

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 5, 2020
6:00 p.m.**

PRESENT AT MEETING¹:

MAYOR RONNIE FELDER	MAYOR FELDER
CHAIRPERSON JULIA A. BOTEL- DISTRICT 4	CHAIRPERSON BOTEL
CHAIR PRO TEM DOUGLAS A. LAWSON - DISTRICT 5	CHAIR PRO TEM LAWSON
COUNCILPERSON TRADRICK MCCOY - DISTRICT 1	COUNCILPERSON MCCOY
COUNCILPERSON SHIRLY D. LANIER - DISTRICT 3	COUNCILPERSON LANIER
COUNCILPERSON KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON - DISTRICT 2	COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON
CITY MANAGER JONATHAN EVANS	CITY MANAGER EVANS
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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AUGUST 5, 2020 @ 6:00 P.M.**

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

[Before meeting discussions]

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Botel: I call to order the Regular Riviera Beach City Council meeting for August 5th. The time is 7:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Botel: Madam Clerk.

City Clerk Anthony: Mayor Ronnie Felder? [Pause]. Chairperson Julia Botel?

Chairperson Botel: Here.

City Clerk Anthony: Chair Pro Tem Douglas Lawson?

Chair Pro Tem Lawson: Here.

City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson Tradrick McCoy.

Councilperson McCoy: Here.

City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson Shirley Lanier? [Pause]. Councilperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Present.

City Clerk Anthony: City Manager Jonathan Evans?

City Manager Evans: Present.

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

City Attorney Wynn: Here.

City Clerk Anthony: You may proceed.

Chairperson Botel: Thank you.

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32 **INVOCATION**

33 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

34 **Chairperson Botel:** We'll have a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of
35 Allegiance led by Councilperson McCoy.

36 [Moment of silence]

37 **Councilperson McCoy:** I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America,
38 and to the republic for which stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and
39 justice for all.

40 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

41 **Chairperson Botel:** ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO COMMENT
42 PUBLICLY ON ANY MATTER, INCLUDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, SHALL
43 SUBMIT THEIR COMMENTS BY EMAIL TO CITY CLERK CLAUDENE ANTHONY AT
44 PUBLICCOMMENTS@RIVIERIABEACH.ORG. THE EMAIL SHALL CONTAIN THE
45 APPLICABLE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS, ALONG WITH THE PRECISE WORDING
46 TO BE READ INTO THE RECORD. EXPLICIT LANGUAGE WILL NOT BE READ.
47 EMAILS WITHOUT APPLICABLE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS WILL BE READ UNDER
48 THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION. BE ADVISED, PUBLIC COMMENTS
49 WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR EACH APPLICABLE ITEM AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC
50 COMMENT SECTION UNTIL CLOSURE IS ANNOUNCED BY THE CHAIRPERSON
51 OR THE CITY CLERK.

52 ALL EMAIL ADDRESSES AND SUBMITTED COMMENTS ARE AND WILL BE
53 PUBLIC RECORD. THE CITY CLERK OR DESIGNEE WILL READ PUBLIC
54 COMMENTS INTO THE RECORD AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME FOR NO MORE
55 THAN THREE MINUTES, UNLESS THE TIME LIMIT IS REDUCED BY A VOTE OF THE
56 COUNCIL BASED ON THE VOLUMINOUS NATURE OF THE NUMBER OF PUBLIC
57 COMMENTS.

58 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
59 AT 561-845-4090 OR EMAIL CROBINSON... THAT'S C-R-O-B-I-N-S-O-N AT RIVIERA
60 BEACH.ORG.

61 **AGENDA APPROVAL**

62 **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS**

63 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have any additions or deletions to the Agenda? Or
64 substitute...

65 **City Manager Evans:** Yes.

66 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans.

67 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair. From City Staff, we did modify the
68 Agenda to add Item 17, which is Resolution 69-20 for the acquisition of computing
69 devices. And that is.., been added to the Agenda. And then, based on the actions that
70 the CRA Board of Directors took, we are asking that Item 16 be pulled from the Agenda.
71 And we can discuss the impact as a result of this particular Item as part of our budget
72 discussions that will happen starting August 10th with the City Council...

73 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

74 **City Manager Evans:** ...concerning that particular Item.

75 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Madam Clerk, did you make those changes?
76 Madam Clerk?

77 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair. But I also need to advise the Board that
78 on Item No. 2 where it says May 13, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes, it should read
79 May 13, 2020 Special City Council Meeting Minutes. There were revisions made to Item
80 No. 3 in the footer. The footer originally stated May 15, 2020 and it was changed to May
81 13, 2020.

82 Also, Madam Chair, Members of the Board, Item No. 14, there were additions and
83 revisions made that to that particular Item. The Resolution number was added, the
84 funding source was added into the header of the Resolution. And, Section 1, there was
85 scrivener's error in the original published agenda, the word COVID was misspelled in the
86 second whereas clause. There is [inaudible] of a fourth whereas clause, and there was
87 a modification to the formatting.

88 Also, in Item No. 15, the Resolution number was included on the attachment.

89 And, that concludes the revisions that I have, Madam Chair.

90 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Anything else? Okay.

91 **DISCLOSURES**

92 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have any disclosures by Council? Do we have any...
93 That's it, I think.

94 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

95 **Chairperson Botel:** Would anyone care to make a motion to adopt the Agenda?

96 **Councilperson McCoy:** So moved.

97 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

98 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Do we have any public comments, Madam Clerk?
99 Or, no. Sorry. Madam Clerk, go head.

100 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

101 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

102 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

103 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

104 **City Clerk Anthony:** Has Councilperson Lanier joined us?

105 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

106 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes, I'm here. I'm sorry. I'm trying to get, I'm trying to get it
107 up on my, my laptop but yes.

108 **City Clerk Anthony:** Let the record reflect that Councilperson Lanier is present.
109 Councilperson Lanier?

110 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

111 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

112 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

113 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

114 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

115 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

116 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

117 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

118 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I just wanna make sure that it is on record for
119 this particular meeting as to why I do not have my camera on. So, [inaudible] just sharing
120 what the basis is.

121 **Chairperson Botel:** Did, did you want to make a statement about that or would
122 you like me to say?

123 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No. Ms. Wynn can just say what..., how we, you
124 know, what...

125 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

126 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[inaudible].

127 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Ms. Wynn.

128 **City Attorney Wynn:** Yes. Ms. Miller-Anderson is..., has her camera off, she is
129 present, due to illness.

130 Thank you.

131 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

132 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you.

133 **CONSENT AGENDA**

134 **Chairperson Botel:** The Consent Agenda.

135 **Chairperson Botel:** ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE
136 CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION.
137 THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A
138 COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE
139 REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS
140 NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.

141 **MINUTES**

142 1. DECEMBER 18, 2019 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

143 2. MAY 13, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

144 3. SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

145 4. MAY 15, 2020 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

146 5. MAY 19, 2020 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

147 6. JULY 1, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

148 7. REAPPOINTMENT OF ONE (1) MEMBER TO THE CITY'S LIBRARY
149 ADVISORY BOARD

150 AMY DICKINSON, INTERIM LIBRARY DIRECTOR, 561-840-0155

151 **RESOLUTIONS**

152 **COMMUNITY BENEFITS**

153 9. G.C.I TRAINING AND EMPOWERMENT CENTER - \$2,000 - MAYOR RONNIE
154 FELDER - THESE COMMUNITY BENEFITS WILL GO TOWARD HELPING

155 **BUSINESSES AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT DO NOT HAVE ACCESS**
156 **TO THE FEDERAL DOLLARS DUE TO LACK OF ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS.**

157 **10. SOW GROW-COMMUNITY BENEFITS REQUEST - \$3,000 - COUNCILMAN**
158 **TRADRICK MCCOY - THE COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUNDS WILL BE PROVIDED TO**
159 **ASSIST THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WITH**
160 **SUPPLIES TO SUPPORT ITS BACKYARD GARDEN PROJECT.**

161 **11. SOW GROW-COMMUNITY BENEFITS REQUEST - \$500 - COUNCILMAN**
162 **DOUGLAS LAWSON - THE COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUNDS WILL BE PROVIDED TO**
163 **ASSIST THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WITH**
164 **SUPPLIES TO SUPPORT ITS BACKYARD GARDEN PROJECT.**

165 **Chairperson Botel:** Would someone care to make a motion to adopt the Consent
166 Agenda?

167 **Councilperson McCoy:** I wanna pull No. 8, please.

168 **Chairperson Botel:** No. 8. That is the Resolution with the Settlement Agreement.
169 Okay. You can pull No. 8, Madam Clerk. We'll pull No. 8 for discussion.

170 **City Clerk Anthony:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

171 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have a motion and a second to adopt the Consent
172 Agenda?

173 **Councilperson McCoy:** Move Consent.

174 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.

175 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

176 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Second.

177 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

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

179 **Chairperson Botel:** Are there any public comments on the Consent Agenda?

180 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair. Ms. Hall, please. The acceptance of
181 public comments on the Consent Agenda is now closed.

182 **Ms. D. Hall:** The public comment comes from [inaudible]10@yahoo.com. Erica Davis.

183 I think that it is time to revisit the idea of a workshop to discuss how the Waste
184 Management money can be utilized. It seems as though these funds could be put to
185 better use to benefit our residents in this community. Our neighborhoods need
186 revitalization on the westside. Some of our seniors can use paint, roofs, windows, grass

187 and shrubs to enhance their homes, which would improve the community as a whole.
188 \$90,000 is no pocket change and the residents would like to see physical results that
189 would benefit them, opposed to writing surmountable checks to individuals that you
190 personally know. Please consider revisiting the idea.

191 Thank you.

192 That concludes public comments.

193 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Madam Clerk, you can call the roll on the Consent
194 Agenda, with Item 8 removed. [Pause]. We... your, your microphone, Madam Clerk.
195 Thank you.

196 **City Clerk Anthony:** Sorry about that. Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

197 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

198 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

199 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

200 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

201 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

202 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

203 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

204 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

205 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

206 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote?

207 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair? Madam Chair, one, one
208 comment, please?

209 **Chairperson Botel:** Sure. Go ahead.

210 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I, I just wanna point out, Ms. Anthony, we've
211 called that roll in several different variations when we've done that. So, just noting that.

212 Thank you.

213 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

214 **8. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 8.

215 **City Clerk Anthony:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 64-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
216 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
217 FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN THE CASE
218 OF SARA GOODMAN V. THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, CASE NO.:
219 502019CA004472XXXXMBAY, WHICH PROVIDES A DATE CERTAIN TIME FOR THE
220 CITY TO HOST AN IN- PERSON CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP ON THE CRAB POT
221 REDEVELOPMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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223 **DAWN WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY, 561-845-3454**

224 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, we do not have any public comments on this
225 Item. The acceptance of public comments on, on this Item is now closed.

226 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Would someone like to make a motion on this
227 Item?

228 **Councilperson McCoy:** A motion that we don't approve it.

229 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

230 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I'll make a...

231 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

232 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[stammer]... I mean, I'll make a motion.

233 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Can we get a second?

234 **Councilperson McCoy:** Wait a minute...

235 [Inaudible comment]

236 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...so you just disregard my motion?

237 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, I don't know that you can make a motion not to approve.
238 You can make a motion to...

239 **Councilperson McCoy:** You ask for a motion..., I made a motion. Come on, who, who's
240 the parliamentarian here?

241 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I...

242 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

243 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...second the motion.

244 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms., Ms. Wynn, would you resolve this for us, please?

245 **Councilperson McCoy:** I mean, you asked for a motion. I made a motion not to
246 approve it. You're telling me you're just gonna...

247 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

248 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...disregard it?

249 **Chairperson Botel:** Does any'... Excuse me.

250 **Councilperson McCoy:** Ma'..., Madam Chair?

251 **Chairperson Botel:** Does anyone..., does anyone wanna second Mr...

252 **Councilperson McCoy:** No, no, no. But..., what's the process here?

253 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair, I, I second that motion.

254 **Chairperson Botel:** You're, you're asking for me to ask for a second on your
255 motion to disapprove. Ms. Wynn, can I do that? Yeah, okay.

256 **City Attorney Wynn:** Yes. I believe Ms. Miller-Anderson just seconded that motion,
257 correct? I'm sorry, Ms. Lanier.

258 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Lanier...

259 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

260 **Chairperson Botel:** ...seconded it. Alright.

261 **City Attorney Wynn:** Okay.

262 **Chairperson Botel:** Let's call for the..., this is a vote on not..., on making'..., he's
263 made a motion not to approve this. So. It's a little..., it's a little... I'm sorry. I won't say
264 what I'm gonna say. It's a little backwards but.

265 **Councilperson McCoy:** Don't say it, Doc.

266 **Chairperson Botel:** No, I won't say it.

267 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

268 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm not gonna say it. So this is a..., this essentially is a motion
269 to disapprove this, which [stammer]... Right. A motion to disapprove. I would like to
270 have some discussion on this motion to disapprove. I have a question for Ms. Wynn.
271 Has this Settlement Agreement..., [stammer] this is a legal Settlement Agreement that
272 we've apparently reached with Ms. Goodman. What are..., what's the outcome, if, if this
273 vote carries and it is not approved?

274 **City Attorney Wynn:** Well, let me give you some background first. You all., I
275 don't., and I don't have the date in front of me, you approved the Settlement Agreement
276 with Ms. Goodman in this same matter some time ago. However, we were not able to
277 come to an agreement with Ms. Goodman as to the date of the workshop that she
278 requested.

279 **Chairperson Botel:** Right.

280 **City Attorney Wynn:** So, that's why it's coming back to you because we did finally
281 come to a, a date on the workshop. If you don't approve it, we will continue to go through
282 the litigation with Ms. Goodman and let the court decide what should occur.

283 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Anything else, Mr. McCoy?

284 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes. I, I have some., I got some statements and I got some
285 questions but I'm hoping I'm in a, in a venue, or even in a situation where it's okay to be
286 different, and it's okay to disagree, or it's even okay to proffer something that I would
287 consider my own idea without it being met with so much resistance and, and challenge.

288 **Chairperson Botel:** [Stammer]...

289 **Councilperson McCoy:** I mean...

290 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy, I wasn't challenging you. I wasn't sure that it was
291 appropriate or legal to make a motion not to adopt something...

292 **Councilperson McCoy:** We, we set the rules.

293 **Chairperson Botel:** ...rather than to making a, a motion to adopt something and
294 then let it., and then it go through the process. But, go right ahead. I., please...

295 **Councilperson McCoy:** But, but, you know...

296 **Chairperson Botel:** ...don't take my... Please don't take my...

297 **Councilperson McCoy:** But, Madam Chair...

298 **Chairperson Botel:** ...question as, as...

299 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...you know, systematically, when you said so moved, when
300 you say it so quickly, we're ultimately agreeing to the terms of whatever is stated in the
301 Resolution. And that's always, just like in the last meeting, causes us heartburns and
302 unintended consequences.

303 Now, here's the first thing that I'm gonna point out. I'm not meeting in person.
304 Okay? So, as much as the Settlement Agreement that Ms. Goodman has proposed to
305 the City and to the Council Members, not to Ms. Wynn but to the Members of this body,
306 the five voting Members, I'm not meeting in person, so that's why I don't agree with that.

307 Secondly, I don't agree that we should be settling a matter where there's, without
308 getting too much in detail, but with..., I don't agree that we need to always take the avenue
309 of settling a case where clearly there's a, a citizen who had to petition court for redress.
310 And, in particular, this situation, which I'm kinda familiar with, that we have to kinda go
311 back and review certain elements just to have a seat at the table. While I certainly
312 appreciate, and I'd probably be one to cheer someone on that avails themselves to that
313 right but I don't agree with the Settlement Agreement, nor the terms. And I'm not going
314 to make myself available to meet in person regarding this action, regarding this case.

315 So, I..., that's my reasons for not wanting to support the Settlement Agreement.
316 But I certainly support Ms. Goodman in her efforts in bringing this forward to..., at this
317 point.

318 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Ms. Lanier.

319 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I, I agree and I made a second for this Item but I would love
320 to hear from the Pro Tem Lawson about this issue because that is in his area in terms of
321 he..., District 5 is all over..., all over the City but I would love to hear Mr. Lawson's
322 comments about this Item, please.

323 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson, your comments.

324 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes. I actually wanted to have the workshop to hear from Ms.
325 Goodman but I was in agreement that a virtual should be sufficient for the Council since
326 we've been having all of our meetings virtually, in addition to actually moving forward with
327 this Item because it's been pending like everything else in the City for a number of months.
328 And, whether we move forward, or we don't, we, just as a Council, need the right to make
329 that decision. If we don't agree with the settlement, at least during the virtual meeting,
330 then going through and waiting on litigation is just gonna delay development, or no
331 development, depending on what we, as the Council, decide to do with this project.

332 So, that's why I'm inclined to wanna move forward with this..., having this
333 discussion, allow for Ms. Goodman to present for her one hour. But I would strongly
334 recommend that we do this virtually.

335 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Miller-Anderson.

336 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. That was one of my concerns in regards
337 to meeting in person, but I do understand Ms. Goodman may have had [audio out] why
338 she wanted to do it in person but I am hes'..., very hesitant to meet in person. And..., I
339 mean, that's where I am with it. I, I don't have a problem with hearing her, her presentation
340 for the hour though.

341 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. I, I had the same concerns, and so I called Ms. Wynn
342 earlier today and asked if it could be modified to have a virtual meeting and I think that
343 her sentiment is that we could probably arrange for that, but I'll let Ms. Wynn expound on
344 that.

345 **City Attorney Wynn:** Right. When we negotiated the settlement, we preferred to
346 have a virtual meeting. Ms. Goodman was of the opinion that she would not be able to
347 provide all of her documents virtually. We, we offered to assist her to have Ms. Noel, she
348 has the Novus, assist her with uploading her documents, whatever she needed. When I
349 spoke with, I can't remember whether it was you, Dr. Botel, or Ms. Miller-Anderson, I
350 stated that, you know, we would be.., if you recall your last meeting, I believe in the
351 Chambers, we would be socially distancing. We would have it.., we would.., I've already
352 talked to Mr. Blankenship about the setup, we would have the one podium in the middle
353 of the floor. Whoever did not feel comfortable attending in person would be able to attend
354 virtually until we were ready to set up for all of that.

355 If we do not move forward with her live and in person request, we are looking at
356 late fall, early 2021, which is why we wanted.., we agreed to it, just to.., as Mr. Lawson
357 said, to move it forward. And one way or the other, when it eventually gets to Council,
358 you all will decide whether this is a project that you want to move forward or not. But this
359 was.., this workshop is a one hour workshop in an attempt to get out of the lawsuits and
360 move the project forward.

361 **Chairperson Botel:** And if we did it in person, you, perhaps, I'm just saying, I'm
362 putting you out there on the front CO'.., lines of the COVID, you and, and Mr. Evans and
363 Ms. Goodman could be there in person and if we chose to be there virtually, it would still
364 be an in person meeting because you would be there in person? And we would be
365 there...

366 **City Attorney Wynn:** Absolutely.

367 **Chairperson Botel:** ...virtually. Okay. Thank you. Mr. Evans.

368 **City Attorney Wynn:** Right.

369 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm sorry. Were you raising your hand or... Okay. Keep your
370 hand down. [Chuckle]. Ms. Lanier. Ms. Lanier.

371 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. I do wanna say that I wanted to, even though I, I second
372 that motion with, with Mr. McCoy, I really would like to hear.., and, Mr., Mr. Lawson did
373 say what he wanted to say but I really wanted to hear from him in terms of this in person
374 and how this should really work out because I know that he has worked really long and
375 diligent on this project right here. So, I really want to hear from him in terms of how we
376 should proceed with it.

377 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Councilwoman Lanier. I would proceed with the
378 recommendation that we move forward with the Settlement Agreement. And if anyone
379 would like to join in virtually, and if it allows for it, with the settlement, we join in virtually,
380 and proceed with the Settlement Agreement on August 11th.

381 **Chairperson Botel:** Anything else from anyone? Mr. McCoy.

382 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Well, Members, I mean, I'm more than okay if you
383 choose to amend but I'm gonna renew my same position. I just wanna make sure..., that
384 I ask some scheduling questions. So, Mr. Evans eluded in the CRA meeting that we were
385 meeting on the 10th. This is being suggested of the 11th, and then there's a City Council
386 meeting on the 12th. Am I not mistaken? I'm sorry, CRA meeting on the 12th. So, three
387 consecutive days?

388 **City Manager Evans:** Three, three consecutive days, three consecutive meetings.
389 Yes, sir.

390 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, I, I, I vote that we don't approve the Settlement
391 Agreement and I renew that. So, unless another Member wants to amend, then that's
392 where I'm at.

393 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, it's very difficult to deal with a negative motion. So, I
394 think the best way to do this, for clarity sake would be to vote on the negative motion. If
395 that's voted down, Ms. Wynn, do you wanna make a suggestion?

396 **City Attorney Wynn:** Or, if Ms. Lanier..., if she wants to, can withdraw her second.
397 And...

398 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh.

399 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...if Mr. McCoy doesn't get another second, then his motion
400 would fail for lack of a second and then a new motion would be made.

401 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Ms. Lanier, do you wanna withdraw your second?

402 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Stammer]... No. I'm gonna keep the second that he
403 proposed. I'll keep that second.

404 **City Attorney Wynn:** And...

405 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

406 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...and just... I, I think maybe..., I don't know if you wanna
407 rephrase it or not, Mr. McCoy, but it might make it easier for everyone if you made a
408 motion to delete the Item, or you can call the question on the way you phrased it initially.

