle].,

MS. J.B. DIXON: And I wanted to congratulate you and thank you for having such dignified meetings since this new Council was seated. All five of the Council people and our new Mayor have kept to the point of business each time, there has been none of the horrible [chuckle], speechifying that we all had to sit through before that, that made these meetings so intolerably long. And, the remarks that you do make when you, when you have a chance to talk about whatever you want are not the self-serving and self-grandizing things that we are used to. And, so I'm so proud when I look up and I see you, and when I hear you because I think you represent the new direction that Riviera Beach is going into and I think that all of the citizens out there can look at you and listen to you, and be proud of their City again.

The other.., I wanted to bring up, just a couple small things. When I was working the election in Phil'.., Phillip'.., Phil Foster Park, two gentlemen asked me to bring some things to the Council, and one of them, a gentleman named Keith Miller, said that he used to always be able to fish from the pier, under that bridge and he wanted to bring his grandchildren to do that. And he said that you can fish there during the day but, for some reason, you cannot fish at night. And for those who work, such as himself, that that was a problem and I didn't know why he couldn't. He asked me why and I.., I don't know why. And so, I guess I'm asking you to find out why for that gentleman. That gentleman was one. There was another, T.J. was his name and I, who had to.., this brings me to my second topic, had to pick a woman up who fell because there was not.., there's no cut in the curb there. So, even though there's a ramp going up to that building where we vote, there's no way to get up on the curb if you have a cane or a walker or whatever. And one woman fell. We a lot of complaints during the day of why isn't there, like even a temporary ramp? We didn't know. And, one woman actually fell and we had.., we literally had to pick her up, the three of us. So, that's another small thing that I would like you to look into for the next elections.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. Okay. That concludes our public comments. Ms. Hoskins, do you have any answers for any of the questions that were presented?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I'll start from the end, with comments made by Ms. Jamie Dixon.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: J.B.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: J'.., I'm sorry, J.B. Phil Foster is under the county, but I will have Parks & Recreation to reach out to them to see why there is no fix'.., fishing under the bridge. As it relates to the voting location, I will send an email to Staff for the next time that we vote to ensure that proper ramps are available for those people that need assistance.

Ms., resident Doretta Paulk asked about a the police incident, and Interim Chief Madden is here and will give comments related to the police dog incident. And also, Interim Chief Curd is here, will talk about the status of the fire stations. We actually have an Agenda Item coming up related to the fire station renovations. Also, Mr. Gagnon will come up to talk about the signage that the gentleman spoke about earlier, one of the first public comments that was, that was made.

I think that's all I have.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Do you mind if I have...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...them speak now? Okay. Madden.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Good evening, Mayor and Council. Mike Madden, Interim...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: ...Police Chief.

I would like to talk to you more about the process that was used, rather than the specifics of this incident. It's important to know that the person involved in this, the, the person that was apprehended has not made a complaint in this case, and this dates back to October. Because of our processes and the review of critical incidents, like a K-9 apprehension, supervisors review these incidents and concerns were raised to the Police Chief. That, in turn... You know, I'm wearing a body camera. We have body cameras, this incident was recorded. So, I reviewed that video, I had the same concerns. I initiated an Internal Affairs investigation, which led to.., the facts led to policy violations and the officer was disciplined.

Ms. Brabham used the words, talking about a split second decision, and I know the people in the Leadership Academy experienced that an officer has to make a decision on a moment's notice. When you look at it on Monday morning, and you have all the different options to look at, that officer may have not.., that may have not have crossed their mind. So, I looked back ten years, we have one complaint of this nature in ten years, and so, it's certainly not how we operate.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Any...

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: ...I'll answer any...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...questions?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: ...questions that I can.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Any questions?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yeah. I, I have a... Madam Chair, I have a question. So, when you, when you looked at the tape, you're saying that, that you saw nothing wrong with what happened? Is that what you're saying?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: No. I had the same concerns that the supervisor had when they watched it the same night as the incident. So, I ordered an Internal Affairs investigation to look into it further. So I definitely had concerns.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay. Yeah. I'm, I'm very.., I'm, I saw the tape myself and it's very disturbing. Very disturbing, that something like that could happen here in our City. That something that can happen to an individual who lives in our City.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: And, I'm hoping that whatever policy that was violated, whatever happened in that case, it is certified because it is very disturbing.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: That tape.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Yes, ma'am. What, what's difficult is for me, at this moment, to explain something that took four months to investigate, in a few minutes. And what I would encourage any of the Council, if they have the time, is to sit with me and let me go through the investigation for you. I would, I would kinda make it like, if you're watching TV and you watch the news story about a trial, and you try to render judgment, you know, until you go through and see all of the statements, all of the information that was collected and understand the situation in its entirety, that's, you know...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I, I...

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: ...that... So.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I understand that. I, I know what I saw.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Yes. Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: So, I don't, I don't want you to downplay that.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: No, I'm not, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I want you to be very clear that this was an incident that should not have happened. [Pause]. And, every time I think about that tape, it, it's, it's, it's just so disturbing to me. So yes, I do want to sit down with you because this should not happen in our City.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: At all.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Chief Madden, what was the.., you said four months was the investigation. What was the exact timeline from when the incident actually occurred until when the officer was disciplined?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: The incident occurred in October, 2018 and [pause], final discipline was issued by the City Manager, I believe March the 1st.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Okay. So, the timeline is just over six months? Seven months, for that...

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Say about five months.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Five?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: October to March...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yeah. About...

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Six months.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...five months. Six months, five months. So, that five month investigation that was being done was Internal investigation where the tape was reviewed, statements were placed, research was done and it took us five months to, to realize that the officer needed to be disciplined and also to address the policies?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Yes. [Stammer], an Internal Affairs investigation has to comply with the Officer's Bill of Rights.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes, sir.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: The Labor Agreement and our policies, the statutory requirement to complete the investigation is 180 days. Many of these types of investigations take that similar amount of time. And again, it's a very complex statute. There's lots of requirements, it's important that we follow it, 'cause we jeopardize the ability to discipline if we don't follow.

I would like to also add one thing about.., you know, we've had body cameras since October. This is relatively new in our industry. K-9 apprehensions occur in law enforcement on a regular basis. So, we're all dealing with something new. I don't wanna see it. But this is something that has never been recorded before, so I know it shocks the conscious and it's not easy to watch. I'm in the business thirty years. You know, I don't wanna see it, so I, I do understand the impact that it, it could have on somebody.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Anyone else?

MAYOR FELDER: Yes, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

MAYOR FELDER: I wanna preface this by, I know we have good police officers. But it's one of my concerns. Because we do have body cams now and we were able to see it, has it been happening? That's one thing. Secondly, you've been an Interim Chief, looking at that video, you could have not, from your authority, suspended him by what you saw?

[Inaudible audience comment]

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: I could not. Absolutely not. The officer was removed from the K-9 unit immediately, the Officer Bill of Rights requires me to do an investigation, and follow very specific protocol.

MAYOR FELDER: Okay. So, when...

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: A Police Chief cannot issue discipline. No department head in the, in the City of Riviera Beach can issue discipline. It only can be made a, a recommendation to the City Manager.

MAYOR FELDER: Okay. So it was a recommendation that went to the City Manager?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Yes.

MAYOR FELDER: And that was five months?

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Upon the conclusion of the investigation.

MAYOR FELDER: Okay. I'll come back.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Councilman McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I withdraw.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I, I just..., I'm sorry, Madam Chair. I just wanna add one, one other thing. I just want to say that, you know..., you, you... I mean, I love police officers, I, I, I respect them, but when you say Police Officer Bill of Rights, there are human rights. And, the way that young man was treated, whether he was a'..., whether he was a criminal or not, he was a human, and the way that happened, it is unconscionable for someone to allow that to happen in their Department.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: And I just..., I just really..., there should be a trigger warning on that video, because it's very disturbing. And I, and I saw that this morning, and I wish I wouldn't've saw it. And I just hope that these type of things do not happen in the City of Riviera Beach. Because I know that there's a lot of good police officers who work here, I know them, I've met them. It's a very good Department, but for that one bad apple, that needs to be dealt with.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I would like to have a seat with you and the Interim City Manager to discuss what occurred. And, and my, my concern too is that it happened in October, but it.., I didn't find.., I didn't find out about it until I saw it on the news.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And then the very next day, I received the email about the situation. And you all know I always preach, if something's gonna be out there, we shouldn't find out by the news. So, I definitely want to have a conversation with you all, and, and see exactly what the timeline was and, and how you, how you got to where you were in terms of what, what type of consequence was being administered. And I know, as policymakers we don't get in the weeds of that, but I do think we have a responsibility to our community to be able to assure them that this not something that we condone, and as you stated, this was one time in ten years, that you are aware of, that has ever occurred, but, you know, at no point do I want anyone thinking that we're okay with it and, you know, the type of discipline that was provided, was it just, was it enough, was it not enough? So, I would like to have a little more information to that effect as well.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: I, I absolutely would encourage each Councilperson to schedule that meeting.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Thank you.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN: Alright.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. So, were' gonna go...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Curd.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...quickly with.., about the fire?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And, if this appropriate, regarding City Hall, today, today as well? Quickly?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Mr. Bailey will...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...address that one.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: Good evening, Council, Mayor.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: John Curd, Interim Fire Chief.

Ms. Manager, if I understood the question correctly, it was where are we at with the air sampling with the fire stations, as of today?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Correct.

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: Okay. There are tests scheduled to be run Friday, Saturday and Sunday, at the end of the week. That'll determine what this unidentified particulate is, hopefully. And determine whether or not the stations are gonna be cleared for re-occupancy.

Any other questions?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Alright.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: So, so how are.., so, we, we know that the, the statement said there is no mold but how are the officers?

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: In regards to the firefighters?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: The fire'...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'm sorry. I'm saying officers. I'm thinkin'..., I mean, firefighters. [Chuckle].

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: Yeah. I can't really speak to any one particular person's situation. There are claims that were filed with workmen's comp and litigation, so I really don't wanna get into specifics, but our firefighters are doing well. And, we're gonna continue down that path to make sure not only are they doing well, they stay well.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I just wanted to say that, on a completely different topic but has something.., it's tangential to the fire stations. We had a very nice presentation at Palm Beach State College this morning. They were the Valor Awards for Police and Fire, and one of our own, Firefighter Kendall was acknowledged as.., for contribution to the community and, at that meeting, as a matter of fact, because Interim Chief Curd and I sat next to each other, the Fire Chief from our neighbor, Palm Beach Shores, offered any assistance that they could provide in addition to use of their facilities, which I thought...

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: That's correct.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...was very lovely and very neighborly of them.

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: Yes, that was.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: And thank you for your attendance at that award ceremony today, Ms. Botel.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else? Thank you so much.

INTERIM FIRE CHIEF CURD: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Next, please.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: As it relates to the incident that happened today, there was, at approximately 10:35 a.m. today, the Building Official Ladi March observed sparks coming from an electrical light switch inside the Mayor's office. Depute Building Official Bovell Richards, was able to turn off the breaker feeding the Mayor's office and called Jim Pickering. The..., Mr. Richards has provided a more detailed timeline in the enclosed memo that you all have. City Hall was briefly evacuated until they..., the Fire walked through and gave the okay. And, I think the incident lasted probably ten, fifteen minutes. Staff was allowed to come back in the building. I have a memo, that you have in front of you regarding the incident. And then, we need to bring back an Agenda Item to appropriate funds as it relates to this building, regarding an alert system, fire alarm system for this building and the rest of the buildings on the campus.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. I would think we need to make that a priority and have that on one of the up'..., very near upcoming meetings.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes. The, the intent is to have it on the very next meeting. Which is, what? May 1st.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Okay. So, my question is, how..., how does a building not have a fire alarm system? I don't understand that.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: This building was built in the early '70's when fire alarm systems weren't required.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, at no point did we just think that, you know, maybe needed to consider going ahead and modernizing it, 'cause it's just a safe thing to do? What are those red..., what are the red pull things right there? What is that for?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: At some point, it appears, and please, for context understand that as Interim in this position for twenty months, I can't necessarily explain all of the decisions that have been made by my predecessors for forty years, but there are some elements of a, of a patchwork enunciation system, so if you were to pull that handle when it was installed, it would've done some level of alarm. But

it is certainly not which we consider a modern day fire alarm system. Obviously, if anyone has ever tried any of these doors, an alarm doesn't sound, so this sort of came to the forefront this morning when the issue arose. Not only the fire alarm, its condition, but also the mechanism, how we notify Staff inside the building when a situation arises. So, if you look at the cost estimate that's in your packet, there a number of different items other than just the fire alarm system. Obviously we know there are going to be detectors in the HVAC system in the ducts, so we're anticipating some damage to the roofs and ceiling tile as all that work gets done, and we're going to bringing on a notification system. Obviously, we're going to have to find the best system so that every single employee, when there's a situation that happens, we can notify them through not only their computer monitor will be taken over with a message, they'll get emails, phone calls and a text message to their cellphone of what action they need to take, whether it's something as simple as, 'There's a fire alarm scheduled for 10:00 o'clock this morning, please don't leave, it's a scheduled fire alarm,' to, 'Please gather your things, we need you to exit the building immediately.' Because, currently, senior Staff has to go around the building and open every office and clear the building if we need to do an evacuation.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, for the.., in the meantime, prior to getting all of these bells and whistles in place, what is the action that we're going to take to make sure that people can be contacted, checked to see if we have a fire, you said something about a fire watch. Can somebody explain that, what that is and...?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Chief Curd is here to speak on that.

INTERIM FIRE CHECK CURD: As far as the notification system...

UNK: [Inaudible].

