## CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING October 21, 2020 6:00 p.m.

## PRESENT AT MEETING<sup>1</sup>:

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	
CITY CLERK CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY	CITY CLERK ANTHONY	
CITY ATTORNEY DAWN S. WYNN	CITY ATTORNEY WYNN	

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1 2 3 4 5	CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD OCTOBER 21, 2020, 6:00 PM		
6 7	(The following may contain unintelligible or misunderstood words due to the recording quality.)		
8	[starts at 6:38]		
9	[Gavel]		
10	CALL TO ORDER		
11	Chairperson Botel:	I call to order the Regular Riviera Beach City Council meeting.	
12	Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Your microphone is not on.		
13	Chairperson Botel:	It is October 21st. The time is 6:01 p.m.	
14	ROLL CALL		
15	Chairperson Botel:	Madam Clerk.	
16	City Clerk Anthony:	Mayor Ronnie Felder?	
17	Mayor Felder: Here.		
18	City Clerk Anthony:	Chairperson Julia Botel?	
19	Chairperson Botel:	Here.	
20	City Clerk Anthony:	Chair Pro Tem Douglas Lawson?	
21	Pro Tem Lawson: Here.		
22 23	City Clerk Anthony: KaShamba Miller-Anderso	Councilperson Tradrick McCoy? [Pause]. Councilperson on?	
24	Councilperson Miller-An	derson: Present.	
25 26 27	-	Councilperson Shirley Lanier? [Pause]. Councilperson Okay. Ms. Lanier, we can see you on the screen, but we can't	
28	Councilperson Lanier:	I can't hear.	

- 29 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, there you go. We can hear you now. Thank you. Can
- 30 you hear us?
- 31 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** She said no.
- 32 **Chairperson Botel:** It doesn't seem like it.
- 33 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. Madam Chair, I'll come back and call on her to...
- 34 Chairperson Botel: Okay.
- 35 **City Clerk Anthony:** ....show that she's in attendance. City Manager Jonathan
- 36 Evans?
- 37 **City Manager Evans:** Present.
- 38 **City Clerk Anthony:** City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney Dawn
- 39 Wynn?
- 40 **City Attorney Wynn:** Here.
- 41 City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson Shirley Lanier? [Pause]. Madam Chair,
- 42 Members of the Board, we said Councilperson Lanier is present, just having some
- 43 technical difficulties. You may proceed.
- 44 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 45 **INVOCATION**
- 46 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 47 **Chairperson Botel:** We'll have a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of
- 48 Allegiance, led by Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.
- 49 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Good God. Am I the only one that can do the
- 50 pledging?
- 51 [Moment of silence]
- 52 [Audio skipped]
- 53 Chairperson Botel: ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN
- 54 AGENDA ITEM PLEASE COMPLETE A PINK PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED
- 55 AT SIDE PRIOR TO THE ITEM BEING TAKEN UP BY CITY COUNCIL FOR
- 56 DISCUSSION. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN A TOTAL OF THREE
- 57 MINUTES TO SPEAK ON ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA, AND
- 58 THREE MINUTES TO SPEAK ON EACH REGULAR ITEM. THE TIME LIMIT FOR
- 59 PUBLIC COMMENTS MAY BE REDUCED BY A VOTE OF THE CITY COUNCIL
- 60 BASED ON THE VOLUMINOUS NATURE OF PUBLIC COMMENT CARDS. IN NO

- 61 EVENT WILL ANYONE BE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT A COMMENT CARD TO SPEAK
- 62 ON AN AGENDA ITEM AFTER THE RESOLUTION IS READ OR ITEM IS
- 63 **CONSIDERED.**
- 64 **AGENDA APPROVAL**
- 65 ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS
- 66 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions from the
- 67 Manager or Council?
- 68 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair. We would like to take Item 6 before Item
- 4 for procedural purposes. The replat should go before the Items that are listed as Item
- 70 4 and Item 5.
- 71 **Chairperson Botel:** Say that again. Make sure the Clerk gets it. You wanna Item
- 72 6...
- 73 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.
- 74 Chairperson Botel: ...prior to Item 4?
- 75 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. Item...
- 76 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.
- 77 **City Manager Evans:** ...4, 5 and 6 are about the same property and we're
- requesting that Item 6 be heard first because that is the approving of the plat application
- 79 for the property.
- 80 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. And then Item 4, and then Item 5?
- 81 **City Manager Evans:** That is correct.
- 82 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Thank you. Any other additions, deletions or
- substitutions? [Stammer]. Madam Clerk, please let the record show that Councilman
- 84 McCoy has joined the dais.
- 85 **City Clerk Anthony:** Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 86 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 87 **DISCLOSURES**
- 88 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have any disclosures by the Mayor or Council?
- 89 [Pause]. Thank you.
- 90 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

- 91 **Chairperson Botel:** Would.., could I have a motion to adopt the Agenda?
- 92 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.
- 93 **Pro Tem Lawson:** So moved.
- 94 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Second.
- 95 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Madam Clerk.
- 96 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 97 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 98 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 99 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 100 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier? [Pause]. Pro Tem Lawson?
- 101 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 102 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 103 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 104 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Lanier out.
- 105 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Can we have a motion to accept the Consent
- 106 Agenda?
- 107 Councilperson McCoy: Negative, Madam Chair. I wanna move No. 10 up...
- 108 Chairperson Botel: Oh.
- 109 Councilperson McCoy: ...to Consent. It's a routine \$5,000 transaction that we're
- actually receiving money and I would rather not have a presentation since I think he has
- 111 a, has a...
- 112 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Your microphone.
- 113 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...couple Items that he...
- 114 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. I think Mr. McCoy is saying he'd like to move Item No.
- 115 10 onto Consent. I'd can't imagine there would be any objection. Madam Clerk, could
- 116 you please move Item No. 10 onto Consent? And would someone care to make a motion
- to adopt the Consent Agenda?
- 118 Councilperson McCoy: So moved.

- 119 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair? I prefer not to put that amount...
- 120 Well, that's fine. That's fine.
- 121 Chairperson Botel: Okay.
- 122 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Second.
- 123 [Audio out]
- 124 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Mhmm.
- 125 **City Clerk Anthony:** ....Item No. 10 to the Consent Agenda?
- 126 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah.
- 127 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay.
- 128 [Pause]
- 129 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Are we gonna vote or are we gonna...
- 130 **Chairperson Botel:** So, we have a motion and a second to approve the Consent
- 131 Agenda. Madam Clerk.
- 132 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, we do [loud frequency noise] we do have a
- comment on the Consent Agenda.
- 134 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. [Inaudible].
- 135 **CONSENT AGENDA**
- 136 City Clerk Anthony: ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE
- 137 CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION.
- 138 THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A
- 139 COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE
- 140 REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS
- 141 NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.
- 142 MINUTES
- 143 **RESOLUTIONS**
- 144 1. RESOLUTION NUMBER 89-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
- 145 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING
- 146 SETTLEMENT IN THE CASE OF ERIN GOMEZ V. THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH,
- 147 CLAIM NO.: 000160-007197 AB-01; AUTHORIZING GALLAGHER BASSETT TO
- 148 MAKE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND
- 149 DOLLARS (\$120,000.00) AS FULL AND FINAL SETTLEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN
- 150 **EFFECTIVE DATE**.

- 152 **DAWN WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY, 561-845-4069**
- 153 10: RESOLUTION NUMBER 92-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
- 154 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING
- 155 THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
- 156 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AND
- 157 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA; APPROVING THE ADDITION OF
- 158 COMPENSATION FOR POST-RELEASE BASIC TECHNOLOGY AND FINANCIAL
- 159 ASSISTANCE AS AN ALLOWABLE EXPENSE AND INCREASING REENTRY
- 160 PROGRAM BUDGET BY \$5,750 TO A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$264,858;
- 161 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT
- 162 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- ORIE BULLARD, DIRECTOR OF THE JUSTICE SERVICE CENTER, 561-840-3124
- 164 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk, you can read the public comment.
- 165 **City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman.
- 166 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Fane Lozman. I'm the owner of multiple properties on Singer Island
- and a taxpayer.
- I talked about this last year but it's relevant to decisions being made by elected
- officials to spend taxpayer's money, taxpayers' who are residents of the City, and on this
- particular Item, you're talking \$120,000. Okay? I am not going to t tolerate anybody
- sitting up there that's not a City resident, nor was a City resident the year before they
- were elected. Mr. McCoy has been using his mother's address for years. He doesn't live
- with his mother. We have extensive video surveillance of multiple addresses outside the
- 174 City where he lives. He should not be an elected official.
- 175 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lozman, would you confine...
- 176 **Mr. F. Lozman:** He should not be...
- 177 **Chairperson Botel:** ...your comm'...
- 178 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...voting [inaudible]...
- 179 **Chairperson Botel:** Would you please confine your comments to the Item on the...
- 180 **Mr. F. Lozman:** He should not be voting...
- 181 Chairperson Botel: ...Consent Agenda?
- 182 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...on this...
- 183 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?

- **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...ltem tonight.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lozman...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** You should not be spending...
- **Chairperson Botel:** ....confine your comments...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...taxpayer's money...
- **Chairperson Botel:** ...to the Items on the Consent Agenda.
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...by somebody who is not.., who did not meet the requirements.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lozman...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** I have a problem with him voting.
- 193 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** I have three minutes to talk...
- **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lozman, please confine...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** A hundred and twenty...
- **Chairperson Botel:** ...your comments...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...thousand dollars is a lot of money to spend, and the people that
- should be determining it...
- 200 [Inaudible comment]
- 201 Mr. F. Lozman: ...have to meet the requirements to be an elected official.. And
- 202 McCoy is not an elected...
- 203 Chairperson Botel: Mr. Lozman, that...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...duly elected official.
- **Chairperson Botel:** ...has nothing to do with the Item on the...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** And I'm gonna come up and...
- 207 Chairperson Botel: ...Agenda.
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...remind you for every Item tonight, of that.
- 209 Councilperson McCoy: Chair?

- 210 Chairperson Botel: Mr. [stammer]...
- 211 Councilperson McCoy: If I can just have the personal privilege? Mr. Lozman, I, I'm
- surely.., I'm sure you know where the courthouse is, so... That's all I have to say about
- 213 that.
- 214 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Thank you. We have no other public comments?
- 215 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that concludes public
- 216 comments fo...
- 217 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. We have a motion...
- 218 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...Consent Agenda.
- 219 **Chairperson Botel:** ...and a second to confirm the Consent Agenda? Madam
- 220 Clerk.
- 221 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 222 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 223 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier? [Pause]. Councilperson McCoy?
- 224 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 225 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?
- 226 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 227 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 228 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 229 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved...
- 230 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?
- 231 City Clerk Anthony: ...with...
- 232 Chairperson Botel: Could I...
- 233 **City Clerk Anthony:** ....Councilperson Lanier out.
- 234 END OF CONSENT AGENDA
- 235 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. Just... I would like us to try to get Councilwoman
- Lanier's voice in the room if we can. She cannot hear us. I've just texted her to say could

- she please try her phone. Walter, is there anything you can do to help in this regard?
- He's working on it. Okay. If we can't get her to hear us...
- 239 Councilperson McCoy: Testing.
- 240 Chairperson Botel: I, I...
- 241 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** She can call the number.
- 242 **Chairperson Botel:** Could she call in? Walter, if you don't mind, I don't wanna be
- 243 distracted by texting her. Could you text her and see if she can call in rather than being
- on the screen? Thank you.
- 245 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?
- 246 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr...
- 247 **Councilperson McCoy:** Testing. I wanna get a sound check. Oh. That sounds better.
- 248 **Chairperson Botel:** That's better.
- 249 **Councilperson McCoy:** I can hear myself. Okay.
- 250 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Did.., Item No. 1. Madam Clerk.
- 251 [Pause]
- 252 **City Clerk Anthony:** Item No. 2, you mean? Madam Chair?
- 253 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, Reso'... Oh we approved the Consent Agenda. I'm so
- sorry. And, and we approved Item 10. Yes.
- 255 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 256 PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING
- 257 **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**
- 258 **2.** Chairperson Botel: Yes. Item No. 2 which was Item No... Which is the
- 259 Proclamation, yes.
- 260 City Clerk Anthony: PROCLAMATION FOR THE HOUSE OF THE
- 261 LOVEILLONARIES DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DAY
- 262 RONNIE FELDER, MAYOR, 561-845-4145
- 263 **Mayor Felder:** Yes. From the Office of the Mayor, City of Riviera Beach, Palm
- 264 Beach County, Florida declaring October 25th as House of Loveillonaries Domestic
- 265 Violence Awareness Day.

WHEREAS, domestic violence continues to be a major social crisis and healthcare concern in society that affects everyone in the community, and requires us all to put forth every effort to bring forth an end to it; and

WHEREAS, exposure to domestic violence in the home is consider child abuse and has lifelong effects on children under the age of four.

- Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Mayor, can you pull your mic up?
- Mayor Felder: Domes'.., domestic violence, Council of Palm Beach County is coordinating a community-based response through advocacy, education and prevention to, to reduce the impact of violence on families; and
  - WHEREAS, Florida reported more than 104,914 incidents of domestic violence in 2018, which is lowest statewide than incidents reported that previous year. Palm Beach County reported nearly 4,613 domestic violent crimes, including nine homicides. [Stammer] half of the cases have evidence of substance abuse, a third have evidence of medically diagnosed mental health disorders, and twenty-one percent listed a predator displayed prior stalking behavior; and
  - WHEREAS, Palm Beach Cunty recognizes the vital importance of designating a time devoted to increase the general public's awareness to hold forth a vision of the community free from domestic violence. This month, we recognize the survivors and victims of abuse, whose courage inspires us all. We recommit to offering a helping hand to those most in need, and must remind them that they are not alone; and
  - WHEREAS, we honor the advocates and victim services providers who offer support during the darkest moments of someone's life. I encourage survivors, and their loved ones who are seeking assistance, to reach out by calling the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE.
  - NOW THEREFORE, I, Ronnie L. Felder, Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, by the power vested in me by the residents of Riviera Beach do hereby proclaim October 25<sup>th</sup> as House of Loveillonaies Domestic Violence Awareness Day. In the City of Riviera Beach, I call all residents to speak out against domestic violence and support local efforts to assist victims of these crimes and finding the help and healing they need.
- IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the official seal of the City of Riviera Beach to be affixed on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2019 A.D.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mayor. Madam Clerk.
- **3. City Clerk Anthony:** Item No. 3.
- 299 City Clerk Anthony: KWANZAA 2020 CELEBRATION PROPOSAL

- 301 SHIRLEY LANIER, COUNCILPERSON DISTRICT 3, 561-845-3687
- 302 **Ms. N. Cummings:** Good afternoon. Everybody hear me okay?
- 303 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Councilwoman...
- 304 **Ms. N. Cummings:** Can you hear me?
- 305 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: No. It's kinda low.
- 306 **Ms. N. Cummings:** Okay
- 307 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Stephens, have you been able to get Councilwoman
- 308 Lanier on? Okay.
- 309 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if, if I may? I had the opportunity to discuss this
- matter in detail with Councilperson Lanier and then turned it over to the speaker. It has
- been Councilperson Lanier's desire to see the City of Riviera Beach proceed forward with
- a Kwanzaa celebration, and incorporate that as one of the annual events that we do in
- 313 the City of Riviera Beach. And so, we've had the opportunity to have multiple
- 314 conversations and discussions with the ladies from Sophisticated Out Loud about how to
- properly, and appropriately and culturally, make sure that if this is an event that the City
- of Riviera Beach does in perpetuity, that we do it in accordance with all the sensitivities
- associated with an event that's so important to our community and to others that will be
- visiting our community.
- So, without further ado, I'm gonna turn it over to the ladies from Sophisticated Out
- 320 Loud.
- 321 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 322 **Ms. N. Cummings:** Good afternoon. My name is Nicole Cummings. [Audio skipped].
- We have a quick presentation [audio skipped] visuals of what we like to do in celebration.
- 324 **Chairperson Botel:** Try to keep the mic close to your mouth.
- 325 **Ms. N. Cummings:** Okay Can you hear me okay? Alright. Okay. Do we have the
- 326 visuals coming up? Okay. So, we're gonna give you some quick visuals of what we
- propose for the celebration. Kwanzaa, which is derived from the word.., the Swahili word
- first harvest. Very difficult visual. There we go. Alright. So we do wanna have the event
- here at the Marina. Next slide. Again, we said Kwa'.., it's gonna, it's gonna be a kinara
- lighting. So, the kinara is the basis of Kwanzaa. It's seven days. It's seven principles.
- We want to have a one day festivity that celebrates the first lighting of the first candle,
- and then we'll go... we'll have all of the displays that can stay up for seven days, lighting
- each candle for the six days preceding the co'.., the first candle lighting. We did have
- 334 the...
- 335 [Pause].

- **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, you do have a copy of
- the presentation.

- 338 Chairperson Botel: Okay.
- Ms. N. Cummings: Okay. So, I'll go if you have it in front of you. [Pause]. If you go to the first slide, this is the sectional, the social distancing sectionals we will like to have. We think this is a great way to make sure that we follow guidelines for the City and make sure that we have sectionals where families can go within that area. And we wanna be like a bring your own picnic basket kind of thing, where they can sit in these sectionals and they can bring their own picnic baskets, blankets, make it their own little area. And we can even have something like, maybe like creative wars to say whoever comes with the best picnic area or attire to celebrate Kwanzaa. We can just kinda do that like a, a sectional wars. Kind of like what they do with Dinner en Blanc, if some of you are familiar with that, they bring their owns stuff and they set up their tables and they do their own decoration. So, we wanna do that with the social distancing sectionals.

The principles of Kwanzaa, we don't wanna do all seven principles. What we wanna do, maybe four major displays of the principles of Kwanzaa. So, we go to.., we did the [inaudible]. If you go to the Umoja, Umoja principle, that is family unity. So what that would be is, when people arrive, they'll be able to take a picture in this life-size prop. So, we have it up. [Pause]. Okay. So in this life-size prop that's on the fourth page, they'll be able to go and take pictures as they enter the park. Again, it's gonna be a eight by eight frame, so that will be the first thing they'll see when they come in.

The next thing will be the kinara, which is on your next page. That's gonna be another life-size event. I'm sorry, a life-size statue. It's gonna be eight feet by t en. And again, we'll do the first lighting on that day, and we'll keep the kinara lit for the seven.., six days after the event. So that will be another eight by ten life-size structure that we'll build. And let me also say this, these structures are gonna be a one-time investment. So, when we do the structures and we build them out, you can keep them for each year going on, and you can reuse them. Same with the sectional seating. You can build it out and use it for other events within the City. So, these are one-time investments that you can use over and over again as we go on, through the different years of Kwanzaa.

The next one will be the Kwanzaa ornaments. So this will be our representation of Kuumba, to creativity. So again, life-size ornaments that we'll put anywhere within the park. It's a big structural display, just symbolizing the, the principle of Kuumba.

The next one is the Kwanzaa book. That's gonna be another life-size display we wanna invest and build out. That can also be in the park. We wanna spread them out so everywhere they go, they'll see the different large size displays for the principle of Kwanzaa.

And then the last thing that we wanna do is Kwanzaa, the seven principles spelled out all throughout the park. That's your second to last slide. You'll see the letters there. So, you can, again, use this each year. It's a one-time investment. These are gonna be

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- 376 large... I'm, I'm about five feet. So let's say, I'm, I'm not that large but large enough. 377 They're gonna be high, spelled out words, the seven principles of Kwanzaa all throughout the park. So when you enter, you'll get the first principle of unity, then you can get self-378 379 determination. And we'll spell them out with those letters all throughout the park. And, in 380 addition, as we said, it's all about the first harvest. So, for the principle of Ujama, we feel 381 as though a great addition to this will bring in your green market. So, we already know 382 you have a green market here in Riviera Beach. So, part of Ujama is to build and grow 383 your own. So, if you bring the green market in that day, that'll be another added touch to the principle of Kwanzaa, so we think that'll be a great touch to, to just bring the 384 385 community in, and vendors into their own green market as well.
- 386 And then, just in addition, because we wanna make it a celebration, we'll have drummers. That's part of Kwanzaa. Poets, dancers. And we'll like to do, maybe, a, a 387 known musical act. That's also an option that you can put on the table as well, just to 388 389 make it a real celebration of Kwanzaa for the first day lighting of the kinara. So these are 390 some of the principles we would like to suggest for an annual event. Again, most of these things are a one-time investment. You build it out the first year and you use it each year 392 after that.
- 393 Sorry that the presentation... or presentation speaks a little bit more to it, but I hope 394 you got the gist [audio skipped].
- 395 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 396 Ms. N. Cummings: Any questions?
- 397 **Chairperson Botel:** Questions?
- 398 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?
- 399 Chairperson Botel: You're recognized.
- 400 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Will we get a, an amount that it will cost to have
- these items built out? 401
- Ms. N. Cummings: Currently, our overall budget for the event is twenty-two three, 402
- 403 \$22,300.

- 404 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And...
- Ms. N. Cummings: The build out items are about.., coming in around \$13,000. I'm sorry, 405
- 406 did I say hundred? \$22,000. The build out items are about \$13,000, to build out the life-
- 407 size structures and the letters. That comes in around \$13,000. But again, it's a one-time
- 408 investment, and they're yours to keep for all the events. Even the letters, if you wanna
- 409 use the letters to build out for other events, other words.
- 410 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So the twenty-two.., \$22,300 includes the it'..,
- 411 the things that need to be built out and is.., are you all running the program as well?

- 412 **Ms. N. Cummings:** Yes. We'll coordinate the whole program. We'll do all of the
- 413 coordination. We'll bring everything together. We'll do all the coordination of the
- 414 marketing of the event.
- 415 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And, and for the.., did I, I see there's some
- 416 performances. Are those fees in there as well, for the people that are.., that will be
- 417 performing possibly?
- 418 **Ms. N. Cummings:** For the local, yes.
- 419 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** The local?
- 420 **Ms. N. Cummings:** The, the for a known entertainer, we did not put that in here. That's
- iust an option if you decide to do that. Maybe we can get sponsorships for that, but for
- the local acts, like the drummers, the poets, the band for the day, they are in that number,
- 423 yes.
- 424 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Alright. Thank you.
- 425 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?
- 426 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. You're recognized.
- 427 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I guess, what, what's your ask from the City? I'm not
- 428 exactly clear why this is in front of us. Is there a specific ask? And I mean, specific
- because you showed us a presentation by, by you guys related to Kwanzaa and it has
- Councilwoman Lanier's information, you know, as she's asked this to be placed on the
- 431 Agenda but ask.., tell us what you're looking for.
- 432 **Ms. N. Cummings:** We're looking to just get the event approved, to say that this is an
- event that we can do, annually, and continuous' doing'..., continuously doing it yearly.
- That's what we're looking to do.
- 435 Councilperson McCoy: Okay. So...
- 436 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I may elaborate?
- 437 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. I wanna, I wanna ask some questions first.
- 438 Councilperson Lanier: [Inaudible].
- 439 **Councilperson McCoy**: If you don't mind.
- 440 **Chairperson Botel:** Go, go ahead. You're recognized.
- 441 Councilperson McCoy: Okay. So...
- 442 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Shirley's talking.

- 443 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh. Shirley? Oh, she's here.
- 444 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, am I, am I...
- 445 **Chairperson Botel:** Could you... Councilwoman Lanier, Councilman McCoy has
- some questions, and then if you could turn your volume up a little bit so we can hear you
- better. When he's done, I'll recognize you. Councilman McCoy.
- 448 Councilperson McCoy: Okay. So, Madam Chair?
- 449 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.
- 450 **Councilperson McCoy:** This is a City Council meeting. This is not...
- 451 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 452 **Councilperson McCoy:** ... where we authorize and approve special events.
- 453 **Chairperson Botel:** Right/.
- 454 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, unless there's something I'm missing, I would like to know
- why this is in front of us. And it's not clear from the backup, nor from the presentation but
- I don't have the interest in sitting at a meeting to discuss a, a special event with no backup
- and no materials that suggest there's, there's any inclusion or any ask for us as a City
- 458 Council. And even if there was, I think this should have been filtered through City
- Administration. And if this is a desire for us to have a ongoing event, I don't believe that
- 460 this is halfway even appropriate to send us ten slides and, and then tell us that this should
- be a recurring event.
- So, I wanted to make sure that I put that out there before the Ci'.., the Manager got an opportunity to respond because, in any event, whatever you guys come up with, it's improper for it to be before us today. Especially, with just seeing the backup when we
- walk in the meeting, which only gives us visuals of what a presentation should be.
- 466 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Councilwoman Lanier, you're recognized.
- 467 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible].
- 468 Councilperson McCoy: No.
- 469 **Chairperson Botel:** It's still very, very faint. Is it possible to turn up your volume?
- 470 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. [Inaudible]... so that you can ask questions. But it was
- only for the purpose [inaudible] Council, to let the Council know of an upcoming event.
- 472 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Manager, you're recognized.
- 473 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, and to, to build on the comments that were
- 474 made by Councilperson Lanier, this is an event that Councilperson Lanier would like the

475 City to [inaudible] long-term. The cost for the event is projected to be under \$25,000. But 476 as you can see, there is[audio inaudible] associated with the event that would.., City 477 spaces would have to be utilized. We know that the event will happen in December so 478 there is subsequent activities or items that will probably come before you with respect to 479 any funding appropriation, but we think that we can... we have available funds and we can do it under the \$25,000 threshold. Is.., the question is, does the Board support 480 481 moving forward in this particular fashion, to have an even like this in our community? 482 Have it added to the series of events that we already have in our [audio inaudible], have it as a City event as we move forward? The engagement with the young ladies from 483 484 Sophisticated Out Loud is to ensure that we do it appropriately, and we are certainly going 485 to seek opportunities for sponsorships to offset, hopefully, all of the cost, if not most of 486 the cost. But, we wanted to get the quote unquote blessing from the Board prior to moving 487 forward, and didn't want to have an event happen without the Board being informed.

- Chairperson Botel: Thank you. So, will you clarify the ask for this evening's meeting? Did you want us to vote to allow the planning to go forward?
- 490 **City Manager Evans:** It is our intent to, to receive a, a direction from the Board to move the event forward, and then we can come back with any subsequent actions that are contemplated as part of the event. But obviously, as all of you know, events take a lot of time to organize and plan, so we wanted to get this in front of you sooner rather than later.
- 495 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. So I'll ask if anyone wants to make a motion to 496 that affect.
- 497 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. We.., let's discuss this because...
- 498 Chairperson Botel: Okay.

499 Councilperson McCoy: ...clearly, there's a lot that's still uncertain. So, we got a 500 presentation to turn around and suggest that it was a special event, only to ask us to foot 501 the bill? I mean, you know, there's not even a, a budget build out here. Right? So, to 502 suggest that we're gonna give them the direction to go ahead and plan this, at what point 503 do we see this? Because now you're asking us to expend public dollars without us even... 504 Mr. Evans, give me a second, please. Without us even getting to the, to the point of why this is significant, right? Why we have to pay someone to do this? You know, what 505 happens in terms of us now going forward? Do we now take this as a starting place for 506 507 all special events to be turned back on? Be it public and private special events? There's 508 a number of different factions that I think needs to be resolved before we start saying... 509 give the go ahead because, you know, I have folks that approach me on a daily basis. Perhaps I should just add all of them to the Agenda and then let them come in as if this 510 is the Shark Tank. But, I just don't like that I'm gettin' caught off guard here and I'm being 511 512 asked for a whole lotta informa'..., I'm, I'm being asked to permit, in your words, Mr. Evans, 513 of less than \$25,000 when I got eight slides. And I don't appreciate it, nor will I support it because I think this is just not even proper. And ev'.., even in the spirit of Kwanzaa, right, 514 I really wanna support this but you can't expect us, after we've told people time and time 515

again that it's not the time, we're coming through phase 2, the numbers are going back up and here we are again. I don't like it at all. And I think if this is something that you guys wanna do, probably make a, a policy that actually goes Citywide, across all events, on how we receive events or consider events, because this is completely arbitrary and it goes against what we've already set forth in place.