409 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I voted not to approve the settlement, so I wanna make
410 sure that I'm sending a message back that we shouldn't be settling these kind of
411 agreements.

412 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. So, we'll vote on Mr. McCoy's negative motion not to
413 approve this settlement. Ms. Wynn, you trying to say something to me or? No.

414 **City Attorney Wynn:** No. I was talking to someone else. Thank you. Sorry about
415 that.

416 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Sorry. Alright, Madam Clerk. Again, this, this is not to
417 approve so, if you're voting yes, you're voting against the settlement. Go ahead.

418 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson...

419 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk.

420 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...M'... Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

421 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No. I'm, I'm, I'm District 2.

422 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. Right.

423 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

424 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

425 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

426 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

427 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

428 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** No.

429 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

430 **Chairperson Botel:** No. Now would someone...

431 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion...

432 **Chairperson Botel:** ...like to...

433 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...fails with Councilperson Miller-Anderson, Lawson and Botel
434 dissenting.

435 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Now, would someone care to make a motion to adopt
436 this Resolution?

437 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So moved.

438 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Would someone...

439 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Second.

440 **Chairperson Botel:** ...care to second? Thank you. I don't think we need any more
441 discussion. Madam Clerk.

442 **Councilperson McCoy:** I have a question. Actually, I... Never mind.

443 **Chairperson Botel:** You know, when my eyes roll back into my head so far you
444 can only see the whites, you know [chuckle] what that means, Mr. McCoy. Madam Clerk.

445 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

446 **Councilperson Lanier:** No.

447 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

448 **Councilperson McCoy:** No.

449 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

450 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

451 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

452 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

453 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

454 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

455 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilpersons McCoy and
456 Lanier dissenting.

457 **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

458 Madam Chair, Members of the Board, let me bring your attention to the time of
459 7:37. Public comments is to begin at 7:30. What's the pleasure of the Board.

460 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, let's get them done then. It's time.

461 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – 7:30 P.M. – NON-AGENDA ITEM SPEAKERS**
462 **(Three Minute Limitation)**

463 **Chairperson Botel:** PUBLIC COMMENTS SHOULD BE LIMITED TO ISSUES,
464 MATTERS AND TOPICS PERTINENT TO THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH. PLEASE
465 BE REMINDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED RULES OF DECORUM
466 GOVERNING PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING OFFICIAL MEETINGS. PUBLIC
467 COMMENTS SHALL BEGIN AT 7:30 P.M., UNLESS THERE IS NO FURTHER
468 BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL WHICH, IN THAT EVENT, IT SHALL BEGIN
469 SOONER. IN ADDITION, IF AN ITEM IS BEING CONSIDERED AT 7:30 P.M., THEN
470 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC SHALL BEING IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ITEM
471 HAS BEEN CONCLUDED.

472 **ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO COMMENT PUBLICLY ON ANY**
473 **MATTER, INCLUDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, SHALL SUBMIT THEIR**
474 **COMMENTS VIA EMAIL TO CITY CLERK CLAUDENE ANTHONY AT**

475 PUBLICCOMMENTS@RIVIERABEACH.ORG. EXPLICIT LANGUAGE WILL NOT BE
476 READ. BE ADVISED PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE
477 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION UNTIL CLOSURE IS ANNOUNCED BY THE
478 CHAIRPERSON OR CITY CLERK.

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480 ALL EMAIL ADDRESSES AND SUBMITTED COMMENTS ARE AND WILL BE THE
481 PUBLIC RECORD. THE CITY CLERK OR DESIGNEE WILL READ PUBLIC
482 COMMENTS INTO THE RECORD AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME FOR NO MORE
483 THAN THREE MINUTES, UNLESS THE TIME LIMIT IS REDUCED BY A VOTE OF THE
484 CITY COUNCIL BASED ON THE VOLUMINOUS NATURE OF THE NUMBER OF
485 PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED.

486 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
487 AT 561-845-4090 OR EMAIL CROBINSON@RIVIERABEACH.ORG.

488 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk.

489 **City Clerk Anthony:** Ms. Hall.

490 **Ms. D. Hall:** The first public comment comes from email address
491 sp500trda@yahoo.com.

492 The City of Riviera Beach has been holding Code Enforcement hearings at the
493 Marina Event Center for a month. Social distancing and masks are worn at these
494 hearings. So that begs the question, why are City Council meetings not being held at the
495 Marina Event Center? The City Manager has said on two occasions that City Council
496 meetings would be held in person, yet his representations, as is his modus operandi, are
497 worthless. The Palm Beach County Commission has continued to hold all its meetings
498 in person at the County Commission Chambers and Botel recently attended a meeting. I
499 have had a number of conversations with religious leaders on the westside and they are
500 disgusted that Julia Botel has not been replaced after her racist comments relative to the
501 black residents, the Singer Island beaches and by orchestrating and demanding the firing
502 of Ladi March Goldwire, a black woman who refused to follow Botel's illegal directives.
503 There are emails that prove how Botel has repeatedly given illegal orders directly to City
504 employees in her blatant violations of the City Charter.

505 It is disgusting that Botel and Gagnon coordinated, not only the removal of Ladi
506 March Goldwire, but they were part of the conspiracy to make sure that a black man,
507 Bovell Richards, who has been with the City for fifteen years and is the Assistant Building
508 Official was not named the permanent Building Official. Instead, Botel and Gagnon saw
509 to it that a retired white Building Official was given a job as Chief Building Official. Their
510 behavior is disgusting and shows the puppet that Jonathan Evans has become by
511 kowtowing to Botel's every whim.

512 Contrary to what Botel may want the residents to believe, my Singer Island
513 properties are not public beaches but are private property. I have multiple incidences of

514 theft, vandalism and trespass on my property. The majority of these incidences have
515 been memorialized by the Riviera Beach police in the police reports they prepared when
516 they responded to my properties. Yet, Botel and Gagnon continue to illegally target me
517 and ins'.., insisted that my fence permit be rejected. Well, I have news for you, I will be
518 installing a fence to protect my property. It is irrefutable that Botel and Gagnon have
519 engaged in criminal conduct that would automatically result in their termination from the
520 City upon arrest. Why the State Attorney has not yet criminally charged Botel and Gagnon
521 given the overwhelming evidence of their misconduct, it's likely based on the future
522 political aspiration of the State Attorney, but it is not determinative of the facts.
523 Fortunately, the federal authorities have also interviewed many City employees and a
524 federal charging decision is totally independent of any decision by the State Attorney.

525 Fane Lozman.

526 The next public comment was con'.., submitted by email address
527 rexyx@gmail.com.

528 Is the City Council aware that City Manager Evans hired a permanent Building
529 Official that started on Monday? A quick review of the federal lawsuit filed by the former
530 Chief Building Official, Ms. La'.., Ms. Ladi March Goldwire, the case docket is available at
531 pacer.gov, shows that Ms. Goldwire has a very strong case against the City. Ms. March
532 should easily [stammer] prevail before a jury of her peers, and after paying Ms. Goldwire
533 millions in damages, the City will have to reinstate Ms. Goldwire in her former position as
534 the City's Chief Building Official. Once the facts of racial targeting of Ms. March by the
535 City's Development Director, Jeffrey Gagnon, and Councilperson Julia Botel are made
536 public, the City needs to be prepared for a race riot if Ms. March were to somehow lose
537 her federal jury trial. Either the Council or the Mayor should hire a retired law enforcement
538 officer to conduct an independent investigation into the threat and intimidation of Ms.
539 Goldwire by Jeffrey Gagnon and Chairperson Botel. Once that investigation is complete,
540 then Mr. the City leaders can make a decision as to the appropriate path, whether it be a
541 civil action or a criminal referral against the above-named individuals that targeted and
542 coordinated the firing of Ms. Goldwire based on her race.

543 Sincerely, Rex Cox, Riviera Beach.

544 Madam Chair, that concludes public comments.

545 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you so much. Item No. 9. Oh no, sorry. Sorry. Item
546 number... Let me see, where were we?

547 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair...

548 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, do we have..., we have...

549 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...we're on Item No. 12.

550 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

551 **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONHS**

552 **Chairperson Botel:** 12. We have a presentation. Thank you.

553 **City Clerk Anthony:** **PRESENTATION OF THE RE-ENTRY PROGRAM'S**
554 **COLLABORATIVE SOLUTION TO RESTORE OUR PEOPLE AND OUR**
555 **PROPERTIES: A NEIGHBORHOOD RECLAIM PRESENTATION AND OPPORTUNITY**
556 **WITH THE URBAN FARMERS PROGRAM INITATIVE.**

557 **ORIE BULLARD, JUSTICE SERVICER CENTER DIRECTOR, 561-840-3143**

558 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this
559 Item is now closed. And we do have public comments.

560 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

561 **City Manager Evans:** Madam...

562 **Ms. D. Hall:** The first...

563 **City Manager Evans:** ...Madam Chair.

564 **Ms. D. Hall:** I'm sorry.

565 **City Manager Evans:** I'm sorry. Go ahead.

566 [Inaudible comment]

567 **Chairperson Botel:** Wasn't me. I don't... I think it was the Clerk you heard. Mr.
568 Evans...

569 **City Manager Evans:** It, it was... It was me. You can go ahead with the public
570 comments. I'm sorry.

571 **City Clerk Anthony:** Ms. Hall?

572 **Ms. D. Hall:** The first public comment comes from Tracy Howard,
573 tracyhoward09@yahoo.com.

574 Hello. My name is Tracy Howard. I would like to share my reaction after viewing
575 the redeveloped home at 950 West 1st Street in Riviera Beach with Terry Booty, President
576 of Ur'., Urban Farmers, Inc. and Orie Bullard, Reentry [stammer].., Reentry Center
577 Director. The renovations on my brother's previously owned family home are
578 breathtaking. Personally, the restorations render a nostalgic aura of a home near the
579 beach. I simply mean that it offers a beautiful, serene environment that says, 'Welcome
580 home.' The transformation presents a delightful, yet impressive view of the mainland.

581 The next comment comes from email address deoncab@gmail.com.

582 Leadership of Riviera Beach, in this moment in time, solutions require risk, the ex-
583 offender on-the-job training program harnesses the talent our black men coming home to
584 rebuild our community. I implore that you would allocate the same level of resources and
585 funding as Police, Fire and other critical departments. Urban Farmers, Inc. model of
586 training and building is the call to action. Their model provides a real solution for the
587 betterment of lives change and the community.

588 Thank you for your time.

589 D. Brown.

590 The next comment comes from Mervin Wright, mervinwright@gmail.com.

591 I'm writing this email to support the program of Urban Farmers, Inc. and the
592 Reentry Center.

593 The next public comments comes from Chikia Wright,
594 cwright@urbanfarmersinc.com.

595 I am in favor of the reclaim efforts. I know the model works and would like the
596 Council to consider more projects like this.

597 Regards, Chikia Wright.

598 The next public comment comes from Chaka Khan Tucker. And that's
599 chakakhan89@gmail.com.

600 This email is to support the program with Urban Farmers, Inc. and the Reentry
601 Center.

602 The next public comment comes from Alex Scott. And it's
603 alex@manuelvscott.com. Dear leadership of Riviera Beach. Inc. International, Inc. is an
604 educational consulting company that has helped thousands of schools and organizations
605 raise student achievement, intercultural competence and leader efficiency in forty-nine
606 states, and on six continents. And, we have helped prevent thousands of dropouts and
607 suicides. We have engaged millions of students and leaders to achieve their personal
608 and organization goals. To that end, we have partnered with Urban Farmers, Inc. since
609 [stammer], since its inception as a solution to provide opportunities and skills for ex-
610 offenders. For years, they have provided hope and purpose to some of the most
611 vulnerable people in our community. Urban Farmers literally builds communities,
612 produces capable, competent members of society, reduces recidivism and improves our
613 world.

614 Please extend whatever resources are at your disposal to help ensure Urban
615 Farmers, Inc. can continue in this cosmically significant work. Your investment would
616 help to transform lives, sustain families and impact generations to come.

617 Please contact me with any questions.

618 Sincerely, Manuel Scott.

619 Madam Chair, that concludes public comments.

620 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Evans.

621 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. Madam Chair and Members of the City Council, certainly
622 it's an exciting day for us to share this program with you but I know that our Chairperson
623 of the Health & Human Services Committee has adopted this particular element as their
624 own, and has been a big cheerleader for the program. So, I would envision that
625 Councilperson Lanier will also be making the introduction of the presentation. And she's
626 already told me, 'Mr. Manager, I believe in this program so when we get to the budget
627 conversations, you can anticipate me asking, how can we look to continue to facilitate
628 what's happening.' And one side note, we had a resident call today, or actually
629 Wednesday, or not Wednesday, Tuesday and expressed an issue and a concern that
630 they had nowhere else to turn and I asked the Staff to reach out to Orié and his team is
631 able to address that issue for that resident. And that's something that's so exciting
632 because they have, you know, turned everywhere and to have this program in our
633 community that can facilitate, you know, teaching a trade but also addressing something
634 for our senior citizens, is certainly very exciting.

635 So, without further ado, I'm gonna turn it over to Councilperson Lanier to make the
636 presentation.

637 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I wanted to say that working with Orié Bullard, who's the
638 Director of the City's Reentry Program, working with Annetta Jenkins, who is the Director
639 of the CDC and the CRA's Reclaim Program. And also, working with Terry Booty, who is
640 the Director and the CEO of the Urban Farmers Program. This program.., the reason
641 why I brought this forward to the Council was, for one reason and one reason only, it was
642 because it was a collaboration between the CRA, the CDC, the City.., the City of Riviera
643 Beach and a private or nonprofit entity. I wanted to show the community that, guess what,
644 we can work together.

645 Now, you know, people'll say, I'm just gonna be honest with ya'll now, people'll
646 say, you know what, people don't know how to work together, people don't know how to
647 just, you know, work together and make something happen but these programs make
648 sure that it is a.., the, the community knows that.., and as I always say all the time, and
649 I've said this numerous times, that it is not my money. This is the resident's, the City of
650 Riviera Beach, the people who live in this City, this is your money that we're talking about
651 here.

652 So, what I want to do, is I want to make sure that, that not only is that one person
653 coming out of their pocket but everybody who is involved with this, is coming out of their
654 pocket to be able to bring something to the City of Riviera Beach, to the people who are..,
655 we consider to be... And say, 'Oh, they're ex-felons,' and, you know, 'they done went to
656 jail.' No, those are returning citizens. Those are people who are paying their debt to
657 society, and they're coming here to the City of Riviera Beach and because, guess what,

658 they live here. They're from here. And they come here to be able to say, 'You know what,
659 I don't want you to be back on the street,' or, what they call recidivism, to be back in jail,
660 to be going back to Gun Club, to be going back to any type of federal or state prison in
661 the State of Florida. We are giving an opportunity for people who are coming out of jail
662 to be able to, you know, do what they need to do.

663 And, I'm gonna turn this over to Mr. Orié Bullard who is the Director of the City's
664 Reentry Program.

665 **Justice Service Center Director Bullard:** Thank you, Councilwoman Lanier. I
666 appreciate that, and we also, you know, appreciate you'.., your support. As stated, my
667 name is Orié Bullard and I'm the proud and excited Director of the Riviera Beach Reentry
668 Center. One of the only fully operational reentry centers in the State of Florida. And so,
669 we've been that since 2007, we started. And so, I have with me two of our, two of our
670 collaborators, Terry and Ms. Jenkins. I'll just have them kinda introduce themselves, and
671 just kinda give a quick synopsis of, of their role in this, in this process. Ms. Jenkins.

672 **Ms. A. Jenkins:** Good evening, Councilpeople, Councilpersons. I'm Annetta
673 Jenkins, as you know, with the Community Development Corporation, and also I work
674 with the CRA. And we are very proud to be in this collaboration, bringing our reclaim
675 effort and our resources to the table and our ability to leverage dollars. And, I know in a
676 few weeks, when we're able to preview the first home in this pilot project, you're gonna
677 be proud of us.

678 **Councilperson Lanier:** Good evening...

679 **Mr. T. Booty:** Alright. Leadership, my name is Terry Botty, President and CEO
680 of Urban [inaudible – audio breaking up]...

681 **Chairperson Botel:** Your, your sound is breaking up a little bit, Mr. Booty.

682 **Councilperson Lanier:** Turn it down a little bit, Mr. Booty.

683 **Chairperson Botel:** Could you.., if you have a...

684 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible]...

685 **Chairperson Botel:** ...earphones and a.., with a microphone it might help.

686 **Mr. T. Booty:** I'm the President and CEO of Urban Farmers, Inc.

687 I just wanted to say good evening and thank you for the opportunity for allowing
688 [inaudible – audio breaking up]

689 **Justice Service Center Director Bullard:** Okay.

690 **Mr. T. Booty:** Is this better?

691 **Justice Service Center Director Bullard:** Yeah. That's, good, that's good.

692 **Mr. T. Booty:** Okay. And so moving forward...

693 **Councilperson Lanier:** Let me say something right quick to my fellow constituents,
694 and my fellow Council Members, is that I really wanted this program.., and, you're gonna
695 see this here, you're gonna see it in about five minutes. 'Cause I do not like to waste time
696 and I do not like to be able to just ponder the, the situation. I want you to see what we
697 have to offer here and then we're going to move on.

698 **Justice Service Center Director Bullard:** Right. And so, I'll, I'll move through this
699 quickly. Hopefully, everyone can see the, the slides. And so, just a quick history. In
700 2017, we applied for a, a grant through the Bureau of Justice Assistance and it was
701 basically a grant based in innovative reentry initiatives. And so, we won that grant with
702 the.., working with the county. And so, we, we wanted to find a way to definitely be
703 innovative but strategic in how we could impact our community and the men and women
704 that are returning. And so, we met with the CDC, with Ms. Jenkins, and we came up with
705 the Neighborhood Reclaim model.

706 And so, we started the project in August of 2019, and so there's a home on 1st
707 Street at 950 West 1st Street in, in Riviera Beach. And so, the CDC acquired the property
708 and we worked with Terry, in Urban Farmers, and provided the training. And so, how it
709 works is basically, we have men and women that are released to this area, and so we
710 provide training throughout the week and they're learning HVAC, masonry, carpentry,
711 plumbing, electrical, landscaping. A lot of different various construction trades. And so,
712 how it works is, they'll do onsite, which is at the, at the project and then they'll come into
713 our office and we do class work.., classroom work. And so, we're working on decision
714 making, problem solving, providing them with supportive services so we, we pay for
715 transitional housing, substance abuse, mental health, all of those different areas to
716 stabilize them while they're learning this trade. And one of the great things about what
717 we're doing is that we work with socially conscious contractors that understand the
718 dynamics and the needs of the people that we're working with.

719 And so, as you look here, on the upper righthand corner in this picture, there is
720 some representatives from Tallahassee that came down. The Florida Department of
721 Corrections saw the model that we did and they're actually releasing a grant solicitation
722 based on the model that we're using here in Riviera Beach. We would apply for that
723 however, they're releasing it for the west coast of, of Florida. And so, they came and did
724 a site visit so that they can pretty much immortalize the model that we have, have here. We
725 also have some county representatives that, that came through. This is our first cohort
726 of men and women that worked on, on this project. So, we have some CDC officials there
727 and other folks there.

728 And so, what we'll do now is just kinda give the opportunity for Ms. Jenkins, and
729 for Terry, to kinda give their perspective of what they do and their role in, in this
730 collaboration.

731 **Ms. A. Jenkins:** I'll go ahead for a minute. The CDC's role is, focus on community
732 development. We are interested in the triple bottom line when it comes to our community.
733 What are the impacts that we could have when it comes to our environment, to our people
734 and to our economy? So, our resources, our efforts are made to revitalizing our
735 community, building up our people and making sure that we leverage opportunities. And,
736 we do everything in collaboration with different partners. We're happy to have the CRA
737 and the City as a partner. So, our role in this particular model was to provide project
738 management, we provided investment capital, we acquired the property and provided the
739 construction dollars to make it happen, as well as leverage other soft dollars through
740 grants and program income.

741 We have married this program to our Riviera Beach first time homebuyers club and
742 we intend to make this home available to one of the people who have gone through that
743 program. So, a Riviera Beach resident will reclaim this home and they'll become a part
744 of the community. The ultimate goal of this program will be, one day, very soon, to have
745 one of the participants, one of our returning citizens to be able to acquire one of these
746 beautiful new homes.

747 **Councilperson Lanier:** And, and, and thank you so much, Ms. Jenkins, because we
748 are almost there because one of the returning citizens that.., who.., has worked with this
749 program is being considered for a job with the City to be able to make sure that this
750 program, you know, escalates in terms of how we're trying to make this grow.

751 Now, when I tell you that I don't wanna spend a whole lotta time, I wanna have,
752 Walter, if you're there, Walter, to show this video right quick, because I want the Council
753 Members to understand what this program is and the fact that I'm really just making sure
754 that it's not just one purse on the table. We want everybody to be involved in ensuring
755 that this type of program is something that the City can get behind, the CRA can get
756 behind and the citizens of Riviera Beach can get behind. So, if you can play that video
757 right quick so that we can kinda let people understand how we are moving with this
758 program.

759 Mr. Bullard?

760 [Video plays]

761 **Councilperson Lanier:** People, with that, with that being said, with that video being
762 played, I just want to have the, the lasting words and the last part of it where Mr. Terry
763 Booty because he was the one who brought this information to the City. Ms. Annetta
764 Jenkins was the one who actually made it happen for the City. And, Mr. Bullard was the
765 one who facilitated it to make sure that this happened.