INTERIM FIRE CHECK CURD: ...the, the system does not work. I can tell you that fire inspectors will be serving the City with a fire watch notice in the morning and we will be required to comply as any other business that operates in the City. Until that time that the panel is replaced and the notification system is up and running, while the building is occupied, there will be regular patrols and routine, fire watch procedures that'll be put in place, documented and, in the event something does happen, it'll basically.., the notification'll be simply that work of mouth sounding the alarm and somebody be directed to call 911, 'cause the system does not do that.

This is all new to us. We just found a lot of this out today. And we're gonna take action to get it straightened out on our end, but just be aware.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we not have an emergency preparedness type manual and do regular drills? Not of that is required? Any...

INTERIM FIRE CHECK CURD: I don't ha'.., I don't have all of the background documentation on it. I know there is an emergency preparedness plan and we actually have one set up here at City Hall. We have done some trainings and, and things in the past about active shooter, run, fight, hide and, you know, some of those different things but as far as full blown fire alarm drills, I can't recall in recent times, that that's occurred.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And I think, this day and age, I think just about everyone is doing some sort of regular routine drills so that people are not caught off guard when the real thing happens. So, that's something we definitely need to make priority one. And, and this Item will make sure we have this on the next Agenda, I mean, our next meeting. If not, if the Council feels we need to do this sooner and have a special meeting then, you know, by the end of this evening, we can decide that.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I think that we do need to have something much sooner than two weeks.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Alright. So [inaudible]...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: May I interject?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: The draft Resolution that you see in this package is to move funding from one capital sheet into the existing capital sheet for City Hall. I don't want to leave the community or, especially the employees in this building or on this campus, with the impression we're going to be nothing for two weeks, waiting on funding. We will be.., I've discussed with the City Manager, we will be swapping funds that are in an existing capital sheet for this property. This will simply replenish the pot that currently exists. You'll recall la'.., at the last meeting, we moved \$300,000 into a capital sheet for City Hall for all the water intrusion. There is enough money to get started with the immediate work as of tomorrow morning, and then when this Item comes on May 1st, it'll put more money into the same capital sheet. So, I didn't wanna leave anyone the impression that we're going to wait for two weeks. So, we wanted to rush this so you understand what happened and where we're going, but we will be moving forward on an emergency basis tomorrow morning, activating all of the appropriate contractors, design. You can image we're gonna have to get permitting through the Building Department and, a fire alarm system of this scale is very intricate, so we cannot afford to wait two weeks to get started. It will begin tomorrow morning.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Thank you. Did we have any more questions regarding this Item? [Pause]. Alright. And, Mr. Gagnon, for the next, and then we'll move on to the next Item.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:[Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR GAGNON: Good evening, Honorable Mayor...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR GAGNON: ...City Council. Jeff Gagnon, Acting Director of Development Services.

The question that was posed earlier had to do with our digital sign code, also known as electronic signs. I believe that City council provided Staff with a directive on February 6th, during a Council meeting. During that time, Staff took that directive and we've actually gone before the Planning & Zoning Board and worked up an Item associated with amending our sign Code, which could facilitate the use of digital signs associated with places of worship, as well as looking at some of the proximity items associated with a digital sign in close proximity to residential uses. I guess the interesting dynamic we have before us today, is that Councilman McCoy was sitting on the Planning Zoning Board during that workshop. The Planning & Zoning Board had a lot of questions on the Item, so Staff is doing research currently to really see what the best management practices are in association with type of use. So, once we complete that research, we will provide that information back to the Planning & Zoning Board for a final recommendation to Council. Then it would appear before Council in Ordinance form, which would require two readings for final adoption and approval.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Any ques'... Go ahead. No, go ahead, you...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Not on this topic.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Not on this. Okay. Anyone on this issue here? Alright. Thank you.

ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR GAGNON: Thank you.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:If Mr. Gagnon could stay just a minute. Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Thank you.

Several people spoke this.., a couple of people anyway, spoke this evening about the desire to have a moratorium on the development on the north.., on the westside of North Ocean Drive, and I wonder if Mr. Gagnon could possibly look into that, and could we put it on a.., an upcoming Agenda so that we can discuss that and, and look at ha'.., the potential of having an Agenda Item on a moratorium?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on one second. She said is there a time certain?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Well, as soon as, as soon as we can, at the next possible Agenda. If, if the.., if you are able to do that.

ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR GAGNON: If it pleases the Council, we'll prepare that Item for Council's consideration.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Alright. Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:And I have, while you're still here, you know, I think by this time many people are accustomed to hearing unfounded accusations coming from a certain member of our community, and so, I just wanna make sure the record is clear, Mr. Gagnon was at the meeting referred to earlier. Mr. Gagnon, if you wouldn't mind answering a simple question, did I direct Staff to do anything at that meeting?

ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR GAGNON: No, ma'am.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Thank you. [Stammer] and Ms. Hoskins was also at the meeting. Ms. Hoskins, did I direct Staff to do anything at that meeting? I think you looked at your notes last time and said no. Thank you.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, ma'am. No, ma'am.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:[Chuckle]. You don't have to do it again. Thank you.

The other unfounded accusation was that I somehow made copies of something. Could I just... Thank you, Mr. Gagnon. Could I just ask Mr. Sherman, you could..., you don't have to, don't have to come up here, Mr. Sherman, just say did I pay for the copies that I made in the copy machine in the office?

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Thank you, Mr. Sherman.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Councilwoman Lanier.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'm not sure what the moratorium..., moratorium was for.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:For development on the westside of North Ocean Drive.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

14.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 14.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 31-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE FY 19 BUDGET TO TRANSFER \$130,000 FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND INTO PUBLIC WORKS REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE FUND NO. 10130103-546000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF THREE STREETS RENAMING PROJECTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO ALL FIRE STATIONS, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO TRANSFER THE FUNDS, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY (561) 845-4080

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. Ms. Hoskins.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, Interim Public Works Director Terrence Bailey is here to speak on that Item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Go ahead.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: Alright. As you.., as we've been discussing tonight, there are a number of facility related issues that we need to address at the fire stations, as these indoor air quality concerns came to our attention. The Public Works Department, and specifically facilities and the Fire Department, collaborated on methodologies to potentially alleviate the concerns for our first responders. We are currently...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, I need to interrupt at this time. We did not get a motion for this Item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: You may proceed.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: Um...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: We are currently working together to develop construction related items on what we can do to provide better habitats for the firefighters and our first responders in these facilities . As this is an unfunded surprise to us, we did not have the funding in our current allocation for facility maintenance, so we requested fun'.., a fund transfer from the reserve account into the Public Works account for approximately \$100,000 for us to do improvements at all four fire stations.

In addition, there were three Resolutions made by the previous Council for street renaming projects. Tho'.., the costs for those projects total in excess of \$20,000 for materials and labor to put in the new street signs, as well as the Item that was approved today, bringing a total of four street sign projects that were also unfunded in the Public Works budget. We are requesting replenishing of the operational budget for Public Works for the cost for those street sign renaming projects in this request.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Any questions from the Board?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I believe that we have sector funds available for each District, and that was gonna be a Item that I wanted to add to the next Agenda. But, for the street fund.., for the, the street signs, the renaming, would that be an Item that would possibly come out of our sector funds for each District, that we could utilize those funds as opposed to the operating that we're currently using them for?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The sector,, as Councilperson Lawson has stated, yes, the sector funds can be used for that purpose. We would just have to get the balances remaining in those funds.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Is that possible that we could have those balances, or reported on those for the next meeting so that we could start utilizing those sector funds for these special projects that we wanna adapt, or accept?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So we're going to bring that part of the Item back?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No. Just the balances. He's just...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Just the balances.

[Inaudible dais comments]

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: The discussion in reference to utilizing the sector funds and the balances.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But if they don't have enough in it, we're basically saying that we're gonna go ahead and move forward with this tonight, before we find out? Because it's already been done. It's not like it hasn't been done, we've already done the work.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERENCE BAILEY: Yes, we...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Can, can I respond?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well, I think that's a good idea, Councilman Lawson, but I actually was sitting here thinking, all of those street namings, prior to the one that occurred today, occurred in my District, so...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mm.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...do we start at this point? Because we're existing and operating off a budget that was kinda been really hit by the prior Council. And I may \$2.00 in mine.

[Chuckles and inaudible comments]

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Because they did a lotta street signs in my neighborhood.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good ahead, Mr. Lawson. [Chuckles].

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: [Chuckles]. After having a meeting with the actual department heads, I believe Councilman McCoy has close to \$750,000 in his sector funds. So, you have a little bit of money left.

[Chuckles]

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: So... My..., also, my thought process is to possibly combining sector funds, that we could utilize these funds more effectively through all of the Districts. 'Cause currently, there's separation between Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4 where we can be more effective as a conglomerate, putting all of the funds into one pool, and offering a bigger benefit, especially within some of the departments, Fire and Park'.., Parks & Rec. So, possibly addressing that in the next meeting where we could add the sector funds discussion to the Agenda.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I think that might be a good topic for our retreat.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I think that definitely is, and that's something that we're going to be doing very soon. We just wanna keep in mind, I know we're doing

a lot of adding to the next Agenda. Just keep in mind that, you know, the more we add, maybe once we get the draft out, we'll see exactly how long it is and maybe...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...there's something we could probably...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well, here...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...put to the next meeting.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Can I respond? You know...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...and I, and I think it's a noble idea, Councilman Lawson and Pro Tem Botel, but I particularly would not even care for section funds but it's a struggle for me to visit departments and suggest that the people that operate every single day don't have their bare necessities and then po'.., possibly a five percent cut, I don't need sector funds, I need our people to make sure that they can take care of the services we provide to the community. So, while that's a good idea, I'm not conglomerating and I'm not combining. If anything, I wanna put mine back right where it belongs, into those departments because I think it's a, it's a good thing to, to represent our community, but I don't want any added benefit that, that's at the expense of another department not having the needs that they need. So, I put mine right back and I don't need to con'.., collaborate on anything. I just wanna make sure that what we're doing is not perceived as a benefit for us or a political way to flex our muscles. I wanna make sure that we satisfy departments, because, you know, quite honestly, if you're talking about \$750,000 times five, we're talking about over \$3,000,000, and I didn't even really know that this exists because, here's the other thing... Yeah. That, that.., well, go ahead. That's what I have.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, well let me just say this, the conversation that we're having about the sector funds, it's basically something that we can have a longer discussion.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Right.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I mean, we...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I would like to.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...we can definitely and make sure that we put that on, if it can be discussed on the next Agenda.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: If not, we can do maybe a workshop on it.,

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I think..., I'm sorry, Madam Chair. I'm sorry.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And then, we can get all of that information and we can get our questions answered as well, and see which is the best way to move forward with it.

For the sake of this particular Item here, we're basically just having to decide if you're okay with it moving forward as is, or are you wanting to postpone it until we have that conversation about the sector funds? Because, the..., I, I'm looking here and it's only for the Reverend Davis and for Alexander. Those are the only two that you...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Leroy...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I didn't see...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...Parrish Street.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Parr'... Where is Parrish Street at?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: Well, the, the two that are in the backup are the ones that are completed.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: Reverend Parrish Street has not been done. You'll know that that, I think, went to Council at the end of March...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: ...so we haven't ordered the materials and, obviously, the one tonight hasn't begun because it just got approved.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: So, with the issues we've been having in the Facility Department for the last six to eight weeks, those issues have been a priority versus installing the signs at..., for Reverend Parrish, but it is on..., it is on our list, and moving to the top, but now that we have two projects, we'll be able to expedite the both of them at the same time and get those street signs out there for the renaming.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And then one of the other, just something to throw out there, is that, I believe we need to look at our policies in terms of how we select people to name, you know, do street names and other various things that we do. We just wanna make sure that we, we have a criteria and we can stand by that policy of what it is when we decide to do it, because, you know, you know, some people do have concerns with..., when certain people are honored and certain people are not. So, I think we just

need to be able to show that, you know, there's a criteria in place. So that would be a conversation that we can have during a workshop, or our retreat as well.

So, for tonight though, any questions or concerns regarding this Item as presented?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes, Madam Chair. I think...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: ...that we should table this until we have a conversation about sector funds.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: That's, that's not even relevant.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on, hold on, Mr. McCoy. What did you say, Ms. Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I think that when we're talking about this particular Item right here, Mr., Councilperson Lawson brought up sector funds and I'm assuming he's talking about this particular Item, for sector funds.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: He was suggesting that we use that, or at least look to see if we had the money in there to utilize it, and, and then Mr. McCoy came back and said, you know, they're really..., it wouldn't necessarily be fair to start it at this point, but it's there and maybe there are some other ways we can utilize the money. But, it doesn't necessarily have to happen tonight for the sector funds, but if we would like to... [Stammer]. I mean, you already paid for this stuff, you're just trying to get your money back, right? On some of this?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: The...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible].

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: The invoices that...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: ...are in the backup, the..., for the two roads or materials...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: ...are paid for. And the labor to put them in. But, if I may? The \$100,000...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: ...for the fire stations are primary. I need to start spending money as soon as we can figure...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: ...out what to...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And that's what I...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: ...do, to address that.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...was going to say, we can...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: So...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...separate that out. We can take that out and move forward with that. And if the, the street signs are the concern, we can pull that part from the Resolution...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...and hold that part.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes. I., that's what I wanted to be clear on. Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: I'd like to modify...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: If...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: ...the motion.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: If I may? The...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TERRENCE BAILEY: If the Council determines they want to use sector funds, at that point, we can come back with a new Resolution and move the \$30,000 out of this account, back to reserve, and move the sector funds in. That way you don't have to amend the Age'.., the Item as it's provided.