So, until I can see something that's gonna be, the, the going policy going forward, then I can't support it because this... You know, it depends on which Councilperson presents it, is when it gets credence, so when it gets before the Manager. And I don't appreciate it.

525 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

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526 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I may?

527 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans.

528 With regards to, to those points, the Councilperson was City Manager Evans: bringing that forward because of the importance of the event, one. Two, that nobody in 529 the City of Riviera Beach, from the Staff side, has coordinated such an event so it is 530 531 important to have at least a professional expertise for the first event, and then subsequent events, obviously, City Staff would assume responsibility of the event planning process. 532 533 There are multiple opportunities to bring the performance budget and the cost for the 534 event back to this Board for consideration, but we want to be able to start putting together 535 those nuances. But if there was not a desire from the Board to move forward in that 536 direction, we didn't want to waste anyone's time.

So, we wanted some feedback to say in principle we agree with the event moving forward, and we are acutely aware of the numbers and the, the, the health safety items that if the numbers continue to trend upwards and we see ourselves going into a third wave, absolutely, we would do everything to postpone the event, do it in a digital format. But, this just one of your peers asking for support to move forward into the next phase. And we can have the..., all the documents that the Board may need, ready and sent out to you within a week's time, or even have it at your next regular City Council meeting, if the Board chooses to move in that direction. But we wanted to get the blessing to move forward before a lot of time, energy and effort is expended.

546 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Would someone care to make a motion to allow...

547 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?

548 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson.

549 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Just to make some comments. I wanna thank the ladies from Sophisticated Out Loud. Thank you, guys, for the presentation. I think it's a very important event that we visit. Thank Councilwoman Shirley Lanier for bringing it to the

552 table.

- Mr. Evans, Councilman Tradrick McCoy is accurate though with bringing a full detailed report. I would like to support the event and move forward, as long as you got it to a point that it's gonna be safe for the residents, we get a full cost analysis and we identify what's actually gonna happen with the event and how quickly we can get this out. And then also, I want to address the, the process of what other events we're gonna rolling out in this current condition, so that we can have that to the dais, hopefully, by the next Council meeting as well.
- So, Madam Chair, if I can make the motion to move forward with this event and prepare for this Kwanzaa event.
- 562 **Chairperson Botel:** Second? [Pause]. Councilwoman Lanier, did you hear that? 563 [Pause]. Councilwoman Lanier, do you wanna second?
- Councilperson Miller-Anderson: I mean, I'll second but I do wanna make a comment.
- 566 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead.
- Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Okay. So, I mean, I, I.., where are we with the
- 568 Christmas? Are we doing Christmas?
- 569 **City Manager Evans:** The...
- 570 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I know we cancelled our 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Obviously,
- that was early on in the pandemic but where.., are we planning on doing the Christmas?
- 572 **City Manager Evans:** Our, our Christmas event and activity is gonna be more of a
- 573 drive through [audio inaudible].
- 574 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I mean, that... And.., I mean, that's kinda my
- concern because I, you know, I.., and I know Ms. Lanier is pretty serious about COVID
- as well. And, and so, I, I wanna support the event but I, I would prefer to do it on a smaller
- 577 scale. I really would at this time. I mean, we don't.., I know it takes time to get this activity
- 578 together, and so, to wait until November is probably not the best thing to do because you
- need time to be able to do it, but I ju'...,I'm, right now, just not comfortable with, with putting
- on such a large event. How many, how many people would we be expecting based on
- the, the, the squares?
- 582 **Ms. N. Cummings:** So, we did the sectionals based on there being about a hundred
- sectionals [audio inaudible] family size, about eight [audio inaudible], if you wanna look
- at the slides again. [Audio in and out inaudible] follow within the guidelines.
- 585 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And so, that would be the only area? That.., so,
- would we be limited to one hundred or are we saying...
- 587 **Ms. N. Cummings:** That's really up to...

- 588 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...people can sit outside of the square?
- 589 **Ms. N. Cummings:** Councilwoman [audio inaudible]. These are just ideas and
- suggestions.
- 591 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Right, right.
- 592 **Ms. N. Cummings:** And we're willing to accommodate and adjust accordingly.
- 593 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I may? We have built out models to scale up,
- scale down, as well as having this day is for families only, this day, you know, from this
- 595 time to this time, ages... So, we've had discussions about not creating an event where
- there's a mass number of folks. The boxes that were built out was with the understanding
- that, if we decided to show a movie or if we wanted to have an entertainer, that would be
- an option. But if we choose not to go in that direction, those don't come into play.
- So, we can come back to the Boar'.., we can.., if the Board agrees with moving forward with the event in some form or fashion, we can show you three or four different options, as it relates to how we can safely do the event because that was something that was certainly communicated by Councilperson Lanier that didn't wanna have an event that was quote unquote a super spreader event. And, and we don't want to do that, especially, [inaudible] all of events moving [audio inaudible] drive through fashion.
- 605 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Right. And so, for me, I can, I can support the idea of having something for Kwanzaa. I.., my, my vote would not be to say yes, I'm
- 607 ready to move forward with this type of event right now. I do wanna see some other
- options. So, that, that's kinda.., and, and, obviously, if that price, you know, can adjust
- with it, which it should, that would be great as well.
- Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 611 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?
- 612 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Anything else? Mr. McCoy.
- 613 **Councilperson McCoy:** Can you give us an approximation of how long? How many
- 614 hours?
- 615 **Ms. N. Cummings:** I'm sorry? I didn't hear...
- 616 **Chairperson Botel:** How many hours? The length of the event.
- 617 **Ms. N. Cummings:** That's really up to the Cou'.., up to the City. I mean, we can go...
- We were saying about four hours.., four to five. But again, we're here just to give
- suggestions and we will follow whatever guidance that we're given.
- 620 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?

- 621 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead.
- 622 **Pro Tem Lawson:** If we could just have Mr. Evans go ahead and vet this idea a little bit
- more and coming back with some of the concerns that the Council's expressed and bring
- it to the next Council meeting. Because I know they wanna get into the planning sessions
- and move forward with the decision, if we decide to. So, Mr. Evans' capacity, if we could
- talk about that, if we could talk about the time frame and all the details that have been
- addressed by my colleagues.
- 628 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. McCoy.
- 629 **Councilperson McCoy:** I would ask that you, you do your...
- 630 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Amend the motion.., I'm gonna amend the motion to state that we're
- gonna ask Mr. Evans to vet this idea in more detail, and bring it back to the dais at the
- 632 next Council meeting.
- 633 **Chairperson Botel:** Could it... Thank you. I have.., I have one small comment
- and that, and that is, I agree with Mr. McCoy that, I think we would, as a Council, like to
- see what the policy is going forward with events because I too have been asked about
- various events and I've had to say to people, I'm sorry. You can't have that event because
- the City has a policy that we're not having large gatherings, so that we don't have super
- spreader events going on. So, I think we need da policy for everyone. So, if we could
- have some clarity on that, it would be good.
- 640 **City Manager Evans:** And, and that's one of the Items I'll be talking about.
- 641 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Great. Anything else?
- 642 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I, I wanna just make this comment. I mean, we're talking
- about \$22,300, that's [audio inaudible]. Can you hear me?
- 644 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.
- 645 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, that's..., I, I just wanna put it in your mind, that's \$223 per
- 646 person...
- 647 **Ms. N. Cummings:** [Stammer]...
- 648 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...that the City...
- 649 **Ms. N. Cummings:** I mistook when I said a hundred. I'm sorry. I didn't mean to say a
- 650 hundred. I, I apologize. That's really u to the Council to decide how many [audio
- inaudible] like to be there. So, I'm.., I apologize for saying a hundred.
- 652 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I mean, okay. So, I'm just gonna go ahead and go with
- 653 Councilman Lawson's because, you know, obviously, you gotta look at the cost and then,

- obviously, how long this program is gonna work. So, I would like for us not to give an
- approval, but obviously have this...
- 656 **Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible].
- 657 **Councilperson McCoy**: ...vetted out a little further.
- 658 Chairperson Botel: Right.
- 659 **Pro Tem Lawson:** So, we're looking for...
- 660 Chairperson Botel: So...
- Pro Tem Lawson: ...a second and a vote to...
- 662 **Chairperson Botel:** We have...
- 663 **Pro Tem Lawson:** ...move forward.
- 664 **Chairperson Botel:** ...a second... We have a motion and a second.
- 665 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Well, it stands.
- 666 **Pro Tem Lawson:** No.
- 667 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** My second stands.
- 668 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Does the second stand?
- 669 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yeah.
- 670 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you.
- 671 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?
- 672 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 673 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'm having some technical difficulties. I'm not sure if you guys
- 674 can hear me or not.
- 675 **Chairperson Botel:** We have a motion and a second on the floor to... You wanna
- 676 restate it for Councilwoman Lanier's benefit, Mr. Lawson?
- 677 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you. Councilwoman Lanier, the motion is to move forward
- with giving Mr. Evans the opportunity to vet this idea, to address the Council's concerns
- and bring it back to the next Council meeting to make a decision if we're going to move
- 680 forward with the event.
- 681 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** With bringing different options, Mr. Lawson?

- Pro Tem Lawson: Yes, ma'am. With additional options that we can move forward with.
- **Councilperson Lanier:** And what are those options?
- **Pro Tem Lawson:** They're gonna work on it.
- **Chairperson Botel:** They're gonna wo'.., the City Administration will work on
- 686 those.
- **City Manager Evans:** With, with Councilperson Lanier.
- **Chairperson Botel:** With your input, of course.
- **City Manager Evans:** Councilperson Lanier, we'll, we'll work on some options [audio
- 690 inaudible].
- 691 Councilperson Lanier: Okay.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?
- 694 Councilperson Lanier: Yes.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 696 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 698 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?
- **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 702 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Thank you. Thank you, ladies.
- **PUBLIC HEARINGS**
- **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Let's take what was Item No. 6 and is now Item No. 4.

City Council Meeting 23 October 21, 2020

- 707 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 97-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 708 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 709 FLORIDA, APPROVING PLAT APPLICATION (PA-19-03) FROM HINTERLAND
- 710 GROUP #2, LLC REQUESTING PLAT APPROVAL TO PLAT TWO CONTIGUOUS
- 711 VACANT LOTS ASSOCIATED WITH 6840 NORTH HAVERHILL ROAD AND 4922
- 712 DYER BOULEVARD, KNOWN BY PARCEL CONTROL NUMBER 56-42-42-36-00-
- 713 **000-3050 TOTALING 3.159 ACRES; AND PARCEL CONTROL NUMBER 56-42-42-36-**
- 714 00-000-3070 TOTALING 3.00 ACRES OF LAND; HAVING AN INDUSTRIAL FUTURE
- 715 LAND USE DESIGNATION; A LIMITED INDUSTRIAL (IL) ZONING DESIGNATION;
- 716 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 717 CLARENCE SIRMONS, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR, 561-845-4060
- 718 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- 719 comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comments on this Item is now closed.
- 720 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 721 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.
- 722 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.
- 723 **Chairperson Botel:** So we have a motion and a second. Thank you. We'll hear
- 724 public comments and then we'll have the presentation.
- 725 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No.
- 726 [Inaudible comments]
- 727 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, at this time, I'm gonna ask for Development
- 728 Services Director, Mr. Clarence Sirmons, to make a presentation.
- 729 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 730 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** Good evening, Madam Chair and
- 731 Members of the Board.
- 732 **Chairperson Botel:** Good evening.
- 733 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** I was told to begin talking. [Chuckle].

The Item before you is the plat for the Dyer Road industrial project. It is related to the subsequent two Agenda Items, therefore, we moved it to the front so.., in order for the two site plans to be approved that will come after it, this plat would have to be approved which will reconfigure the lots at the site. It is the property [pause]. Alright. The property as you can see, is located east of Haverhill Road and south of Dyer Boulevard. This is an aerial view of one of the properties that is existing at the location. And this is the second property existing at the location in its current configuration. And this is a survey

- of the property. On the screen now is the plat that is before you that would reconfigure the lot so that they are both approximately of the same proportions. And, after the plat is approved, there will be two separate operations going on, on the eastern property, as well as the western property.
- The owner is Hinterland Group #2, LLC. The purpose again is to establish two lots comprised of three.., three acres and 3.159 acres on the western parcel that would be created by this plat. The lot reconfiguration is for two separate proposed contractor storage yards, concurrently being proposed in conjunction with this plat, is Site Plan Application SP19-19, as well as Site Plan Application 19-20. Consistency with Florida statutes Chapter 177 and Zoning Code Chapter 30, subdivisions and will have no adverse impacts to the surrounding industrial corridor.
- City Staff recommends approval of this plat application from the Hinterland Group #2 to establish two separate parcels.
- 754 [Pause]
- 755 **Chairperson Botel:** Sorry. Madam Clerk, did you have public comments?
- 756 **City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman.
- 757 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Fane Lozman, 5101 North Ocean Drive, Singer Island and another
- ten properties. For the record, I wanna preface my comments, I object to Tradrick McCoy
- participating in this since he has not lived in the City for one year prior...
- 760 Chairperson Botel: Mr. Lozman...
- 761 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...to running for...
- 762 **Chairperson Botel:** ...please confine...
- 763 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...office.
- 764 **Chairperson Botel:** ...your comments to...
- 765 **Mr. F. Lozman:** I, I'm...
- 766 **Chairperson Botel:** ...the Item at hand.
- 767 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...going to preface my...
- 768 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 769 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...comments, each time I get up here, he should not be participating.
- You have an obligation as Chairperson to confirm the information that we have,
- photographic evidence of where he is and...
- 772 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lozman.