766 Mr. Booty, could you just make sure that people understand what we're trying to
767 do here?

768 **Mr. T. Booty:** Yes. Good afternoon. I apologize for the technical difficulties I'm
769 having. So, I called in. Number one, I just wanna thank Commissioner Lanier and
770 Annetta Jenkins, Orie Bullard.

771 This program is deeply personal for me. Riviera Beach is where I got my start.
772 You guys have embraced the idea of black leadership, black ownership, black economic
773 empowerment and I am a direct result of that. So, we have an obligation as leaders to
774 figure out how to solve the [inaudible] and things that have challenged our community
775 from.., for decades. The, the collaborative approach to restore our community and
776 pumping resources into the westside, is a testament of what cities should be doing across
777 the nation.

778 Thank you for bearing with me, [inaudible] my friends and my colleagues sent in
779 public comment in support. But, at the end of the day, it's really about the man. These
780 men have gone through the traumatic experience of being incarcerated, being felt
781 like they were worthless. And then, ultimately, being ret'.., returning home without a
782 skillset that ultimately gives them ability to be stakeholders and provide a path forward.
783 The reason why the single family residential model is so important, it is a place that we
784 can gather each day to just build each other up. So, why you're learning how to paint,
785 while you're learning how to, to fix a toilet or put in a window, you're also working on those
786 skills.., those skills to be a better man and to be a better community stakeholder. It takes
787 energy and effort of all. We would not be successful without the detailed case
788 management of Orié's staff. We wouldn't be successful without the, the oversight of a
789 budgetarian like Ms. Jenkins. But at the end of the day, what I'm most proud of, is that
790 prison is no longer [inaudible] for the men that, that work here in the City. They are.., their
791 minsh'.., their mindset has shifted, to that of entrepreneurship, to that of leadership, to
792 that of [inaudible].

793 And so, I just implore all of you guys to ask the tough questions but ultimately put
794 the resources behind the initiative so we can use this model to do all the work that's
795 required in the community.

796 I thank you for your time.

797 **Councilperson Lanier:** And, and I'm gonna say, I'm gonna say three or four things
798 and I'm gonna be done with this. This is to eliminate blight. All of us from District 1 to
799 District 5, all of us have slum and blight in our areas, and we're trying to make that look
800 better for the City of Riviera Beach. Number two, we're gonna'.., we're trying to decrease
801 crime. If we give people who are coming out of jail and coming out of prison, give them
802 opportunities and jobs if we're going to decrease crime. Number three, we're going to
803 increase the property values in our areas, in our neighborhood. And number four, we're
804 trying to get people.., and given the, the, the fact that there are forty million people, and
805 we're in the middle of a pandemic, that we're trying to offer jobs and opportunities to
806 people so that they will not be able, or be in a position to go back to prison or get any of
807 that in their, in their, in their mind. We're trying to be able, as a City, as residents of this
808 City, we're trying to get people second chances and opportunities so that, guess what, all
809 of our neighborhoods look like Singer Island. Let me say it again...

810 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

811 **Councilperson Lanier:** Ms. Botel, we want everybo'..., we want, we want everything
812 to look just like Singer Island, so yeah. But that's...

813 **Chairperson Botel:** That's good.

814 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...what we're gonna try to accomplish here.

815 And thank ya'll so much for listening to this presentation.

816 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. It's a wonderful project, Ms. Lanier. And, I, I
817 salute you, Mr. Bullard and Mr. Booty and anybody else that's..., and Ms. Jenkins, of
818 course. And..., is this the... Ms. Jenkins, is this the housing that the Friends of the Riviera
819 Beach Schools has offered to furnish?

820 **Ms. A. Jenkins:** Well, that would be the next house. So, we're hoping to...

821 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, okay.

822 **Ms. A. Jenkins:** ...[inaudible] and we have plans for our next one already. So, you'll
823 hear about...

824 **Chairperson Botel:** That's great.

825 **Ms. A. Jenkins:** ...that in the next week or so.

826 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, they've done a beautiful job with this one and I, I applaud
827 you. It, it's great. You know how passionate I am about Workforce Development, so this
828 is really taking it all the way. I mean, these guys come away with..., and gals, I would
829 hope, there are some women, I would hope...

830 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes, yes.

831 **Chairperson Botel:** ...there are some women.

832 **Councilperson Lanier:** I wanna, I wanna say one thing, Ms. Botel, there's a lady who
833 works with this program, and...

834 **Chairperson Botel:** Good.

835 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...she does... And let Ms. Jenkins say this, she does better
836 than the men on the program.

837 **Chairperson Botel:** Of course she does, of course she does.

838 **Ms. A. Jenkins:** [Inaudible] because she handled landscaping and, we'll tell you later,
839 at another time about other projects. But the teams are fantastic. And I was so happy to
840 see...

841 **Chairperson Botel:** Great.

842 **Ms. A. Jenkins:** ...two men be so photogenic. And he is so talented. So, thank you
843 for your [inaudible].

844 **Chairperson Botel:** Great.

845 **Councilperson Lanier:** And, and....

846 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright.

847 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...all I wanna say is that this is how we reimagine Riviera
848 Beach.

849 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Right. Thank you so much. Thank you all. Okay. If
850 nothing else...

851 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

852 **Chairperson Botel:** ...any other comments, any... Sorry. Ms. Miller-Anderson,
853 go ahead.

854 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. I just wanted to say, I certainly appreciate
855 this project coming forth to us and it., as you eloquently stated, Ms. Lanier, all of the
856 positives as to why we want to continue with doing things like this to help with decreasing
857 the crime and, you know, just being able to reemploy people who have been formerly
858 incarcerated. So, I totally support it. As, you know, as having a background., well my
859 has a background in construction. It., that is certainly an area where we can quickly
860 employ people that have been incarcerated. So, I, I appreciate the project and it looks
861 very good. I hope we can continue to duplicate it throughout the City.

862 Thank you.

863 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Thank you. Anyone else? [Pause]. Okay.

864 **REGULAR**

865 **13. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 13.

866 **City Clerk Anthony:** **RESOLUTION NUMBER 58-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE**
867 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,**
868 **FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE**
869 **SERVICES TO APPROPRIATE FUND BALANCE IN THE MAJOR DISASTER FUND**
870 **NUMBER 607- 00-271000 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,982.80 FOR HURRICANE IRMA**
871 **DEBRIS REMOVAL; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND**
872 **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO SET UP A BUDGET FOR SAME; AND PROVIDING**
873 **AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

874 **RANDY SHERMAN, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR,**
875 **561-845-4040**

876 **City Clerk Anthony:** The acceptance of public comments on this Item is now
877 closed. Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do not have any public comments on
878 this Item.

879 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Would someone care to make a motion to
880 approve?

881 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So...

882 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

883 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...moved.

884 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

885 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Second.

886 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. It was, it was moved and seconded by both
887 Councilwoman Lanier and Miller-Anderson. So, take your pick. Mr. Evans, did you want
888 Mr. Sherman to present?

889 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair, if I can have the Finance Director, Mr.
890 Randy Sherman present this Item, and Interim Public Works Director Terrence Bailey is
891 available as well.

892 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

893 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Good evening, Mayor and
894 Council.

895 This is the Item that was carried forward from the last meeting. There was a lotta
896 discussion about these two invoices that have been presented to the City for payment.
897 Mr. Bailey was able to go back, secure corrected invoices. If you remember, the invoice
898 dates were 2017. We have now attached corrected invoices, copies of all the tickets and
899 a date of dump that was provided by the contractor, which ties back to those invoices.

900 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

901 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** We'll take any...

902 **Chairperson Botel:** Any...

903 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** ...questions. And, we
904 know, Mr. Bailey is here to answer questions as well.

905 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. McCoy.

906 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you. I appreciate you guys getting this back to us but
907 the Resolution provides that we'll set up a budget. [Stammer].., what is that for? Why do
908 we need a budget? Can't we just, I guess, pay it and allocate it out of the Disaster Fund?

909 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yeah. We wou'.., if, if you
910 approve the Item, we would actually set up a budget, funded from the Disaster Fund, and
911 then pay the invoices against that appropriation.

912 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay.

913 **Chairperson Botel:** Anything else? Ms. Miller-Anderson, anything from you?

914 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No.

915 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

916 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you.

917 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk.

918 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

919 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

920 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

921 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

922 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

923 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

924 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

925 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

926 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

927 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

928 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

929 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

930 **14. Chairperson Botel:** Item. No. 14.

931 **City Clerk Anthony:** **RESOLUTION NUMBER 65-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE**
932 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,**
933 **FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE**

934 **SERVICES TO APPROPRIATE FUND BALANCE IN THE MAJOR DISASTER FUND,**
935 **NUMBER 607-00-271000, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$303,558 FOR SANITIZING ITEMS,**
936 **\$47,300 FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF**
937 **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO SET UP A BUDGET FOR SAME;**
938 **AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

939 **RANDY SHERMAN, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR,**
940 **561-845-4040**

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942 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, the acceptance of
943 public comments [audio breaks up]....

944 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

945 **Councilperson McCoy:** So moved.

946 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

947 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr., Mr. Evans, did you want Mr. Sherman to
948 present this Item?

949 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair. If the Director of Finance, Mr. Randy
950 Sherman and Director Terrence Bailey can present this Item.

951 Just to provide a little bit of context prior to the presentation. As we look to build
952 out the models to safely return employees back to work, we did an inventory of all the
953 items we had in stock, as well as the items that we needed to secure to be able to create
954 the safety barriers to ensure that individuals can be safe in the workplace. The list
955 enumerates a number of things that the City would need to acquire as part of returning
956 back to work and getting us to some form of normality.

957 So, Mr. Sherman, Mr. Bailey, anything else to add to the presentation with regards
958 to the request?

959 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** No. Nothing from Finance.
960 And, take any questions.

961 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy and I have a question.

962 [Inaudible comment]

963 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy.

964 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Madam Chair. So, I was looking at the breakdown
965 of what these costs was. Can you give some insight on what's ex'.., enhanced custodial

966 for \$15,000 a month? And, [pause], that's the first question I have. What, what exactly
967 is that and who does that?

968 **City Manager Evans:** Director Bailey, if you wanna get into the, the nuances as it
969 relates to the items that are articulated in the document?

970 **Interim Public Works Director Bailey:** Yes, sir. Can everyone hear me okay?

971 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

972 **Interim Public Works Director Bailey:** Alright. So, enhanced custodial is bringing on
973 additional assistance in our, in our custodial team. As you know, COVID can last on
974 surfaces for an extended period of time. This is manpower to go around high traffic areas,
975 hallways, conference rooms and wipe down door handles, wipe down communal spaces.
976 Currently, we only have two fulltime custodians and three part time, so that enhance
977 custodial is, as it's stated, additional assistance in increasing our sanitation through
978 wiping down with the appropriate products in all of the City's facilities.

979 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy.

980 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, Mr. Bailey, the custodial team, is that inhouse?

981 **Interim Public Works Director Bailey:** Yes, sir.

982 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, what exactly are we being asked for? Are we asked to
983 provide funding for additional inhouse personnel or are we increasing the current hours
984 of, of the person that we already have?

985 **Interim Public Works Director Bailey:** No, sir. Please understand that we have
986 multiple buildings around and there are too many buildings for our current Staff to, to take
987 care of. You can imagine that, in some high traffic spaces, the door handles and
988 doorknobs are wiped down almost every fifteen minutes. So, between the four Fire
989 Stations, all of the other buildings where City Staff occupy, we're actually looking to bring
990 in a custodial firm for a temporary period while we're in this COVID sort of peak, as we
991 are. And, once we get to the other side and this pandemic slows down, we will not need
992 those services anymore. So, this would be an outside firm for a temporary period while
993 we are dealing with COVID.

994 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Who's the firm?

995 **Interim Public Works Director Bailey:** We haven't selected a firm yet, sir. We'll go
996 through a procurement process.

997 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, this is gonna go out to bid?

998 **Interim Public Works Director Bailey:** I'll be working with Ms. Pemsel on whether this
999 is a straight hard bid, or whether we look for qualifications. For something as, I don't
1000 wanna say specialized but as something in this nature, I think we would rather get the

1001 best firm for a good price, than just the low bidder, because it is related to COVID and,
1002 and our..., and the safety of our employees, we will be really looking at qualifications more
1003 than price on this type of solicitation. But I'll be meeting with Ms. Pemsel to get into the
1004 specifics of the delivery model.

1005 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I would like to know that. Just from looking at it, it's a
1006 \$180,000 for the year. Just from my understanding, that obviously would kinda at least
1007 exceed the threshold to go out for a public procurement process.

1008 Now, what I'm unsure of, and my second question is, if we've already authorized
1009 certain authorities under the pandemic State of Emergency, why wouldn't this already be
1010 encompassed in the Manager's authority? And why does this have to come before us?
1011 Because, if I'm not mistaken, these are all pandemic related expenses according to the
1012 memo? I would...

1013 **City Manager Evans:** That is... I'm sorry, Council'...

1014 **Councilperson McCoy:** Go ahead. Go ahead.

1015 **City Manager Evans:** That is, that is correct. We're utilizing monies from the Major
1016 Disaster Fund to be able to acquire these items, so it takes legislative approval to move
1017 money from that pot of money for us to be utilized for the activities and the items that
1018 we're looking to acquire here. So, the, the authorization and the ability for the Manager
1019 to still operate under the Emergency Declaration is still there but, however, to, to move
1020 the funding from that Major Disaster Fund, we do need legislative approval to do so. But
1021 all these items, we will go through a, a competitive solicitation or a quotation process to
1022 comply with whatever the Procurement call'..., Code calls for.

1023 **Councilperson McCoy:** Follow up. Last question.

1024 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead.

1025 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, when you say we're gonna take this or transfer monies
1026 from the, I guess from the Major Disaster Fund, are you speaking only of the \$303,000?

1027 **City Manager Evans:** The, the total, I think, the \$350,000, I believe.

1028 **Chairperson Botel:** \$358,058.

1029 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. Correct, sir.

1030 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, we're gonna take capital improvements out of that same
1031 Major Disaster Fund for the cubicles and the other things like that, that's gonna be long
1032 term?

1033 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.

1034 **Councilperson McCoy:** How so?

1035 **City Manager Evans:** Well, the, the reason..., the rationale behind a lot of the things
1036 that we're doing is to create the additional spaces to be able to create the social distancing
1037 that requiring. As, as it stands right now, if we continued on the same model, we just
1038 don't have the spaces to be able to accommodate the workforce in a safe manner. So
1039 that's why we're utilizing that pot of money for the purposes of building out some of those
1040 cube farms to accommodate moving some folks in areas where there's a high
1041 concentration of employees.

1042 **Councilperson McCoy:** I, I understand the need but I'm just looking at the transaction.
1043 So, [stammer], my only concern..., not even a concern, I just..., my only question was really,
1044 merely, should everything come out of the Major Disaster Fund and, I guess, a budget be
1045 created from that or... And, and what I've seen suggesting \$47,000 is coming out of the
1046 Major Disaster Fund and being set aside into the capital..., into the Capital Projects Fund.
1047 So, which is it? I guess, Mr. Sherman?

1048 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** The budgets would actually
1049 be established within the Major Disaster Fund. We wouldn't actually be transferring the
1050 money, so we will set up both a, a, I call an operational budget and then the capital budget.

1051 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Thank you. But, I, I certainly wanna see a procurement
1052 regarding enhance custodial because obviously I wouldn't want anybody out taking care
1053 of COVID... Oh gosh. Well, I, I know there's some other concerns that I have about the
1054 custodial team that you mentioned, Mr. Bailey, but I, I imagine we'll probably have the
1055 discussion during budget time.

1056 So, that's all I have. Thank you.

1057 **Chairperson Botel:** My, my very small question is... Thank you, Mr. McCoy. My
1058 small question is, is Barracuda Bay open or opening, and is that why we need this ticket
1059 off the screen to project for the future when it might be having customers?

1060 **City Manager Evans:** That, that was..., when we did go through all the facilities and
1061 said conceivably what will need to go ahead and open, that was one of the items that was
1062 considered an important element to safely be able to have folks occupy the facility. Now,
1063 there's not a time where we look to open it anytime soon, so there is certain elements
1064 here that may change and modify. It probably, most likely, will be less costly to the City,
1065 but when we, when we did build out the list, there was an anticipation that things may
1066 start coming back online.

1067 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Thank you. Any'... Mr. McCoy.

1068 **Councilperson McCoy:** Last question. Does the pandemic pay come out of the, out
1069 of the Disaster Fund?

1070 **City Manager Evans:** No, sir.

1071 **Councilperson McCoy:** Where would that come from?

1072 **City Manager Evans:** That would come out of the.., well, depending on where the
1073 employees are housed in, but it would come out of the existing budget.

1074 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, don't we seek reimbursement for those items? Or
1075 at least...

1076 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.

1077 **Councilperson McCoy:** So why wouldn't it be something that we would draw that out
1078 of the Disaster Fund, since obviously the pandemic is essentially a disaster, similar to us
1079 hiring outside labor?

1080 **City Manager Evans:** Mr. Sherman, if you wanna speak on that matter?

1081 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yeah. When we actually
1082 get around to the point where we're filing for the reimbursements, and if you remember,
1083 we talked about the Major Disaster fund before for prior storm, we actually record the
1084 receivable and an expense over in the Major Disaster Fund. So we, we track the, the
1085 actual projects that we've submitted with FEMA in that fund. But initially, all of those costs
1086 are charged to the individual departments. So, until we get to the point where our FEMA
1087 requests, have at least moved along and been accepted by FEMA, everything is, in
1088 essence, charged to the, you know, the home organizations or the individuals.

1089 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you.

1090 **Chairperson Botel:** Any other questions? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

1091 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

1092 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

1093 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

1094 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

1095 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

1096 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

1097 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

1098 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

1099 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

1100 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1101 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

1102 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1103 **15. ITEM NO. 15**

1104 **Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 15.

1105 **City Clerk Anthony:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 66-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
1106 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY
1107 FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
1108 COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF ITS REDEVELOPMENT REFUNDING
1109 REVENUE NOTE, SERIES 2020A IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING
1110 \$13,500,000 AND ITS TAXABLE REDEVELOPMENT REFUNDING AND
1111 IMPROVEMENT REVENUE NOTE, SERIES 2020B IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT
1112 EXCEEDING \$16,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFINANCING CERTAIN
1113 OUTSTANDING OBLIGATIONS AND FINANCING CERTAIN REDEVELOPMENT
1114 PROJECTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

1115 **RANDY SHERMAN, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR,**
1116 **561-845-4040**

1117 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair...

1118 **Councilperson McCoy:** So moved.

1119 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...Members of the Board, the acceptance of public comments
1120 on this Item is now closed.

1121 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. I think Mr. McCoy made the motion.

1122 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

1123 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1124 **Councilperson McCoy:** You need a...

1125 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr...

1126 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...presentation?

1127 **Chairperson Botel:** ...Evans, do you want [chuckle]... Mr. Evans, do you want...

1128 **Councilperson McCoy:** Wait. I got a question. I got a question.

1129 **Chairperson Botel:** Stop. I'm not...

1130 **City Manager Evans:** Yes.

1131 **Chairperson Botel:** ...calling on you.

1132 [Chuckles]

1133 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead, Mr. Sherman, please.

1134 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yeah. In order for the CRA
1135 to issue debt, the City has to approve that as well. That is the, you know, the entity that,
1136 that created the CRA, you have authorize their issuance. This is just the companion Item
1137 that the CRA Board approved at the previous meeting.

1138 **Chairperson Botel:** Unanimously. Yes. Thank you. Are there any other
1139 questions? [Pause]. Now, is that a flicker of a [chuckle]... What was that.., what was
1140 that little...

1141 **Councilperson McCoy:** It's a sec'.., it's a secret question.

1142 **Chairperson Botel:** [Stammer]...

1143 **Councilperson McCoy:** I don't have a question, Madam Chair. I just...

1144 **Chairperson Botel:** You just wanted to pull my chain. Alright. Madam Clerk.

1145 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

1146 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

1147 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

1148 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

1149 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

1150 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

1151 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

1152 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

1153 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

1154 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1155 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

1156 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Now, I believe we pulled Item No. 16. Mr. Evans,
1157 am I correct?

1158 **City Manager Evans:** That is correct, Madam Chair.

1159 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1160 **17. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 17.

1161 **City Clerk Anthony:** RESOLUTION NUMBER 69-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
1162 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
1163 FLORIDA, REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO PROCURE DELL LAPTOP
1164 COMPUTERS AND DOCKING STATIONS USING STATE OF FLORIDA CONTRACT
1165 NUMBER 43220000-WSCA-14-ACS AND CONTRACT CODE WNN30AGS IN THE
1166 AMOUNT OF \$165,050.00 FROM FUND ACCOUNT 5011901-564000; AND
1167 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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1169 ANTHONY PARZIALE, DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, 561-
1170 845-4028

1171 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, the acceptance of
1172 public comments on this Item is now closed.

1173 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Would someone care to make a motion to adopt?

1174 **Councilperson McCoy:** So moved.

1175 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Would someone care to second?

1176 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

1177 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Second.

1178 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Evans, do you want Mr. Parziale to make this
1179 presentation?

1180 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair. But just as a point of personal privilege, I
1181 do wanna say, we got through that last Item a lot fast than the CRA because...

1182 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, we did.

1183 **City Manager Evans:** ...of the efficiency of this Council.

1184 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1185 **City Manager Evans:** So...

1186 **Chairperson Botel:** As opposed to the terrible inefficiency of that last [inaudible].
1187 Oy vey.

1188 [Chuckles]

1189 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Parziale.

1190 **City Manager Evans:** Mr. Parziale.