UNK: No.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: I'd like to amend the motion, and remove the.., and make the motion only applicable to the improvements in the fire stations.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Does the second still stand? Who was the second?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: No. I can't...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That was...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I can't...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...you?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: No, I can't support that because...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And, can I have a comment because...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Again, he's re'...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Pull your mic..., pull your mic.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...he's removing the, the funds from reserve. If we're gonna have a discussion about sector funds, let's start that at a later point. This is already something that he said that the money, the one thirty, is gonna come out of reserve, so, I mean, we..., we're talking about \$30,000 that's in reserve that what we would consider nonessential because it's not dealing with fire. If we're gonna start a conversation about sector funds, how about we start fresh because I didn't go in knowing that this was gonna be something and, again, had known that it was gonna be such a cost, I even spent some time going back and forth with Ms. Hoskins about, what the actual cost was, of the renaming, prior to this Item. But if knew it was gonna be at the tune of \$10,000, I would not have even brought this Item forth at this time. So, I would much rather that we just go as Mr. Bailey presented it...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, here's the thing. You..., we don't necessarily have to go with sector funds, but I think because we have so many concerns and questions regarding the Item tonight, to just hold that Item off so that we can get more of a discussion, and whether it's, you know, one on one, or we come back the next meeting and discuss what are the best ways to move forward with it. The \$100,000 we can go ahead and go because what I don't wanna get into is, and I, I would like to ask Mr. Sherman, 'cause this is almost the same thing, we're dipping into reserves again like we talked about on Monday...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Am I correct on that?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: It's contingency.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: General fund contingency.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So, if we have these questions, I'm just thinking the signs part, we're not saying we're gonna use sector funds, but until we can have a better understanding of where we wanna go and take the money from, otherwise we just vote this up or down as is and, you know, maybe come back with the \$100,000. But I think, being safe with the fire.., Fire Department, to make sure that they're take'.., that part is taken care with the \$100,000, and because some of us are having some concerns about the remaining amount for the signs, bring that back the next meeting, once we've had a chance to have conversations with Mr. Sherman, Mr. Bailey and Ms. Ho'.., Ms. Jacobs, and then we can decide which way we wanna go with that. So that it doesn't kill the whole Resolution.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay?

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, are you.., would be okay with...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I renew my second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

[Inaudible comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...public comment cards.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mary Brabham, Delores Williams, Norma Duncombe.

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

I have a question pertaining to this. I'm, I'm stuck here with this all fire stations. He stands here and he does not give the clarity with this \$100,000 here, what details that the Fire Department, all, this word all, all Fire Departments, what are you doing in all these Fire Departments, with this one hundred and.., this \$100,000 here? We know that our Fire Departments are in derelict need here, so, so when he stands, anyone stands here, we as residents, as well as, as, as the audience here, we want to know. We want them to dialogue these Agendas here so they are simplified so that we will know what, [stammer] what.., where this is being spended at. You all may have it in your backup, but the people out here, is just, is just under the assumption that he's talking about \$30,000 signs. What is accountable for this one hundred and thousand dollars for all.., this word all, when they wrote this up here, they said all five stations. Renaming projects and improvements to all fire stations. What does that detail? And I would like to know.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Delores Williams, Norma Duncombe.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: Delores Williams.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: And I would just like to let you know, I do volunteer for our City. I do the citizen patrol thing. I ride all around the cities.

My thing is here, you say the Fire Department, the Police Department and all this here, they need..., what did ya'll call it, the IT person they need for all that?

UNK: [Inaudible].

MS. D. WILLIAMS: Did ya'll say that?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You can continue, continue.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: Is that the main one you say need more so? 'Cause these people [inaudible] all this stuff, why don't ya'll get the person..., didn't you have applicants for that? Why don't you hire somebody for that to help these department out? You say you had people to put in a resume, but yet, you' saying you need to do this. People get up and saying..., I don't know what they're doing. We never had a fire drill, never had inspection. Okay? What, what's all that about? Didn't you have applicants for this person [inaudible] job and start gettin' some of thi'..., with this new Council to get this stuff done?

Okay. And I wanna bring it back up again, the railroad crossing...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: This Item is regarding the, the \$100,000 and the \$30,000 for the street naming and the Fire Department.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: Well, get the \$100,000, whatever he need'. Get the people he need, get the IT person to help the Fire Department, the Police Department, all we need. You say you need an IT person, ya'll say that was the, main thing you need when we was at the meeting, the other meeting I was at? Well, if he want this \$100,000 to do all this here, get the person in charge to help out with that.

And I still wanted to say something about the railroad crossing. If they get their rail'..., the money they spent, I don't know how many million dollars ya'll spent to try to get the railroad crossing changed, emergency, whatever, until somebody family get hurt and they say they coulda had an overpass, then they're gonna vote it in and give how mu'..., whatever you need. Why don't we have emergency..., the emergency department can go over? Have a, a side road or something to get over to come to your house? If they're coming to me, I want 'em to get to me as soon as possible. They don't have to go all the way down Dixie and come back up to St. Mary, or go all the way up there to Palm Beach Garden. We need help for that.

And, and another thing, you say some of the Fire Department men's are very ill from mildew, right? Is that what he say? Talking about the mildew? What about the people, the children and people in Stonybrook that got mildew? But what about them? You're saying well, they get workmen' compensation, what about those people over there in Stonybrook? Ya'll might think I just keep holerin' about Stonybrook, but I'm sayin' you got \$21,000,000 company that do that. What is going on? Take care of the firemen's, get the head person they need and get help for those people in Stonybrook too. We need that. You're say'.., you're talking about one Item but some of this Item need... Put this on the Agenda about the railroad thing. Add this on there. Talk about that. Add Stonybrooks back on there about.., to get this place cleaned up for these people to live in. Alright?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. D. WILLIAMS: I'll be back up again if it's the Lord's will.

[Chuckles]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Norma Duncombe.

[Inaudible audible comments]

MS. D. WILLIAMS: Oh, my phone. [Exclamation]

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Okay, this is, is very short.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Norma Duncombe.

I would like to know if there has been a policy put in place in reference to reporting problems within the City. I opened the newspapers and here it is, the firemen have torn out the walls and what have you, saying they have mildew. That's a problem, but why is it something you bring the newspaper in to make the City look bad? Is there a policy in place when there is a problem with facilities, that it could be handled within whatever department needs to handle it? Why is it a situation where the firemen tear up the walls, pull it out and say we're getting sick, but who did they come to? Is there.., did they come to your office? Ms. City Manager?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Just continue, we'll, we'll get to it.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Okay. So I'm saying, if there is not a policy in place, I wish you would put one in place.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: For clarity of the amended motion, we are removing the statement of.., for the purpose of three street renaming projects? Is that correct?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: And, are we amending the amount to \$100,000 instead of \$130,000?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: If you could tell Walter I need some more batteries, please.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do you want her to restate it or?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: If you would, please, to, to make sure that Staff is clear.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Amending the Fiscal Year 19 budget to transfer \$100,000 from the contingency fund into Public Works repairs and maintenance fund for the purpose of improvements to all fire stations. Et. cetera.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

UNK: The batteries died.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And, a point was brought up regarding, if we can just.., Mr. Bailey is still here or?

UNK: He took the mic.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Or Chief. With the, the improvements for the Fire Department, can you please just explain what that entails. I know it is in the backup and there's a slight breakdown but to.., for the public, to let them know exactly what that means. What that includes rather.

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: We don't have an exact scope of work right now, as Chief Curd mentioned. We're waiting for more information from the testing company on exactly what the issue is so we can attack it appropriately. But we do know, in general, what we think some of the things are that we're gonna need to do. So, we don't want to spend the money without knowing exactly what the issue is, but we, we need to get the money in place tonight so that we can react very quickly as soon as we have an answer, we can go attack it so that we can make all of the fire stations... And by all, I didn't want.., I put the specifically in so that there was no impression that we were going to take care of Fire Station 86 and 88, and act like we don't have two other fire stations that need to be researched and potentially addressed. So, for not only the benefit of the community, the Council and the firefighters themselves, we wanted to make sure it was very clear that we are going to look at every one of the spaces in all four fire stations, and make sure that they are safe as possible. And, this \$100,000 is a point of beginning

in the way of a budget to do what it's gonna take to make sure our first responders are safe.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, for these line items, such as professional housekeeping service, two rounds, \$23,000..., \$23,500, it says it's an estimate but where..., how did you get that estimate? Based on what?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Based on [stammer]..., we have custodial services when..., you may recall, after the hurricanes in '07, we had a thorough and deep clean of all of the facilities, so we used that as generally a benchmark on how much money we would need. Being that there's exactly six months left in this budget year, we anticipate doing a deep clean in all those fire stations once a quarter, therefore, there'd be two more left in this Fiscal Year, and we would put money in next year's budget to do it four times a year in all of the facilities.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And so, for all of the other line items, they're basically just rounded out...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...number and figures...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Best management practice is, in communication with Fire, where we think we're going to be with estimates. Once we're done, obviously, when we return firefighters to all of those stations, we fully expect that you're going to request and demand a full explanation of what we did, and an accounting for all of these dollars. So, we will be providing documentation of a step-by-step, what we did and how we've made this situation safe for our first responders.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, for these items, are, are..., do we go out for bid for these people to come and do the work or is this all under \$25,000 each so that it doesn't come to the Council at all?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Once we know better...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I mean, it comes to \$100,000 but we'll...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Right.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...never see any of these if they stay all under the \$25,000. So, at what point do, I mean, we're..., I know we're authorizing the \$100,000, but it's broken down to a point where we'll never see per'..., really, we..., it won't come to us, will it?

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Unless there's a need for an emerg'..., emergency procurement, which does require us to come back and get it ratified, if all of the individual work tasks are under the twenty-five, that's in the Manager's signing authority. But, as I just mentioned, knowing the severity and complexity of the issue, and its public nature, we have..., we anticipate providing a full report to the Council and the

public on where every dollar went, what was for and how this is gonna contribute to making those facilities safe for our first responders.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. I just wanna put in..., go ahead and put in my request to ensure that we have..., once you all get these items..., these amounts, to provide that to the Council with the breakdown, more so of a more specific breakdown, so that we are aware. Because I, I..., I understand we're, we're putting this away and, and, you know, we're putting it there so that when you need to act on it, it's there, but what I don't wanna do is just authorize a figure and not necessarily know if that's really what we need. It could be \$40,000. I mean, you know, we'll never know because it..., won't necessarily come back to us. So, I would like to make sure that I know ex'..., have all of the documentation up front. Especially when you all get an understanding of what it is that needs to be done, because right now you're just kinda guessing at what may need to be done, but a more specific scope...

INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR BAILEY: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...provided. Thank you. Anyone else? [Pause]. Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

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CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 15.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: **RESOLUTION NO. 32-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT TO THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE IN THE CASE OF JONATHAN EVANS V. THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, ET AL, CASE NO., 9:18CV-80687 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: So moved.

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

Madam Chair, I also need to advise that the time is now thirteen minutes 'til 10:00.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right. I'm watching it. When we do..., when you read off of the Resolution, can you just pause and let us do the motion and then say that the Item is closed, 'cause I think that's why we kinda slip by without a motion, 'cause we kinda kept rolling. So, if we could just do that...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: So, so moved.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...first, and then we'll move to the other announcement. Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, this Item is memorializing the action that you took on April 10th. You have the Resolution, and also, you have the executed Amended Settlement Agreement and General Release with Jonathan Evans.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Do we have comments or do we wanna go to public comment?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Public comment?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mary Brabham, Erica Davis, Bessie Brown.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Mary Brabham, Rivi'..., Brabham, Riviera Beach.

Apparently, this was the Agreement here. And this Settlement Agreement here, it states here that it's in between the City, as well as the three defendants. The City of Riviera Beach, we are that City. In that Settlement Agreement, employee was terminated from employment with employee effective.... Employee., in, in this particular line here, where it was no misfeasance, no malfeasance, and it was simply put in the paper on June the 22nd here, that it was no wrongdoing and the City admitted that it was no wrongdoing. So, the Settlement for H, it should be rescinded because we are the people. You are a Board, [inaudible] that you can take that anchor out of there, because also you, you are a, a new elected Board that had walked into a hornet nest, where things have not been done that should have been done, perhaps they have festered and prolonged for so long. I know you have your work cut out. What we see is not even the surface of everything that is compound in these, in these departments. The structure. Their productivity. These is why..., these things is why we need someone to come in here, like Mr. Evans. He was fired because he was doing his job. Because, when he opened up those books

there, all he was trying to do was get the Council to know, you shouldn't be spending like this. Let's be more fluent toward the City with the residents. But see, when you're hell bound, and you're determined to do the things that you wanna do, you set the City in a whole limbo, because of attitudes. See, I know something in here, we don't even speak but that's okay. I'm a proud person too, so if your Clerk doesn't speak to me, my parents told me I'm proud. I keep my head held high, just like Mr. Evans did also. Because he did nothing wrong. Nothing wrong at all. So, she's proud, and Ms. Brabham definitely proud, because this is how I was raised. When you have not done anything for nobody else, you wear it with a badge of honor.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Settle this Agreement and let's move on.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

T. SMITH: Ms. Erica Davis.

MS. E. DAVIS: Erica Davis, Riviera Beach.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. E. DAVIS: Right now, I'm sittin' here looking at the letter, or threat, second one from the O'Boyle law firm, which I'm sure that's them sittin' over there, from Lynne Hubbard. Lynne Hubbard, I just wanna say you lost, we all lost but it's time to move the City forward. And nothing you're going to do is going to disrupt this process, so all the devils, I'll say it again, that have their personal agendas and keep coming back here like fleas on a dog, go away. Because this process is going to move forward. Jonathan Evans, if he wants to, is going to come back and run this City like he started running the City before you devils got into it and disrupt it. So, go away.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

UNK. AUDIENCE: That's right.