- 773 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...what goes on.
- 774 **Chairperson Botel:** ...please confine...
- 775 **Mr. F. Lozman:** You, you...
- 776 **Chairperson Botel:** ...your comments.
- 777 Mr. F. Lozman: ...swore to uphold the Charter and the Constitution. You have a
- responsibility to look into that. Okay? 'Cause you're not doing your job if you don't.
- 779 Chairperson Botel: Alright.
- 780 Mr. F. Lozman: Mr. Sirmons quoted Chapter 117, Zoning Code Chapter 30, it will
- 781 not have a negative impact on the surrounding industrial corridor. I'd like, specifically
- 782 'cause there's no more white binder that has the backup. I don't know why there's no
- white binder. Did we just change the rules? We're not gonna provide the public with the
- opportunity to see the information?
- Anyway, so it has no impact to the surrounding industrial corridor. I want Mr.
- Sirmons to talk about all the residential houses that are immediately to the south of this
- project. [Stammer] what impact is it gonna have on them? What are the hours you're
- gonna be able to work on this heavy equipment? Is this gonna be from 9:00 to 6:00? Is
- it gonna be in the middle of the night? You know, there's a lot of people that live around
- there and he did not discuss that. You know? I don't think it's gonna have any impact on an industrial area. But how would you like to live right next door when they're taking a
- 792 crane apart or doing whatever they're doing? Does anybody care about the public?
- 793 Apparently not.
- 794 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that completes public
- 795 comment.
- 796 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. [Pause]. Any other discussion? Questions?
- 797 Madam Clerk.
- 798 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 799 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 800 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson? Councilperson Shirley
- 801 Lanier? [Pause]. Councilperson Lanier? [Pause]. Pro Tem Lawson?
- 802 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 803 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 804 Chairperson Botel: Yes.

805 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that motion is approved

with Councilpersons Miller-Anderson and Lanier out.

807 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Madam Clerk, is our timer gonna be up on the

808 screen when we...

809 **City Clerk Anthony:** I have it up on my side.

810 Chairperson Botel: Okay.

811 City Clerk Anthony: [Inaudible].

812 Chairperson Botel: Okay.

So, Item No. what was Item No. 4.

814 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 95-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE

- 815 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 816 FLORIDA, APPROVING SITE PLAN APPLICATION (SP-19-19) FOR A CONTRACTOR
- 817 STORAGE YARD AND ACCESSORY OFFICE USE, TOTALING APPROXIMATELY
- 3.159 ACRES, LOCATED AT 6840 NORTH HAVERHILL ROAD, ASSOCIATED WITH
- 819 PARCEL CONTROL NUMBERS 56-42-42-36-00-000-3050; 56-42-42-36-00-000-3070
- 820 HAVING AN INDUSTRIAL FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION: A LIMITED
- 821 INDUSTRIAL (IL) ZONING DESIGNATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE
- 822 **DATE**.
- 823 CLARENCE SIRMONS, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR, 561-845-4060
- 824 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.
- 826 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Would someone like to make a motion to
- 827 approve?
- 828 **Pro Tem Lawson:** So moved.
- 829 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. A second?
- 830 Councilperson McCoy: Second.
- 831 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr...
- 832 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, if I can have Director
- 833 Sirmons of Development Services [audio inaudible] presentation.
- 834 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 835 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** Alright. Thank you. This ltt'.., Item is for
- the Site Plan approval of Dyer Industrial West, Site Plan 19-19. Same applicant as the

plat, which was the previous Agenda Item, Hinterland Group #2, LLC. The applicant is requesting site plan approval for a contractor storage yard and accessory office use. This subject site is located at the southeast corner of the intersection of North Haverhill Road and Dyer Boulevard. It is .447 miles north of Military Trail, addressed as 6840 North Haverhill Road, , identified by Parcel Control Number 56-42-42-36-00-000-3050.

The subject property description and uses are as follows. The parcel size is 3.159 acres. The existing use is vacant. It undeveloped, in terms of having structures on it but it has been in use as a contractor storage yard for approximately five years by the applicant. So, although there has no been structures on the site, there has been operations taking place there. The zoning is limit'.., Limited Industrial, and the Future Land Use is industrial. The adjacent property uses. To the north, there is a, a.., also IG or general industrial zoning. To the south, the residential plan unit development, Turtle Cay, is located to the south. To the east, is also limited industrial and to the west is Palm Beach County owned conservation land.

Again, the proposed use is as contractor storage yard. Zoning regulations. This use is consistent with the Limited Industrial Zoning District. It is consistent with the development patterns of this industrial corri'.., corridor, where it's located. And it complies with the requirements of the City's Land Development Regulations. The proposed use is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan, and the proposed use is compatible with surrounding parcels.

Staff recommends that the plan.., that the Council approves the proposed Site Plan Application for a contractor storage yard and accessory office use with the following conditions: One, a two-year landscaping performance bond for a hundred and ten percent of the value of the landscaping. Tw, construction and landscaping improvements must be initiated within eighteen months of the effective date of this Resolution. The condition that Council authorizes Staff to approve future amendments to the Site Plan administratively, so long as the Site Plan does not deviate greater than five percent of the originally approved Sites Plan. Condition four, the development must receive final Certificate of Occupancy from the City for all buildings and units approved within five years of the approval of the Site Plan, or this Resolution will be null and void and they would have to reapply. Five, all future advertising must state that the development is located in the City of Riviera Beach. Six, once approved, this Resolution shall supers'... supersede any previous site plan approval Resolutions associated with this property. And the seventh condition is, due to the proximity to existing residential uses and limited industrial zoning designation, the open storage of goods and materials shall not exceed twenty feet in height per City Code 31-363. Additionally, any equipment or vehicles stored on the site, including but not limited to crane arms, shall be lowered to the lowest possible level upon close of business to mitigate visual impacts. And, since we have our visuals up, I will go back so you can see the site location and the elevations.

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877 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Sirmons. Madam Clerk, we have public

878 comment?

- 879 **City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman.
- 880 Mr. F. Lozman: Fane Lozman, 5101 North Ocean Drive, and another ten properties
- on Singer Island. Again, I'm gonna preface my comments every time I come...
- 882 Chairperson Botel: And again...
- 883 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...up here...
- 884 Chairperson Botel: ...Mr. Lozman...
- 885 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...saying that McCoy is...
- 886 Chairperson Botel: ...please com'...
- 887 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...illegally participating...
- 888 Chairperson Botel: ...please restrict your...
- 889 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...in this meeting in this meeting.
- 890 Chairperson Botel: ...comments to the Item...
- 891 **Mr. F. Lozman:** He did not meet the requirements...
- 892 **Chairperson Botel:** ...on the Agenda.
- 893 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...to be an elected official.
- 894 **Chairperson Botel:** I.., if you continue to do this, I'm not...
- 895 **Mr. F. Lozman:** I can preface my...
- 896 **Chairperson Botel:** ...gonna have you called on.
- 897 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...comments before I address the project.
- 898 Chairperson Botel: No. You can...
- 899 **Mr. F. Lozman**: Okay?
- 900 Chairperson Botel: ...confine your...
- 901 Mr. F. Lozman: I can.
- 902 **Chairperson Botel:** ....comments to the Agenda Item.
- 903 **Mr. F. Lozman:** I, I can address my comments...
- 904 **Chairperson Botel:** You can confine...

- 905 **Mr. F. Lozman:** You don't wanna follow the rules...
- 906 **Chairperson Botel:** ...your comments to the Agenda Item.
- 907 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...I will follow them.
- 908 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. Those are the rules, Mr. Lozman.
- 909 **Mr. F. Lozman:** No. The rules are, I can preface my comments. That's what...
- 910 **Chairperson Botel:** No. They're not.
- 911 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...rule is. Yeah. You're supposed to conduct a legal meeting and...
- 912 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lozman...
- 913 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...you're not doing it.
- 914 **Chairperson Botel:** ...if you have comments about this...
- 915 Mr. F. Lozman: Okay.
- 916 Chairperson Botel: ...Item...
- 917 **Mr. F. Lozman:** I'm not... You're taking my time away.
- 918 Chairperson Botel: [Stammer]...
- 919 Mr. F. Lozman: Okay? The world doesn't revolve around you, Ms. Botel, as much
- 920 as you think it does. Okay?

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My question... I have two questions. I think it was the... perhaps it was KaShamba Miller-Anderson brought it up years ago, you're building all these new buildings, what contractors, locally, are gonna be participating in the construction of these projects? What is the tax implication of this project on the City's tax rolls? Did anybody ask any questions? You know, prior Councils, they were always concerned, let's put people back to work in the City. Who's building the project? Where's the, where's the local participation? Mr. Evans, why aren't you doing your job and saying, 'Hey, here's a list of local contractors. We have these new projects, x, y, z is gonna build them.' Does anybody care? Or you just go through the motions, even if you don't live in the City? You should have local participation of contractors in this City. Times are tough, there's not many new projects. I see two new projects here tonight. Or did Mr. Sirmons... did vou reach out to anybody? Did you talk to the applicant? Where's the applicant? How come he's not here saying he's gonna do something positive for the City? What is the increase on the tax rolls gonna be? What are some of the impact that's gonna benefit Riviera Beach? I haven't heard any of that. I heard a bunch of mumbo jumbo, but I haven't heard anything that's gonna benefit this City. Specifically, the people that work and live here.

- 937 You know? 'Oh, we're gonna try to keep the crane height below twenty feet.' Yeah. I'm 938 sure people are gonna love looking into a twenty-foot crane in their backyard.
- 939 I wanna know how it's gonna benefit the City, and you guys have the responsibility 940 to ask those questions as prior Councils ha'... have, and you just sit there and just do 941 nothing. What about you, Lawson? You're supposed to be concerned about local job participation in the City. I know Mayor Masters, that's always the first question he asked. 942
- Where's our Mayor tonight? Mr. Felder, do you care about people working in this City? 943
- 944 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that concludes public
- 945 comment...
- 946 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 947 City Clerk Anthony: ...on this Item.
- 948 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have any questions or comments? Thank you. Madam
- 949 Clerk.
- 950 City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 951 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.
- 952 Councilperson Lanier? [Pause]. Councilperson McCoy? City Clerk Anthony:
- 953 Councilperson McCov: Yes.
- Pro Tem Lawson? 954 **City Clerk Anthony:**
- 955 Pro Tem Lawson: Yes.
- Chair Botel? 956 City Clerk Anthony:
- 957 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.
- 958 City Clerk Anthony: That motion is approved with Councilperson Lanier out.
- 959 City Clerk Anthony: **RESOLUTION NUMBER 96-20 A RESOLUTION OF**
- THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, 960
- FLORIDA, APPROVING SITE PLAN APPLICATION (SP-19-20) FOR A CONTRACTOR 961
- 962 STORAGE YARD AND ACCESSORY OFFICE USE, TOTALING APPROXIMATELY
- 3.00 ACRES, LOCATED AT 4922 DYER BOULEVARD, ASSOCIATED WITH PARCEL 963
- CONTROL NUMBERS 56-42-42-36-00-000-3070; 56-42-42-36-00-000-3050 HAVING 964
- 965 AN INDUSTRIAL FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION; A LIMITED INDUSTRIAL (IL)
- 966 ZONING DESIGNATION: AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- CLARENCE SIRMONS, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR, 561-845-4060 967

- **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.
- **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- **Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Sir'...
- **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I can have the Director of Development
- 976 Services, Mr. Clarence Sirmons present this Item.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- **Development Services Director Sirmons:** [Inaudible] will be the other presentation 979 for Dyer East. Again, this Item is the same applicant as the last two Items that were 980 before you, the Hinterland Group #2, LLC. For this one, the applicant is requesting, again,
- a site plan approval for a contractor storage yard and accessory office use.

This is the property location in its former configuration. [Pause]. Sorry. The zoning is limited industrial. The lot size is three acres. And the sur'.., surrounding land uses are industrial as well, expect for the south, which is the residential plan unit development of Turtle Cay. And this is a survey of the property. And here is the plat which was just approved a moment ago, showing the site configuration. The Site Plan is shown here. Again, the proposed use is a contractor storage yard, as well accessory office. The building square footage will be 5,895. There will be a wall sign, and then there is a concrete wall around the site six foot high. The site has two ingress, egress points along Dyer Road. Dyer Boulevard, excuse me. Shown now is the proposed Sit Plan for the structure on the site. [Pause]. The west and east elevations are shown on the slide before you. And here are the north and south elevations, and the sign for the business as mentioned a moment ago. And here are colored elevations of the building. [Pause]. Colored elevations of the north and south elevations of the building.

Before you is the proposed Landscape Plan of the site. It is landscaped on all borders, including the residential border, which has an additional ten feet buffer to the residential use to the south, and there is already an existing fifty-foot landscape buffer on the existing residential tract to the south.

Staff recommends approval of the Site Plan with the following conditions: A two year landscaping performance bond; construction and landscape improvements must be initiated within eighteen months of the date of this Resolution; Council authorizes Staff to approve future amendments of the Stie Plan administratively, so long as they do not deviate greater than five percent from this originally approved plan; the development must receive final Certificate of Occupancy from the City for all structures within five years of the approval of this Resolution or it be considered void; all future advertising must state that the development is located within the City of Rivera Beach; once approved, this

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1007 Resolution shall supersede any previous site plan approval Resolutions associated with 1008 this property; prior to issuance of building permit, the Florida Power & Light ten foot 1009 easement on the north end of the site shall be abandoned; prior to issuance of a building 1010 permit, a copy of the Palm Beach County driveway and drainage permit shall be provided 1011 to the City Public Works department; and finally, due to the close proximity to existing residential uses and limited industrial zoning designation, the storage of goods and 1012 1013 materials shall not exceed twenty feet in height per City Code; additionally, any equipment 1014 or vehicles stored on the site, including but not limited to crane arms, shall be lowered to the lowest possible level upon close of business to mitigate visual impacts. And in interest 1015 1016 of the residential community to the south, we did check with our Code Compliance division to see if there was a history of any complaints from the site of the residents staying there, 1017 1018 and there were none, except for one related to preparation for a hurricane coming and 1019 the resident wanting to make sure that those crane arms were lowered, which is part of 1020 the reason that we have this condition listed on there as well.