1191 **Information Technology Director Parziale:** Yes. Good evening. Thank you.

1192 This is..., this Resolution is to acquire laptop computers and docking stations to
1193 provide for the City, and those cubicles that we heard about earlier to set up the docking
1194 stations. And also, to allow our Staff, laptop computers when, when they work either
1195 offsite or remotely as a result..., par'..., partially as a result of the, the COVID-19 issue. We
1196 were very fortunate when these incidents hit that we had some computers that were ready
1197 for surplus, that we were able to pull back and, and repurpose during, during this situation,
1198 as well as finding sixty computers that were in a community center that were low end
1199 computers but they certainly served our purpose.

1200 So, this is replacing a hundred of those computers with fifty of the Intel 7
1201 processors, and fifty with the Intel I5 processors and that should support our Staff. All of
1202 them will have LTE cards which will help eliminate if we have home wi'..., home networks
1203 where..., that are inadequate and, and we have some upload and download speeds, that
1204 they'll have the AT&T networks cards in them, that they can wirelessly access the
1205 network.

1206 So, this is a replacement and being able to issue computers for those and under
1207 Mr. Evans continuity of government, and an ability to have Staff work shifts at home or
1208 remotely when necessary to, to avoid any type of contamination or, or spread of the
1209 disease.

1210 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Any questions? Ms. McCoy.

1211 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes. Thank you, Mr. Parziale, for bringing this forward. Mr.
1212 Manager, so this Item, I, I don't see where the money's coming from but I would imagine,
1213 since you guys are over in the Public Safety Complex in District 3, it'll be coming out of
1214 the public sector dollars for District 3? Hello?

1215 **City Manager Evans:** That, that would certainly be a preferred pot of money if that
1216 was available, Councilman.

1217 **Councilperson Lanier:** Hold on.

1218 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible] City administration...

1219 **Councilperson Lanier:** Hold on. Hold on.

1220 [Chuckles]

1221 **Councilperson McCoy:** Wait. Hold on. Wait. Hold on. It seems like...

1222 **Councilperson Lanier:** Hold on.

1223 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...I seen this movie before where this...

1224 **Councilperson Lanier:** How you gonna...

1225 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...Councilperson...

1226 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...[inaudible]...

1227 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...just said this is her money.

1228 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...[stammer], Councilman McCoy.

1229 **Councilperson McCoy:** You just said...

1230 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible]...

1231 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...it wasn't your money.

1232 [Chuckle]

1233 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So this is obviously..., I imagine it's coming out of capital
1234 dollars?

1235 **Information Technology Director Parziale:** Yes, it is.

1236 **Councilperson McCoy:** Can we associate something on a long term, more permanent
1237 basis like this, Mr. Sherman, to Disaster Fund expenses? Probably not, I'm sure.

1238 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Hang on. Okay. Yeah. We
1239 actually have a..., that we're submitting as part of the annual appropriation for next year,
1240 and part of it again is, is more capital dollars for IT. In addition to, if you recall, in a
1241 previous meeting, we talked about the generators. So again, we're bringing some of
1242 those items forward and that'll be part of the budget discussions.

1243 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you. Thanks.

1244 **Chairperson Botel:** Any other questions? Councilwoman Miller-Anderson,
1245 anything from you?

1246 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No.

1247 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Okay. Madam Clerk.

1248 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

1249 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

1250 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

1251 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

1252 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

- 1253 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.
- 1254 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?
- 1255 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 1256 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 1257 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.
- 1258 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.
- 1259 **Chairperson Botel:** Before Mr. Parziale departs, I have a, a question that is not
 1260 related necessarily to this Item but where do we stand now with regard to providing
 1261 internet service for our school children?
- 1262 **Information Technology Services Director Parziale:** We are waiting to hear
 1263 back from the School District on that. They had the presentation and we haven't heard
 1264 anything. I, I have a call in to the School District to see where they are. I know that they
 1265 have several projects that are going on simultaneously.
- 1266 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Okay. Mr. Evans.
- 1267 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Ch'... Madam Chair and Members of the Board, I
 1268 reluctantly would like to provide an announcement to you. This is probably the last
 1269 meeting that Mr. Parziale will be participating in. He will be retiring and moving on to his,
 1270 his future home in an undisclosed location, until I visit and go fishing with him. So, we
 1271 hate...
- 1272 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].
- 1273 **City Manager Evans:** ...to see him go.
- 1274 **Chairperson Botel:** Aww.
- 1275 **City Manager Evans:** He's been a great asset...
- 1276 **Councilperson Lanier:** No.
- 1277 **City Manager Evans:** ...to the organization.
- 1278 [Inaudible comment]
- 1279 **Chairperson Botel:** Wait, wait, wait. I make...
- 1280 **City Manager Evans:** [Inaudible]...
- 1281 **Chairperson Botel:** ...I make a motion that we not allow Mr. Parziale... [Chuckle].

1282 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.

1283 **Chairperson Botel:** You will be sorely missed.

1284 **Councilperson Lanier:** I second that motion.

1285 **City Manager Evans:** He...

1286 **Information Technology Services Director Parziale:** Thank you.

1287 **City Manager Evans:** He certainly is gonna help us get somebody onboard that
1288 understands the nuances and intricacies...

1289 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

1290 **City Manager Evans:** ...of our agency, as well as, you know, our security concerns
1291 in making sure we keep the continuity of government. But, it's been a pleasure to work
1292 alongside of him. Hate to see him go but where he's going, the fish are running and he
1293 doesn't wanna continue to miss fishing season. So.

1294 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

1295 **City Manager Evans:** ...I, I do wanna help him as much as possible to, to transition
1296 into the next phase of his life. But he's a been a great addition to the team and I think it's
1297 only appropriate that we, you know, give him a, a good sign off and tell him how much
1298 we, we appreciate it.

1299 [Clapping]

1300 **Information Technology Services Director Parziale:** Thank you, Mr. Evans.

1301 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1302 **Information Technology Services Director Parziale:** It's been a pleasure
1303 working with all of you.

1304 **Chairperson Botel:** Round of applause.

1305 **Information Technology Services Director Parziale:** Here in Riviera Beach, it's
1306 a great please..., great place to work and I'm glad I, I could add some value here while I
1307 was here.

1308 Thanks again.

1309 **Councilperson Lanier:** Thank you so much...

1310 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1311 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...because I'm telling you something, Mr. Parziale, when I first
1312 came to the City I ain't have no laptop, I didn't have no phone. I called him, I got a phone,
1313 I got a laptop. I said, 'I got some problem with the laptop.' He ca'.., he ca'.., he met me
1314 at my office every single time I asked him, to be able to help me to get everything done.
1315 So yeah, I'm gonna, I'm, I'm, I'm really gonna miss you.

1316 **Information Technology Services Director Parziale:** I'll miss you too.

1317 **City Manager Evans:** [Inaudible].

1318 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

1319 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. Thank you.

1320 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

1321 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Mill'...

1322 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

1323 **Chairperson Botel:** Miller-Anderson.

1324 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I just wanted to say thank you to Mr. Parziale
1325 and, and I know he did come in on a very high note, at a time where we really needed
1326 someone. So, I'm glad you stuck around this long.

1327 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

1328 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I expected him to runaway at that point but he
1329 stuck around...

1330 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

1331 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...until it got settled. So, thank you and I wish
1332 you the best of luck with your retirement.

1333 **Information Technology Services Director Parziale:** Thank you, Ms. Miller-
1334 Anderson.

1335 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, sir.

1336 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1337 **Information Technology Services Director Parziale:** Thank you.

1338 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

1339 **18. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 18.

1340 **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATIAON**

1341 **City Clerk Anthony: MULTIMEDIA COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST**
1342 **CANDIDATE REHIRE.**

1343 **WALTER STEPHENS, MULTIMEDIA MANAGER, 561-845-4055**

1344 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, the acceptance of
1345 public comments on this Item is now closed. And we do have public comments.

1346 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Let's hear public comments.

1347 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

1348 **Councilperson McCoy:** Second.

1349 **Chairperson Botel:** We're just.., I think we're just discussion. Is this, is this an
1350 Item that calls for a vote or is this just a discussion?

1351 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. We're, we're gonna need action from the Board. Yes.

1352 **Chairperson Botel:** You are? Okay. In that case...

1353 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

1354 **Chairperson Botel:** ...Mr., Mr. McCoy, I think made a motion and Ms. Lanier
1355 seconded. I think.

1356 **Councilperson McCoy:** Other way around.

1357 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh sorry.

1358 **Councilperson Lanier:** Other way around but it's fine.

1359 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Do we have a public comment, Madam Clerk?

1360 **City Clerk Anthony:** We do, Madam Chair and members of the Board. Ms. Hall.

1361 **Ms. D. Hall:** The public comment comes from Michael Hudson, email address
1362 michaelhud@gmail.com.

1363 Dear Mayor and City Council, I'm really excited and looking forward to being a part
1364 of the City of Riviera Beach's media team. I feel that my experience and expertise in
1365 broadcast news, television production and large scale live events, audio/visual over the
1366 past twenty years, has prepared me to hit the ground running in this latest endeavor. It
1367 would be an honor to be part of the great possibilities that exist in Riviera Beach, and play
1368 a role in sharing the City's greatness with those within the City's borders and beyond.

1369 Thank you. And I look forward to meeting each of you. M. Hudson.

1370 Madam Chair, that's...

1371 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1372 **Ms. D. Hall:** ...the end of public comment.

1373 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Evans, did you want Ms. Young to make a
1374 presentation?

1375 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair. Ms. Young will be making the
1376 presentation.

1377 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1378 **Interim Human Resources Director Young:** Good evening, Council. Eureka Young,
1379 Department of Human Resources. A, a former Director ordered several drugs tests from
1380 an, an employee. The employee refused to submit the results and it was later determined
1381 by federal court that it was an illegal seizure.

1382 And at this time, if there's any other questions, I direct it to Legal.

1383 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy.

1384 **Councilperson McCoy:** Mr. Evans, so are we, I guess, are we being asked to offer an
1385 amendment to the agreement?

1386 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir. And I would have to defer to Legal but basically,
1387 there was a separation agreement that was executed by Mr. Hudson and the City of
1388 Riviera Beach with terminology that prohibited him from seeking or obtaining
1389 reemployment with the City of Riviera Beach. We went through a national search process
1390 and Mr. Hudson did apply and the Committee felt that he was the best candidate for the
1391 position. And so, we've asked HR and Legal to look at effectively what the agreement
1392 calls for. So, in order to make Mr. Hudson an employee, it would result in the Board
1393 looking to grant the striking, striking of that particular provision in the separation
1394 agreement.

1395 Ms. Wynn, anything else that you'd like to add?

1396 **City Attorney Wynn:** Not at this time.

1397 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy.

1398 **Councilperson McCoy:** So where do we go from here? Is the motion that
1399 Councilwoman Lanier offered sufficient?

1400 **City Attorney Wynn:** I think... Councilwoman Lanier, did you just say so moved as
1401 part of the discussion? Was there an actual motion?

1402 **Councilperson Lanier:** No, it, it was a motion...

1403 **City Attorney Wynn:** [Inaudible].

1404 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. It was, it was... When I said so moved, it was a motion
1405 to agree with the rehiring of this candidate.

1406 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, amend the agreement, I guess, is more appropriate.

1407 **City Attorney Wynn:** That's what would occur, yes.

1408 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. I see Ms. Busby's on. Does she have something
1409 additional?

1410 **City Attorney Wynn:** No. She doesn't. I don't believe Ms. Busby is still on though.

1411 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

1412 **City Attorney Wynn:** But she.., no. She hasn't.., she didn't work on this
1413 assignment.

1414 **Councilperson McCoy:** I just seen her pop up. Okay.

1415 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. I, I should say that I...

1416 **Unk.:** Did we...

1417 **Chairperson Botel:** ...asked.., I asked for additional information because I was
1418 concerned about why this person had been terminated and I, and I'm totally satisfied with
1419 the response that I got that this was not any fault of his and that, you know, we, we should
1420 feel comfortable going ahead and, and making this decision, from my perspective
1421 anyway.

1422 Anything else?

1423 **Councilperson McCoy:** Certainly. We know.., we, we know that all too well. So, we
1424 can, we can move forward.

1425 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. This was before my time so. [Inaudible]...

1426 **Councilperson Lanier:** Before all of our time.

1427 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk.

1428 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

1429 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

1430 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

1431 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

1432 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

1433 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

1434 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

1435 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

1436 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

1437 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1438 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

1439 **19. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 19.

1440 **City Clerk Anthony:** **PEANUT ISLAND UPDATE AND REQUEST FOR**
1441 **DIRECTION.**

1442 **JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, 561-812-6590**

1443 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comment on this Item
1444 is now closed.

1445 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1446 **City Clerk Anthony:** And we do have public comments.

1447 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh. Did we.., do we need to make any.., is this again, just a
1448 dis'.., discussion Item, Mr. Evans, or do you need any...

1449 **City Manager Evans:** I'm seeking direction from the Board how we should proceed.

1450 **Chairperson Botel:** So, do you need someone to make a motion or do you wanna
1451 wait...

1452 **City Manager Evans:** Yes.

1453 **Chairperson Botel:** ...until after the presentation?

1454 **City Manager Evans:** I would need someone to make a motion, just to hear the Item.

1455 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

1456 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Would someone please second?

1457 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

1458 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

1459 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1460 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Normally, with a discussion, don't we just go
1461 ahead and do the discussion and at the end of the discussion make the motion for what
1462 the recommendation is?

1463 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, Mr. Evans...

1464 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Cause we...

1465 **Chairperson Botel:** ...Mr. Evans... Mr. Evans...

1466 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[inaudible] at this point.

1467 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. But that's why...

1468 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I mean, that's how we've always done...

1469 **Chairperson Botel:** That's what why...

1470 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[inaudible] Mr. Evans was...

1471 **Chairperson Botel:** That's why I asked him what he wanted..., how he wanted us
1472 to proceed. So, Mr. Evans, should we hear the presentation first and then somebody can
1473 actually...

1474 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.

1475 **Chairperson Botel:** ...make a mo'... Okay.

1476 **City Manager Evans:** Certainly.

1477 **Chairperson Botel:** That's fine. Go ahead.

1478 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I mean, 'cause it just makes it kinda confusing.
1479 Nobody...

1480 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah, I...

1481 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...really...

1482 **Chairperson Botel:** ...I know. I, I agree. I don't know what we would... I'm not
1483 quite sure what the motion would've been. Go ahead, Mr. Evans.

1484 **Councilperson Lanier:** I saw the Item he had attached and so...

1485 **City Manager Evans:** We, we have...

1486 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...that is why...

1487 **City Manager Evans:** ...public... We have public comment.

1488 **Chairperson Botel:** We have public comment. Let's hear the public comment.
 1489 Thank you. And then we'll see the mo'.., we'll see the presentation. Mr... Madam Clerk.

1490 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, prior to the public comments, can I get the
 1491 maker of the motion or the second...

1492 **Chairperson Botel:** I, I, I... I think...

1493 **City Clerk Anthony:** [Inaudible] to withdraw?

1494 **Chairperson Botel:** ...we're... I think what we've decided is that we'll see the
 1495 presentation and then a specific motion will be made based on what we see and hear in
 1496 the presentation.

1497 **City Clerk Anthony:** I understand, Madam.., Madam Chair but we did not dispose
 1498 of the motion that was placed on the floor so I need someone to withdraw the motion.

1499 **Chairperson Botel:** So, would someone like to withdraw their motion so that we
 1500 can have the presentation?

1501 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. I'll do that.

1502 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1503 **City Clerk Anthony:** Ms. Hall.

1504 **Ms. D. Hall:** Public comment comes from Patricia Vehn, pvehn@pbcgov.org.

1505 Palm Beach County has a significant interest in Peanut Island. Millions of dollars
 1506 have been invested through this County's Parks & Recreation Department for operational
 1507 and maintenance of the Island, as well as major habitat restoration projects on the Island
 1508 by the County's Department of Environmental Resources Management, ERM. The Island
 1509 also serves as a dredge material management area that provides fill material for ERM's
 1510 habitat restoration efforts throughout the Lake Worth Lagoon. The County would have
 1511 significant issues with a proposal for commercial uses and annexation. The Board of
 1512 County Commissioners has made it clear in prior discussions that they are opposed to
 1513 commercial uses on the Island. The current Future Land Use and zoning designations
 1514 have no potential for commercial uses, and the implementing County Ordinance 201-83
 1515 prohibits all commercial retail uses, including restaurants on the Island.

1516 Should the City of Riviera Beach move forward with an annexation request, County
 1517 staff will seek direction from the Board of County Commissioners on whether to object to
 1518 the annexation. We would request that before taking action on an annexation, the City of
 1519 Riviera Beach Staff coordinates with Palm Beach County staff to discuss the impacts and
 1520 related issues of such a request.

1521 The next public comment comes from Susan Bennett, sbennett10h@msn.com

1522 With many challenges facing the City, at this time, I urge the Council to recognize
1523 this is not the time to take on a new money pit with a host of problems. There must be
1524 good reasons no one else is interested. We have enough on our plate, some of necessity,
1525 some opportunity, that deserves the City's energy and funding. Stick to all the basics we
1526 have obligation to now. Get what we have now in good order before taking on a big
1527 potential liability like this.

1528 Susan Bennett, 3000 North Ocean Drive.

1529 Madam Chair, that concludes public comments.

1530 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1531 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

1532 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1533 **Councilperson McCoy:** Can I offer a mended motion to temporarily postpone this
1534 Item?

1535 **Chairperson Botel:** Sure.

1536 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I'm not asking.

1537 **Chairperson Botel:** I know. [Chuckle].

1538 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm offering.

1539 **Chairperson Botel:** I, I, I hear, I hear you. I said yes.

1540 **Councilperson McCoy:** Let me make sure I say that to you...

1541 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

1542 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...because you would tell me, 'No, Mr. McCoy, you can't...'

1543 **Chairperson Botel:** No. No, Mr. McCoy.

1544 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Stammer].

1545 **Chairperson Botel:** You can do anything you'd like when, when it comes to
1546 making a motion. It's difficult to make a negative motion but this one sounds, sounds like
1547 it's a positive motion that you would like to table this Item or, or postpone [inaudible].

1548 **Councilperson McCoy:** Oh gosh. Oh gosh.

1549 **Chairperson Botel:** But here I go again.

1550 **Councilperson McCoy:** I said temporarily postpone. That means indefinitely, and it
1551 doesn't have to appear back on the next Agenda.

1552 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Does anyone care to second Mr. McCoy's motion?

1553 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'll second it.

1554 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Discussion. Mr. McCoy.

1555 **Councilperson McCoy:** My only concern is, I have listened to an employee of another
1556 government agency express some, I don't know if this is personal concerns or her
1557 concerns of her department but, in any event, I don't even want us to even proceed
1558 because obviously there's a disconnect, 'cause I heard the word mentioned of annexation
1559 and obviously some challenges. So, I would like to see that, whatever it is, that it's
1560 resolved at the Staff level first because I was a little surprised. And I don't know if the
1561 other Members, or even Staff, was expecting a question like that from a County
1562 department that kinda contains such pessimism. If I can say that word.

1563 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

1564 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, that's why I offered it.

1565 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. [Inaudible].

1566 **Councilperson Lanier:** I second that motion because I wanted to hear some
1567 discussion. And, I, I do wanna hear from Mr. Evans on this issue but I, I do.., I do not
1568 want to commit to the unknown. Put it that way.

1569 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Mr. Evans.

1570 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair and Members of the Board. City Staff was
1571 not aware of that individual's complaint or concern, nor did they reach out to City
1572 Administration to communicate the issue when the Item was placed on the Agenda. From
1573 what I have heard through conversations that we've had with county executives, is that
1574 the county did back out and was going to allow for the City to move forward with executing
1575 a term sheet as it relates to the potential of acquiring the 4.3 acres.

1576 The reason that the City of Riviera Beach got involved to start off with is because
1577 there was a stalemate between the County and the Port of Palm Beach and we came in
1578 to say there is no reason why this particular asset, in Riviera Beach for all intent and
1579 purpose, should be in the condition that it, it's in. As it relates to the plans and what the
1580 City's intent is behind that, that is still not flushed out. Obviously, we know that there's
1581 some restrictions in the Ordinance and the Land Use and the zoning and what have you,
1582 and I think we made it abundantly clear that we would look to promote ecotourism, we
1583 would look to renovate and revitalize those facilities, as they have a significant historical
1584 significance to the area. Additionally, we would look to have a, a private sector partner,
1585 or a public sector partner for that matter, to facilitate the construction or reconstruction of
1586 any facilities but if it was something that the county was interested in to renovate the

1587 facilities in collaboration with the City of Riviera Beach, we certainly would be interested
1588 in working with them. We just don't want a situation similar to the of Phil Foster Park
1589 where we get calls or communications that our residents cannot get access and they're
1590 certain times where individuals have to come in the park as [inaudible].

1591 So, this is our way of getting involved and seeing something through to the end. I
1592 have every belief that there is individuals and grant funding that is available to us through
1593 multiple sources to facilitate the renovation of these historical facilities within our
1594 community.

1595 So, if it is the Board's pleasure to postpone it, I will personally reach out to County
1596 Administration. The intent behind this Item was to see if the appetite is still there from the
1597 Council to enter into conversations about the potential term sheet. The Port of Palm
1598 Beach did provide us information as it relates to a proposed term sheet. As it was written,
1599 it is a nonstarter for us, as it has abrogated all the risk to the City. So, this was basically
1600 us to see if the Board still had the desire to move forward with conversations and
1601 discussions. But, if it is the Board's desires, in the abundance of caution for us to reach
1602 out to the county to see if there's a way to effectively work out an arrangement, that
1603 facilitates something that we all, the Port of Palm Beach, Riviera Beach and the County,
1604 can conceivably agree with, that would be the ideal proposal. However, we do want a
1605 seat at the table as it relates to what happens on that Island and access to that, that
1606 particular facility.