[Inaudible audience comments]

MS. E. DAVIS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Who's next, Ms. Anthony?

MS. E. DAVIS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Point of order please.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Bessie Brown, Fane Lozman, Norma Duncombe.

MS. B. BROWN: Okay. Bessie Brown.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

[Inaudible audience comments]

MS. B. BROWN: You all are moving mighty fast. You know, things are really moving fast. You just voted away the, the Item H, away. Now you feel like Jonathan Evans already come and sign it. Why is he signing it?

[Inaudible audience comment]

MS. B. BROWN: You know? Why is he signing and not everybody else? You know, you, you really moving..., you're moving real fast here. You know, it's okay, it's o'..., all well and fine, but, but, but for you all to move forward, the thing to move forward, you have a whole new Council and everything, is to move forward with somebody else instead of going back in the past and bringing stuff back here that you don't..., that we don't need. Now, this, this is, this is the thing that I'd like to tell you all, and I don't have..., and, I don't have a problem with Jonathan Evans coming back or not, but, but, but like I tell you this, there are some questions and some things I had question of him. Was he down there, actually down in Boca with the, the Sheriff's Department and all of that? Was he down there with those people? And what kinda information..., he sh'..., he, he should be able to tell us why he was down there. And stuff like that. And, and, and, and he want to outsource. Outsource, you know, outsource your, your, your, your dollar..., your, your dollar making departments. Outsourcing the, the Building Department, that's where all our monies come from, the majority of our monies come from because, because of all this construction and stuff going on. And, and that, that, that... Then, why do you outsource something that..., when, when you, when you have actually had a person in here that worked on the company, that never said she did anything wrong, which she had the right to do to get her license, and she has brought \$11,000,000 in this...

UNK. AUDIENCE: Right.

MS. B. BROWN: ...in this City. \$11,000,000 in this City and none of you have said a good job too her or anything. It's like, 'Oh, she doesn't exist.' But it was okay to outsource it [stammer] he recommended, to outsource that. You know, [stammer], you don't..., some of you up there, you need to find out..., you need to learn what's really going on. And outsourcing your, your money departments, the Marina, they outsource it... It's, it's, it's over there, just floundering around because they don't have any place. They just put the..., any place to put the, to put the, the department, [stammer] put the administration. They just out there hanging around. But, but this..., we had \$11,000,000 brought in this City by Ladi March. She has her licenses, she has everything that she needs to, to, to do what she's supposed to do here, and there's no need to consider outsourcing anything with that kinda dollars coming in here.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. Do we have a motion to extend the meeting to finish the Agenda?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: So moved.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: So moved.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. F. LOZMAN: The First Amendment prohibits the government, including Congress, from harassing political opponents and retaliating against disfavored speech, Lozman v. Riviera Beach, President Trump just put that in a letter to the U.S. Treasury. Regarding producing his tax returns.

Now, Tradrick McCoy, he's a strong proponent of the Sunshine Law, and so am I, but we have a problem that needs to be dealt with by your City Attorney. Mr. McCoy sued Terence Davis and sued the City to get some public records regarding the firing of Jonathan Evans. That case was defended by Torcivia's law firm. Tomorrow, there's a hearing by Torcivia's law firm... law firm. Torcivia threatened in writing to try to get legal fees from Mr. McCoy because Mr. McCoy dropped two charges and he has one claim that's gonna be looked at tomorrow by the Judge. And Torcivia represents the City in the Evans matter, in the Settlement Agreement, which now, Mr. McCoy is a Board Member for the City. So, lawyers should avoid the appearance and propriety. I've been trying to tell Ms. Anderson over the years that he needs to be fired, the..., Torcivia, but of course, Torcivia is where Ryan is. Now, Mr. McCoy, the argument may be he's suing the City,

the lawsuit's still active 'til tomorrow at least, yet now he's privileged to confidential information what's going on here. He may have to recuse himself, he didn't wanna get an ethics board opinion on that. But that needs to be looked in, Case 50217CA010524. I supported him in that lawsuit, because I believe public records should be given and, with all due respect, even though he sued the City Clerk, that's just the way life goes. She's the Records Custodian.

Now, the..., let's talk about Evans. My problem with Evans, is he wants to fire Ladi March. Let's get that straight. Ladi March was a certified building contractor for over ten years. When you're a certified building contractor for over ten years, you get a provisional license to be a building administer provisionally until you take the test to pass it. Who wants Ladi March kicked outta here? Julia Botel. I didn't Mr. Lawson wanna kick him out, I didn't hear Ms. Lanier say it, I didn't hear Mr. McCoy say it. 'Cause these are the new people. She is pushing your agenda. She just pushed to moratorium. Do you know today or yesterday, the City hired an outside counsel named Difendorfer? For money? Without getting Council approval? Who, who made that decision? The Joint Legislative Audit Committee audited the City in 2007 and they said outside legal fees were outta control. I wanna know who made the decision to hire that..., 'cause that's what Gagnon wanted. He wanted outside counsel to figure a way to take away our rights to put docks in the Lagoon. You violated the, the thing that you..., the letter you sent to the Joint Legislative Audit Committee, and whoever signed off on spending my money and taxpayers'...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mr. Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...money on Difendorfer?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We're talking about...

MR. F. LOZMAN: That is a very...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Mr. Evans.

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...big deal.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mr. Evans.

MR. F. LOZMAN: I think if Evans wants to make a commitment not to fire Ladi March, I'd feel a lot better about it, but otherwise, he's not coming back.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Inaudible audience comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Who..., do we have any more?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Norma Duncombe, Madeline Irving.

MS. N. DUNCOMBE: Whew. Norma Duncombe.

Okay. The first thing I wanna say is that [pause] I will never disrespect anybody in terms of decisions that they make. Number one, I don't think it's necessary, just deal with the facts. The Charter says that the City Manager serves at the pleasure of the Council. It does not say that the City Manager has to do anything, or say anything, but if they walk in, that's the..., our Charter, and says we no longer want you, then that's it. Now, I find it ironic that people spent hours collecting signatures to bring back this City Manager, but where were they when the people over at Stonybrook was suffering? There was no outcry for them, and all of the problems that they have. Now, I'm gonna say this because it still does not end with your deciding to bring him back, 'cause you would be violating the law. But if you wanna bring him back, let he and his lawyers return that \$190,000 with interest, to the City. That was given to him. That \$190,000, do you know that..., what that could've done for children in this community? We are not working on the things that we need to work on. Your children in high school go to four different high schools. How bringing Evans back gonna solve that problem? You voted for a woman on the Ci'..., School Board for twenty years, and you have that problem. Compare your elementary schools to those up in, in Palm Beach Garden. They are not the same. They are not [stammer]..., they just don't have the same things that they have up there. And education, I don't care who that child is, is important from down here, all the way to the top. Now, Evans is making over \$100,000. He has a house. And I assume all of you have salaries of over \$100,000, and you all have houses that are two or \$300,000. Why are you fighting to bring him back? The people in the City need you, and they need you to do things that will improve their lives. That's why you were voted in and that should not be a discussion.

Evans is doing very well, and he's not gonna suffer and I guarantee you, he will not disrespect those people he is working for now, the way he disrespected the Council that was in this City.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Inaudible audience comments]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madeline Irving.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I, I wanna just say that, ma'am, I do not have a \$300,000 house.

[Chuckles]

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I do not make over \$100,000. I wish.

[Chuckles and inaudible comments]

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: But I just wanna let you know that I do not have that kinda money.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Inaudible comments]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MS. M. IRVING: Good evening. Madeline Irving, a very proud Riviera Beach resident.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Pull your mic down a little bit. Okay.

MS. M. IRVING: Can you hear me now?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

MS. M. IRVING: I'm trying not to be excited, 'cause I wanna maintain. As you discuss and start negotiations with reinstating Mr. Evans, I want us to think about this, there is no special interest group that wants Mr. Evans back. We just want a man who was very qualified for this job. Twenty-eight hundred people signed a recall, I was one of those people that walked the beat, talked to people and they said, 'Bring him back.' I was also a part of that p'..., the, the community that said, 'Let's vote those people out.' Look at our beautiful Board. We sent a message, and that message was reinstate Mr. Evans.

[Audience clapping]

MS. M. IRVING: This man, I don't care what a Charter said, our Board violated our Charter all the time. Nobody is questioning how Mr. Degraffenreidt., I'm trynna say this man's right because I don't wanna call him a liar when he sued the City, where is that money? Where is that money? Tell me this, we have a Building Official, I don't where this lie came about that Mr. Evans wants to fire... The man ain't even here. But I tell you this, this lady, even though she had a right to work, the point is, she got her job. No other municipality that a person is not certified, can come work for a municipality. We paid money to have her because we had to contract her job out so we could pay people to say this building is safe.

So, what I'm saying is, it's not about a interest group, it's about righting a wrong. We need to enter in negotiations to reinstate Mr. Evans, not rehire him, not give him a process, but reinstate him. This man was very qualified in what he did and the previous Council didn't like it. They didn't like the fact that he was up in their face, he wanted the, the wasteful spending stopped. And I don't understand how is the people that come up saying, 'Oh, we, we, we know..., we...' No, you don't know because I was in that community. I went to the people and they said reinstate him.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

UNK. AUDIENCE: Yeah.

[Audience clapping and exclamations]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's the end of public comment?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. Alright. Board, any comments, questions? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 16.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Discussion..

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'm sorry. Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I wanted to ask that tis., on this last Item, there was a question I asked last... No. That was may'..., maybe during the swearing in, I asked a question about having the, the City Attorney and the City Manager to ask Mr. Evans if he wanted his name'..., a name clearing hearing, and they were supposed to ask him if that's what he wanted. Did you ask him?

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: No. We did not ask him that.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You weren't...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: I don't know if the...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...here... Was it when Lina was here? Was it...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yeah. We directed the Law Department and...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Was it when we were at the Marina?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, it was when Lina was here so...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: But, it was for the City Manager and for the City Attorney, to ask him that question.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, no. I did not ask him. And I'm not sure if the.., well, she would've communicated it to Mrs. Wynn, but I didn't ask him.

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

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: On tomorrow, they give her an answer?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: For sure? Once...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...you speak to Lina?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And then, just let the Council know as well. And then if that is not the case, then we, we can give them the direction you want them to go with it, Ms. Lanier.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

16.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 16.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION REGARDING AGENT OF RECORD RFQ PROCESS.

COUNCILPERSON TRADRICK MCCOY (561) 845-3687

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, this Item was asked to be added by Councilperson Tradrick McCoy.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Councilman McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Manager and Madam City Clerk.

I am particularly interested in the Item related to the RFQ because there was quite a bit of confusion, and I've been going back through Minutes, since at least February of this year regarding where we were on, on this Item. And in fact, evening during, I believe it says January 16th, there was a concern about the Council not issuing the RFQ because of something that was completely irrelevant to where we were. And if I can kinda share with the Members, the request for propo'.., I'm sorry, it was, yeah, Request for Qualifications, was regarding the Agent of Record. Now, in particular, I think some hesitation may have been on part of the prior City Council Members concerning the overpayment of \$1.1M and, during that time, the Agent of Record was the Bernstein Group. And I couldn't figure out for the life of me how the overpayment had anything to do with the RFQ in, in that the contract was for two years with Bernstein's and it had already been extended for additional two one-year terms. So the, the Procurement, and I believe perhaps Risk Management, issued the RFQ in September of 2018 and, you know, this was particularly concerning to me because part of what I was interested in, in late last year, was the process of the RFQ and I had been in contact with the Clerk's office requesting public records. This is prior to me coming on the Board, and there was a lotta things that was not clear about it.

Now, what I did notice, and I couldn't figure out what was the reasoning and I spoke to, I think, City Administration about it as well, there was no logical reason for us to extend this contract with Bernstein. And, I when I went back and reviewed the Minutes, the only thing that I could come up with was, what was said during the January 16, 2019 meeting and the February 6, 2019 meeting, but there was some sort of nexus that was attempted to be created to suggest that we shouldn't go out for the RFQ pending the OIG report. Now, just my accounting background, I didn't understand what one had to do with the other. The contract was already up and there was a new recommendation that was presented by Risk Management and, I believe Purchasing, and it just seemed to me that we were doing what I've seen happen here before, and that's kinda delaying and deferring for no apparent reason. And then, what was even more shocking, when Bernstein had an opportunity.., Richard A. Bernstein & Associates, had an opportunity to promote.., or him to, to do a presentation, their pres'.., presentation was based on the fact that they didn't get ranked in the RFQ process. Now clearly, that was inappropriate and I think Members of the Board had immediately stopped it and said, 'This is not the avenue to do a bid protest.' Now, none of those Members, well, I'm not gonna say none of 'em, but the majority of those Members are no longer here and I wanted to bring this to the Board to consider, after reviewing it, I did see who, who the scoring was and, you know, I'm not even gonna try to put it in these terms but it took me quite a bit, on the [pause] sending some, I guess.., through getting some information after filing a complaint with the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit did I get the actual tabulation and some of the, some of the information that was relative to my request, and the scoring didn't even come close to why we would even keep Richard A. Bernstein & Associates.