1021 And that concludes Staff's presentation on this Item.

Thank you, Mr. Sirmons. Madam Clerk. 1022 **Chairperson Botel:** 

1023 City Clerk Anthony: Fane Lozman, Bessie Brown.

1024 Pro Tem Lawson: Madam Chair?

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1025 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, Mr. Lawson.

1026 Pro Tem Lawson: While Mr. Lozman's on his way here. I just wanted to kinda make the comments to preface that, Mr. Lozman, a lot of the Council, we do have our Agenda review, so some of the questions and concerns are addressed with our City Manager 1028 prior to the meeting. In addition to that, we were waiting on Item No. 5 to address some of the additional concerns that I believe you outlined prior. So, Item 5 actually addresses some of the landscaping, it addresses the compliance and Code Compliance, and it also 1032 addresses the violation. So, I think you kinda jumped the gun when you were requesting us to ask questions and concerns because all fi'.., all three of these Items are actually falling within the code that we're actually addressing tonight. 1034

So, but go again, Mr. Lozman. Thank you.

Fane Lozman. I've gone to hundreds of City Council meetings going Mr. F. Lozman: back to 2003. I'm guite aware of what the rules are, having attended Miami-Dade County, Palm Beach County, North Bay Village, Biscayne Park. So certainly, when there is no backup book, that's normally present, the white book, people can ask questions. They should be informed. And, you bring a backup book, maybe some of these questions wouldn't be asked but it's not credible for the audience to not have the backup, show pictures on the screen and then be able to ascertain what's going on. And, historically, in North Bay Village, if somebody has a, a question, they, they bring the Director back up and he answers the question. Here, no one seems to care.

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And, you know, like, for example... By the way, Fane Lozman and I object to Mr. McCoy participating in this since he does not live in the City and did not for a year prior.

1047 One of the guestion I had, that I [stammer].., I had not heard before is the twenty-1048 foot requirement. You should have a twenty foot..., structurers not taller than twenty feet. Well, if you're living with all this industrial equipment right up on your backyard fence, 1049 that's not really in the best interest of a property owner, that's..., will reduce their property 1050 1051 values. If somebody wants to go buy their house and goes, 'What's all that stuff in your 1052 backyard?' He goes, 'Oh, well that's industrial equipment that they put in there.' Did they give notice to the people within three hundred feet of this project? I didn't hear that. Are 1053 1054 they supposed to give notice for three hundred feet? And, if it's in an industrial area, did 1055 they say why don't keep all your industrial equipment in the to'..., in the northern half of the property, instead of the southern half? You.., it's not mandatory you approve a site 1056 1057 plan application. You can ask for modifications to accommodate the taxpayers in the City. I didn't hear anybody ask for anything. Why does that equipment have to be right 1058 up on a residential wall? Why can't it be in the front of the property? Why can't you 1059 redesign the Site Plan to minimize the impact on the residents? 'Cause no one cares to 1060 1061 ask those questions. That's the question that should be asked. I wanna know why twenty feet of equipment is going into the backyards of residential customers? Why there isn't 1062 an accommodation to change that Site Plan around to try to minimize that visual impact? 1063 But I'll ask the guestion, you, you'll go ahead and vote. No one will ask that guestion 1064 1065 'cause no one cares.

- 1066 City Clerk Anthony: Bessie Brown.
- 1067 Ms. B. Brown: Bessie Brown.

1068 I am here about..., we have no backup to look at and all of that. Why is, why is it... 1069 why aren't we..., why is it not..., you, you are not prepared for the backup so that I could ask a question if I wanted to? There's no books nowhere. You know, did you expect 1070 nobody to come? You know, basically, I'm here because there's no ba'.., backup on this 1071 Item, and I can't even.., I don't even know what [stammer], what it's about. And you all 1072 1073 need to get these books in here tonight. Because you, you're vot'.., you're voting on some expensive things, and things..., and things that we don't even know what's going on, 1074 because we haven't even seen it.

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- 1076 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that completes public
- 1077 comment for the Item.

- 1078 Thank you. Any other questions or comments? **Chairperson Botel:**
- 1079 Pro Tem Lawson: Madam Chair?
- 1080 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.
- 1081 Pro Tem Lawson: Mr. Sherman..., Sirmons, the fifty-foot buffer landscaping had an
- 1082 additional ten-foot buffer added on, that the client recommended. That wasn't required
- 1083 by the City, correct?

- Development Services Director Sirmons: The fifty-foot buffer is on the residential property, that's already existing, and then the buffer that's on their property was requested
- to add additional mitigation for potential impacts on the residential properties.
- 1087 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. And that was the ten-foot additional buffer?
- 1088 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** Correct. As, as well as a six-foot
- masonry wall.
- 1090 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Perfect. And, [pause], I think that was the questions.
- Mr. Evans, will we able to, for the next meeting, have the backup her for our
- residents?
- 1093 **City Manager Evans:** We can certainly arrange for some type of way for books to
- be provided for individuals. The only concern that we have, is if we have a book that folks
- can flip through, is that we, we don't wanna have a situation where multiple persons are
- 1096 touching any partic'...
- 1097 [Inaudible audience comment]
- 1098 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay.
- 1099 City Manager Evans: ...multiple...
- 1100 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you.
- 1101 **City Manager Evans:** ...persons... We'll, we'll handle that. We'll take...
- 1102 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Mr. Evans.
- 1103 **Chairperson Botel:** And in the meantime, of course, all of our backup is online.
- 1104 So...
- 1105 [Inaudible audience comment]
- 1106 **Chairperson Botel:** So, people can access...
- 1107 [Inaudible audience comment]
- 1108 **Chairperson Botel:** Can we some, can we have some order please? There is...
- 1109 [Inaudible audience comment]
- 1110 **Chairperson Botel:** ...plenty of opportunity for people to...
- 1111 [Inaudible audience comment]
- 1112 **Chairperson Botel:** There is plenty... Excuse me.

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- 1113 [Inaudible audience comment]
- 1114 [Gavel]
- 1115 **Chairperson Botel:** The City Manager said the was be'.., he would be working on
- getting a book here. The problem with having a book, is that multiple people might touch
- it, and therefore, spread the disease. What we don't want to have happen, is that more
- of our residents become ill. Our backup is always posted online. You can look at it online,
- many days before the meeting happens. So, it's all there for you to see. Thank you.
- Next Item.
- 1121 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, we need to take a vote on the Item.
- 1122 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, I'm sorry. Go ahead, Madam Clerk.
- 1123 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?
- 1124 Councilperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1125 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 1126 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1127 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 1128 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1129 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?
- 1130 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 1131 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 1132 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 1133 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.
- 1134 ITEMS TABLED
- 1135 **REGULAR**
- 1136 7. City Clerk Anthony: Item No. 7.
- 1137 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 98-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 1138 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1139 FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A
- 1140 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH PALM BEACH STATE

- 1141 COLLEGE FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, AUTHORIZING THE
- 1142 FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE PAYMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 1143 **JOHN CURD, FIRE CHIEF, 561-845-4104**
- 1144 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- 1145 comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comments on this Item is now closed.
- 1146 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.
- 1147 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Second?
- 1148 Councilperson McCoy: Second.
- 1149 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 1150 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I can Fire Chief John Curd present this Item.
- 1151 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 1152 **Fire Chief Curd:** Good evening, Council.
- 1153 Chairperson Botel: Good evening.
- 1154 **Fire Chief Curd:** John Curd, Fire Chief.
- 1155 Very simple Item. This is a very basic agreement with Riviera Beach Fire Rescue
- and Palm Beach State Community College, [stammer] entering into an agreement to
- allow us to more effectively and efficiently assist our firefighters with career development.
- 1158 This is for promotional exams, CEU's, accreditations, certifications, specialty training in
- extrications, search and rescue, those things that we would expect of our firefighters. And
- this is just simply an agreement to allow us to move in that direction and be a little more
- efficient on operations.
- 1162 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Do we have any public comments on this Item?
- 1163 **City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman.
- 1164 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Fane Lozman, 5101 North Ocean Drive. I preface my comments,
- 1165 Mr. McCoy should not be sitting up there and voting on this Item.
- 1166 Contrary to what Ms. Botel may think, a significant number of westside residents
- do not have internet service. T-Mobile is trying to bring service to...
- 1168 Chairperson Botel: MR. Lozman...
- 1169 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...poor communities arou'...
- 1170 **Chairperson Botel:** ...if you have a comment about...

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- 1171 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Can I finish my comment?
- 1172 **Chairperson Botel:** ....the Item on the Agenda... No. If...
- 1173 **Mr. F. Lozman:** They are trying to...
- 1174 **Chairperson Botel:** ...it's on the topic of this Ag'.., Item on the Agenda, you may
- 1175 speak. If it's...
- 1176 **Mr. F. Lozman:** I am telling you I have not...
- 1177 **Chairperson Botel:** ...not, please sit down.
- 1178 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...had a chance to review this Item because the white book that's
- been here since I moved to Riviera Beach in 2006, has not been present at the meetings.
- 1180 There's a white binder, it's always been at the meetings. Sometimes there's been two or
- three of the same white binders, and it's not here tonight. And if it is, show me where it
- is, and I'll go look at it.
- 1183 Chairperson Botel: It's not here...
- 1184 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Okay? And...
- 1185 **Chairperson Botel:** ...and it's not going to be here while COVID is with us.
- 1186 **Mr. F. Lozman:** You can have a white binder for people to look at it. If they wanna
- 1187 put some gloves on...
- 1188 Chairperson Botel: Mr. Lozman...
- 1189 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...they can [inaudible]...
- 1190 **Chairperson Botel:** ...if you have comments about this Agenda...
- 1191 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...Okay?
- 1192 **Chairperson Botel:** ....ltem, please make them.
- 1193 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Are you gonna keep arguing? You let people make a public
- 1194 comment.
- 1195 Chairperson Botel: No. I'd...
- 1196 **Mr. F. Lozman:** If you don't like people making...
- 1197 **Chairperson Botel:** ...rather keep arguing.
- 1198 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...public comment, don't be a public official. But people have a right
- 1199 to comment. Okay?

- 1200 **Chairperson Botel:** On the Agenda...
- 1201 **Mr. F. Lozman:** People...
- 1202 Chairperson Botel: ...ltem.
- 1203 **Mr. F. Lozman:** do not have internet service on the westside. They cannot review
- the Agenda Item. That's an insult to people that don't internet service. You need to have
- a white binder here. Or, you know what you do? You print up twenty white binders and
- 1206 you give somebody a copy of it. How about that, Botel, so they can take one home with
- them and keep it? But you don't deprive them of the information when you're spending
- their taxpayer's dollars. Okay? That's their money. It's not your money. And the rest of
- the Council should say, you know something? If we're worried about COVID with the
- white binder, you print up twenty copies. If somebody wants a copy to take home, like
- 1211 Ms. Brown, she can but a lot of people cannot get it off the internet and you're depriving
- them of the information of what you are voting on and that's shameful.
- 1213 **Chairperson Botel:** Any other comments?
- 1214 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that completes public
- 1215 comment on this Item.
- 1216 Chairperson Botel: Thank you.
- 1217 City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson McCoy?
- 1218 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1219 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 1220 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1221 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?
- 1222 Councilperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1223 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?
- 1224 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 1225 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 1226 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 1227 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.
- 1228 Fire Chief Curd: Thank you.
- 1229 **8. City Clerk Anthony:** Item No. 8.

- 1230 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 93-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 1231 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1232 FLORIDA, APPROVING THE THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL
- 1233 AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PALM
- 1234 BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA;
- 1235 EXTENDING THE COMPLETION DATE FOR THE ON-THE-JOB TRAINING
- 1236 PROGRAM FROM SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; AUTHORIZING
- 1237 THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING
- 1238 FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- ORIE BULLARD, DIRECTOR OF THE JUSTICE SERVICE CENTER, 561-840-3124
- 1240 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- 1241 comments on this Item. The acceptance of public comments on this Item is now closed.
- 1242 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Madam...
- 1243 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.
- 1244 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.
- 1245 **Chairperson Botel:** City Manager.
- 1246 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I can Reentry Services Director, Mr. Orie
- 1247 Bullard, present this Item.
- 1248 Justice Service Center Director Bullard: Good evening, Chair and Council, and
- Honorable Mayor. Orie Bullard, Director of the Justice Service Center, affectionately
- 1250 known as the Reentry Center.
- 1251 What you have before you today is a.., an amendment to our SMART OJT Reentry
- Program. We received this grant in 2017 and it was designed to be a three-year grant.
- And, because they didn't.., the county didn't start until 2018, they're pushing the end of
- the year, the end of the term to 2021. And so, we'll be going to September 30, 2021, and
- that allows for an evaluation period at the third year of the grant.
- 1256 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Public comment, Madam...
- 1257 **City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman.
- 1258 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Fane Lozman, 5101 North Ocean Drive, and ten other properties in
- Riviera Beach. I wanna preface my comments that Mr. McCoy should not be participating
- in this process tonight, as he's not a duly elected official, for meeting the requirements
- per the City Charter.
- I would like to know what the fiscal impact is to this. You know, if I ask a question
- or anybody asks a question, if the gentleman there has an answer, he should give us the
- answer. What is the fiscal impact to the budget? Do you think it's sufficient? Do you

- think it's not sufficient? How many people are being trained through this job site? Who
- decided that it should be extended for another year? How about some backup as to what
- this is gonna cost the taxpayers and how many people are being affected, and what was
- the motivation to extend it? Tell us a little about, about what the fiscal impact of this is.
- 1269 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that completes public
- 1270 comments on this Item.
- 1271 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Any other questions or comments from Council?
- 1272 [Pause]. Madam Clerk.
- 1273 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 1274 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.
- 1275 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?
- 1276 Councilperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1277 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 1278 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1279 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?
- 1280 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 1281 **City Clerk Anthony:** Cahir Botel?
- 1282 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 1283 City Clerk Anthony: Unanimous vote.
- 1284 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 1285 **9. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 9.
- 1286 City Clerk Anthony: Item No. 9.
- 1287 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 91-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 1288 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1289 FLORIDA, APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
- 1290 LORD'S PLACE, INC., AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA: ACCEPTING
- 1291 FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$267,500; FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
- 1292 REENTRY SERVICES FROM OCTOBER 1, 2020 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2023;
- 1293 AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO
- 1294 SET UP A BUDGET FOR THE SAME AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY
- 1295 CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE
- 1296 **DATE**.