1607 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

1608 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1609 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Stammer] I agree and I think that all the Council Members at
1610 this, at this point agree with moving forward anyway. But, because I second the motion
1611 to postpone this and to table this until they have some conversations with the county, I
1612 really want to be able to do that. This is gonna take a lot of time and resources from the
1613 City if they want to leave the City as the one holding the bag for this.

1614 So, I, I want to be able to make sure that the City is moving forward with this,
1615 period. Because I agree with Mr. Evans with this. But, to also make sure that we're not
1616 holding the entire bag for the project.

1617 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1618 **Councilperson Lanier:** We, we just need to know what, what we're getting into with
1619 this. That's all I'm asking.

1620 **Chairperson Botel:** Right. Mr. McCoy.

1621 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Thank you, Madam Chair. So, Members, if I can
1622 remind you, there never was a vote of us actually taking any action in agreement. This
1623 was presented to us in workshops. In fact, it was the October workshop. However, we
1624 did vote on our legislative priorities that included us seeking appropriations from the

1625 legislature. But, from the initial onset, I was vehemently opposed to this and one of the
1626 reasons was because we have several other capital needs. And if you can remember,
1627 one of the things I said I don't want a cent of City taxpayer dollars spent. And then
1628 obviously, the Manager had the alternative option of seeking some grant funding and
1629 some other means, but in no means, have I ever expressed my intentions of supporting
1630 something like this when we have a number of resources that are..., or a number of items
1631 on the mainland that needs our attention and resources.

1632 But, I don't support this Item and I didn't support it originally. So, just to kinda put
1633 it in perspective, it's not representative of me to go and seek something like this. I really
1634 wanna see if we can come up with a solution to my Monroe Heights road project because
1635 I can't stop getting enough calls. And, I mean, that is something that I wanna see us
1636 discuss, not Peanut Island which has all these limitations, of which I didn't even realize.

1637 And the point that I wanted to make in offering a motion to po'..., postpone was
1638 clearly, the comments that I heard from whoever the speaker was that had the email
1639 address handle of pbcgov.org, would kind of suggest to me that everybody's not on the
1640 same page. And I don't want us to consider..., to continue here, having this discussion,
1641 and I don't know if that's the Parks Director or what position she holds but in any event, I
1642 don't know what we can offer when we clearly got a, a county employee putting in a public
1643 comment to our meeting to say all of the reasons why it shouldn't occur. But, I don't want
1644 that to be a decision that I have to make or, or any of us but I didn't even support it in the
1645 beginning and I don't support it now. And, that's where I'm at. To temporarily postpone.

1646 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Evans, if I can ask you. Who..., what was the
1647 person who wrote that from... Was there a title or a position of that person listed as the
1648 county worker or was this just a... Do we know anything about this person and his or
1649 her... Was it a woman? I think it was a woman.

1650 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, the email came Patricia
1651 Vehn and it looks like her title is [audio skipped] Director.

1652 **Chairperson Botel:** Say that..., say that again. What Director?

1653 **City Clerk Anthony:** Planning.

1654 **Chairperson Botel:** Planning. Okay.

1655 **Unk.:** Planning...

1656 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, it, it, it seems to me that it couldn't hurt for Mr. Evans to
1657 explore this with the county a little bit further and see what their thinking is now and, and,
1658 you know, give us a little more, more time and, and figure out what this person's role is
1659 and what the objections are. So, I'm gonna support Mr. McCoy's motion myself.

1660 Any other...

1661 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair.

1662 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair? Yes. Madam Chair?

1663 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Ms. Miller-Anderson.

1664 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I, I mean, I still fully support it. However, you
1665 know, if it comes down to having to prioritize, and if Mr. Evans is saying there are grant
1666 funds that we could tap into, as long as it's not putting a heavy, heavy burden on the City
1667 because we do know we have a lot of capital projects that need to be done, our City
1668 facilities and everything else, but I, I do know that there have been and, Mr. Lawson may
1669 be able to weigh in a little more, 'cause he's attended those Port meetings. I know the
1670 county, you know, that.., there was some contention behind those discussions all along,
1671 so I would not have sup'.., I'm not surprised to hear of the comment that was made from
1672 the county, to be quite honest.

1673 So, I mean, I, I would certainly like to hear more information and, at the same time,
1674 I would like to, you know, see what we can do and where it falls in the priority list. But, I
1675 don't want to just take it off the table completely, just based on that comment that was
1676 made, nor knowing that we do have other projects, especially if we can get grant funding
1677 to, you know, take care of a lot of it.

1678 So, I'm, I'm fine with [stammer] postponing it though.

1679 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

1680 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

1681 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1682 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I mean, I, I.., from the beginning I said that I support this
1683 issue. Mr.., me and Mr... I, I second the motion with Councilman McCoy because he
1684 said that he didn't support it from the beginning and I knew that. But I did support his,
1685 his, his motion in terms of postponing or suspending this until we get more information.
1686 Just like the CRA needs to pivot on Phase 2 for a while, this needs to be in suspension
1687 more as well to have some conversation going forward. I don't want to kill it but, as he
1688 suggested in his motion, we're going to suspend this to be able to have more
1689 conversations about how we move forward with it.

1690 **Chairperson Botel:** So, thank you. I couldn't see anybody when that thing was up
1691 on the screen. So, what we're saying is that we are asking Mr. Evans to have more
1692 conversations with the county to see what's the county's position. Is that... Mr. McCoy,
1693 I know that you're saying just postpone it...

1694 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, that, that's indefinite and I, you know...

1695 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

1696 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...obviously, Patricia or Pamela or whatever her name was, I,
1697 I mean, I've never seen anybody from another government agency send us something,

1698 to submit a public comment like that. But, in any event, I will ask Mr. Evans to look into it
1699 with the City Administration. Because, obviously there...

1700 **Chairperson Botel:** County.

1701 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...may be a situation where she's operating completely
1702 separate from County Administration. I don't know what it is but I think that's something
1703 Mr. Evans can kinda follow up with.

1704 But, in any event, you know, I, I still kinda maintain my position but I don't think any
1705 further conversation is necessary from us and the Manager can kinda bring us something
1706 back, a little more, you know, substantive in nature. And I did like the part about
1707 annexation because I have some ideas about annexing something else within the City's
1708 boundaries. So, if you wanna talk about the industrial area on Gardens Road...

1709 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1710 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...and the [inaudible] trailer parks then, you know, I'm all for
1711 that. Or even Public Storage on Blue Heron and Garden Road.

1712 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1713 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, that's another conversation. But I, I like annexa'...,
1714 annexation with some of the industrial areas in the City...

1715 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

1716 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...that...

1717 **City Manager Evans:** Well, I, I thought [stammer]... Councilman McCoy, I thought
1718 we were working across the aisle, if you gave me the Island, I was gonna go after the
1719 industrial parcels but...

1720 [Chuckles]

1721 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, that day may come. That day may come. Alright. We
1722 have...

1723 **City Manager Evans:** Alright.

1724 **Chairperson Botel:** ...a motion on the floor to put this off. Could we have a vote
1725 on that, Madam Clerk?

1726 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair, I have a question.

1727 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm sorry. Go ahead.

1728 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you. So, our direction is to postpone this discussion
1729 indefinitely, waiting on Staff to come back with concrete information with discussions from
1730 the county and the Board?

1731 **Chairperson Botel:** Right. Yes. My understanding, yes.

1732 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Councilman McCoy, that's your motion?

1733 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

1734 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Councilman McCoy.

1735 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

1736 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Ma'... Thank you, Madam Chair.

1737 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk.

1738 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

1739 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

1740 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

1741 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

1742 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

1743 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

1744 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

1745 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

1746 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

1747 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1748 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

1749 **20. ITEM NO. 20**

1750 **Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 20.

1751 **City Clerk Anthony: CENSUS 2020 CHALLENGE**

1752 **MARSHA NOEL, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER, 561-812-6599**

1753 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, the acceptance of
1754 public comments on this Item is now closed.

1755 **Chairperson Botel:** Are there any public comment cards?

1756 **City Clerk Anthony:** Not as of now, Madam...

1757 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1758 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...Chair.

1759 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans, did you want Ms. Noel to make this presentation?

1760 **City Manager Evans:** Absolutely, Madam Chair. If I can have Assistant to the City
1761 Manager, Ms. Marsha Noel present this Item.

1762 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Good evening, Madam Chair...

1763 **Chairperson Botel:** Good evening.

1764 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** ...and Members of the Council, and everyone's
1765 that joined us this evening.

1766 So, I brought before you this Item because I know it's of great interest among you,
1767 with regard to the census challenge that's been discussed a couple of times. And after
1768 talking with Ms. Miller-Anderson, I've kinda come up with just a structure based off of
1769 conversations that you've had to see if it's something that you would like to move forward
1770 with. Again, consensus among and start with, as your Cou'..., Council census challenge.
1771 And so, if you would like, I can kind of briefly go through what this idea is, more so in
1772 detail? And then if you have any questions or what have you, I'm more than happy to
1773 assist with that. But the goal is to, I guess, come up with whether or not if this is gonna
1774 be something you'd like to take on.

1775 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

1776 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Alright. So, the Census challenge. So, I did
1777 send you all an email in the past just with some details regarding this idea but basically
1778 what this is, is that each Councilperson is going to be responsible for tracts, Census tracts,
1779 based off of the Census response rate map. And those tracts are basically smaller
1780 sections of the City, that the Census is broken up. And essentially, by being responsible
1781 by your resp'..., for your respective tracts, you will be able to track your progress, in terms
1782 of your challenge. Your challenge will essentially consist of any activity that you would
1783 like to implement, to boost your numbers, to boost your tract numbers. Because, by the
1784 end of the day, by boosting your numbers through the various tracts, you are essentially
1785 boosting the overall numbers for the Census.

1786 With that being said, the timeframe we're looking at, you can start as early as
1787 tomorrow. And then in terms of when it would close, if you wanna close at..., on the actual

1788 deadline of the Census, you can do that. Initially, I suggested October 6th, which was
1789 based off of the deadline I understood at the time, which was gonna be, I think, October
1790 30th. But, from what I understand, it's possible that the deadline has changed to
1791 September 30th. I have contacted our Census rep, Sandy Goodman, to confirm whether
1792 or not if that's true. So, with that being said, you may actually wanna consider having
1793 your deadline, if want enough time, for about two months, to have your deadline for your
1794 challenge to be September 30th, unless things change and it is actually October 30th.

1795 And then, in terms of your measure of success. So basically, we will record the
1796 response rate for your respective..., respective tracts on the day that your Census
1797 challenge starts. And then by the end of the challenge, we'll see where your response
1798 rates are for your tract, and essentially the winner is the one that has the highest... Well,
1799 it'll actually be by percent increase. So, whoever has the highest percent increase for
1800 their respective tracts will essentially win. And you get to determine what your prize is.
1801 And so, that's probably gonna be part of your discussion tonight, is what would the winner
1802 essentially get. And, of course, the Census outreach taskforce stands ready to support
1803 in any way, shape or form, with ideas, support, to assist you in facilitating your, your
1804 activities.

1805 With that being said, I can also kinda show you what your tracts will look like, I did
1806 pull up the map on the website, if you want me to share my screen and kinda give you an
1807 idea of what it looks like.

1808 **Chairperson Botel:** I know what mine are.

1809 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Okay. Great.

1810 [Inaudible exchange]

1811 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Noel, could you...

1812 **Chairperson Botel:** I have...

1813 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...do that?

1814 **Chairperson Botel:** I have a question. Go ahead and do it anyway.

1815 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I have one too because Noel had joined me on my town hall
1816 last Thursday, and she's right. It was supposed to be in October but they have put the
1817 deadline to September 30th now. So...

1818 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

1819 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...when we talked about this Census thing, we talked about
1820 the fact that how important it was for the City, how important it was for... 'Cause, you
1821 know, we think about the Census as, like, you know, something you fill out and that's it,
1822 but it's..., it really is...

1823 [Inaudible comment]

1824 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...it comes down to dollars and cents for us. It really does.
1825 So, she is right when she said that we really have to be very conscious and very forward
1826 thinking in terms of... September 30th is, like, in, you know, in the next sixty days. That's
1827 it. So, we really need to be able to... And then when she says what do you guys want in
1828 terms of a prize? Now, then, that's another story right there, so I'm gonna tell you later
1829 on what I want, you know, what I want for my prize when I win this thing right here.

1830 **Chairperson Botel:** Marsha, I have a question about the tracts. I, I've got 5.09
1831 and 5.12, which...

1832 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Yes.

1833 **Chairperson Botel:** ...are the east and west sides of Singer Island, pretty much.
1834 And when I looked to see, may'..., maybe you can advise me about who I should contact
1835 to get this information, I..., it's easy enough to find what the response rate is now, for those
1836 two tracts. I wanted to...

1837 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Mhmm.

1838 **Chairperson Botel:** ...look at some of the demographic information from 2010 and
1839 I can find that for 5.09 but there is no...

1840 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Mhmm.

1841 **Chairperson Botel:** ...5.12 in 2010. Did they change the tracts betw'..., in the last
1842 ten years?

1843 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** That, I'm not sure. I'd, I'd have to ask.

1844 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. I really would like to look at...

1845 [Inaudible comment]

1846 **Chairperson Botel:** ...what's the..., what the, what the demographics were and
1847 how things looked for..., in 2010, in said tracts 5.12, which I just cannot find. When you
1848 see the whole list in the, in the, in the website...

1849 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Mhmm.

1850 **Chairperson Botel:** ...of all the Census tracts, and that one is just missing from
1851 2010. It's there in, in 2020. Did I say that right before, twenty'..., there in 2020, it's not
1852 there in 2010. So...

1853 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Okay.

1854 **Chairperson Botel:** ...anything you can get me with that, it would be appreciated.

1855 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just wanna, I just wanna know what, what Census tract is
1856 Councilman Lawson is because it needs to be merged with mine because I know if he'
1857 on the case, that really, you know, I'm finna win this whole thing right here. So, if I can
1858 get Councilman Lawson's tract to be a part of...

1859 **Chairperson Botel:** Why don't you review those, Ms. Noel so we are all on the
1860 same page with who's on whose team?

1861 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. Please pull that up so we know.

1862 [Inaudible comments]

1863 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Okay. Alright. That's fine. Alright. Let me go
1864 ahead and pull that up.

1865 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, Madam Chair, if I can say something while she's pulling
1866 it up. I don't know if that's fair since Councilman Lawson runs a daytime show, you know,
1867 on CBS. And, you know, everybody, you know... [Chuckle].

1868 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** [Chuckle].

1869 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...east of the Mississippi know who Councilman Douglas
1870 Lawson is.

1871 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So that, that means everybody...

1872 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible]...

1873 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[audio skipped] their game. We all
1874 campaigned before, right? Haven't we all campaigned before?

1875 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah. But still, I need, I need Councilman Lawson...

1876 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** It's a, it's a campaign. You can...

1877 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

1878 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I guess that's...

1879 [Inaudible comment]

1880 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...why he wanted to stay out of it initially, right?

1881 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** That's exactly why.

1882 **Councilperson Lanier:** The man...

1883 [Inaudible comment]

1884 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...know how to campaign. I need him on my side, people.
1885 [Chuckle].

1886 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Alright. So, there is the map. I'm actually gonna
1887 bring that in just a little bit so you can see the entire City. [Pause]. Alright. Okay. Let's
1888 go up. Alright. I hope you can see that. I'm sorry, I'm trying to maneuver here just to
1889 make sure I can look at both the lists of the tracts that everyone's assigned will also show
1890 on the map. So, as you can tell..., so, who were to look at... Who wants..., who would like
1891 to know their, their tracts in particular? Or do you want me to just go off my list?

1892 **Chairperson Botel:** Go..., just use your list.

1893 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Just go through the list.

1894 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** We have... Alright. So for the Mayor, we have
1895 10.03 and 13.02. So, if he's, 10.03, this is the Mayor's tract, and then, 13.02 is gonna be,
1896 I think, just under that. And when you hover over that particular tract, you will see what
1897 exactly it is. I think he is... [Inaudible] he's close by. Come on.

1898 **Councilperson McCoy:** So that appears to be...

1899 **Chairperson Botel:** There it is, there it is.

1900 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** So, if he were to have that tract, yep, he'd
1901 have...

1902 **Chairperson Botel:** There it is.

1903 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** ...this tract here, and that tract. And then you
1904 have 10.04 and 13.01. So, 10.04 here..., and this is for Councilman McCoy, so this is your
1905 tract and then 13.01 is going to be just, not too far... And there you go. So, it's actually
1906 right next to each other. Now, as I said, the way that we have our Districts organized is
1907 a bit different than, obviously, how these tracts are laid out so I did the best I could
1908 selecting tracts that actually touch your District, thought it actually may, you know, touch
1909 other, other Districts as well. So, for each District representative, your tracts are likely
1910 gonna be next to each other, with exception to the Mayor and Councilman Lawson who
1911 are at large. Their Districts are pretty spread out, just to represent the different sides of
1912 the community.

1913 For Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, 4.12 and 15. It's gonna be on this side here,
1914 so you have tract 12, and then you have tract 15 right below. So, you just have that
1915 section, just east of Singer Island. For Council;',... Councilwoman Lanier, you have 10.02
1916 and 14.03. So you have 10.02 right here and then you have 14.03 just next to it. For
1917 Councilwoman Botel, 15.09 and 15.12, Singer Island. So, they're right next to each other.
1918 One on top and then one just at the bottom. And then finally, you have Councilman
1919 Lawson at 15.13, which is gonna be in this area here, just below Dr. Botel's tract.

1920 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. That's [inaudible].

1921 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** And then you have...

1922 **Councilperson Lanier:** That's where Julie is.

1923 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** [Chuckles]

1924 **Chairperson Botel:** What?

1925 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** And then...

1926 **Councilperson Lanier:** That...

1927 **Chairperson Botel:** What'd you say, Shirley?

1928 **City Manager Evans:** 5.13.

1929 **Councilperson Lanier:** That's where Julie's at.

1930 **Chairperson Botel:** Wait a minute. Wait, wait, wait. What? 13? What, what...,
 1931 Lawson's got 13. What.... Wait.

1932 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Yeah.

1933 **Chairperson Botel:** What's 13? Where's 13?

1934 **Councilperson Lanier:** 5.13 over there where you are Julie.

1935 **City Manager Evans:** Councilman Lawson has 15.13 and...

1936 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

1937 **City Manager Evans:** ...14.04.

1938 **Chairperson Botel:** But where.., where are you, where are you pointing? Where's
 1939 15.13? I thought that was... Is that Palm Beach Shores.

1940 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Right there.

1941 [Chuckles]

1942 **Chairperson Botel:** Isn't that Palm Beach Shores down there? That's not Riviera
 1943 Beach.

1944 **Councilperson McCoy:** I, I... [Stammer]...

1945 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** They officially kicked me out of the City. Marsha has just
 1946 officially kicked...

1947 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible].

1948 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...me out of Riviera Beach.

1949 [Chuckles]

1950 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you Marsha.

1951 [Inaudible exchanges]

1952 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Just know, I appreciate you. Thank you.

1953 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'm gonna tell ya'll right now, that I'm not standing for it right
1954 now.

1955 **Chairperson Botel:** Now wait a minute. Go up a little bit. Is it 5.12? 5.12 is right
1956 above... So, where does 5.12 stop? I thought 5.12 was all of the westside of Singer
1957 Island? That is in Riviera Beach?

1958 **Councilperson Lanier:** So...

1959 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Right. So you have 5.12 just here. See where
1960 my mouse is?

1961 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. Okay. Yeah.

1962 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** And then this also is your tract, 5.09.

1963 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. I know. But, go down. Where's 5.13?

1964 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Yeah.

1965 **Chairperson Botel:** It looks like it's Palm Beach Shores.

1966 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** There you go. It does but this is how the Census
1967 has it laid out. And so...

1968 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

1969 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** And so we're responsible piece here then.

1970 **Councilperson McCoy:** We'll see you, Commissioner...

1971 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Oh, so that just even the playing field there. So,
1972 Lawson, do you know contacts over in Palm Beach Shores.

1973 **Councilperson Lanier:** So where, so where'..., so where's 14.04, Noel?

1974 **Chairperson Botel:** So, where, where's 14...

1975 **Councilperson Lanier:** Noel, where's 14.04?

1976 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** So 14'... Okay. 14.04, I know it's in this region
1977 here.

1978 [Inaudible exchange]

1979 **Chairperson Botel:** There it is, there it is.

1980 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Mhmm.

1981 **Councilperson Lanier:** Who's that?

1982 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** I thought she was gonna put me in Gardens next.

1983 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** I think that's part of yours...

1984 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

1985 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** ...Ms. Lanier.

1986 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. [Inaudible]. I'm good with that.

1987 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Right. [Chuckle].

1988 [Chuckles]

1989 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Alright. And I think I just went through all the
1990 tracts. So, you know, get familiar with this of course, just so that you can kind of...

1991 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

1992 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** ...track how [inaudible].

1993 **Chairperson Botel:** Marsha, is there a place where you could... I'm really still
1994 curious about this Palm Beach Shores thing. Is there a place where you can look up the
1995 geographical boundaries of the tracts?

1996 **Unk.:** [Inaudible].

1997 **Chairperson Botel:** Other than on a map?