So, I put this Item on the Agenda for us to have a discussion because we're in a one year contract with them and, as you know, there's been discussions about a five percent, across the board, budget cuts and also a potential budget.., I'm sorry, a potential

insurance increase for our group insurance, so I wanted to see what was the pleasure of the Board? My personal recommendation that we accept Staff's recommendation to move forward with the... [Pause]. Let me see here. I'm sorry. Just one second. [Pause]. Yeah. December 19th Staff recommended awarding a three year contract to Gehring Group to serve as the City's Agent of Record. And the motion failed for a lack of a second. And in this case, and I think I'll refer to Staff so she can direct someone more appropriate from the City to talk about it, in that case, the RFQ was never rejected, and we kinda just went a different direction. So, Madam Manager, Can you have someone from either Risk or, perhaps, HR maybe to give the City position on this.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I'll call Ricky Little and Risk Manager Marie Sullen up. Ricky will talk about the process and the, the evaluation process. And he's the Interim Procurement Director.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I, I'm, I'm., I've been reading

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I've been reading through some of this stuff and I'm, I'm coming into this cold so if I can just kinda get a back story, a little bit, about this?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. I'm sure that was her okay for everyone as well. Go ahead.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Okay. The., as Mr. McCoy sated, the Agent of Record contract ended September 30th, so we put out on the streets an RFQ...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: This past September 30th?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: This past...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...September 30th. So, we put out on the, the streets an RFQ. There was an Evaluation Committee that served, that reviewed the responses. And I'm not sure how many responses we received. I believe there are about eleven off the top of my head. So, the evaluation ranked the responders based on what they submitted, the documentation that they submitted, and then they also ranked., based the top three, they gave oral interviews, to the Evaluation Committee. The oral interviews, and the written proposals were tabulated and the highest ranking respondent was the Gehring Group. That., an Agenda Item was prepared and brought before the City Council for approval.

The Gehring.., the Bernstein Group, they.., when we.., at the time that we were reviewing the health insurance.., health insurance policy and trying to decide if we should go out for RFP or renew with Aetna, they did assist for Fiscal Year 19. So, at that point, they were riding on, they assisted us with keeping the health insurance rates below five percent. Helping Staff keep the insurance rates below five percent, so they were riding on that particular wind with Aetna. However, you know, we had extended the Bernstein Group contract. We had given them all their extensions and had exhausted all their extensions, so we had to go out for RFP. So the Council, when we presented the Item to go with the Gehring Group, the Council did not.., the, the Item failed for a lack of a second. So, we had to.., and they wanted us to bring back the contract with Bernstein.

Did I.., was I clear?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Why did they want you to do that?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Well...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on. Do you have an answer?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: No. [Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well, Madam Mana'.., well...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Councilwoman...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Mr. McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY:Lanier, that was exactly my concern. It was no logical reason. In fact, and I think I may have overmissed this step in the process but the City's, I believe it was Risk Management may have extended Bernstein a termination letter and some kinda way, you know, they were able to lobby to get an additional one year extension, and I couldn't figure out why, when clearly, they weren't even close to being ranked. And in the backup it shows what that ranking was among the other, other submitters.

So, so, you know, I, I, I was bringing this back up so we can decide, you know, we have a one year contract and certain, you know, you know, I don't know. When do we due back... When do we go back out for a re'.., reviewing of insurance rates?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: We need to..., we should be working on the scope of services now so we can go, go out for our group health insurance. So..., within the next thirty days, we need to be working on that.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I mean, I, I don't have a problem with discussing that this, this evening but I definitely want to do more research. I, I need to know more about this. I'm, I'm..., I have no idea of the back story with this. I read the backup that was included with the..., with the documents, so I just need to be able to... I mean, we can discuss it. That's why I'm asking questions about what happened, and I'm sure that there's more to the story than, you know, ten minutes that, that you..., five minutes, three minutes that you told me.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, let me ask this. The others on the Board, I know Mr. McCoy's pretty well versed on it because he followed it along..., he's been following the insurance..., I mean, the, the Agent of Record issue for a while, so I'm sure he's pretty well versed in it. Mr. Lawson, are..., have you had an opportunity to get caught up to speed on what this is this all about and where it's coming from and all of that?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes. Thank you, Madam Chair. Yes, I have. I got caught up and understand that I'd like to just go with the recommendation of our staff, that they came to the table with and move forward. So, I'm prepared to move forward with it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Alright. Dr. Botel, do you have any...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:[Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...conc'. Okay. Mayor Felder, do you have any comments regarding the Item?

MAYOR FELDER: No.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Okay. So, what would you like to do with this Item? Mr. McCoy, you're looking to..., what are you wanting to do tonight?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well, well it was my intention that it was gonna be discussed and, you know, I only know it because [chuckle] I know it...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...and I was particularly interested in it. To see..., well, so if... Similar to Mr. Lawson's recommenda'..., well, his suggestion, it was recommended by Staff that we go with Gehring Group, and that never came up. And, I guess similar to what we've seen on Monday night, when it dies for a lack of a second, that Item doesn't come back. But what's unique about this situation and I asked City Administration, was there..., was those bids formally rejected, and that didn't happen. So, the Item, I guess, you have people that are bidding for business at the City that are essentially still sitting out here, and we have somebody that's temporary. And I understand that there is some, perhaps, hesitation because the Members aren't familiar with it. But if you go back inside

of the Minutes, which I know it's quite extensive, the only thing that I found that was referenced, why there would be a reason to defer on doing this right now, was because there was a pending OIG report. And I couldn't figure out what a OIG report had to do with anything about a contract that had ended. And I wanted to see if City Staff could kinda put some additional clarification on what, what that really means as far as the OIG and what's its importance or relevance a current RFQ we have out on the street. Well, at least in this case.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The OIG is looking at our hiring practices and our termination practices. Does., the Agent of Record did not have anything to do with the OIG report.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead. [Pause]. Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Thank you. [Chuckle]. So, was the Agent of Record, [stammer], were they in place when the \$1.2M in insurance, that was paid through the City, the City's Risk Management Department paid \$1.2M in insurances for people who no longer work for the City. You have a Agent of Record who paid those claims, or whatever, because they got the information from Risk Management. What we need to know is, if we're gonna talk about this, we need to talk about the \$1.2M as well.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well,, Ms...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Councilwoman Lanier, that's exactly what I'm saying. That actually...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...has nothing to do with it. But it was kinda portrayed that because the \$1.2M was still being investi' by..., investigated by the OIG, we shouldn't move forward with a new contract that was already..., that had already been awarded to the next company. You know, to the new company. So, Bernstein..., well, the Members kinda gave the impression that, because there was a current investigation by the OIG, then we shouldn't move forward, but, you know, knowing the scope of the OIG, the OIG generally, and I don't think has ever, investigated a private company. OIG is primarily responsible for how we, our internal controls and processes and how we handle business here at the City, not how a private company works. So, there was no reason for us to wait on the OIG report. And that was the conversation that I had with the City Administration, and also, I believe the City Attorney, you know, why would we be holding out somebody that... And, you know, here's the other thing, I only watched because

there were so many.., there had to be over ten, I believe it was, or, or close to ten that had participated. And it's quite extensive to do a RFQ. And, also, it's costly. So, without.., absent of any logical reason or some authoritative reason why we shouldn't, that's why I was asking the Manager to bring this back to us, for us to, in my opinion, to go with Staff's recommendation from December and move the Gehring Group forward as our Agent of Record. And...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anybody else?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair? So you're saying that one has nothing to do with the other?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Right. And, back in January, I believe it was, back in January, they used this OIG thing as a reason to go into a one year contract with Bernstein. And the contract is for one year, or until we appoint a permanent Agent of Record. So, you know, I'm, I'm, I'm.., I was sitting here wondering why we're waiting? We still have a Agent of Record that's on standby, waiting to be appointed.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay. Yeah.., we.., this is.., we... Yeah. We need to...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: But, if.., I mean, would perhaps, someone from Risk or...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Sure.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: This seems to be a very... I'm sorry, Madam Chair? This seems to be.., I mean, it.., on the surface, it looks as if... I mean, I'm, I'm reading the background on it but I'm still confused as to why we are where we are, and I just, I just need to really understand this.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. So we'll have them come up and they can provide the information that they have regarding the Item.

INTERIM PROCUREMENT DIRECTOR LITTLE: Good evening, Mayor, Council.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

INTERIM PROCUREMENT DIRECTOR LITTLE: Ricky Little, Interim Director of Procurement.

To make this really easy to understand, the process for the RFQ was followed by the book, the oral presentations, along with the written presentations, were scored by the selection committee. I believe there were ten proposals submitted. The Gehring Group was not in the final three.., or, excuse me, Bernstein was not in the final three of the proposals that were selected for an oral presentation. Actually, I think they were number seven, so we didn't even get to them at that point. And once the Committee actually finished their review, or the scoring of the oral presentations, the Gehring Group was number one and the Procurement Department recommended the Gehring Group as the awardee. And again, it was a straightforward process.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Madam Chair, I'm s'..., [stammer], the question I'm ha'..., the, the..., the, the thing that I'm having to try and get in my mind straight is that \$1.2M the City paid, Risk Management paid, for people who no longer work at the City. The people's contract, the, the group's contract is up. You put it out to bid, but it, it di'..., it's, it's..., it has this appearance that maybe they're getting punished because... I don't know. It just..., I..., it just doesn't sit right with me.

RISK MANAGER SULLEN: Good evening. Marie Sullen, Risk Manager.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

RISK MANAGER SULLEN: The RFQ process had nothing to do with respect to the insurance money. And, Mr. Sherman can correct me, the one point., it's not what that..., the actual number was but in any case, the...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: What's the number?

RISK MANAGER SULLEN: Finance would have give that information to you 'cause I don't know it offhand, at this point now.

The actual process for the RFQ was already ahead, and already sent out prior to all of this coming aboard to the Council, or to the knowledge of Council, with respect to the insurance fund. The RFQ process was done because we had already completed our original contract with the Bernstein Group, provided two extension' to them and our process required that we actually issue a RFP once we've already completed the first agreement, and issued the two extensions that we had been allotted under the RFQ process with the City's Procurement, and also, I believe, what's under the law. So that is the reason why that went out. It had nothing to do with what the findings were, with respect to the insurance fund.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay. This is..., I don't, I don't wanna take anymore time. This is, this is a lot of stuff going on here. I, I would like to do some research for this, and we can revisit it, of course, but I..., this is, this is a lot going on here.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. With that being said, does the Board want to postpone it to another meeting, or do you want to make a motion to move forward with whichever direction you want to go in?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well, that's why I brought here, and...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...in fact, April 3rd, I, I, I put it out there that I was gonna be bringing this back, so, I mean, [pause], I would've hoped that we woulda kinda had this concern but if I could just respond and kinda [stammer], pick up where they left off. Gehring's..., Ber'..., I'm sorry. Gehring Group was issued a recommendation by Staff to

be awarded. We got to the meeting and all of a sudden, the last Council started discussing the \$1.2M as if that had anything to do with what was before us, Councilwoman Lanier. So, that's why..., and even still, even at that meeting that made it more confusing, was they went into discussing that.., how the process was flawed and that wasn't even proper at that point. The proper thing to do if you have any concerns about whether or not the bid process was faulty, was to file a bid protest. And that didn't happen. So, what they essentially did was clouded the decision making, they didn't action on it. So, they came back two meetings later and said, 'You know what? By the way, let's extend Bernstein Group,' for no logical reason. That's what I'm saying. So, Gehring Group was already recommended by Staff, and all it was, was a simple vote, but instead of the prior Council taking the vote, they said, 'You know, there's a \$1.1M out there, let's just take some time and let the OIG decide.' But that had nothing to do with the process.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: And so, that's where that come from?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Right. That's what I'm saying. So, when, when the Gehring Group was recommended and it was on the floor to be seconded and voted on, you know, mysteriously, other Members of the Board decided that, 'Well, about the \$1.1M?' Which had nothing to do with the RFQ.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. So, Mr. McCoy, would you like to put a motion on the floor?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I just wanted to make sure she was clear but, I mean, to go back at this point, if you really insist on going back, you know, I would allow you to, but...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I really want to.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay. Well, she seems not to be prepared to make a decision on this, so I don't wanna put it on the floor.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, you want to look at puttin' it on..., 'cause you, you said we're looking at, like, a thirty day...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: We need to...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And that, and that, and that...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: It is affecting... Well, we need to put an RFP out for our group health insurance soon. I mean, this is already end of April.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And that's the other thing...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: And they, they..., the R'.., the Agent of Record, that's one of their responsibilities.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'm just gonna be honest, I'm not prepared to make any decision about that. I am not clear. I want to do some more research. Did you see this Agenda tonight? I have been studying on all of this information. I want to be prepared, and I want to be informed about the decisions that I make.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And I...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...and I understand that, and I, I can totally understand that. When we're, you know, when we're new coming in and we have a lot of heavy stuff on the Agenda, well, we just need to make sure that we stay within the guidelines of being able to meet these deadlines for other issues that.., so it doesn't snowball. I would say if we can.., obviously, this will be one of the priorities if we go to the next Agenda. Some of the other things that we've talked about adding, they might not be as pressing, maybe we may need to not do that, but if you are okay with making it for the next meeting, that's fine. If you.., if we feel that we need to call a special meeting for it, because it's that important, we can, or we can go ahead and make a motion tonight. So, what would you like to do, Mr. McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: You know, [sigh], I, I was almost at the point where I was gonna give her time, but when you said special meeting, that killed it for me.