## 1297 ORIE BULLARD, DIRECTOR OF THE JUSTICE SERVICE CENTER, 561-840-3124

- 1298 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed. 1299
- 1300 Councilperson McCov: Second.
- 1301 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 1302 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I can have Mr. Orie Bullard, Director of the
- 1303 Justice Service Center present this Item.
- 1304 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 1305 Justice Service Center Director Bullard: Good evening again. Orie Bullard.
- 1306 And so, what you have before you here is a.., an acceptance of Our Second Chance Act grant that we applied for, as a collaborative effort with Lord's Place in West 1307 Palm Beach and Gulfstream Goodwill in West Palm Beach. And, essentially what this 1308 1309 will do is just expand our reentry services and provide for us an, an additional case 1310 manager and a peer advocate over a three term. And we went in as a subrecipient. The
- Lord's Place is the lead agency and we we're a subre'..., subrecipient, so we would be a 1311
- kinda trickle down agency for these grant funds. 1312
- 1313 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 1314 City Clerk Anthony: Fane Lozman.
- 1315 Mr. F. Lozman: Fane Lozman, 5101 North Ocean Drive and ten other properties on
- 1316 Singer Island.
- 1317 Thank you, Mr. Bullard, for explaining how much [stammer] the dollars are. What you haven't explained is why are we dealing with a West Palm Beach entity? Why aren't 1318 1319 we trying to bring those dollars that are being spent in this type of..., this type of, how 1320 should you say... this type of project that's gonna benefit these individuals. Why can't we 1321 do that in the City of Riviera Beach? Is three restrictions on that, if we're getting the grant? 1322 You know, the whole idea is to try to rebuild Riviera Beach. Why..., you know, these are some of the questions that I wanna know. These are some of the questions that the 1323 public wants to know. That's a lotta money. Why are we farming that out to someone 1324 outside the City named Lord's Place? You know? Does anybody care about the residents 1325 1326 of riviera Beach? The businesses here? If this is our money, why can't we create something here? I didn't even know what the Office of Justice Ser'..., Director of Justice 1327 Services is. Is that a new position? I've never heard of that until tonight. You know. 1328
- 1329 these are some of the questions. And then, if people ask the questions, normally a
- 1330 Chairperson would say, 'Can you please answer some of these questions for the public?'

**City Council Meeting** 42 October 21, 2020 1331 And finally, as I'm gonna say all night long, I wanna preface my comments that Mr. 1332 McCoy should not be participating in this meeting tonight, and during general public 1333 comments, I will lay out all the facts for the residents of the City to know why., 1334 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that concludes public comments on this Item. 1335 **Chairperson Botel:** 1336 Thank you. Do we have any questions or comments from 1337 Council? 1338 City Manager Evans: Madam Chair, if I may? To the comment that was made, 1339 'cause I don't want misinformation being circulated to the community with regards to, there's no service being contracted out. Actually, the City is a recipient of \$267,000 to 1340 1341 expand services to those members in our community. So, wherever the money comes 1342 from, we're fortunate to be able to be a recipient and add additional case manager's to help those returning citizens that are coming to our community. 1343 1344 So, it's actually a benefit and our Staff is being able to be expand at no cost to the 1345 taxpayers in Riviera Beach. 1346 Thank you, Mr. Evans. And, could you remind our citizens Chairperson Botel: how long this position has been in place? 1347 City Manager Evans: As far as the Justice Service Center, Mr. Bullard, you can, you 1348 1349 can speak on when the program was established. Justice Service Center Director Bullard: The program was established in 2007. 1350 1351 And so... 1352 Chairperson Botel: Thank you. 1353 Justice Service Center Director Bullard: ...so, the position was there. I, I started 1354 in the position in 2013. 1355 Chairperson Botel: Thank you. 1356 Pro Tem Lawson: Madam Chair? 1357 Chairperson Botel: Yes. 1358 Pro Tem Lawson: I just wanted to thank Mr. Bullard for our call this week. It was very

1363 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Bullard. Number...

**Justice Service Center Director Bullard:** 

So, thank you again. You're doing a great job. Thank you so much.

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enlightening with all the information you gave me and details about the program, the

reentry program, and also, some of the other programs that you're gonna be working on.

Thank you. Appreciate it.

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- 1365 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, sorry.
- 1366 [Pause]
- 1367 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?
- 1368 Councilperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1369 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 1370 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1371 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 1372 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1373 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?
- 1374 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 1375 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 1376 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 1377 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.
- 1378 Chairperson Botel: And now, Item...
- 1379 **City Clerk Anthony:** Item No. 10. Resolution No. 92-20. A Resolution of the City
- 1380 Council...
- 1381 **Councilperson McCoy:** That was moved to Consent.
- 1382 **City Clerk Anthony:** Oh, that was. Thank you, Councilperson McCoy.
- 1383 Chairperson Botel: Thank you.
- 1384 11. City Clerk Anthony: Item No. 11.
- 1385 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 90-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 1386 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1387 FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD OF
- 1388 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE CITY OF
- 1389 RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA; ACCEPTING FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$321,069;
- 1390 FOR THE CONTINUATION OF REENTRY SERVICES FROM OCTOBER 1, 2020 TO
- 1391 SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND
- 1392 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO SET UP A BUDGET FOR THE SAME AND

- 1393 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT
- 1394 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- ORIE BULLARD, DIRECTOR OF THE JUSTICE SERVICE CENTER, 561-840-3124
- 1396 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.
- 1398 Chairperson Botel: Thank you.
- 1399 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.
- 1400 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.
- 1401 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 1402 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I can have Mr. Orie Bullard, Director of
- 1403 Justice Service Center, present this Item.
- 1404 **Justice Service Center Director Bullard:** Good evening once again. Our final Item
- that we have tonight is for our interlocal agreement with Palm Beach County Board of
- 1406 County Commissioners. And this is our standard program contract, that we, that we do
- each year. And so, our total allocation is \$321... I'm sorry, \$321,000. And so, one, one
- point of note is that we typically get about \$235,000. And so, the County saw some of
- the work that we're doing as it relates to our OJT in construction, and so they expanded
- the amount, and they gave us an additional about \$80,000 to continue our construction
- 1411 OJT program.
- 1412 Chairperson Botel: Great.
- 1413 **Justice Service Center Director Bullard:** So that was, that was a benefit to us.
- 1414 This allocates for four case managers, and also support services, such as housing, public
- assistance, identification assistance, birth certificate, education. A myriad of things. So,
- that's what these funds will go to.
- 1417 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Any questions? Comments?
- 1418 **City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman.
- 1419 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Fane Lozman, 5101 North Ocean Drive and ten other properties on
- 1420 Singer Island.
- I did look at the Lord's..., the Lord's Place at 28208 North Australian Avenue. They
- say that's in West Palm Beach. I understand these grant dollars are coming to the City.
- 1423 That's all well and good to help these individuals that need this help, but why aren't those
- grant dollars being spent in a facility in Riviera Beach? That's the question that's not been
- 1425 addressed.

- As far as you, Mr. Evans, I don't recall any Justice Service Center having come before us, maybe once, but I don't recall it. I don't know. Does this guy work for the City? Does he work for somebody in West Palm Beach? Who is this gentleman? I don't recall seeing him here previously. But the point is, if we're getting grants, that's great. Why aren't those grant dollars being spent at a facility, in our City, to, to, to help these individuals that need that help? You know, that's the question I have. I mean, you're talking about, what, almost a million dollars on some of these Items tonight, if you add 'em all up. Why aren't we spending that money in a facility here? Why don't the Lord's open a little branch in Riviera Beach and hire Riviera Beach residents to run it? Why do we have to give these dollars to West Palm?
- Mayor Felder, I guarantee you, Reverend Masters would asked that question.
- 1437 Why aren't you asking that question?
- **Mayor Felder:** Let, let me say this, Mr. Lozman. If, if...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** Okay.
- **Mayor Felder:** ...if you knew about the justice system.., or the justice program...
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** All I know is...
- **Mayor Felder:** I'm, I'm fittin' to tell you.
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** All I know is, it is not River Beach.
- **Mayor Felder:** It is in Riviera Beach.
- **Mr. F. Lozman:** Okay.
- **Mayor Felder:** The money's being spent in Riviera Beach.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Any [inaudible]...
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that concludes public
- comment.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Any other questions or comments from...
- **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair? Yes.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank...
- **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Can you hear me?
- 1454 Chairperson Botel: I'm sorry.
- **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** [Chuckle]. Thank you, Mr. Bullard, for your
- presentation. I, I., since I've heard it so many times about the money being spent in West

- Palm Beach, I know you participated a few years in the Citizen Leadership Academy and
- spoken quite a bit about what your program does. Could you just share why we do service
- some of the West Palm Beach residents and how that ties in with the money from the
- 1460 county?
- 1461 Justice Service Center Director Bullock: Oh, no problem. So, this is, this is a
- 1462 county initiative. But this is a City program. So, in 2007, the City joined up with the county
- to provide service to the north end. And so, this an in-house program. I'm a City
- employee, as I've been since 20007. All of our Staff are City employees. And what we,
- what we do is, with the other agencies, Lord's Place and Goodwill, we've divided the
- 1466 county into, into three parts. And so, the money that's coming in here, is being
- 1467 [stammer]... is being spent in the City to help men and women reintegrate back into
- society. And so, there are a myriad of services that we provide...
- 1469 [Unintelligible]
- 1470 **Justice Service Center Director Bullock:** ...that we provide throughout that reentry
- process. So, it's essential for us to have support services, such as housing and all those
- other things as we move forward to kinda get these men and women established back
- into our areas.
- 1474 And so, we've been a collective since 2007, we've had these three agencies
- working together, since 2007, and we find that we, we receive more money when we
- apply as a collaborative, as opposed to.., as, as just a.., as a City by itself because we're
- in the county so we're receiving county funds, so it allows us to be able to work with
- anyone within the county but, specifically, Riviera Beach.
- 1479 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you.
- 1480 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible]. Madam Clerk.
- 1481 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson...
- 1482 **Justice Service Center Director Bullock:** Thank you.
- 1483 City Clerk Anthony: ...McCoy?
- 1484 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1485 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
- 1486 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1487 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?
- 1488 Councilperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1489 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

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- 1490 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 1491 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 1492 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 1493 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.
- 1494 **Justice Service Center Director Bullock:** Thank you.
- 1495 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Bullard.
- 1496 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, the time is now 7:25.
- would you like to proceed to Item No. 12?
- 1498 **Chairperson Botel:** [Audio skipped]. Yeah. Let's do public comment now.
- 1499 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, would you read the comment.., the statement
- into the record, please?
- 1501 Chairperson Botel: Yeah. I'm sorry.
- 1502 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC 7:30 P.M. NON AGENDA ITEM SPEAKERS
- 1503 (Three Minute Limitation)
- 1504 Chairperson Botel: PUBLIC COMMENTS SHALL BEGIN AT 7:30 P.M. UNLESS
- 1505 THERE IS NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL IN WHICH, EVENT, IT
- 1506 SHALL BEGIN SOONER. IN ADDITION, IF AN ITEM IS BEING CONSIDERED AT 7:30
- 1507 P.M., THEN COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC SHALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AFTER
- 1508 THE ITEM HAS BEEN CONCLUDED. ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK
- 1509 DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS, PLEASE FILL OUT A PUBLIC COMMENT CARD
- 1510 LOCATED AT THE FRONT DESK AND GIVE IT TO STAFF BEFORE THE PUBLIC
- 1511 COMMENT SECTION IS ANNOUNCED.
- 1512 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, being that the time is
- 1513 now 7:26, we will close the acceptance of public comment at 7:30? Is that the pleasure
- 1514 of the Board?
- 1515 Chairperson Botel: Yes.
- 1516 **City Clerk Anthony:** Thank you. Cindy March, Fane Lozman, Terence.
- 1517 **Ms. C. March:** Good evening. I'm Cindy March.
- 1518 I find it very [stammer] ya'll have all of this money to spend for this, that. I hope
- 1519 you all have some money to pay Ladi March. I don't care how long it's been, COVID-19
- been there. I hope everybody was safe for COVID-19. I'm like Fane Lozman. I'm not
- his cheerleader but right is right and wrong is wrong. I hope when you all go to court,

ya'll don't say ya'll don't have no money 'cause ya'll spending money, ain't asking no questions and I hope it come back to bite you. It's gonna come back to bite you.

Evans have his hands in everything. He got this position, He got this temporary position. Greed gonna catch up. And I hope I live to see it. And I'm gonna tell you, I told you so. I see Gagnon no longer here. After he done messed up the City, messed up a great employee that you had as a Building Official. The first black Building Official here. It's personal with me. And it's gonna personal to the day I leave this earth. Because ya'll fired her wrongly. She went to jail. And then ya'll spending all this money and ya'll done got paid for pandemic pay. Who' paying for this increase in this water bill? That's what I wanna know. Where it's from? Where it's coming from? And ya'll steady giving money out to everybody coming through with twenty'..., a, a three-minute presentation. Stuff that I don't even know nothing about.