1998 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** If you, if you... Well, I would have to look at a
1999 different map. Because...

2000 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. I can look it up.

2001 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** [Inaudible], I would compare, yeah. I would
2002 compare them...

2003 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Stammer].., what she, what she's going across though, Julie,
2004 is.., that, that's actually the Census map that's on their website.

2005 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Right. Yeah.

2006 **Chairperson Botel:** No. I know. I've been, I've been playing with it but I didn't
2007 realize I.., when I looked at it, I thought that 5.12 was the westside of Singer Island in
2008 Riviera Beach. I didn't realize that there was a 5.13 that was.., that looks like Palm Beach
2009 Shores. I just wanted...

2010 **Councilperson Lanier:** A Part of Palm Beach Shores is a part of our Census tracts,
2011 just like...

2012 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Mhmm.

2013 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...a part of... If you go out west and you go, like, Woodbine
2014 and you're almost in North Lake, a part of that is our Census tract. As well.

2015 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Well, Doug's gonna have to start to work with Mr...,
2016 Mayor Fires, I guess, in Palm Beach Shores.

2017 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** It's just to level the playing field, that's all.
2018 Right? See?

2019 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes, it does. It does. It does. KaShamba.., I mean, Ms.
2020 Miller-Anderson is right, it levels the playing field.

2021 [Chuckles]

2022 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** She absolutely...

2023 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Ms. Noel...

2024 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I never know, he may have...

2025 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...can you please find out...

2026 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...contacts over there too.

2027 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Ms. Noel, can you please...

2028 **Councilperson Lanier:** You know what? You might be right, Ms. Miller-Anderson, you
2029 might be right, he might have contacts over there too. Right. [Chuckle].

2030 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. Thanks, Ms. Noel. Is there anything else or do you
2031 want us to discuss [stammer], other, other than crowing rights, I mean, are we looking to
2032 come up with some prize or can we let that... I mean, what do you, what do you want us
2033 to do here?

2034 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** So, if you're fine with the timeframe to begin
2035 tomorrow and end September 30th, you're okay with how the tracts have been assigned,
2036 your, you know, and you come up with a prize, you can say, 'Hey, we're good to go with
2037 that,' and get it going. And I can start recording your respective tracts tomorrow so that
2038 we have something to compare to by the end of the challenge.

2039 **Chairperson Botel:** Well I started already, so I think we should've...

2040 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** [Inaudible].

2041 **Chairperson Botel:** ...started last week. I mean, really. I've already made
2042 improvements.

2043 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Well, [inaudible].

2044 **Chairperson Botel:** That means you're not gonna count... My improvements of
2045 the last two weeks are not gonna count. That's not fair.

2046 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you for all that you've done, Dr. Botel, for
2047 all of us.

2048 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah, right. [Chuckles]. Mr., Mr. McCoy, did you...

2049 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Thank you.

2050 **Chairperson Botel:** ...have a comment?

2051 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Madam Chair. I appreciate it and I'm, I'm very
2052 enthusiastic up, up until I get to Congress, right? Because those gated communities over
2053 there do let anybody in. Okay? So...

2054 [Chuckles]

2055 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...even if I have an appointment...

2056 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** When you're campaigning you gotta get in there
2057 some kinda way.

2058 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

2059 **Unk.:** Hey, hey.

2060 **Councilperson McCoy:** They call the cops on me then...

2061 **Councilperson Lanier:** Hey, but Mr. McCoy, you won your District, so you was..., he
2062 was everywhere man. You won your district.

2063 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I got... Say that again 'cause I got some people watching
2064 that think they may be interested.

2065 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible].

2066 **Councilperson Lanier:** Mr. McCoy...

2067 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. I know.

2068 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...won his District.

2069 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Thank you. But...

2070 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Mr. McCoy, you...

2071 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...[inaudible]....

2072 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...you want me to handle the gated communities for you,
2073 Councilman McCoy?

2074 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. That's alright. I'm, I'm, I'm certainly... I, I just, I couldn't
2075 quite see it but I just hope I don't have all gated communities because then, you know, I
2076 don't wanna be out... I'm definitely not gonna be out there at night because we know
2077 what happens to black men in gated communities, at night. And I don't want...

2078 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Why you gotta go at night.

2079 **Councilperson Lanier:** District 3, that I have, I have the biggest district in the City. So
2080 don't come crying now.

2081 **Councilperson McCoy:** It's based on population, so don't, don't start. You, you got an
2082 industrial area.

2083 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle]. Alright. We good, we good. We're good.

2084 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. So, I think, you know, from my point of view, bragging
2085 rights will be sufficient? Right? You know?

2086 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. That's...

2087 **Chairperson Botel:** I, I, I...

2088 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...fine for me.

2089 **Chairperson Botel:** I don't know how the rest of you feel but, you know.

2090 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Stammer]... You're, you're right. You're right, Madam Chair.
2091 They don't call it District 1 for nothing.

2092 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. Alright. Thank you, Ms. Noel. You've done an
2093 excellent job of challenging us to...

2094 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you.

2095 **Chairperson Botel:** ...to...

2096 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** You're welcome.

2097 **Chairperson Botel:** ...get out... And I would...

2098 **Unk.:** Appreciate it.

2099 **Chairperson Botel:** ...like it if..., I would like to know about that 5.12 from 2010. If
2100 you can follow up...

2101 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Okay.

2102 **Chairperson Botel:** ...on that. Yeah. Thank you.

2103 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair, I have one question.

2104 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Please, go ahead.

2105 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** For you and Mr. Lawson doing the follow up with
2106 the..., is it Commissioner Lambert that's doing something? The competition that you...

2107 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh yes.

2108 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So...

2109 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

2110 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. That...

2111 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...so, hopefully, that will be able to help you all...

2112 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

2113 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...with your numbers. When does that end?

2114 **Chairperson Botel:** I think it ends when the Census... I mean, same thing. Same
2115 issue that we're having...

2116 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Same thing.

2117 **Chairperson Botel:** ...with regard to we don't know when the Census is gonna
2118 end. So, I think it, it ends probably early October, as it stands now. But... Do, do you...

2119 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

2120 **Chairperson Botel:** Did you get a date from them, Doug?

2121 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yeah. It's scheduled to end the last day of the Census. So...

2122 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

2123 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...if they moved it to September 30th, it's gonna be the 30th or
2124 October 6th, whichever day Marsha'.., Ms. Noel confirms.

2125 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Noel, I just wanted to add, maybe after
2126 every City Council meeting, at the end, can you kinda give us an update...

2127 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Yeah.

2128 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ..as to... Maybe you said that, but an update as
2129 to what everybody's numbers are? We don't wanna wait 'til the whole sixty days go by
2130 and then nobody knows where they stand.

2131 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Certainly.

2132 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you. Thank you. That's it.

2133 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2134 **21. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 21. Mr. Evans, do you want, Ms. Young to
2135 handle this?

2136 **City Clerk Anthony:** **CITY MANAGER'S ANNUAL EVALUATION.**

2137 **EUREKA YOUNG, INTERIM HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, 561-840-4880**

2138 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, the acceptance of
2139 public comment on this Item is now closed.

2140 **Chairperson Botel:** Are there any public comments?

2141 **City Clerk Anthony:** Not at this time, Madam Chair.

2142 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Ms. Young.

2143 **Interim Human Resources Director Young:** Good evening again, Council.

2144 **Chairperson Botel:** Good evening.

2145 **Interim Human Resources Director Young:** I am here to request a Item for
2146 discussion, is the acceptance of the City Manager's annual evaluation. In accordance
2147 with Section 2, Subsection C of the Manager's contract, performance evaluation, the City
2148 Council is required to review the Manager's performance at least annually.., annually.
2149 Most recently, you all submitted your review of the.., of, of the Manager's performance
2150 and now I will go and read off the categories of the evaluations with the totals of each
2151 category.

2152 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So...

2153 **Interim Human Resources Director Young:** The...

2154 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...let me stop right now because I, I don't want to start down
2155 this process and I have some procedural questions to ask. And, before you start reading
2156 scores or anything, I'm very well of what the contract calls for but I have my scores in
2157 draft form, which I didn't submit and that goes to my question of how did we get here and
2158 why are we placing this on the Agenda at this point? Because, the contract doesn't
2159 provide that this is the manner in which the evaluations are to be submitted. So, I would
2160 ask Ms. Young, since you've already familiarized yourself with the contract.

2161 **Interim Human Resources Director Young:** The contract, and I would ask Ms. Wynn
2162 if., also to, to chime in, indicates that the Manager is to be evaluated. The Manager, in
2163 early May, reminded the Council of his upcoming evaluation by a memorandum
2164 highlighting his accomplishments. And, he., there was a date of., to submit the
2165 evaluations to HR in order to be placed on the Agenda. [Inaudible]...

2166 **Councilperson McCoy:** Wait. Stop, stop, stop right there. So, here's my concern.
2167 Who creates the date that we need to submit and the process thereafter? The contract
2168 only provides that we perform a evaluation. And I'm only saying this because of two
2169 reasons. The first reason is, I looked back and there's never been a case where you
2170 formally submit scores onto the Agenda. That's the first time. And then secondly, if I'm
2171 going to submit any kind of evaluation of anybody, wouldn't it be proper for us to actually
2172 review this with the person, similar to how, I'm sure Mr. Evans would appreciate [stammer]
2173 this, is related to a due process hearing. And I only am reminding., I was gonna send
2174 mine in but when I seen what happened in., and I'm not suggesting this by no means,
2175 but what happened at the City of Pahokee with their Manager just recently, it's like, once
2176 you submit, or even meet with your Manager, you're supposed to have an opportunity to
2177 talk about the performance. Because I don't wanna misrepresent what I believe is a
2178 weakness or even a strong point, without even first confirm with the Manager. So, is this
2179 something that you, as HR, suggested that we do? Or move forward? Because this is
2180 not provided for specifically in the contract, to move forward in this process. So, I see a
2181 couple people trying to respond.

2182 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. Ms. Anthony has something to say first and then Mr.
2183 Evans. Ms. Anthony.

2184 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. Madam, Madam Chair, Members of the Board, I only
2185 see two of you all up on the screen.

2186 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, thank you.

2187 **City Clerk Anthony:** We need a third person on the screen to...

2188 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2189 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...constitute a quorum.

2190 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson or... Thank you. Thank you. Mr. Evans.

2191 **City Clerk Anthony:** Thank you.

2192 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. Madam Chair, with regards to the evaluation of the City
2193 Manager, in most municipalities, and, and I would say most, especially those with
2194 credentialed Managers, the evaluations are done in public settings. The information is
2195 tallied and then it is brought before the public, 'cause it is essentially the only opportunity
2196 that you all collectively have an opportunity to provide insight, perspective, guidance,
2197 direction, as it relates to the per'..., performance of the, the Manager. In the event that
2198 individual evaluations were done, there's no document or no proof with regards to..., for
2199 public consumption, as it relates to the Manager's performance, whether it's poor
2200 performance or excellent performance, et. cetera, there's no mechanism that facilitates it
2201 in a public setting. It is, since I've been a Manager and every Manager that I have worked
2202 for, their evaluations have all been in public settings.

2203 And so, the intent behind this Item is to bring forward the total tabulation of what
2204 the score is, for all of you to see the comments that each of you put in the evaluation and
2205 then provide any feedback and to accept the evaluation that was conducted. So basically,
2206 checking off the, the fact that the Council did in fact perform the evaluation.

2207 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, let me go ahead and respond to that. You started off by
2208 saying most municipalities and, sir, that is not what has happened in Riviera Beach. And,
2209 there was no guidance in your contract that actually necessitated that that's the process.
2210 And then further, I think I owe you, as a professional, an opportunity to have a discussion
2211 with you, regarding my concern, of your performance because maybe I'm
2212 misunderstanding or perhaps it's something that may not be..., I have full information on.

2213 The other point that I wanted to make was, and I spoke to Ms. Wynn regarding this
2214 issue specifically, and also her contract, was that I had some outstanding questions of, of
2215 legal questions. So..., that, that I'm resolving on that end. But, in any event, everything
2216 you're suggesting, I don't have a problem with doing it in public, but I think the prescribed
2217 method of us now first presenting forward these scores, which I kinda deliberately tried to
2218 not look at, even though I seen that the other Members have kinda already submitted
2219 their scores, but in any event, it wouldn't be an evaluation that I think is I, I think a fair
2220 process, until I've actually had an opportunity to share my concerns regarding
2221 performance ahead of that. Because what this ult'..., ultimately presents is now there's
2222 political pressure for me to turn around and support something that the other Members
2223 done, and I don't think that that's the way it is. But I'mma tell you one thing, I'm not moved
2224 by political pressure because, I mean, I, I fought to get here and I wasn't given anything.
2225 So, I wanna make sure that my process in which I establish, is something that..., that's not
2226 made up on a whim, be it by the Manager or even HR, for that matter. But, clearly, it only
2227 provides that we do it. It doesn't provide that we bring it forth and submit it to the City
2228 Council for..., to vote or decision, or anything for that matter. It's that, it's that we do it.

2229 So, Mr. Evans, I, I, I respectfully disagree with your assertion that most
2230 municipalities, because clearly, historically, if you go back and look, it's never been done
2231 in this process and there always was a meeting ahead of public presentation.

2232 **City Manager Evans:** [Stammer]... Madam Chair, if I, if I may...

2233 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans.

2234 **City Manager Evans:** With regards to just because we haven't done it, doesn't mean
2235 that it's not appropriate practice. And the International City County Management
2236 Association, as well as the Florida City County Management Association, encourages
2237 and most of the four hundred and twelve municipalities in the State of Florida, do have
2238 public evaluations of the Administrator. If they are done in private, the information is still
2239 subject to public record but then it doesn't give the Board an opportunity to have that
2240 discussion holistically.

2241 As it relates to the evaluation, some of your colleagues have met with me with me
2242 before they did finalize the evaluation. So that opportunity is still available to any of the
2243 Council Members before they completed their evaluation scores. So, I, I think, in the
2244 abundance of transparency, it is only a good thing to bring the evaluation forward to be
2245 able to see the strengths, weaknesses and areas for improvement.

2246 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well...

2247 **City Manager Evans:** And having...

2248 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Stammer]...

2249 **City Manager Evans:** ...to Board discuss it.

2250 **Councilperson McCoy:** Mr. Evans, I'm glad you mentioned that. But since you wanna
2251 be so candid with , I was really asking for some direction and I was waiting on Legal to
2252 provide some direction regarding the pandemic pay policy. Because, if the expectation
2253 is for us to take any action, I mean, we have to be very transparent and open with it
2254 because I literally disagree with the pandemic pay policy, and I think I've shared this with
2255 you personally and also publicly in a meeting, but obviously, I was hoping that we can get
2256 to a point where we resolved these issues, and perhaps Tradrick McCoy is mistaken, it's
2257 not an issue. And it's legally defensible, and that's not something that I need to include
2258 in there.

2259 But, but, you know, that's my biggest concern. I don't have a problem with it not
2260 being public, but so long as it's in draft form, it's not public. But I wanted to welcome an
2261 opportunity to discuss it with you and also [stammer] see how we can, you know, move
2262 forward if I'm just mistaken or if that's, you know, something that currently exists as
2263 something that I believe was probably premature. And I'm, and I'm saying that for lack of
2264 better words. So, I mean, most municipalities doesn't apply to what we've seen and,
2265 absent of any specific direction by the body... I mean, obviously, you can obviously make
2266 that argument but, I mean, in no event, is my scores gonna be now included in this, since

2267 you've already created a tally that, that has already averaged out all of the Members,
2268 except for me. But, based on the contract, there's no provision that we do it in this fashion.
2269 So, I'm, I'm a little confused as to what, what happens next. And I don't have a problem
2270 with meeting you. I think I probably, besides Dr. Botel, call you the most.

2271 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

2272 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, you know, I certainly...

2273 **City Manager Evans:** There, there, there's a..., there's a couple of calls from
2274 everybody.

2275 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay.

2276 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans, you're not asking us to make any motion..., any...,
2277 to accept anything, change anything? This, this was for public information?

2278 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.

2279 **Chairperson Botel:** Primarily?

2280 **City Manager Evans:** Just to... Yes. Just primarily to, to tell you that, here's the
2281 evaluation scores, this is the in'..., the tally and for the Board to basically accept the
2282 evaluation as completed.

2283 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

2284 **City Manager Evans:** Because, my concern is, if the evaluation was not done on my
2285 side, then it's a breach of the agreement. And so, I wanted to make sure that the
2286 evaluation was conducted and we, we wanted to have the evaluation...

2287 **Chairperson Botel:** We lost your audio.

2288 **City Manager Evans:** Can you hear me now?

2289 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. I can hear...

2290 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2291 **City Manager Evans:** Okay. We wanted to have the evaluation last meeting but we
2292 did provide additional time to have conversations with certain Council Members and to
2293 get the, the scores in and tallied. So, I'm, I'm not opposed to what the next phase of the
2294 evaluation and modifying that, but I do think in some form or some fashion, it should be...,
2295 certain elements, concerning the evaluation, should be available for public consumption.

2296 **Councilperson McCoy:** Certain elements, absent of mine? Is that what you're
2297 suggesting?

2298 **City Manager Evans:** No, sir.

2299 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy, it sounds to me like you want an opportunity to
2300 meet with the City Manager and discuss his evaluation. I, I did that...

2301 **Councilperson McCoy:** Alright. Dr. Botel, I'm gonna...

2302 **Chairperson Botel:** I know. I'm, I, I...

2303 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...[inaudible] sounds like...

2304 **Chairperson Botel:** One more time, I shouldn't...

2305 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

2306 **Chairperson Botel:** It sou'... Well then, what it is you want?

2307 **Councilperson McCoy:** I was very clear but you always like to summarize a...

2308 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm trying to understand your position, so I was rephrasing it
2309 to be sure that I understand it. Clearly, I don't. So, what is it that you want?

2310 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. I, I wanted to see exactly how this process was
2311 predicated. Was there.., the City Manager's request to bring this forward, was there the
2312 contract? You know, was this best practices? Obviously, that's what he kinda suggests,
2313 or historical practices, which is, in any event, different.

2314 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I may? [Stammer]...

2315 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2316 **City Manager Evans:** Historically, this is best practices, one. And two, I've heard
2317 this Board say on numerous occasions, even the evaluation of the Executive Director of
2318 the CRA, and when the last time that had been completed. So this shows the public that
2319 you've in fact completed the evaluation process. And so, in subsequent years, there will
2320 be further evaluations of any and all City Managers moving forward. So, that is just being
2321 able to say that the evaluation is completed and move on from that point.

2322 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I just wanna...

2323 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay.

2324 **Chairperson Botel:** No. Mr., Mr...

2325 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'm sorry. I'm sorry...

2326 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson...

2327 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. You can...

2328 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson and then Ms. Lanier.

2329 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So... Thank you, Madam Chair. Councilman McCoy, I'm just
2330 trying to understand to, to your point, the concern that you have with this process.
2331 Because I think that we, we all meet with Mr. Evans on a regular basis and, based upon
2332 the evaluation that he put out and that was requested to be returned to him, I, I think we
2333 all had an opportunity to discuss our concerns. And looking at the scores, I did review
2334 the scores and I've had constant conversation with Mr. Evans, and also reviewed some
2335 of my concerns and issues that I've had in the past with him, and outlined them in his
2336 annual report that's outlined in the contract. So, I'm just.., I'm, I'm lost as to what your
2337 concern is, Councilman McCoy, and I want us to make sure we're on the same page.

2338 **Councilperson McCoy:** If I may respond?

2339 **Chairperson Botel:** Go right ahead.

2340 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay.

2341 **Chairperson Botel:** I would do it.., I would do it for you but, you know that.., how
2342 that works out.

2343 **Councilperson McCoy:** I know...

2344 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible] summarizing.

2345 **Councilperson McCoy:** And, and, and let me help the, the gentleman from the 5th
2346 District. You're not lost because of my response or, or because of what I'm doing.

2347 So, I just want an opportunity to meet with the Manager and kinda lay out my
2348 personal concerns because it may be a lot or it may be absolutely nothing but I want to
2349 put specifically, aside from the streets that need to be done and the shootings and the
2350 significant incident reports, my personal critique of his performance 'cause the voters do
2351 it for us every three years. In fact, I think they do it for us every meeting that they send in
2352 public comments that aren't always friendly. So, I, you know, I wanted to, as a, you know,
2353 a professional, sit down and talk to him because I don't want to, you know, make... I, I,
2354 I guess I don't wanna be wrong in assuming anything and I wanna kinda have a
2355 gentleman's conversation about it. And, that's what I really was looking for. But I was
2356 surprised when, a couple weeks ago, I got the call from the Manager's office that this Item
2357 was to be placed on the Agenda when, clearly, that's not how it actually occurred in the
2358 past.

2359 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So, Madam Chair, just, just as follow up to that and that was,
2360 that was actually what I was looking for. So, to that point, is this something that the
2361 Council would want to indulge moving forward with our Executive Staff, from Ms. Wynn,
2362 Mr. Evans and our Director of our CRA, do we wanna have one on one sit downs prior to
2363 these Agenda Items? And have it added to our contracts? And our neg'..., discussions
2364 with our Staff? 'Cause I can agree with Councilman McCoy in regards to having a sit
2365 down and seeing if this is a requirement that we include because I think, off the record,
2366 essentially all of us have had sit downs but I think the verbiage would need to be outlined
2367 so that we're on the same page as a Council.