[Chuckle]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, believe me, I, I'm not...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: We, we...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...I'm not in...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...we are super special.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...favor of it either now. We are very special.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: We've been in special meetings and interviews...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But what I'm saying is, if we do.., it sounds like we'll be somewhat okay with the two weeks, the first...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yeah, but...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...meeting.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Well...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: But...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes or no?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...and then we have a, a budget process coming up, and...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...it's gonna...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...impact...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...the budget.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Alright...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I mean, you...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Mr. McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...can't say I didn't tell you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well, well see...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, you won't be here...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...and that's the thing, we can't push...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...to tell us, so.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...everything. And then...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...you know ...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: It's up to you all.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...I don't know how easy it's gonna be..., and I'm sure that Gehring Group.., well, I'm not sure, but most insurance carriers have access to multiple lines, and multiple carriers. Most agents have access. You know, this is a negotiation and, you know, I don't know if that estimate.., and this is the other thing, so, did not we hear that there was a potential twenty percent increase on group health insurance? Through Bernstein?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: For.., you're talking about for next year?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Right.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: For next year. Right.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: So that's not coming up for this budget cycle, that we're about to go under budget for...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Well...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...budget for.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: That's why we wanted to get a feel of what the, the actual market is. They gave us an estimate, but we wanna get feel of what the actual market is. And right now, we're...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: A few months.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...[pause] usage is high. Very high. So...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: The City?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And, you know, and that's, you know... I, I'm, I'm done with it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Whatever [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, what is your decision?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Mr. Lawson.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I'd like to make a motion to move forward with the recommendation of the Gehring Group.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Is there a second?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have any comment cards on this?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No, Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Any other for discussion? Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Cahir Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilpersons Lanier and Botel dissenting.

17. ITEM NO. 17

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 17.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ELECTED OFFICIALS REPRESENTATION ON VARIOUS BOARDS THROUGHOUT PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR 2019-2020.

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CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, I'll let Ms. Anthony present this Item.

[Inaudible comments]

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, there's no presentation on this. On the back..., in the backup information, you all will see that there is a list of various Boards throughout Palm Beach County that elected officials serve on, as representatives for the City. In that backup information, it gave a brief description of the various Boards. It is at this time that you all need to determine who will the representatives be for the City of Riviera Beach. Let me remind you that, as Ms. Botel reached out to Mr. Radcliff regarding whether or not a, a representative and a alternate needs to be done, it is necessary that it be done, as he told her in the communication that he responded to her, as well as your representative, will be your voting delegate if the need arises in one of the general meetings.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And you're speaking of the Palm Beach County league of Cities...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Palm Beach County...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...[Inaudible]?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...League of Cities.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. So, we'll start at the top. The first one..., and, and basically what we do is, we, we've all had an opportunity to look at what these meetings entail. If you have not had an opportunity to go onto any of the websites to see what the organization, or the, the Board is about, it's there to take a look at. Basically, just have a conversation and kind of see who's interested in using what. We have a regular and an alternate. And, a lot of..., they're all open for discussion for placement. I know that Mr. McCoy did mention in a meeting, he wanted to be considered for one of the Boards, he announced that about a week or so ago. But, if it comes down to where..., usually we're able to kinda talk and discuss our way through it without having to take a vote, per se, but if we need to take a vote, if someone's dead'..., two people or three people are deadest on a specific Board, then we'll just take a vote on..., and, and be able to resolve it in that manner.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: We do have public comment cards on this Item. The acceptance of public comment cards on this Item is now closed.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. So let's go with that, public comment cards.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Fane Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

MR. F. LOZMAN: I just wanna preface my remarks , when I ask a question, if it's a reasonable question, I expect an answer, i.e., the Torcivia law firm and what's going on with the settlement and Mr. Tradrick. How..., why..., we have a new lawyer who Gagnon hired on his own with Botel's approval. I mean, you know, how are these things being done? So, when I ask a question, I expect an answer. Botel, look, she's laughing and mocking. There's three elected officials..., by the way, all three of you would've been elected even if Jonathan Evans was here, with the year of getting rid of the incumbents. You're not beholden to Botel with her little corruption. [Inaudible], you know, all three of you would've been elected regardless. Remember that. It's the year of voting out incumbents.

Botel, she didn't make a disclosure. What disclosure should Ms. Botel have made to you guys tonight? Who has she been dealing with at the county? I have a memo that she's been dealing...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Are we speaking of the Boards...

MR. F. LOZMAN: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Mr. Lozman?

MR. F. LOZMAN: Yes. I'm getting to that point. Who has been dealing with at the county for the last five months to stop the development of my properties, and my neighbor's, along North Ocean Drive? There's a memo to that effect. This woman should not be on any county Board, as far as I'm concerned. You know, maybe the School Board, but anything that deals with money, anything that deals with land use, anything that deals with any of that, she should have nothing to do with it. I have enough to recall you, Ms. Botel, and I'm gonna do it. How's that? I'm gonna around the eminent domain crowd, we're gonna get you out of there, 'cause you're not an honest person. You just sit there and mock.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mr. Lozman...

MR. F. LOZMAN: You don't follow the rules.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...speak...

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...to the Board, please.

MR. F. LOZMAN: I do not want Botel on any Boards with the county that deal with land use,...

[Inaudible audience comments]

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...that deal with money coming to the City...

[Inaudible audience comments]

MR. F. LOZMAN: ...that deal with anything. She doesn't..., she, she has gone around the..., this Board and the past Board for the last five months, tryna rally county opposition to our development. Okay? That's what the truth is. And she's cost the City a lotta money. Who's paying Difendorfer's bill? We are. Who gave you authority to hire that attorney, Ms. Botel, and Gagnon? Where'd that come from? By the way, the..., it was new business tonight, the moratorium. It wasn't on the Agenda, there was no vote. She said, 'Oh put the moratorium on the Ag'...' No, no, no. I want a vote of the five of you, if you want your Staff to spend time and get an outside attorney to talk about the moratorium. She doesn't run the show here, the five of you do. The moratorium wasn't an add-on. I don't want it on the next Agenda and I don't want her on any of the Boards that deal with land use, that deal with revenue, that deal with Marina issues, that deal with [inaudible]issues. No. Botel, you can keep laughing all you want. Pardo did the same thing, and so did Guyton and look at them now, they're not elected officials in Riviera Beach, lady.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Inaudible audience comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Is that it?

MR. F. LOZMAN: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Just one?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. The Bioscience Land Advisory Board. Currently, Ms., Councilwoman Botel was the regular member on there. Do we have alternate for all of the Boards...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...that we... Hold on one minute. Should we have an alternate for each one?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That's the decision of the Board, of whether or not they want an alternate for all of the Boards [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Yeah. I, I think we should have it. Now, whether we need to utilize it, that's another story.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair, in addition to speaking with Richard...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Radcliff.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Thank you, Radcliff, from the League, I also spoke with Chip Armstrong. I should've made an [stammer], I should've disclosed, disclosed this, I suppose. I've been speaking with Mr. Chip Armstrong because I go to..., I regularly go to the environmental Subcommittee of the Economic Development Committee of the Palm Beach North Chamber. So, I spoke with him, and I spoke with Dave Markarian who runs the Governmental Affairs Committee, and they would prefer it if we.., if everybody [chuckle] came to every meeting. They would like to have as much, as would Mr. Radcliff, as much participation on the part of this Council, as possible. It happens that I've been going. I think, perhaps, because I'm the only one us that doesn't have a real job and so [chuckle]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But, the thing is, with all of these Boards, we can all attends, that's fine to do and no one stops anyone from attending, but you do have one person that's assigned on the Board...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:And that, that's true. In the case of the League, there is one voting, and one and, like I said...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right. But people...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...but not in the case...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Everybody can participate.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:But not in the case of the Chamber.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Everybody can't go to the Chamber meetings?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:No. Everybody ca'...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:everybody can and should go to as many...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...as possible, yeah.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right. And that's what I'm saying with all of these Boards, everyone can attend, but we always just have one person designated for that particular Board for just being able to bring back information just in case some, some people are not able to go. And then, there are times and, you know, with the TPA, where you do have to make decisions, but again, you bring the information back. So, we all can attend all of the meetings, but it's important that we assign someone as a regular Board member, or Committee member and then an alternate should that person not be able to attend for whatever reason.

Alright. So, we have the Bioscience Land Advisory Board. Is there anyone.., Dr. Botel is current on that. Would you like to maintain that, or you would like to... No?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Tell you the truth, they never reached back to me, so.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Anyone interested in serving on that Board?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Which one is that one?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: The, the first one, Bioscience Land Advisory Board. And if we don't.., some of these Boards, if we don't.., no one's jumping at it tonight, that's fine. We can come.., bring this back at another time. So, we don't have anyone right now for Bioscience Land Advisory Board? [Pause]. Alright.

Next one, Coastal Council. Currently, ha'.., we have Councilwoman Botel as the regular.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes. I'd like to continue. I've been very involved with the Lake Worth Lagoon habitat group and with as, as someone has previously mentioned, with ERM. I've very, very interested in what the.., what ERM does. I do spend a lot of time having conversations with the pur'.., about the purity of the water in the Lake Worth Lagoon, keeping it as sacred as it can be kept, and trying to prevent any unwarranted

development that might damage that Lagoon in every'.., in anyway. And so, I would like to maintain any of those contacts that I've already established.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Is there anyone else interested in having the regular...

MR. F. LOZMAN: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...position... Excuse me.

MR. F. LOZMAN: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Is there anyone else? Point, point of order, please.

MR. F. LOZMAN: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else...

MR. F. LOZMAN: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...interested in serving as the regular Board member for the Coastal Council?

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. So...

MR. F. LOZMAN: [Inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Botel would be the regular. Anyone interested in the being an alternate? [Pause]. I'll, I'll put my name down as an alternate for that one.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. The Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency, formerly known as Metropolitan Planning Organization. The regular members was Councilwoman Hubbard, the alternate was Councilwoman Davis Johnson. Anyone interested...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'm interested in that one.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...in being the regular?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yeah. I'm interested in that one.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Now, you know, with this one, there is a mandatory meeting that you do have to go to and participate. Matter of fact, I think one is in the morning at 9:00, I believe. Somewhere in Delray, if I'm not mistaken.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Huh?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Palm Beach County.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Three.., 301 North Olive.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: In, in West Palm tomorrow? Is it tomorrow?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: But, it's tomorrow, right?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: It's with the county, right?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes, it's... Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. I don't know why I thought it.., I heard it was in Delray tomorrow for...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Oh.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...some reason.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Oh, it's...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Oh...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: ...tomorrow?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: It.., I'm almost certain, yeah. I believe my husband serves on it and...

UNK: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...I think he said Delray tomorrow morning. I think. But, someone can look it up if you wanna take a look at it and we can come back to that one if you want, or if you wanna go ahead and...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: It is tomorrow.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...commit... Yeah. Is it in Delray?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Delray Beach Municipal...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...Golf Club.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yeah.

[Chuckles]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: 9:00 a.m.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And they me'..., they meet monthly? Is that...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Monthly. Okay? Is that something you are able to do, Ms. Lanier?

[Inaudible comment]

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I think I need to look at the schedule. I mean, is it the same time every month?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You'd have to look...

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...at the schedule on there.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yeah. I have to look at the schedule...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: ...[Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. But, you want me to go ahead and put you on for now?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And then if...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: ...I'll get it straight with my employer.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: And Madam Chair, I'll serve as an alternate for that one.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yep.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. North County Intergovernmental Committee. Regular, we had Councilman Davis. The alternate was Councilwoman Botel.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:As far as I know, we've only had one of these meetings since I've been elected. I went.., I attended, it was just a week or so ago. I don't mind doing it, it's, it's [stammer], I would be happy to serve as the regular.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: As the regular. Anyone else interested in serving as the regular committee person for this one? Alright. So, Botel, I'll put you as the regular. And, alternate, anyone interested in alternate?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I'll take the alternate.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: If, if no one else...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. North Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Regular was Councilwoman Davis Johnson, the alternate was myself. Yes, Mr. Lawson.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I'll serve as that regular...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I would...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...board member.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're interested in doing the regular?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else interested in doing the regular?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I've attended all of the meetings that they've had since I've been elected, and I would be happy to continue to do so.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: To do regular or alternate?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Regular?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. So, because we have two people that are interested in it...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I can... It doesn't matter to me to be..., I can be an alternate.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You'll be...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:[Inaudible]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...the alternate?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:It doesn't have any voting authority, so it doesn't...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...really matter.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So, you'll be the alternate?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Sure.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...that's funny, 'cause that's, ironically, the one I brought up.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Is that the one...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I know you did...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: But, you know what?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Oh, is that the one...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh, I forgot.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: But [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's why I said you better talk...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...tonight 'cause I forgot about last week.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Put him on as the...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: ...completely forgot that's the one you... You can have it.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: No, no, you got it. You got it.

[Chuckles]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: 'Cause I'm, I'm on Intergovernmental. That's good enough.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Which one? So, for North...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: [Inaudible]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Palm Beach Chamber [inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I'll take it.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You gotta bring it up today, 'cause I don't remember what happened last week. But you..., I do reme'..., recall that.

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: North Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce, so we're going with Mr. Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. But you're more than welcome to attend, Mr. McCoy. Lawson and Botel for... Alright. Palm Beach County League of Cities General Members. Regular is myself, and the alternate was Councilwoman Davis Johnson. This is a organization that I..., this year was a little..., I didn't attend as many, but in the past, I've always attended the League meetings, as well as the Florida League of Cities, and the National League of Cities, and I've participated on quite a few of the committees, on all three of those levels. So, I would like to continue with that, unless someone else is interested in it.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I'm not interest, but I do wanna say to my colleagues, it's really very important to attend the League of Cities luncheon...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible].

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...'cause they happen one a month, they're very..., they're local. We, we do [stammer] wed do them over at the sailboat..., Sailfish, Sailfish Marina, and they're..., it's really a great way to interact with other municipal officials and I would encourage you attend them.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, this one here is for the, the county one where they...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:[Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...have it at different... But when they..., but then they have a separate...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:District.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...one where they do the District. Right. And they have it with a few smaller cities. So, this one is a, a monthly thing and I, I think you all may have received some information on that. And it's, you know, all municipalities come every months and, you know, they..., you learn a lotta information. So, that one is definitely one that you would want to attend if you can. It's very quick, 11:30 to 1:00 and it's over.