Are you serious? Is this what the City of Riviera Beach is all about? You all got to do better. When you know better, you do better. You got enough money to do a mental illness building, or a homeless building for the, the homeless people. I'm one of them. I wanted the mental illness. I done been mentally ill before. But look what God brought from. You know why? Because I know how to treat people. I have a heart. And it's not about money up under the table, or being a yes man. I don't know what you all done sipped, sucked, snort or whatever, but what all ya'll are agreeing on, it's not good at all. Lanier, she wants to put something on the floor, and then next thing you know, ya'll got a unanimous vote. Besides one person. Where we do that at? In the City of Riviera Beach? I need to go ahead and present my Cindy Seafood and see how much money I can get from the City. That's one thing will sell. But ya'll get these people in here that even.., not even a applicant. He doesn't even stand up for himself.

No job opportunity for the minority. Ya'll, we got to do better. We get to do better. And Botel, we need a new Chairperson, we need a new Councilperson 'cause Botel is so rude. She's.., and, and if anybody can be rude, I can be rude, but I know when to be humble too. When I want something and people treat me right, I'm gonna know the side of humble. She's just too rude. People that don't look like her, don't need to tell us how to run our City. Period. I'm not racist, but I'm calling a spade a spade.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman, Terence, Bessie Brown.

**Mr. F. Lozman:** Fane Lozman, 5101 North Ocean Drive.

Let's get to the specifics and what a few thousand dollars of investigative work gets you. Tradrick McCoy's born December 1, 1983. He did not live at this mom's house at 1465 West 30<sup>th</sup> Street in Riviera Beach. Yet, that's the address he put down on all his paperwork when he ran for office, and he still uses that address. He.., we have extensive photographic evidence of his vehicle and license plate at 1081 Benoist Farms Road in West Palm Beach and 2770 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue in Hollywood, Florida. McCoy, you're not.., were not a duly elected official. I've hired an attorney to try to pursue a court battle to get you out of office and you're gonna sue the City over the water bill. You don't have standing to do that. Apparently, what you did think you had standing was to take away the

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development rights of me and my partners who put a few million dollars into property on Singer Island where we do pay property taxes. And that little stunt you played last week, or the prior City Council meeting, that's void ab initio. Okay? The, the property owners were not given proper notice, and it failed on the first reading. So, you guys are.., you wanna play a little game and try to take away property rights from people that live in the City, we'll play the same little game and get you removed from office.

According to the Charter, by the way, Ms. Lanier's absence from this meeting, there is no accommodations for anybody to appear telephonically. If she misses an'..., another meeting, she can be removed from office, per the Charter. Ms. Botel, this Friday at noon, has a closed executive session with the Florida Commission of Ethics, I was invited to attend but I could not participate but I can witness it. There was a probable cause affidavit based on Ms. Botel using City equipment, copy machines to prepare attack flyers, saying that Ladi March Goldwire, the City's Building Official, should be fired. She's also using her City Hall office for a private business.

You know, Ms. Lanier, I was really disappointed when I heard that you made a motion to appoint Mr. Evans to be the CRA Director. Mr. Evans has a full-time job as the City Manager. There were sixty qualified applicants that wanted to be the CRA Director. Those sixty people are out of work and you're gonna use public dollars for a position, you hire a new person to fill that job. You know? Why, why are we giving a man to work two full time jobs? That makes no sense. I think Ms. Lanier may be blackmailed by Mr. Evans, because...

- 1584 Unk. Audience: Why?
- 1585 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...and you're gonna say why is she being blackmailed? I'll tell you
- why. Ms. Lanier was fired. I had a long talk with Lynne Hubbard. She was fired for failing
- a drug test. Okay? Ms. Hubbard tried to get her to stay. Mr. Evans fired her. I pulled
- her personnel file, Mr. Evans, there's no exit statement why she was fired. Where'd she go? I have a problem with you wearing two jobs. We need to get somebody to replace
- 1590 you as the CRA Director, and it's shameful that we're depriving somebody of a full-time
- job. I'm gonna get to the bottom of what's...
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- 1593 **Mr. F. Lozman:** ...going on here.
- 1594 Unk. Audience: [Inaudible].
- 1595 City Clerk Anthony: Terence, Bessie Brown, Brenda Brown. [Pause]. Madam
- 1596 Chair, Members of the Board, the name Terence just has the first name, no last name.
- 1597 Mr. T. Davis: Good evening, Council, Mayor, Staff. Residents and the employees of
- the City of Riviera Beach, it's wonderful to be here tonight and I just must say to all the
- employees, they have been doing such a wonderful job during the pandemic with their

patience and their sacrifice.

Terence Davis, father from Riviera Beach, student from Riviera Beach and ex-City official from Riviera Beach. And I truly understand the job that you do. But, the thirty percent that we considered back in 2012, '13, '14 and '15, we had to understand that we had to be patient before we said yes. We had to be patient for our employees and our residents. We understood that economic development on projects coming up had to come before. We didn't want our, our residents to, to wear that burden by themselves. We had projects that's been held up for three years. They have a lifecycle cost associated with it. If they're late, it's gonna cost some more money. Do not let the residents carry this burden alone.

Yes, we need infrastructure. I saw a article the other day where Mr. McCoy sued the City. And he said he just wanted to talk to Staff. He didn't wanna have to go to a courtroom. But in that article, I saw nowhere where the Utility Director had any comments about the lifecycle of our current water infrastructure. And I'm concerned 'cause this is our third Utility Director. Alright?

And my daughter's sitting here with me today, and I told her this Council, and Staff, that while we had our fights politically, this is a life decision for me. And I come to show support if you need help with the historical view of the decisions that we were trying to make. Support economic development. We got a Marina development that we're playing around with that, if our employees, and if our mothers and our daughter and our fathers can work, they can pay these high-water bills. But when you're holding up a \$300MM development associated with the Marina, and then tax the people thirty percent? So, you can't work but you can pay this bill. That's not fair. And I told these people, I love you guys unconditionally. When I say my people, 33404. Those that pay taxes, those that work here, those that live here. I don't care what color you are, and it's time that we serve those people. If you gotta make a tough decision on one side, make a tough decision to put our people to work. And we wanna support you guys on that. So please be aggressive with putting our people to work. And not just the little low paying jobs, the big paying jobs.

Have a wonderful night.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Bessie Brown, Brenda Brown, Ernestine Gordon.

**Ms. B. Brown:** Good evening. Bessie Brown. I hope that you can hear me clearly. I'm here about the CRA Director. Lanier making a motion to hire Jonathan Evans as the permanent CRA Director, after all of the information has been decided to, to contact the applicants to be, to be interviewed. Now, now, we have to do better than this. And also, we have a \$4MM project on Singer Island to re'.., to repair some bridges, but with 7.1 percent minority participation. We need to do the disparity study here and we need to get on it right away.

And, Monroe Heights streets are still in a, in a.., they're still a mess. Now, you're gonna put out these bids for all this stuff, you need to put out a bid and take care of Monroe Heights' streets. And Terrence Bailey said that I requested that he, he... He, he, he'd do my street. He do my... I did not ask... I haven't talked to that boy in over a year

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and a half. And so, when.., and, and that was during the time that the budget, you all were doing the budget.., or capital outlay on, on streets and stuff, and I told him that the street.., my street wasn't included. And that, that's the last time I talked to him about that. [Stammer] so I'm.., I just wanna clear up stuff.

Shirley.., is Shirley Lanier supposed to be visual? Are we supposed to see her? I'd like, I'd like an answer on that. Because, she wasn't vi'.., she wasn't visual la'.., at the last CRA meeting, and then she showed up there, you know, I saw her on the TV. And then, she showed up, but then she never showed up again. Now, that, that's not virtual. If she's supposed to be virtual, we're supp'.., I think, I think we're supposed to see her.

And what happened to Item 6 and 10? I'd like to what.., because I wasn't here at the beginning before you started. I'd like to know what happened to Item 6 and 10.

And, it's my understanding that the [chuckle], the new Utility District Director has resigned. I'd like.., why can't we keep people here? In certain positions. [Stammer] and they, they never really talk much because Mr. Jonathan Evans, he, he, he's always presenting stuff and, and, in, in the Utility District and I.., and I don't think he's authorized to do, do that.

But, but, but basically... And, and that, that, that backup book, we need to have that here. I don't care... You know, everybody make, make a, make a make a reason as to why we shouldn't have something, we need to have those books in here so that we can look at the backup.

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- 1663 **City Clerk Anthony:** Brenda Brown, Ernestine Gordon, Marvelous Washington.
- Ms. Brenda Brown: 1664 Good evening all. I would like to comment on the, on the Utility rate that's coming forth, that's going up again. I recall, if my memory serves me 1665 1666 correctly, I think this was about maybe ten to twelve years ago, that the City of Riviera Beach had raised the, the residents of Riviera Beach had, had, had raised their Utility 1667 1668 rate, and there was nothing sent out to the residents. And, the residents back during that 1669 time, had to incur the cost because it had something to do with the pipes. Well, here we go again, we're raising the rates and we have received nothing. Any utility company, if 1670 1671 they're gonna raise any rates, they always inform the residents of that particular city that 1672 they're gonna do that, two or three months [stammer] prior to.., prior to the time that they are gonna do it. So, I think that, if you're going to do something like that, you need to let 1673 1674 the residents know.
- First, we had to incur the cost, now again, we're gonna have to incur the cost again? And, and your motto says, 'A City that honor and serve,' let's see you do that.
- 1677 **City Clerk Anthony:** Ernestine Gordon, Marvelous Washington, Mary Brabham. 1678 [Pause]. Ernestine Gordon? [Pause]. Marvelous Washington. [Pause]. Following Ms. 1679 Washington will be Mary Brabham.

**Ms. M. Washington:** Good evening, Councilpersons, Mayor, City Attorney, City Manager.

Mr. Evans, I really for you, 'cause as a professional, we tend to take on more than what we can handle. And unfortunately, that is a challenge that we always take for... With your unique skillset, you've been put in a position which we think that you can take on more than what you were originally assigned here to do. I'm here to discuss not the appointment of the CRA Director being per'.., appointed permanently, Mr. Evans, I'm here to discuss how timely that motion was made. And the excuse for that motion being made. Since you guys have taken office with this new Administration, being physically responsible has never been your motto. Okay?

Two months into your taking office, there was discussion of hiring an outside agency to investigate the insurance fraud that the OIG had already investigated, which was gonna cost us additional monies. We never considered any cost saving motions then. Two months after that, we were negotiating Mr. Evans' contract. There was no discussion on saving the City money then. After that, maybe two or three months later, there were job creations of upper level positions, with high salaries, without any requirements for it..., for interviewing or any competitive interview process. They were just appointed with high salaries and lack of experience and education. There was no cost saving motions then. Pandemic pay was deiced by our City Manager. There was no talk about saving the City money then.

Councilpersons, we have to do better. We cannot depend on Mr. Evans to run all departments in our City. If anything was to happen to Mr. Evans during this time, and you guys know how, how unpredictable this pandemic is, our City would be put back in the same position it was before, with lack of people in these positions. He should not be holding two full time job positions in the City of Riviera Beach, when we had candidates, two that are.., were local candidates, willing to interview and receive emails for a final interview. That email never was rescinded. And, what bothered me is that we talk about providing opportunities for our residents to come back and work for the City, but when it's time to actually do it, we never follow through on it.

In closing, you guys know that that five percent raise is actually to cover that pandemic pay that was implemented in March. Everyone knows anytime a City close' down, the Ci'.., residents.., I mean, not residents, but employees are entitled to emergency pay or pandemic pay. That decision should've never happened. And we.., but it occurred and now our residents are suffering because we have to pay that back, due to the unauthorized increase in water bill.

To be light of the subject, I noticed that the City of Riviera Beach...

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**Ms. M. Washington:** ....Youth Empowerment Center...

**Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Your time is up.

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- 1719 **Ms. M. Washington:** ...program was hiring a part time program aide, I'm just
- wondering if Councilperson Lanier would like to appoint Mr. Evans into that position too?
- 1721 **City Clerk Anthony:** Mary Brabham.
- 1722 **Ms. M. Brabham:** Good evening. Good evening. Mary Brabham. I hope everybody
- can see that I have voted here. A shout out to Ms. Shirley Lanier. I wish her a speedy
- 1724 recovery.
- No, we do not have Clark Kent. We have.., those are fictional characters. But we 1725 do have skillset and that professionalism. We do have.., if we don't have Clark Kent, we 1726 1727 have Batman. And who calls for Batman? We have Robin. Thank goodness for Ms. McBride, our Deputy City Manager, as well as our Assistant City Manager. This City's in 1728 1729 good hands, 'cause Ms. [stammer].., Ms. McBride comes well rounded. Well rounded. So, I have no problem here. Ask Bill Wilkins, this does happen for a City Manager to be 1730 appointed the CRA Director. Curt [sp], don't let me throw out no, no mud here. We all 1731 know Curt. See, Ms. Brabham and others, Ms. Gordon and the other ladies that was 1732 1733 here, we, we have been working these community, well aware of the scheme and the 1734 plan, games that some of you are playing up there. I don't come to pacify you, I never did. The last time I was in this Chamber here, and this is the Agenda from March of 2020. 1735 and here we are here with the same mess. And if you talk about this pandemic here, look 1736 1737 and see, you got 221,000 deaths that are in our United States. [Inaudible] here. So I don't need no Agenda, I need for it to be embedded.., embedded, so that we will not have 1738 1739 to be asking what is this or what is that? If you can't get to the books, we have to do a 1740 little steppin' outta that box there, to, to [inaudible] in here. Well, it made mention about this grant there, but it wasn't mentioned about the Lord's Place. See, these are things 1741 that we can build on here, to keep the residents a little bit at bay here. They know they 1742
- When our water.., see residents, when we were out in the community.., last week, week before last, and yes, Ms. Brabham dress' like this now. It is October, breast cancer, so Ms. Brabham is pink and white to salute that as well. We heard it. But you all know this increase was set up in this City here, previous Council, previous Council. For a ten- or twelve-year span here. And here we are here. Look at our infrastructure here.
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- 1751 **Ms. M. Brabham:** It's horrible. It's deplorable.
- 1752 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Ms. Brabham.

can't get to the books, but we have to do our part.