2368 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, I had, I had a, a sit down with the Manager because I
2369 think that's the proper way to conduct business. If you're gonna evaluate someone, I had
2370 questions, I had concerns, I had little complaints, you know, not..., some of them which
2371 were not insignificant, and so I felt it important for me to sit down with the City Manager
2372 before I presented my scores to the HR Department. I would think that it would be
2373 incumbent on each one of us to set up a meeting with Mr. Evans. Since that hasn't been
2374 done, it would..., it might be appropriate, not that I would wanna put words in Mr. McCoy's
2375 mouth, but it might be appropriate that we postpone this Item until Mr. McCoy has an
2376 opportunity to sit down with Mr. Evans and have that conversation. Or anyone else who
2377 has not had that opportunity to have that conversation, for that matter.

2378 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** And...

2379 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair...

2380 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...that was my..., and that was my point, Madam Chair. If I
2381 could just kind of respond to that. That was..., before we actually get a final score and
2382 tally, giving Councilman McCoy the opportunity to sit down with Mr. Evans so that those
2383 scores can be incorporated into this...

2384 **Chairperson Botel:** Right.

2385 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...tally that's given to us, number one. And then, number two,
2386 to make it official because, to your point, you feel like that's the general practice, that you
2387 would sit down with your Staff but that's not what's outlined in the contract. So, so that
2388 we can be crystal clear that we actually have that outlined as a requirement, that a one
2389 on one sit down is required prior to a review being down, I think that'd be something that
2390 we can incorporate in all our Executive Staff's report directly to us. Because Mr. Evans
2391 meets with his Staff on a daily/weekly basis, so we would wanna at least meet with our
2392 direct hires at least, you know, once a year, every six months to discuss and review their,
2393 their process of..., over the year.

2394 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Ms. Miller-Anderson.

2395 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Lanier, I think was next, but I did want to...

2396 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, I'm sorry. You, you..., I was trying to...

2397 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[inaudible] point about the contract,...

2398 **Chairperson Botel:** Go...

2399 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...but I'll, I'll hold on until Lanier goes.

2400 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead. Ms. Lanier.

2401 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I just wanted to say and I agree with both Mr. McCoy and
2402 Mr. Lawson in terms of, not only just for the City Cou'..., the City Manager but for the

2403 Attorney and for the CRA Director. These are the only positions... There are four'...,
2404 almost..., there are over four hundred people who work for the City of Riviera Beach.
2405 These are the only three positions that we have a say so in terms of evaluations, and in
2406 terms of how they are evaluated. So, if we need to speak with each of these individuals,
2407 those three individuals, before we come to publicly to discuss it, then I have no problem
2408 with that. I have no problem with having the ability to..., and I understand Mr. Evans'
2409 position is that it has to be done, and it has to come before the Council, and he..., and,
2410 and I'm sure his position was, 'I don't wanna be in violation of what the contract says.'

2411 So, that, that's all understood. We can, we can easily remedy that by ensuring
2412 that the three individul'..., individuals that we are in charge of, that we have one on one's
2413 or, even when they do..., when, when they have legal sessions and they call them closed
2414 sessions. However we need to do it, it needs to be done so that the public knows how
2415 we as a Council feel about the three individuals that we are charged with.

2416 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Ms. Miller...

2417 **Councilperson McCoy:** Just to respond.

2418 **Chairperson Botel:** ...Anderson.

2419 **Councilperson McCoy:** The contract... If, if I can just throw this in real quick. The
2420 contract provides that there's no penalty or harm against the Manager for any delays by
2421 the City Council not doing an evaluation timely. Or not doing an evaluation at all.

2422 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Miller-Anderson.

2423 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, just historically, you know, I was quite
2424 pleased with seeing that we did have this evaluation to come to us. And, and since we're
2425 on the subject, as well as Ms. Wynn and I'm sure, you know, that one is still hanging out
2426 there as well but traditionally, we, as an agency, have not been very good about doing
2427 evaluations, whether it's on the department director..., and when I say we, I'm talking about
2428 the City Manager doing it for the Directors. At most organizations, evaluations are done
2429 annually and only until I got here did I not understand how that was not happening, but
2430 literally, people were going years without having an evaluation. So, that it is certainly
2431 something that needs to be corrected. And also, my..., one of my questions is, I don't
2432 have a problem..., and I would, like I said, I would assume everybody is meeting with Mr.
2433 Evans and, like you said, Mr. McCoy, we..., I'm sure he gets calls or texts from all of us all
2434 the time. So, those unofficial conversations are happening.

2435 I don't have a problem with holding off for Mr. McCoy to get his scorers in but I do
2436 know that we did all get the..., get the forms and I know I had to be reminded a number of
2437 times to even do it for the first go 'round. And then, for the..., and, and it was pulled off
2438 because everybody hadn't submitted theirs and then it came back. So there's been a
2439 long stand of us, you know, having time to get it done but, like I said, I don't have a
2440 problem with waiting and allowing that conversation to happen so that all the scores are
2441 included. But we have had plenty of opportunities to do this.

2442 **Chairperson Botel:** Right

2443 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And then the other thing is, my question is,
2444 when, Mr. Lawson, I think you mentioned about possibly having that added, I think, to the
2445 contract and correct me if I'm wrong on how you said it, if you were saying to insert that
2446 into the contract where people are required or allowed the opportunity to, to go and have
2447 a conversation with Mr. Evans before providing their scores, are we talking about
2448 reopening the contract or are you just saying when we get to that point again later on?
2449 Like, we'll go ahead and wrap it up for this time and then when the contract comes back
2450 around, we can add that at that point? Mr. Lawson?

2451 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson?

2452 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes, Madam Chair. I don't wanna reopen the contract. We
2453 can add that in as a caveat to our next contracts. We have an Executive Director we'll be
2454 hiring for our CRA, and also we have Mr. Haygood as well. So, I believe it's actually four
2455 individuals..., four that we're actually have to do this for. So, having a discussion and
2456 putting a timeframe. And, like Mr. McCoy said, it's not being held against our City
2457 Manager, our City Attorney or CRA or, or CRA Attorney if it's not done within a timely
2458 fashion but at least we know that's something that was an expectation, that we have that
2459 meeting prior to submitting the, the review within one year of their hire and within their
2460 annual renewals every year. So, if we just outline that with our future contracts and as
2461 the contract comes back up.

2462 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. And, and that... Yeah. That's a very
2463 good point and I was going to..., my other point was going to be, you know, I can't even
2464 recall the last time we had an evaluation done over in the CRA. So, if that's anything, it
2465 must be the Council to put these things into place and, and make sure people are being
2466 evaluated because if something needs to be addressed, it, it needs to be addressed and
2467 not just kick the can down or toll people on just because they're there. So that would be
2468 when we start these new..., get these new people on or coming to a point of another
2469 contract that we, we make sure we stick with the evaluations getting done. And, and
2470 actually make sure that the City Manager or the CRA Director, [inaudible] doing
2471 evaluations on their employees as well because that with the employees didn't always...,
2472 has not always happened.

2473 **Chairperson Botel:** Right. Ms. Lanier and Mr. Lawson and Mr. McCoy.

2474 **Councilperson Lanier:** I mean, I agree with what everyone is saying here but I, I think
2475 that this should apply across the board. This should apply to the City Attorney, this should
2476 apply to the City Manager and this should apply to the CRA Director in terms of the
2477 concerns that the Council has. I, I., and I agree..., I mean, I, I understand Mr. McCoy's
2478 concerns in terms of not being able to..., or, not even..., you know, if he, if he wanted to
2479 take his time doing it, then that's his prerogative. But the, the City Manager should not
2480 be penalized for that. The, the..., and I understand the City Manager's position is that let
2481 me bring it to the Council because I don't want to be penalized for it. So it's, it's a situation
2482 where we need to make sure that the language that we are putting forth for all three

2483 people, that we are in charge of, that it goes across the board and it's not just Mr. Evans
2484 trying to get his evaluation in because, you know, it may affect his contract. Because,
2485 guess what, the reason why he did this is because, guess what, he had a contract before.

2486 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckles].

2487 **Councilperson Lanier:** And he knows what happens if you slip up and you don't bring
2488 things to the Council and you don't get people to say nothing, then it look like, guess what,
2489 ain't nothing happening so he's been down that road before, so we understand his
2490 position with this. So this should, this should, this should make sure that everybody, the
2491 three people that we're in charge of, this should be across the board and not, not just for
2492 Mr. Evans as well.

2493 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I totally...

2494 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Lawson.

2495 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...agree with you. And...

2496 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

2497 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...it's four, right? We have the City Attorney...

2498 **Chairperson Botel:** And we have...

2499 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Four.

2500 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...we have [inaudible]...

2501 **Chairperson Botel:** Four.

2502 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...City Manager and the CRA Director, four.

2503 **Chairperson Botel:** Right.

2504 **Councilperson McCoy:** Actually, I'm, I'm...

2505 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I know [inaudible] wanna say five but it's four.
2506 It's four. Thank you.

2507 **Councilperson McCoy:** Ms. Miller-Anderson

2508 **Councilperson Lanier:** Where.., what's, what's the four?

2509 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Let's.., we need some order. Mr...

2510 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** The CRA Attorney.

2511 **Chairperson Botel:** The Attorney, the CRA Attorney. Mr. Lawson...

2512 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible].

2513 **Chairperson Botel:** ...and then Mr. McCoy. And then we need to move on
2514 because it's getting time for us to vote to extend the meeting. Mr. Lawson.

2515 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes, Madam Chair. I was gonna just ask if we could have this
2516 Item brought back, Mr. Evans, at the next meeting? If Councilman McCoy and his very
2517 busy schedule could make some time to meet with you over the next week and a half to
2518 get this on the next Agenda. And then have...

2519 **Chairperson Botel:** [Stammer]...

2520 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...the numbers updated including and encompassing
2521 Councilman McCoy's scores.

2522 **Chairperson Botel:** Lest I be accused of putting words in anyone's mouth, it
2523 sounds to me like we have a consensus on that. Mr. McCoy, did you wanna say
2524 something?

2525 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yeah. I wanna also, since we don't have to Agenda this, we
2526 might as well vote for a Chairperson, since we're doing the evaluations, 'cause I, I see
2527 you fail at that every single time.

2528 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, maybe you'll have your turn some day and we'll see how
2529 you do.

2530 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm not interested. I can tell you that, but please, allow me to
2531 finish. And let me say a few things. So, Mr. Lawson, I appreciate your comments but I
2532 don't think that that should be in the contract because here's why.

2533 **Chairperson Botel:** He said...

2534 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...If you put...

2535 **Chairperson Botel:** ...that he didn't want it to... He did not... He did not say it...

2536 **Councilperson McCoy:** Here, here you go...

2537 **Chairperson Botel:** ...should be in the contract.

2538 **Councilperson McCoy:** Here we go again.

2539 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson, did you say it should be in the contract.

2540 **Councilperson McCoy:** He did say we need to consider...

2541 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible]...

2542 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...putting it the...

2543 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr...

2544 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...contract for the...

2545 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson.

2546 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** I'm gonna let...

2547 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...CRA Director...

2548 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair, I'm gonna let Councilman McCoy finish his
2549 comments.

2550 **Councilperson McCoy:** He did say that...

2551 **Chairperson Botel:** I don't know why.

2552 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...Madam Chair.

2553 **Chairperson Botel:** No, he didn't.

2554 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** I'll, I'll...

2555 **Chairperson Botel:** He said [inaudible]...

2556 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** I'll wait 'till he completes...

2557 **Chairperson Botel:** ...absolutely said he did not want it to open the contract.

2558 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. He didn't...

2559 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible]...

2560 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...wanna open this contract. He said he wants to consider this
2561 for the CRA Director's contract.

2562 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. Fine.

2563 **Councilperson McCoy:** But this is why...

2564 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?

2565 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...we don't wanna put it in the contract. Here's why.

2566 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam, Madam Chair. Hold on. I will, I will address that.
2567 Councilman McCoy's accurate. I said that I would like to not open up the contract
2568 discussions and moving forward with our next contract, consider putting this in as a
2569 discussion. So, without us playing semantics, I mean, I want us to just move forward. I
2570 know Councilman McCoy...

2571 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. I'd love it...

2572 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...wanted to finish his comments.

2573 **Chairperson Botel:** ...if we could move forward. Go ahead. But then, since I'm
2574 such a terrible chair.

2575 **Councilperson McCoy:** Of course, you always do.

2576 **Chairperson Botel:** I guess I can't get you to move forward. Go ahead. I always
2577 do because sometimes we spend an inordinate amount of time making the same
2578 comments over and over and over again and people complain to me constantly that I
2579 don't keep the meeting in check, that I let you...

2580 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, that, that...

2581 **Chairperson Botel:** ...speak too many times.

2582 **Councilperson McCoy:** Look...

2583 **Chairperson Botel:** And I am trying to get this meeting to be moving along. Yes.
2584 I like to move the meeting...

2585 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

2586 **Chairperson Botel:** ...along. Go ahead, Mr. McCoy.

2587 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, let me go ahead and...

2588 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm gonna recognize you one more time and then that's it.

2589 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Well... Okay. Well, we're gonna have to.., I'm gonna
2590 actually ask for my Members to give me a super majority to overrule you. But let me tell
2591 you something, I'm not an educator. I studied accounting and I know numbers a little bit
2592 better than I know how to comprehend and I know how do language and I know how to
2593 do education, so perhaps it may take me a little bit.., a little bit longer time but extend me
2594 the professional courtesy of not filling my sentences, of not assuming or not trying to
2595 summarize or paraphrase what my thoughts, or other Members of this Board's thoughts,
2596 because quite honestly, I know you wanna make it efficient but this is business, this is the
2597 only reason that we're elected. Not social events, but to vote and pass a Resolution to
2598 make sure that we're affecting the quality of life. But if, for some reason, you have a
2599 bedtime that you gotta get to, respectfully, we have a, a Pro Tem that can, can take the
2600 helm. But, Madam Chair, please do not try to rush us. Like, I, I don't like to be in meetings
2601 for an extended amount of time but when we have issues that are not very clear, please
2602 don't try to rush me along when I wanna get clarity because I don't.., I, I don't particularly
2603 move by the fact that you got constituents that contact you. The ones that really
2604 encourage me, is the ones that tell me, 'Do what you do. Ask questions, make sure you
2605 get clarification,' because I didn't understand what that meant but, but for Christ sakes,

2606 please, Madam Chair, show me a little bit of courtesy and respect if I don't understand
2607 and I wanna make sure we get clarity.

2608 Tonight, in itself, there was a least two different, separate occasions where this
2609 was very important and I would like to see if you can just please hold your horses and
2610 allow us to deliberate and make sure that everybody, before we make an informed..., so
2611 that we can make an informed decision and we're not held accountable because
2612 everything is political, that we can at least know what we're voting on. That's all I'm
2613 asking. Is that enough?

2614 **Chairperson Botel:** Are you done?

2615 **Councilperson McCoy:** But in any event, I'll, I'll move to my next concern. So Mr.,
2616 Mr. Lawson, the reason why I didn't want it to be, or I didn't think it's a good idea to be in
2617 the contract is because I, I, you know, I would much rather a Resolution. Obviously, if we
2618 take something three months ahead of time, you know, I'm okay with that but the problem
2619 with a contract, it really puts a lotta onus on the City. And in the event, if we have anything
2620 like what we had in 2020, or in, or in 2019 for that matter with computer hacks or staffing
2621 changes, I mean, we've been through three different City Managers in our time, here as
2622 Members of this Council, but I don't want anything that binds us into a adversarial position
2623 where we're leaving a..., one of our employees who report to us in a, a negative posture
2624 to feel that they've been violated, or the City has violated them based on the provisions
2625 of the contract. And obviously, we can't account for every single thing. And, you know,
2626 Members, also, I would ask that we keep in mind..., I mean, this issue didn't start with Mr.
2627 Evans, obviously, the City Attorney is overdue and her contract was up in, I think, the
2628 evaluation was due in January. Correct, Ms. Wynn? So, we're already seven months
2629 over time.

2630 And Mr. Evans, your, your explanation about, you know, the CRA Director... You
2631 know, I first brought up the evaluation of the CRA Director, not because I really wanted
2632 one but because of the fact that the Interim Executive CRA Director's purpose was just
2633 to fill a temporary role and it wasn't permanent. So, to give an evaluation of something
2634 that was temporary, I just wanted to show the Members that it was never intended for us
2635 to have Mr. Scott Evans in a permanent role. Had we thought that way or the previous
2636 CRA Commission, he would've been permanent.

2637 But, in any event, I still had some questions of legal concern and I can reach out
2638 to the Manager and meet with him this week. And then, I can certainly have a
2639 conversation with him but it's in draft form and, if I'm, if I'm not mistaken, Ms. Wynn, draft
2640 form documents are not considered public records until they're finalized. Correct?

2641 **City Attorney Wynn:** Depends on what the documents are. Some drafts are. Yes.

2642 **Councilperson McCoy:** Got a lotta feedback but okay.

2643 **City Attorney Wynn:** I'm sorry.

2644 **Councilperson McCoy:** In any event, I don't have a problem with sharing it and I'm not
2645 so much concerned about what may come of it but I wanted to make sure that I at least
2646 had a conversation with the Manager because what I, what I believe on my end may be
2647 nothing, could be something but I, I aff'.., I wanna afford the Manager that opportunity
2648 and, and then we can certainly post it to the Agenda.

2649 Alright? Thank you.

2650 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Lanier.

2651 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam, Madam Chair, I'm gonna say this and I'm, I'm gonna
2652 go. I want to make sure that exactly what Mr. McCoy said, that every one of the people
2653 who we are in charge of, come, come before this Council and is also vetted and had a
2654 conversation with each Councilman before it does come.

2655 What I wanted to say lastly is that congratulations, Mr. Evans. You have survived
2656 a year, you have survived this Council [chuckle], you, you... No, so, so you're here now
2657 and we appreciate your, your, your assistance, we appreciate your support, we appreciate
2658 the fact that you always make sure that whatever you bring to this Council, it just kinda
2659 just brings up more questions. So, you always prompt us to be able to have these good
2660 discussions, so we can appreciate that. We really can. And we can appreciate the fact
2661 that when you do come to the Council, you know, you just make us just, just be on our
2662 toes. So, we can appreciate that fact and congratulations again of being the City Manager
2663 for the City of Riviera Beach.

2664 **Chairperson Botel:** I second...

2665 **City Manager Evans:** Thank you.

2666 **Chairperson Botel:** ...that emotion.

2667 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

2668 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

2669 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Miller-Anderson, go ahead.

2670 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And I just wanted to say, you know, thank you
2671 to Mr. Evans that, you know, bringing back some sort of [stammer] not to really... Please
2672 understand, I've been here for a minute so I, I've had my share of City Managers as well
2673 and the level of communication is beyond anything that I could ever, you know, want.
2674 Probably more than sometimes I ever want. But I do get...

2675 **City Manager Evans:** [Chuckle].

2676 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...caught up [inaudible]. And, you know, but
2677 just, just being on top of things, following through and making sure that the items that we
2678 bring before you, you're able to follow through and if you don't have an answer for it at

2679 the moment, you always make sure you circle back and get it done. And I think over the
2680 past year, you've been able to accomplish a lot of things. A lot that I've seen has been
2681 accomplished in a year that I have not seen accomplished in many years. And, you know,
2682 it's not all on the City Manager, it, it, you know, it's attributed to the Council as well. So,
2683 it helps that we have a Council that wants to get things done. And, I'm just glad that
2684 you're in the position to help us make sure that what we want done, happens.

2685 So, I appreciate it and I appreciate your professionalism and just the dedication
2686 that you have to getting the job done. And going above and beyond many times. So,
2687 thank you so much. And I'm.., I really am glad that.., and I, you know, we all talk to
2688 people in the community and I do believe you have probably won over some people that
2689 were not always in your corner, from going back many years. And so, I think just hearing
2690 those comments from people who were a part of the team, 'Get rid of him,' are not a part
2691 of the team of, you know, you're doing a great job. So, I think that speaks a lot to all of
2692 the things that you've done while you've been here for the past year.

2693 So, thank you so much for everything.

2694 **Chairperson Botel:** Anything else? Thank you, Mr. Evans. I think.., it sounds
2695 like...

2696 **City Manager Evans:** [Inaudible]...

2697 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Go ahead.

2698 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if, if I may? And certainly, it's definitely
2699 refreshing to, to work for a Board that is committed in good governance, that is committed
2700 in moving the City forward, that has no ulterior motives, and intentions are pure, to do the
2701 work of the public. And, that is something that allows for us to do our job and the team
2702 that we are assemble'.., we have assembled, and the team we have now is definitely
2703 been able to do a lot of things. And I have to give credit to everyone in the executive
2704 management team, all the line level employees. City Managers are only successful when
2705 they have the audacity to rest on the shoulders of giants, and that's our employees. They
2706 do an exceptional job. I'm proud to be a part of their team, and they are really committed
2707 to moving the agency forward.

2708 I've worked for a lot of agencies. I've worked for multiple government entities and
2709 Ms. Wynn has been a phenomenal asset to the agency and would.., I'd have to say the
2710 best City Attorney that I've had the opportunity and pleasure to work with. She's truly a,
2711 a professional and is always looking out for the best interest of the agency and has been
2712 a great support to City Administration. So, the success and the things we've been able
2713 to do, it's be a collaborative and a team effort and I'm glad to have a, you know, the, the
2714 Charter officer next to me, Ms. Wynn. She's done a phenomenal job and all the other
2715 members of the management team.

2716 Looking forward, this next year is gonna be an exciting year for Riviera Beach and
2717 looking forward to leading us through some of those challenging times but I'm proud to
2718 be a part of this team and proud to work for an exceptional Board.