Alright. So, everyone okay with me maintaining the regular?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Who would like to do the alternate?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: If nobody... [Pause]. I'll take the alternate.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You want the alternate? Palm Beach County School District. The regular is currently myself and alternate was Botel. Anyone interested in that? Now, one of the interesting things is they're meeting is usually the same night as our meeting.

[Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, it's been very difficult, I know for me, to get to the School District meeting, but I have worked, you know, as well as Dr. Botel has worked with Dr. Robinson. But if someone is interested in, in having that seat, that would be fine with me, otherwise I can keep that if you'd like.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I can continue as alternate.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Or you wanna reverser roles? And if nobody's interested.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: But...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And I'm just curious, so, is the Mayor prohibited from being in..., do you have to be a voting member?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Traditionally, the Mayor's' never been on it, but I don't know. Is..., I don't know. Traditionally, they've never been on it.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I mean that particular one [inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well, I mean...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're talking about any?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I mean, he can attend all of them, but I, I don't know..., I don't have the answer to that.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: I don't know. We haven't ever looked at it, so. We can look at it and let you know.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. How about she'll look at it, we go on as is and if we find that he can, then we can come back and if somebody wanna give it up, if there's something that he wants, then we can do that. Traditionally, the Mayor hasn't. So, I mean, it just never came up, but you're more than welcome to always attend, and we encourage you to attend all of those, as many as you can.

Alright. So, School District we said myself, and then alternate or are we reversing roles?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:No. You can...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Alright. Myself the regular and Botel for School District. Palm Beach Northern Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Council. Regular was Hubbard and alternate was Davis Johnson.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:They might've been regular and alternate, but I was the only one whoever went to the meetings, so.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:[Chuckle].

[Audience chuckles]

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:So, I don't mind continuing that role. However, if, if there is..., this may be one where we should alternate. The meetings are fascinating, there, there really is some good..., great topics discussed. They have, they have good presentations, so it would be, it would be nice if somebody else could kinda get on board with them too, 'cause they really are interesting meetings.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Is that one..., McCoy, is that similar to..., would that make up, somewhat, for the one that Mr. Lawson stole from you.

[Chuckles]

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I think you would enjoy..., I think you would enjoy these.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: It, it, it addresses land use. I'll be happy to go on it..., I..., schedule for me... Put me down.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. We got Mr...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:[Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...McCoy for the regular, for Palm Beach North Chamber, and Botel alternate?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes. But...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...we...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Huh?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:We should keep in good communication about who's going to the meetings 'cause we do wanna have [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible]. Ya'll just show up together, that's all.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Palm Beach Northern Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee. Regular...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...was Botel, and alternate was Davis. Oh, this sounds like the same, just a little different.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I can continue to...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Or one or the other, it doesn't matter to me 'cause I'm gonna go to all of 'em anyway.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Or, I should say, by the way... Sorry, Madam Chair? The Economic Development Council has a subcommittee on the environment and I'm a part of that subcommittee. And, using plastic straws won't hurt anybody's business.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Botel, regular, for Palm Beach Northern Chamber of Commerce government Affairs Committee. And alternate? Who's interested in alternate?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Come on now. Let's spread the, let's spread the love here.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'm taking the last two.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Sure.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Absolutely, yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Alright. Port of Palm Beach. Regular was Davis, with a first alternate, and I think the reason we had two alternates, is 'cause they just...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: It just kinda...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Stammer]...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...happened that way.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Huh?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: It kinda...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We just wanted it...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: They all just wanted it, so we don't have to have two alternates, unless you all just dying to be on it. And I...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...can tell you, I will not be on it, so.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Don't worry about me.

[Inaudible comment]

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I'm interested in that one.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Anyone else? Alright. Lanier. And, by the way, they have a meeting tomorrow at 4:00 o'clock.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: [Chuckles]..

[Chuckles]

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Everyone I pick, my meeting is tomorrow, right?

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Alternate. Anyone interested in being an alternate?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I'll be an alternate.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Anybody else want another alternate or no? Alright. So, we'll just have Lanier as the regular, and Lawson as the alternate. And, the Riviera Beach Education Advisory Committee. That's currently being.., it's a little.., it's very much different from the School District one. And then the alternate was Davis Johnson. So, unless someone wants it, I don't mind keeping it. But if someone else would like it, that's fine too. Anyone? For the Riviera Beach Education Advisory Committee?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: No.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. I'll keep that...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: But I'll take the Council though. I'll take that next one.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: What about an alternate for Riviera Beach Education Advisory Committee?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Do you meet regularly? 'Cause I, I keep having...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...it in my calendar...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. We...

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

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...were but we have not.., we stopped maybe about three months ago, when basically, when Dr. Robinson was into her election. And so, we're gearing back up.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Do you always meet on Thursdays?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: It's..., it's, it was the third Wednesday we were meeting.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Oh.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Third Wednesday at...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Thursdays are a holy day of obligation for my group. [Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. It was on third Wednesdays at 11:00..., from 11:00 to 1:00.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Then, then I'll be the alternate.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Alright. Riviera Beach Business Council, was regular Davis Johnson, alternate was Hubbard.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Yeah. Madam Chair, this is an interesting group. It's devolved into sort of a subset of the Palm Beach North Chamber, as far as I can tell, and their focus had been almost exclusively on logistics, which is great. I mean, we have a huge need for promoting jobs in the logistics industry in Riviera Beach, given that we have the Port, Tropical, you know, Cheney and [stammer], a num'..., a number of other groups. So, I've been sort of incorporating that work. The head of, the head of this is Rick Murrell from Tropical and Rick Murrell serves on my Workforce Development Task Force, as the head of the logistics strand, if you will. So, I, I don't mind sort of continuing to fold that into the work I'm doing with the Workforce Development Task Force.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Anyone else interested in...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...the regular position?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I'd welcome help...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yeah. I'll be alternative...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You're gonna be... Okay. So, Botel, regular and Lanier, alternate.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: While you and Councilperson Botel were talking about..., on the Board, Councilperson Lanier stated something about serving..., I don't know if you were saying that you were gonna serve on the next Board or...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: She said something..., she was gonna take the next two.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay. Take the...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Or that...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: ...next two?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...she wanted the last two or something, you said, right?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: As an alternate, as a regular?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No. No, we went down the names.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: She didn't say anything. L Yeah. So, what we have for Bioscience Land, no one for regular, no one for an alternate right now. Coastal Council, Botel and Miller-Anderson. TPA, Lanier, and then Lawson is the alternate. North County Intergovernmental, Botel and McCoy as alternate. North Palm Beach Chamber, Lawson and Botel as alternate. Palm Beach County League, Miller-Anderson and McCoy as alternate. Palm Beach County School District, Miller-Anderson, Botel as alternate. Palm Beach North Chamber of Commerce Economic Development, McCoy and Botel as alternate. Palm Beach North Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs, Botel, and Lawson as alternate. Port of Palm Beach, Lanier, and Lawson as alternate. Riviera Beach Education Advisory Committee, Miller-Anderson, Botel alternate. Riviera Beach Business Council, Busi... [Chuckle] Business. Botel, and Lanier as alternate.

Okay? Alrighty. That sums that up. And you'll find out, Attorney Wynn, regarding the Mayor and if he'll bring back that an'...

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Or, you'll email us and let us know. And then we'll know whether or not to bring it back and have another discussion, to add him if there's something he wanna...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...participate on.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Do we need a vote?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we need to vote to accept the slate that we just...

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...agreed on?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: In the past, Madam Chair, there was just a consensus.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Let's take...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: [Stammer]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Let's take a vote to accept the slate that we just...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: I make a motion to accept the slate we just discussed.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

18.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Item No. 18. Dis'... Go ahead and read your item.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION REGARDING HIRING THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER AT A SALARY ABOVE THE CITY MANAGER'S HIRING AUTHORITY.

COUNCILPERSON TRADRICK MCCOY (561) 845-3686

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, we do have public comment cards on this item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: The acceptance of public comment cards on this Item is now closed.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a motion? Oh, we don't have a motion. No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: It's a discussion Item.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. Alright. Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Madam Chair, at the recommendation of Councilperson McCoy, this Item was added back to the Agenda. And just let me make it clear that the Item was initially put on for, for the Board not to approve the selection of the candidate, but only to approve the additional pay for the candidate.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Were you able to, to have a conversation with the second best candidate, to see whether that person was will to come? As I understood it from my conversations with one person in IT, he was a very, very good candidate, very strong. We never got to see his resume even, as far as I know. We only got to see Dunn. Will we have an opportunity to see the resume of the second choice?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Again, this Item was only for you all...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...the Council to approve...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Okay.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...the additional pay, not...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Okay. Not the ca'...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...the candidates.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Okay. But... Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, for Mr. Dunn, you did go back to him and, and told him about the concerns, and you said.., didn't you say that he did not want to accept anything under the...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Right.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Correct.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...the higher amount, right?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Right.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. And so, Mr..., I know Mr. McCoy wanted to bring the Item back.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well, Madam Chair? No.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: If you remember, the motion said it's postponed to a later time. It didn't...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mm.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...say..., because...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...I think the Clerk sent us something that there was no definitive up or down vote. The motion said to postpone until a later time.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: So, I thought that was to give other Members time to kinda understand and review the backup, unless I'm wrong. So...

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I was clear. I'm not sure about everyone else, but it was basically the one twenty-eight or nothing. He, he wanted the one twenty-eight, and if we weren't really willing to... What was it?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: One twenty-two [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: One twenty'... If he...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...we weren't willing to approve the one twenty'...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Right.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...\$122,000, that he wasn't interested in the amount that Ms. Hoskins was able to do under her authority. And so, basically, I mean, we..., it was put off and I think that came up... I wanna say that may have come up because someone, and it could've been me, the, the argument about hiring anyone period, at this poi'..., juncture, when Ms. Hoskins is going out, a new Manager's coming in. And also, if there were other people that were interested, if they knew they had an opportunity to make a little more money on it, they were then cut out of the, the process. Because it wasn't, you know, it wasn't advertised as such. I know..., I recall you spoke about the, the, the rate study that we had..., not the rate study, the...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: [Inaudible]...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Compensation study, and saying that it was, you know, may..., if we had moved through with that, then the amount may have been a little higher anyway. And, as compared to other cities, we may be a little under what everyone else is doing. So, because we didn't make a vote on that night, we basically would be making the vote tonight to say, 'Yes, we're okay with the \$122,000,' and then if we're not with..., okay with that, then we would vote it down, and then she would, again, go back to him again. I, I mean, he already said not but she would have to go back to him again and say, 'Listen, I can't give you anything above my authority.' And so, he would either take it or leave it, and then from that point as the Manager, or Interim Manager, would pick up the reins to either go and hire the next person or choose to wait. It would be up to the Manager from that point.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:I thought we already decided, [stammer], maybe I'm wrong, I'm not gettin' any younger, but I thought we, we sort of aid, no, we di'..., once you..., once the City Manager came back with the revelation that he wouldn't accept anything under the twenty-three percent, or twenty-two percent increase, that we're gonna move to the next..., move on in the process. I could be wrong.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Well...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:That's what I thought.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Actually, I think, at the first week of me getting computer access, the..., one of the first emails I got from the Clerk was that..., clarifying what the motion was. Now, that may have been discussed, but here's another correction I wanna make. It seems to suggest everything has to wait on a new Manager. This too is out of the scope of the new Manager because the Evaluation Committee screens the applicants. The new Manger's involvement, am, am I correct, Ms. Hoskins? It's only in the..., extending the offer and negotiating the salary. Am I right?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The panel that we used to screen the applicants made a recommendation. So, if the new Manager, when he comes in, wants to throw out and advertise all over again, I mean, that would be up to, up to him.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And, and clarify. He would be able to throw out the whole entire process, or not on an applicant?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The, the process.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: But not a particular applicant? Would he be able to reject an applicant that the Evaluation Committee put forth?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I guess he could go against the recommendation of the eval'.., Evaluation Committee.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay. And would that come in a separate item delineated that the Manager recommended 'A' and the Evaluation Committee recommended 'B'?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Not if it's not above his ten percent authority.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:So, for'.., forgive me. The hour's late and sometimes I get groggy. Explain to me exactly what happens if we reject this gentleman. Or no, we're not rejecting the...

UNK: The amount.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...gentleman, we're ejecting the amount. If we reject this amount, then what will happen?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: The Manager will then either go back to him to say this the only thing that I can offer you under my authority...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Right.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: He either takes it or he doesn't...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:And if he...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And then the...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...doesn't?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...Manager goes, and move forward in whatever way they need to move forward.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:We're not, by saying no, we're not stopping the process, we're just rejecting the notion that somebody should come in twenty-three percent above...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Right.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:...the [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That's...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: And, and...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Ma'...

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: ...keep in mind...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: I'm sorry. That's provided if we still have other applicants, because these interviews occurred months ago. So, I mean, if [sigh], you know, Councilwoman Botel, with all due respect, if there's some other hesitation you have, I would ask that we kinda bring it to the table, but, you know, I don't wanna wait forever and ever on every single item, because I'm tellin you, I'm gonna mysteriously be sick if I have another special meeting to come to.

[Chuckle]

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Because I had a sick son that had the flu this week and it has been really a challenge. So, I mean, I, I would hope that.., and, you know, I've been hustling inside of City Hall and the City Administration to meet with Staff to get clarification, but at some point, you know, you know I, I'm ready to move forward on some of those things.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, we can move forward and make a motion tonight. It, it.., we're only authorizing.., the, the motion would be to authorize it or not, and that's the extent of our involvement. Outside of that, it's the Manager's move. Next.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I just want clarif'.., clarity on the salary range that was actually advertised for this position.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, sir. Madam Chair? [Pause]. The advertisement was ninety-eight to, I'm sorry, [pause], I think one twenty-four.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: I believe it was one forty, last...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Or, one.., let.., hold on...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yeah.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Hold on. [Pause].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: It can't be that if we're doing the one twenty-two.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Ninety-eight to, I'm sorry. Yeah, it was one forty-two. I'm sorry.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And it's coming to us because it's above...

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: The...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...the range?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Right. It's above... I can only give...

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: I only have authority to give up to ten percent. So, ninety'..., ten percent of ninety-eight..., it, it would put that person at \$108,000.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: So, Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: So, the clarity that I wanted to make is that, t's within our budget that we actually advertise for this position. Being that it's just over the minimal salary of \$98,000 that., Ms. Hoskins, that's why she brought it to the Board, but if we look at an average of this position across all municipalities, we're actually still in the lower end if we give him the \$123,00..., or, the \$122,000 he's asking for. So, we're still within the budget that we've outlined. So, it's not outside of this twenty-three percent that keeps being discussed, it still fits within the budget that we've already set.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Do we have a motion?

[Inaudible comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I'm sorry. We have public comment?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Go ahead.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Mary Brabham, Fane Lozman.

MS. M. BRABHAM: I just have some insight on this particular Item here. Who will watch...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: State your name, please. I know we know it, but...

MS. M. BRABHAM: Ms. Mary Brabham.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Riviera Beach.

Who will watch the hen in the henhouse? We've gone through this with the IT guy, and publicly admitted that the text messages were professionally, and intentionally deleted. Now, this guy keep coming up, and he keeps ringing in our ears too. Now, when we pull the Scripts report here, emails and texts between the three have sin'.., since gone missing, the suit alleged. Defendant Riviera Beach, publicly admitted that he text messages were professionally, and intentionally, deleted. Who's gonna watch the hen in the henhouse? If you so happen to approve this, what guarantee that we have, that to get this here, 'cause [stammer] because I keep, I keep hearing this particular Dunn man. He's so great, he's this and he's that. Who's to say, that he can't come in here and erase some of these pertinent information here. You need to think on these things here too, because, to, to put a guy in this place here and let him just do what he wants to do, because there's a lotta critical in'.., information here, that perhaps you all are not aware of, but the rest of these people that have worked here, knows about. And if these peoples that's previously worked here, these are good points here. Now, now you can dissect it the way that you wanna dissect it. But who's gonna watch the hen in the henhouse? To make sure that it will be clarity here, and nothing will be deleted? Because you all are our new Board, and, and, and we're looking at that. We want someone that will be honest. We want someone that do not have ties here and there. We want someone to come in and do the due diligency of preserving and protecting, and make sure that you all are safeguarding. We cannot trust these people. But if we find someone that is up and board, that will give their oath, and it is a hen that's watching in the henhouse, because there's too much here that has gone on. When, in this report here, on January 16, 2019, Commissioner Botel and KaShamba Miller dissented on this \$50,000 that Scripts paid. For them text messages here. That was deleted. Now, now, now, now.., no, you dis'.., dissented. The rest of the three Board voted to give Scripts, Scripts [inaudible] that \$50,000.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

MS. M. BRABHAM: Because they could not find the pertinent text.., texts that were in our system. And we know that, that they were there.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. M. BRABHAM: They were professionally deleted.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

MS. M. BRABHAM: And the guy took the fall, and the corporate got away.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Fane Lozman.

MR. F. LOZMAN: Fane Lozman.

I always loved Mary Brabham's entry. Mary Brabham! Fane Lozman!

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening.

[Chuckles]

MR. F. LOZMAN: No. 18. We're on No. 18, right?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, sir.

MR. F. LOZMAN: The.., I, I think you should have.., I think you should give the City Manager some discretion on how to conduct hiring practices. Maybe if she had some discretion, we wouldn't have all these Interim department heads all over the place. You know, it's interesting because I have the, the.., I wrote it down earlier this evening and it talks about... There's a advertisement on LinkedIn, right now, regarding the, the City Manager position. And the City Manager position for Riviera Beach, an actual advertisement to hire a City Manager, and it talks about how the, how the City Manager that's hired, and I guess that applies to the current City Manager also, how they should have prior experience. And it says, must be dynamic leader with proven track record...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: This is regarding the Chief Information Officer's salary.

MR. F. LOZMAN: That's, right. I'm gonna explain it to you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

MR. F. LOZMAN: In the ad that's on LinkedIn right now for the City of Riviera Beach, it says:

'The City Manager must be a dynamic leader with a proven record in managing a municipality.'

MR. F. LOZMAN: Okay? So, based on that history, you know, a permanent City Manager, they have a lot of experience in managing municipalities, they've had a lot of experience managing personnel. This easy thing for you guys to do, is just say, 'Here, here's the salary range for ten department heads. You're on your own.' You just had a Charter amendment where you said you would not interfere in that process. You wouldn't tell City Staff what to do, you wouldn't tell the City Manager what to do. So, I'm saying get a list of the top ten department heads, give a range. You already are hiring a City Manager that based on the ad and based on the Charter, has prior experience, you don't need to micromanage them. And that comes up to my earlier discussion, why is Botel micromanaging the, the meeting with Gagnon and the Chief Building Official, and all the other department heads and the City Manager, why is she in there?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Chief Information Officer.

MR. F. LOZMAN: The Chief information Officer should be, based on the recent Charter amendment... Keep mocking me, Ms. Botel. You're an immature lady if you keep playing game.

[Inaudible comment]

MR. F. LOZMAN: But we know that already. You're the same, you sit there and mock, act childish, great. The Chief Information Officer should be.., with a Chief Information Officer or any other department head, at the beginning of the term, when you're sworn in and you say here's the.., or the budget thing, he's the price ranges.., I mean the salary ranges, go for it. We don't need to be involved anymore. Do not micromanage a City Manager that has prior experience. And that's what it comes down to.

So, that, that, that should explain what the answer is.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. Is that it?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Do we have a motion or for discussion?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Move to approve, Madam Chair, if there's nothing else.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lawson?

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Lanier?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson McCoy?

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Botel?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Miller-Anderson?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is.., fails with Councilpersons Lanier, Botel and Miller-Anderson dissenting.

DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright. Discussion by City Manager.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Yes, Madam Chair. It has been alleged that calls for a solicitation of monies have been made to Riviera Beach residents from, from someone claiming that they are representing Riviera Beach Fire Department. While we can't

confirm that these calls are being made, we want to advise all residents and business owners, that Riviera Beach Fire Rescue does not solicit funds in any way. Should you receive a call for solicitation of funds on behalf of the Riviera Beach Fire Rescue, it should be considered as fraud. If you have already received a call and made any donations, please contact the Riviera Beach Police Department.

Also, I have another announcement, Madam Chair. Or...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: My closing..., last closing remark...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: ...before going into retirement.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: At this time, I wanna thank you for the opportunity to serve the citizens of Riviera Beach for thirty-one years. I realize how fortunate I have been to be a part of an organization whose stakeholders are engaged and resilient. I have also realized that this experience has made me stronger, yet humbled and grateful. And I leave you with this quote by the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.:

‘If you can’t fly, then run. If you can’t run, then walk. If you can’t walk, then crawl. But whatever you do, you have to keep moving forward.’

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.

[Applause]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: [Inaudible] put all my stuff up, I’m not done just yet, huh? Let’s see. Alright.

DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Discussion by Attorney. And I’m sure we’ll all give our, our goodbyes to Ms. Hoskins as we do our closeout.

[Inaudible dais comment]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh no. I’m yawning.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: You know better.

CITY ATTORNEY WYNN: Nothing, Madam Chair.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: That was a good one. Alright.

STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mayor Felder.

MAYOR FELDER: No comment, but just want to say congratulations. Thank you for your hard work, your hard service for thirty.., thirty years? Thirty-one years?

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Thirty-one.

MAYOR FELDER: I bid you Godspeed.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Councilwoman Botel.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: I also wanna say best wishes to you in your retirement, Ms. Hoskins. It's been a pleasure working with you this past year. I've enjoyed your professionalism and, and your dedication to the City. I very much appreciate it, and I'm sure all of our citizens do as well.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Councilman McCoy.

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY: Thank you, Madam Chair. Ms. Hoskins, thank you so much. I appreciate the time that we had to work together, and I will be calling you on Monday, right after Easter.

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Councilwoman Lanier.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Congratulations. And I wanna add, these are statements, right?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: I wanna add something so that we can have it for the Agenda next week.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Ya'll about up to fifteen, twenty Items already. Okay.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: No, no.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Please speak into the mic.

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Every time..., I'm sorry.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Pull your mic...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Every time that the Council asks questions, I want the never next meeting for them to have answers. Which means that, there should be somewhere on the Agenda, those questions that we ask and those..., they can send them to us before, or they can be a part of the Agenda, that we have to get those questions answered because I sometimes I forget, and sometimes I have a list of questions and I come back and I don't have any answers.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: So, they can, they can always email us with those responses. We don't have to wait until the next meeting, so that would be a directive for...

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...us to make sure that the Manager, or the Attorney, ensures that we get the answers back to us in a timely fashion.

Councilman Lawson.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Ms. Karen Hoskins, thank you so much for your years of service. As the only City Manager I've with, I'm very excited and proud of you, and I commend you on your future endeavors.

The few announcements I do have, is this Saturday, there's a Stop the Violence, Increase the Peace Basketball Camp. It's a free camp that's hosted annually by Lolly Lorenzo. He's a local resident, born and raised. He's actually gonna be here..., the event is Saturday, April 20th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It's a free basketball camp for the community. It's gonna be a Dan Calloways. The Rise Against Violence Easter Extravaganza, the young lady that spoke earlier today, is gonna be Sunday, April 21st, from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. I want to ask the Council if they could support me in providing funding for that, made payable back to the Park & Rec Department, over \$500 for the next event. I spoke with Mr. Blankenship, he said the option would be to add it as a Resolution to the next..., as a community benefit, to the next Agenda Item, to provide a \$500 donation towards her event that she's hosting this weekend.

And, last would be the scheduling a workshop. I wanna see how quickly we'd be able to schedule a workshop with Mr. Evans, some type of retreat workshop so that we could all, as a Council, get on the same page. Being that we didn't get the opportunity to interview him, per se, I wanna have the opportunity to have a workshop to determine what the Council is, as a Board, what we wanna do, what direction we wanna have. So, possibly adding that immediately, as quickly as we can to the Agenda, that we can move forward with an Agen'..., with a workshop or retreat.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: And the, the couple announcements is just a reminder of.., to reach out to him and, and, if you would like to have a meeting with him on Friday or Saturday so you can have your one on ones. And, we definitely.., you may wanna have one on ones with Ms. Jacobs as well. So.., she's with us during this transition time. And then, after that, once we're.., we're working.., tomorrow, as of tomorrow, we will start working on the contract negotiations for Mr. Evans. We were working on the one for Ms. Jacobs, since that one was the priority, we'll be working on the negotiation contract.., the contract negotiations for Mr. Evans starting tomorrow. And then, we'll.., once that goes through, we'll know a better idea of how long we're talking. If he accepts to come back, how long before he can come back. And so, that would kind of dictate what type of retreat. I think we could probably still move ahead, because we can at least start having a conversation and meeting with department heads and have a retreat, but, you know, obviously, when the person comes in as the Manager, we would need to kinda probably do it again, and, and that's fine as well. I mean, since we're all kinda coming together, the more the better. So, we can take a look at doing that, you know, maybe in the next.., within the next month. We typically do it on, like, a Saturday. It depends on if we need two days. If it.., depending on how much we want to discuss, we've done a Saturday and a Sunday. And so, if you all wanna just get something in your heads and we can put that on the Agenda, just have a discussion about when we want to do it, and what we want to.., what's.., what are some of the topics that we want to discuss during that time, so when we come back, we can talk about what weekend or how many days we wanna do. Alright.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: A just slightly pressing issue. Who is processing our community benefits requests?

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Huh?

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: [Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: What do you...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: I'd like to participate but...

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: I mean, we can do our own. We can do our own, you just need to learn the s'.., the... Well, Diedre won't be doing it.

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL: No. I know.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Right. So [chuckle]. But no, we, we, we can.., they can give us the directions...

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL:Okay.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ...on how to do it. Yeah. That's not a problem. And they can give us all the training if we all need one. And, I know Ms., there's a few other people and..., that can help us out with it. But, we can do it. We just need the steps on how to do it. We'll, we'll survive.

UNK: We'll figure it out.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We'll figure it out. And, and, and, you know, we have six..., we have until, what is this September? Is it September 1st?

COUNCILPERSON LANIER: September 30th.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. September 30th. Yeah? September 30th, so we..., I mean, we have time, but we'll, we'll work on that. And I'm sure Mr. Blankenship will figure it out for us so that he can get that.

Alright. Last but not least, I'd like to thank Ms. Hoskins. I know we started off...

[Chuckles]

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We started off... We ended up so close towards the end. You know, I appreciate her stepping in. It wasn't a very, you know, it wasn't a comfortable situation to get herself into but I do appreciate her, and I've always respected her as a person, and I appreciate her stepping up because we didn't have anybody that would. Well, we had one and then he said, 'Look, two weeks, I'm gone.' I'm like, 'Okay.' So, you know, I, I truly appreciate all of your dedication, just being able to follow through and get things done. And, I just wish you the best of luck. I mean, anybody that can put in thirty years [stammer], thirty plus years on any job deserves that. And..., and deserve that time off. And so, I, I appreciate it, and I wanna say thank you and I'm..., I wasn't really... I'm crying a little bit but I wasn't really crying. So, thank you so much though.

CITY MANAGER HOSKINS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.

ADJOURNMENT

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: We stand adjourned.

[Gavel]

[End Of video]

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