2719 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Stammer].., Madam Chair, just one thing. I just wanna say
2720 for Ms. Wynn, Mr. Evans, Ms. Jacobs, the communication is outstanding. The
2721 communication that you guys give to us, what you provide to us every single day. I'm
2722 like, 'Oh Lord, it's something else.' Every single day it is communication to let us know
2723 everything that's happening with this City and I can really appreciate that.

2724 So that's all I need to say about that.

2725 **City Manager Evans:** No problem. Councilman McCoy sometimes doesn't like
2726 when I have to call him, because usually it's not really good news. So [chuckle].

2727 **Councilperson McCoy:** It's never good news.

2728 **Chairperson Botel:** There's a lot Mr. McCoy doesn't like.

2729 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Stammer].., Madam Chair, I.., [inaudible]...

2730 **Chairperson Botel:** Are you ready...

2731 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...I would [inaudible].

2732 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm sorry, say it again.

2733 **Councilperson McCoy:** I would like to move to extend the meeting indefinitely so we
2734 can finish the Agenda.

2735 **Chairperson Botel:** Would someone care to second that?

2736 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

2737 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Madam Clerk.

2738 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

2739 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

2740 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

2741 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

2742 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

2743 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

2744 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

2745 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

2746 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

2747 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, contrary to what Mr. McCoy seems to think about my
2748 bedtime, I'm gonna vote yes as well.

2749 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

2750 **Chairperson Botel:** So, let's see. Moving right along.

2751 **DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER**

2752 **Chairperson Botel:** We have a discussion by the City Manager.

2753 **City Manager Evans:** Ms., Madam Chair and, and Members of the Council, I am
2754 going to pinch hit Item No. 22 for the Mayor.

2755 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh. I'm sorry. It's not on my... Yes. Okay.

2756 **City Manager Evans:** No problem. I can, I can take that after City Council reports
2757 or, or comments, or if you..., the Board wants me to do it under my comments, I can do it.

2758 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead and do it..., you can go ahead and do it now.

2759 **City Manager Evans:** Okay.

2760 **Chairperson Botel:** That's fine.

2761 **22. STATEMENT BY MAYOR FELDER CONCERNING THE CORONAVIRUS AID**
2762 **RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT.**

2763 **Chairperson Botel:** This particular Item was predicated on a discussion that
2764 Mayor Felder had with the County Administrator concerning CARES funding. As you all
2765 are aware, is that the federal government approved the Coronavirus Aid Relief and
2766 Economic Securities Act, referred to as the CARES Act. This \$2.2T economic stimulus
2767 bill was passed by the 116th Congress and Palm Beach County was a recipient county of
2768 approximately \$261MM. The City of Riviera Beach did receive a direct allocation of
2769 approximately \$25,000. As a result of the cost that multiple government entities have
2770 seen associated with COVID, communities such as Boca Raton, Jupiter, Boynton Beach
2771 and Delray and West Palm have communicated in writing that they are dissatisfied with
2772 regards to no direct allocation from the county as it relates to the \$261MM, in which the
2773 county received. The county did take approximately \$36MM of the \$261MM and
2774 apportioned it for itself, leaving the remaining balance for other programs and activities.
2775 It has also been brought to the attention of the City of Riviera Beach that multiple agencies
2776 that are in our community that are providing some of the services, are receiving funding
2777 through the CARES Act, through the county.

2778 The City of Riviera Beach would like to send a letter or a Resolution that is
2779 requesting the county provide for information as it relates to a direct allocation, as well as
2780 what a matrix would be to ensure that there's fair and equitable appropriations that are
2781 being done countywide. From the information that's been provided to me, is that the

2782 Business Assistance Program that was provided, there was a lot of entities in the south
2783 county and some in the north part of the county that received a large portion of that. The
2784 City to.., year to date has expended approximately \$1.6MM in COVID related activities
2785 and is looking for ways to see if there's an opportunity to get reimbursement or monies
2786 allocated from the county.

2787 The county believes that the legislation allowed for the county to hold the money
2788 and that the State of Florida should be the entity to reimburse local government entities.
2789 Not a lot of county.., or not a lot of City Administrators agree with that particular
2790 interpretation as I am the secretary/treasurer of the Palm Beach County Managers
2791 Association. Also, we have seen other situations nationwide where recipient counties
2792 have allocated monies to local jurisdictions associated with this particular Item based on
2793 information that I was also able to glean from news reports, is that the county has said
2794 that the two hundred and thirty plus million dollars that was secured as it relates to the
2795 Act, is already spoken for. And so, this Item is to seek direction from the City Council and
2796 to see if the Council would be in favor of, one, requesting a matrix to ensure that there's
2797 fair and equitable apportionments of those funding streams countrywide, especially,
2798 specifically in Riviera Beach, as well as to see if there's an opportunity for any type of
2799 allocation directly to the municipalities in Palm Beach County.

2800 And Madam Chair, that concludes my presentation on behalf of the Mayor and I
2801 can answer any questions.

2802 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Would someone like to make a motion to that
2803 effect? Mr. McCoy.

2804 **Councilperson McCoy:** Mr. Evans, clarify the amount that you said. Did you say we've
2805 spent \$1.6MM?

2806 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.

2807 **Councilperson McCoy:** And that's total pandemic related expenses?

2808 **City Manager Evans:** That is correct. That's the last calculation that I got from
2809 Finance. Yes, sir.

2810 **Councilperson McCoy:** Two other things. Is that inclusive of pandemic pay?

2811 **City Manager Evans:** That's inclusive of everything, sir.

2812 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. And, did the pandemic pay stop on August 2nd?

2813 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir. I believe August 2nd or August 3rd. Yes, sir.

2814 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. I, I don't have a problem with us asking, but we don't
2815 ask to see what we're gonna get, I think we need to ask for something very specific. Do
2816 you have something in mind, specifically, to request from the county, as opposed to just
2817 asking for anything? [Inaudible]...

2818 **City Manager Evans:** Yes...

2819 **Councilperson McCoy:** What exactly?

2820 **City Manager Evans:** What we're looking for is reimbursement specific for some of
2821 the PPE that we've acquired, some of the items that we've secured as it relates to COVID
2822 specific activities. So, more of the tangible items that we're requesting. And, and...

2823 **Councilperson McCoy:** Is there...

2824 **City Manager Evans:** ...as well as some of the entities that we have partnered up
2825 with that have received direct appropriations such as, I believe, the Palm Beach Harvest
2826 has received allocations of fundings, and some other agencies. We have also facilitated
2827 staffing in assisting those entities so reimbursement as it relates to those activities, where
2828 Staff had to augment those outfits to be able to provide that service to the community, to
2829 include law enforcement assets due to traffic control, et. cetera.

2830 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Thank you. And, I'm sorry for really trying to slide this
2831 in, Mr. Evans, I don't think this was ever discussed with us but has there ever been any
2832 appropriations, consideration of appropriations, for the COVID testing and the staffing that
2833 went into that, that was incurred by our City and the resources that was spent?

2834 **City Manager Evans:** There was no direct appropriation but those would be specific
2835 costs as well that we would look to, to recoup, if possible.

2836 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, without a doubt, I certainly support us doing that
2837 but I wanna be specific as to our skin in the game if you will, related to combating COVID
2838 and the things we had to do as a City. Obviously, we.., and, and I gotta commend
2839 Councilperson Lawson for this, I think.., I don't know if any other City in the county, and
2840 probably the region, that was first out of the gate with opening up our municipality to do
2841 COVID-19 testing. And obviously, the Staff time that's associated with all of those testing
2842 sites, organizing, Parks & Rec, Public Safety, I certainly wanna make sure that we have
2843 a specific ask. I'm okay with us going to ask but I wanna make sure that we can delineate
2844 it that this is not just something that we did for Riviera Beach but obviously, I mean, me
2845 and Councilwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson realized when we were doing mask
2846 giveaways, that it wasn't just Riviera Beach residents. You know? So, we really didn't
2847 turn anybody away that needed a mask., So, certainly, I would wanna make sure that
2848 this is a specific ask.

2849 That's my only concern.

2850 **City Manager Evans:** Absolutely. And, you know, one of the things to, you know, to
2851 the City of Riviera Beach, even though the county got a lot of PR and publicity associated
2852 with the mailing of the masks, we mailed out masks twice. And they mailed out masks to
2853 over six hundred and fifty thousand households in Palm Beach County, and so that
2854 probably was well over \$1MM as it relates too that initiative. But, your City was the first
2855 to do it. And, and we've done a lot of things that were first, and a lot of entities, with our
2856 beach program, we've been able to send that on to other communities. So, some of the

2857 things that we were doing to combat the virus certainly speaks volumes, where other ha'...,
2858 others have duplicated it.

2859 But, you know, we will, when we look to bring back a Resolution and a letter, we
2860 will enumerate some of the things in more specificities that you've spoke of, Mr.,
2861 Councilman McCoy, so it's there.

2862 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, if I can say, Mr. Evans, I would not wanna delay it
2863 because, I can tell you, that money's not gonna last very long. So, I wanna go ahead and
2864 commit the Resolution, if you can kinda fine tune it with the details of whatever those
2865 numbers are with you and Finance, then, you know, I certainly support it.

2866 **City Manager Evans:** Okay.

2867 **Councilperson McCoy:** But I wanna be, be sure that it's something that we can all say
2868 that's measurable and not just benefits the City of Riviera Beach but, obviously, the county
2869 as a whole because, you know, we serve Palm Beach Shores residents, as well as, you
2870 know, Mangonia Park residents with water and other utilities and we have to kinda redirect
2871 and re-appropriate staffing. So, I, yeah. I wanna support us doing it and, you know,
2872 commit a Resolution to that effect and obviously not delay the time.

2873 So, yeah, I'm in support and when the time's appropriate, I'm okay with making a
2874 motion if there's nobody else.

2875 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'll, I'll second that motion.

2876 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk.

2877 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

2878 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

2879 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

2880 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

2881 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

2882 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

2883 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

2884 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

2885 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

2886 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2887 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

2888 **Chairperson Botel:** Discussion by... Did, did you have anything else, Mr. Evans?

2889 **City Manager Evans:** No, Madam Chair. That's it.

2890 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2891 **DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

2892 **Chairperson Botel:** Discussion by City Attorney.

2893 **City Attorney Wynn:** Yes, Madam Chair. Just briefly. Thank you so much, Mr.
2894 Evans, and Council for your kind words. Mr. Evans is a phenomenal City Manager and
2895 this past year has been a great year for the City of Riviera Beach, primarily due to his
2896 efforts and the team that he's put together, along with Ms. Jacobs. I think we've
2897 accomplished a lot and I believe that under Mr., or, I know, under., that under Mr. Evans'
2898 leadership, that we'll continue to accomplish a lot more and make you all very proud.

2899 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2900 **City Attorney Wynn:** Thank you.

2901 **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

2902 **Chairperson Botel:** City Council committee reports. [Pause].

2903 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'll save those...

2904 **Chairperson Botel:** I have a brief...

2905 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'll, I'll save mine for, for the next meeting. There's some
2906 reports and some issues, not issues but some things to say about the testing and about
2907 the masks, but I'll, I'll leave that for our next meeting.

2908 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. I attended the, July 22nd, I attended the League of
2909 Cities meeting. I think Councilwoman Miller-Anderson was there as well, I'm not sure.
2910 July 30th, I attended the Economic Development Committee of the Palm Beach North
2911 Chamber. We had a good presentation from Rick Morrell, who's the CEO and President
2912 of Sol Chuck Logistics, which is., he was also the former CEO of Tropical Shipping. He
2913 gave us some really good information about becoming a resilient community. We also
2914 had a report from the Sustainability Subcommittee, of which I'm a member. And Dr.
2915 Wihbey, who is now with Chair of the Logistics Task Force, made a presentation and Mr.
2916 Evans provided the update on Riviera Beach developments.

2917 Any other committees? Any other committee reports? [Pause]. Okay. Comments
2918 from Council...

2919 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I'll make mine... I'll make mine at the next
2920 meeting.

2921 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

2922 **STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

2923 **Chairperson Botel:** City Council discussion, starting with Ms. Miller-Anderson.

2924 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No. I don't have anything for tonight. Thank
2925 you.

2926 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Mr. Lawson.

2927 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair. Just two quick announcements.
2928 We're currently gonna be hosting the backpack drive. It's gonna be all drive-thru
2929 backpack drive for all residents of Riviera Beach. That's gonna be on the 26th of Aug'...,
2930 I'm sorry, on the 22nd of August. We're really focused on virtual learning, 'cause we just
2931 understand that a lotta kids in Palm Beach County will be staying home so our focus is
2932 gonna be CDC compliance, masks, earbuds, things that'll be beneficial for the kids. They
2933 still need supplies cause they'll working from home but at the same time, please come
2934 out and get your free supplies, residents. These are for all kids, K- 12. So, please, there's
2935 gonna be about a thousand bookbags we're looking to give out on the 22nd. We're
2936 partnering with Sincere 2000 which is a local nonprofit organization, amazing
2937 organization. It also focuses on mental health within our community. And, that is one of
2938 the biggest things that our kids are struggling with right now, just the fact that we've never
2939 experienced this and as adults, we can comprehend and actually understand but these
2940 children, they don't understand why they can't go play with their friends, they can't come
2941 out the house, they can't go to school. So, it's something that we wanna address when
2942 we focus on while we're providing supplies for residents.

2943 And tomorrow, we will be hosting one of our phases of the Bridge, which is a
2944 community conversation. It's a task force that was created to bridge that gap between
2945 the police force, our residents, our state's legislation, our State Attorney's office. So,
2946 tomorrow, Mr. State Attorney David Aronberg and his staff will be on the call. So please,
2947 residents, if you can tune in, it's gonna be on Channel 18 Riviera Beach, it'll be on
2948 Facebook Live, it'll be on, it's be on Facebook. So, just tune in, guys, if you can and just
2949 participate. Council, it's gonna be a great discussion. So, thank you colleagues. And
2950 that's at 7:30 tomorrow.

2951 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Ms. Lanier.

2952 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just wanted to say that..., three things. As we're going into
2953 budget talks and budget sessions, I want you, Council Members, colleagues, to
2954 remember three programs, the reclai'..., the Reclaim and the Reentry Program, through
2955 the City's Reentry and the CRA's CDC Program to think about the Hope Dealers Program,
2956 which is a part of and can be a part of, the City's Parks & Rec and Police Department.
2957 And also, and let me tell you all, people, this thing has gotten really big, the Sow and
2958 Grow which means that it can be your own garden, you can grow your own food type of
2959 program. And I told ya'll guys before that I was never a green thumb, never knew anything

2960 about it. I got a whole full-fledged garden in the back of my yard. I just ate a salad that I
2961 made out of my own garden, people.

2962 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

2963 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, get involved with the Sow and Grow [stammer]..., with the
2964 CRA because they provide the soil, they provide everything that you need to grow your
2965 own food. I'm eating my own food.

2966 So, yes. That is..., those are things that I want you to consider. And that's my
2967 report.

2968 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. McCoy, are you still with us?

2969 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm here but I can't see anybody. Can you hear me?

2970 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2971 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

2972 **Councilperson McCoy:** I can't..., I lost vid'..., video for some reason.

2973 **Chairperson Botel:** You're back. You're back.

2974 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yeah, there we go. Just real quick. Mr. Evans, I was traveling
2975 this morning at 4:00 a.m. and I was just circling the City and I just seen a huge sheriff's
2976 operation at four..., about 3:45 in the morning in Councilwoman Miller-Anderson's District,
2977 in the very northern end of Avenue E. And there was crime scene tape and it made me
2978 very nervous and I wanted to call the Police Department just to see if somebody can kinda
2979 give me an insight as to what's going on. But it really makes me nervous, and I didn't see
2980 it in our significant incident report but, you know, I would just hope that there is still some
2981 sort of mutual aid where they extend the courtesy to the City of Riviera Beach because,
2982 the moment when things happen like this, we receive a number of calls and everybody's
2983 a little upset to see members of a different police department in our area. And obviously,
2984 we know the sheriff's department comes with a reputation that is very great and, and that
2985 they protect the President of the United States. And sometimes, they have other
2986 reputations that I don't wanna speak of but I just would hope that we don't have the
2987 President traveling up E Avenue at 3:00 o'clock in the morning, or there's some other very
2988 abnormal event, which I don't wanna kinda speculate or suggest but I, I... Just keep us
2989 posted on that 'cause that was very surprising, and it was a large police presence.

2990 I wanna certainly have the conversation about Monroe Heights because I don't see
2991 that there's been any kind of substantial progress. Avenue M is done and I wanna see,
2992 at this point, we have to do something because I'm receiving constant calls and I think I
2993 shared with you one of the concerns that I received regarding a, a property outside of
2994 Monroe Heights but obviously, we have some real challengers with our roads.

2995 I wanted to kinda just put this on your agenda to see if you can share with us
2996 something offline, audit services and we're at with that. And also, to share with the
2997 Members, and also the public, that early voting is going on at Wells. And, I would imagine
2998 we're still doing our food distribution, but I thought I seen relocated to further in the south
2999 end of Wells Recreation. Is that correct?

3000 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir. We, we've, we modified our location for early voting.
3001 So we, we moved the location.

3002 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. And, Ms. Wynn, I know you're not prepared for this but
3003 I'm gonna ask you anyway, but I wanna know where we are on the Hankin Properties,
3004 and specifically, Brooks Subdivision because I have a lot of concern with it. And, even if
3005 we don't even have to discuss it tonight, I wanna know, at least, publicly, where we're
3006 gonna go and what's next on that agenda regarding that because I've gotten a couple
3007 concerns regarding that. And I wanna see if we can have that discussion, even if it's
3008 offline or a memo to each of the Members individually or, or a conversation. Okay?

3009 So that's all I...

3010 **City Attorney Wynn:** Yes.

3011 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...have. Thank you, Members, for indulging me. And, did you
3012 have something, Ms. Wynn?

3013 **City Attorney Wynn:** Oh, I thought you, you wanted the answer now but I can inform
3014 each of., we're still in negotiations with Mr. Hankin. Okay.

3015 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yeah. Offline.

3016 **City Attorney Wynn:** Thank you.

3017 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you. Good night. Madam Chair, thank you. And thank
3018 you, Madam Chair.

3019 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. I have a few things. I wanted to update people
3020 on the submerged lands issue. I received the following information from Mike Stahl, who's
3021 heading up the, the task force. He's the Deputy [stammer].., Deputy Director of ERM. He
3022 said the first meeting of the floating ordinance taskforce is scheduled for August 12th at
3023 1:00 p.m. Part of the agenda is to develop a timeline for the revisions and ultimate
3024 adoption. So this is an [inaudible] of the meeting I head a couple of weeks ago with a
3025 number of other municipalities.

3026 I wanted to update you on the Palm Beach State College courses. We ha'...,
3027 already have twenty students registered for the next cohort. This will be another busines
3028 specialist CCC. If you wanna be a part of that cohort, please email
3029 stbrown@rivierabeach.org. It offers free tuition and books if you qualify for financial aid,
3030 and you'll come away with a twelve credit CCC, which is a College Credit Certificate. We

3031 will be meeting with the college to expand the program offerings, to include logistics and
3032 transportation specialist CCC, and that'll be in the next cohort as well.

3033 I was approached by two different organizations wanting to offer professional
3034 tutoring for Riviera Beach school students who have been, probably, left behind
3035 [stammer] somewhat, you could say, in their schoolwork due to the problems with
3036 distance learning. Particularly in multi-child households. And so, they are gonna need
3037 funding and I appreciated the Friends of Riviera Beach Schools and they are considering
3038 funding some trial programs, both at the late elementary and, and middle school level to
3039 provide tutoring for these children. I will keep you apprised of what we're calling Operation
3040 Catchup, in case you wish to sponsor one or more City scholars with donations from your
3041 community benefits fund. Obviously the foundation would name each of the scholars so
3042 it would be a Councilwoman..., Councilwoman Lanier scholar or a Councilman Lawson
3043 scholar, et. cetera. And, it would be wonderful if you could keep in touch with your own
3044 scholar and so on, offering encouragement.

3045 The last thing I have to say is the Lake Worth Lagoon group will meet on legislative
3046 funding requests on August 13th at 10:00 a.m. One of the requests being considered is
3047 the purchase of submerged lands on Singer Island. If you're interested in.., anyone is
3048 interested in the details of that meeting, please email me at jbotel@rivierabeach.org.

3049 And last, very last, the North Tech pre-apprentice program is soliciting students for
3050 carpentry, electrical, HVAC, plumbing and welding, and you can contact them directly
3051 through their website.

3052 And that's all I have.

3053 **ADJOURNMENT**

3054 **Chairperson Botel:** If there's nothing else, this meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

3055 [End of video]

3056 **City Employees, Public Comment Speakers and Others**

3057 Deborah Hall Ms. D. Hall

3058 Eric Davis

3059 Tracy Howard

3060 Fane Lozman

3061 Rex Cox

3062 D. Brown

3063 Mervin Wright

3064 Chikia Wright

3065 Chaka Khan Tucker

3066 Manuel Scott

3067 Justice Service Center Director Orié Bullard

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3069 RBCRA and CDC Annetta Jenkins

3070 Ms. A. Jenkins

3071 President and CEO of Urban Farmers, Inc. Terry Booty

3072 Mr. T. Booty

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3074 Finance and Administrative Services Director Randy Sherman

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3077 Interim Public Works Director Terrence Bailey

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3080 Information Technology Director Anthony Parziale

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3082 Michael Hudson

3083 Interim Human Resources Director Eureka Young

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3085 Patricia Vehn

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3087 Assistant to the City Manager Marsha Noel

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