- 1753 **Ms. M. Brabham:** So what you want? Inflation is inflation and everybody [inaudible].
- 1754 The grocery store.
- 1755 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

- **Ms. M. Brabham:** Our light bill, our gas bill. It is no different than what we're suffering
- 1757 here.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you...
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** Do you wanna be...
- **Chairperson Botel:** ...Ms. Brabham.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** ...like Flint City? That's why you're sick in this City, right today with
- cancer, gastrointestinal.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Ms. Brabham.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** Bowel syndrome. Because of your water. And Solitron did it. Thank
- 1765 God...
- **Chairperson** Thank you.
- 1767 Ms. M. Brabham: ...for Councilman [Inaudible]. Michael Brown went to Washington,
- 1768 DC. Ms. Brabham was [inaudible].
- **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Brabham, Ms. Brabham.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** I got those papers and I shared...
- **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Brabham.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** ...them with the people's Manager.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Thank you. Your time. Thank you.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** Residents, you are...
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** ...educated. Because we gave you that information.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Ms. Brabham.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** They can say whatever they wanna say, we still move on.
- 1779 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?
- **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Brabham, please...
- **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible], Madam Chair?
- 1782 Chairperson Botel: What?

1783	Councilperson McCoy:	Are you gonna be nice?
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1785	Councilperson McCoy:	I mean
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1789	Councilperson McCoy:	Well, I mean
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1791	Councilperson McCoy:	come on.
1792	Chairperson Botel:	No.
1793	Councilperson McCoy:	I, I don't
1794	Chairperson Botel:	[Inaudible] sit down.
1795	Councilperson McCoy:	have to like or dislike what somebody says
1796	Chairperson Botel:	She, she
1797	Councilperson McCoy:	but be uniform, Madam Chair.
1798	Chairperson Botel:	Yeah. She's sitting down.
1799	Councilperson McCoy:	I mean, you had no problem interrupting the
1800	Chairperson Botel:	I know.
1801 1802	Councilperson McCoy: serious.	previous speakers. And, I mean, Madam Chair, I'm very
1803	Chairperson Botel:	I know.
1804	[Inaudible audience comment]	
1805 1806	City Clerk Anthony: comments at this time.	Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that concludes public
1807	Councilperson McCoy:	Matter of fact, pick up
1808	Chairperson Botel:	Thank you.

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- 1809 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...the gavel. That was not even, like, what are you doing?
- 1810 **12. Chairperson Botel:** Item No...
- 1811 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, we were now on Item No. 12.
- 1812 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 99-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 1813 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1814 FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL AUDITING
- 1815 SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH AND HCT
- 1816 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND CONSULTANTS LLC, FOR AUDITING
- 1817 SERVICES OBTAINED THROUGH REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NUMBER 992-20-2;
- 1818 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE SUBSEQUENT
- 1819 PAYMENTS AFTER WORK AUTHORIZATION HAS BEEN ISSUED, AND PROVIDING
- 1820 AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 1821 ALTHEA PEMSEL, PROCUREMENT DIRECTOR, 561-845-4180
- 1822 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- comments on this Item. The acceptance of public comments on this Item is now closed.
- 1824 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.
- 1825 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.
- 1826 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, just a couple introductory remarks before I turn
- the presentation over to Deputy City Manager, Ms. Liz McBride. It is imperative that we
- move forward with getting our auditor onboard as quickly as possible. We have received
- notification from the state, to both the CRA and the Utility District, with regards to the
- competition of the Fiscal Year 2019 audit. We have seen the remittance of funds to the
- 1831 City stop until the audits are complete. So, there is an adverse fiscal impact associated
- with the audit not moving forward. So Staff is prepared to bring forward an Item today for
- 1833 you to consider, that will allow for us to move forward with our audit and follow best
- 1834 [stammer] auditing standards.
- And at this time, I'm gonna turn the presentation over to Deputy City Manager, Ms.
- 1836 Liz McBride.
- 1837 **Deputy City Manager McBride:** Madam Chair, Mayor and Members of the Council, the
- last time this matter was before you was July 1st when you selected HCT to be your
- auditor, external auditor. During the interim, an appeal was filed by another bidder...
- proposer, I guess. And it stayed the proceedings for a length of time. The appeal
- proceedings for that have now passed. In your package you have before you, an
- agreement that was dated July 1st, the date you entertained that. It is not a completely
- executed agreement, which is good because, due to the circumstances surrounding the
- status of our audits required by the state, we did have to have some further discussions
- with Mr. Harvey, the principal of HCT, and we reached some decisions which were
- outlined in your cover memo of the items that we would be discussing. One, a time period

- for the completion of the 2019 audits for the City, the CRA and the Utility Special District.
  And we had agreed to having those completed on or before February 28, 2021. We also
  discussed that there would be a timely completion of the 2020 audit so that we have that
  completed before June 30<sup>th</sup> of 2020. All your audits for the City, as well as the CRA and
  the Utility Districts are due to the state by June 30th of every year. So, we were just..,
  wanted to make sure that we would all be onboard to proceed as..., in sync together as to
  the time period.
  - In addition, we looked at one of.., based upon some of the complaints, we looked at the best practices for auditing services that were recommended by the G'.., Government Finance Officers Association, and one of them.., the main one we looked at related to when you use an auditor for a long time, and they realized that often, many small organizations might encounter that. And, they recommended that one way you address that is by having the auditor cre'.., bring in new faces, even though it's the same auditor. I had that discussion with Mr. Harvey. So we are all in [stammer] in accord with those things. They have been incorporated into the new agreement, which will bear.., which bears a date of today, October 21st, so we will be replacing that agreement. And that.., those provisions are incorporated into Exhibit A, of the agreement. And I will tell you, that was the main change, and it's put in Exhibit A. Mr. Harvey has the agreement over with him, we finalized this on Monday afternoon.
    - The only other area where there was a change, was in Article 1, services. And what we did was incorporate the RFP itself, as well as Mr. Harvey's response to the RFP. Okay? So those are the only changes to the agreement that you have before you.
- 1869 And, Mr. Harvey, would you like to make any comments? [Pause]. Okay.
- 1870 **Chairperson Botel:** Any questions or comments? From Council? Yes, no?
- 1871 [Inaudible comment]

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- Deputy City Manager McBride: And, and basically, Madam Chair, we would just ask
- that the agreement, as amended, would be approved tonight by the Councill. And Mr.
- Harvey has it. He was just looking at it to make sure that what had been represented was
- there, in that document, and he will be signing it before he leaves.
- 1876 **City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman, Amon Yisrael, Mary Brabham.
- 1877 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Fane Lozman, 5101 North Ocean Drive, Singer Island. And the ten properties over there.
- The contract is gonna expend money. Mr. McCoy, you should live in the City. Shoulda been a City resident before you vote to spend money that you're not legally allowed to vote on. It's important to point out, to the Police Chief. Maybe he can investigate it independently.
- Looks like a leadership failure there, City Manager. You should be more worried about how much money are we not getting from the state 'cause we haven't turned in our

audit on time. You know, one of the jobs of the City Manager is leadership, is to make sure the Finance Director meets its, meets its qualifications of... [Stammer] it's hard to understand what this lady said but if there was some big protest by a competitor, you should've had this figured out six months before the deadline. The deadline's June, here it is October. You know? That's not a very good job performance. You know, I remember the Auditor General of Florida did two special audits of the City in 2005 and 2007, they found all kind of irregularities. You know, you can pull those up online. Have you bothered to read those? Why don't you ask the Audit General, or I'll ask him, to come back and do another audit? You know? Where's all this money going? Is this gonna be covered in this audit? I mean, it..., that's what makes no sense. The properties that I was developing on Singer Island would've added \$6MM to the tax rolls. \$6MM. \$6MM, that could gone to the westside, \$6MM that could pay this auditor's bill. But no, we don't want \$6MM.

Lawson, you're supposed to be a pro-businessperson, \$^MM would've been generated from seventy-one acres lots that would've sold for \$6MM each. \$420MM. But you, you wanted to go along with Botel. I'll tell you what, let's play a game, \$50,000 for anybody to give me any information that will remove you from office for corruption. Why don't we play that game, Mr. Lawson? I make or lose a hundred grand a day in the stock market, I don't care about \$50,000.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Amon Yisrael, Mary Brabham.

**Mr. A. Yisrael:** Good evening. Amon Yisrael, Riviera Beach, Florida.

A little concerned about the Davis & Associates being skipped over when they were next to be negotiated with, and also being denied an audience with our City Council to protest an injustice. The State of Florida changed some rules and regulations pertaining to the Audit Selection Committee. They're now to.., the, the City Council selected four people to be on the Audit Committee, with one City Councilpeople being the Chair of that committee. The moral of those rules and regulations that were, the City Council said they wanted to be in compliance with, was that the Auditor Selection Committee was to make the rules for the evaluation. After this process was to.., after this process took place, the governing body, the City Council was to negotiate with the number one ranked team. If there was no agreement [stammer] made with the number one team, according to this statute, they was to go to the number two team. They skipped the number two team, violating that statute. If there was no agreement made with the number two team, then they was to go to the number three team.

If you're going to hold S. Davis & Associates to seven days to reply, with their protest, my question would be, did you do a return receipt by mail? Was there some way to determine when the email was opened? Your email to them said seven days upon receipt of your notification. Some people take advantage of having Saturday, Sunday and Monday off, Monday being a holiday. If you consider these three days, they would have..., their protest would have been in, within the seven days. Why would you count Saturday, Sunday, Monday and a holiday, when most people are not working? What

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- happened to, when you give someone days to comply, what happened to business days, as opposed to weekends and holidays? I ask you to give them an audience to protest.
- Thank you.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Mary Brabham, S. Davis and.., S Davis & Associates.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** Excuse me. I'm not taking no chances. I have to protect myself. [Chuckle].

We do have some reservations here. Even though, as a Board, you make that decision, but it's how you make that decision. It showed some unprofessionalism when this was handed down. You're the governing Board. But, what trickled down is, how you did it. You skipped over the one that the criteria that you had put. Plus, you all selected an individual to represent on that Board there. What volumes does that speak for your leadership? Was it something that you did like? Obviously, it was.

Whoever.., whatever auditor that we have, H'.., HCT, I hope that they do a much better job. We, as a community hope that they do a much better job, because this process, within the community, has some flaws in it. So whoever received this contract, we hope that they do a better job, whether it is the one that is standing now or whether the one that was overlooked, with the higher score. And we know the obstacles that we have had within this City here.

We're trying to, we're trying to change that perception of us. We want professionalism but we also want directive, directive thinking, [inaudible], that can move us in this atmosphere because I call [inaudible] to atmosphere. We still have to navigate, but it's how we navigate. And we navigate with transparency. You might as well forget'..., forget about asking the residents to come in and have input, but that will not stop us. Because, just like you all conferences too, we also do the same thing too.

It was made mentioned about Mr. Harvey with Article 1. I would like to know what that Article 1 that was included in there.

Getting back to the in depth of the Agenda Item, three hundred and, and eightynine dollars, and if I'm incorrect, because I always like to be corrected, that we would pay them for four years with an extension of five years. So, I would also like that articulated, so the general public will know there are things within these Agenda Items that can be written a little bit better, with a little bit more clarity. That what we say, clarity. So that it will be no...

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- **Ms. M. Brabham:** ...guessing game.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you...
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** Thank you.

- **Chairperson Botel:** ...Ms. Brabham. Thank you.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** Answer my question.

- **City Clerk Anthony:** S. Davis & Associates.
- **Ms. T. Davis:** Good evening, Madam Mayor and Honorable City Council 1966 Members. My names is Tanya Davis. I'm a partner with S. Davis & Associates, 900 Osceola Drive, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Basically, our bid protest should be heard and should be approved. We properly and timely filed a protest with the Procurement Director, as stipulated in the City's Procurement Code. Upon denial, we made a request to meet with the City Manager, in accordance with the City's Procurement Code. We met on July 21st. Approximately forty-five days after the meeting, our attorney was sent a letter on September 2nd stating S. Davis & Associates had within seven days of receipt of the letter to file a protest to the City Council.

On September 10<sup>th</sup>, our attorney made the request for the Council to consider our protest, in accordance with City Procurement Code. We followed that Code to the letter, making our requests, in the order stipulated in the Code. The City deemed our request late. In certain paragraphs of your Procurement Code, you specify calendar days or working days for action items. The September 2<sup>nd</sup> from the City, made no such specification as to calendar or working days. There is no mention in the Procurement Code of the number of days for making a request to the City Council. We made our request within seven business days. The City, in their calculation, used calendar days which, as was stated, included not only the weekend but also a national holiday and stated that we were late. September 2<sup>nd</sup> is the date the letter was sent and emailed, [inaudible] as I understand it, the date it was opened, read and signifying receipt.

We were aggrieved in two back to back RFP processes, the first in 2019 when after being ranked number one to the incumbent, the Council canceled the RFP based on a Florida statute that was not even in effect until after proposals were submitted, oral presentations took place, the selection committee reviewed and ranked the RFP respondents, and we had signed a contract. We responded to the 2020 RFP in good faith and we were aggrieved again. The Auditor Selection Committee was chosen, they followed the process in the statute, they ranked, they.., the ranking was stipulated.., the manner of ranking was stipulated in the RFP. They did exactly what the statutes allowed them to do, and said it and did it exactly as what was stipulated in the RFP.

During negotiations, the Procurement Manager, on behalf of the Committee, started with one portion of the Florida state statute and started negotiating with the number ranked firm. The Council came to the Council meeting and completely denied that they had started down the path, or ignored that they had started down the path of what was stipulated in, in the statute and then jumped to a completely different section to start negotiating with the number three firm, completely skipping over S. Davis & Associates, who was ranked number two.

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2004	Chairperson Botel:	Thank you.
2005	Ms. T. Davis:p	rotest be heard and
2006	Chairperson Botel:	Thank you. Your time's up.
2007 2008	City Clerk Anthony: comments on this Item.	Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that completes public
2009	Chairperson Botel:	Any other comments?
2010	Councilperson Lanier:	Madam Chair?
2011	Chairperson Botel:	Oh, go ahead, Councilwoman Lanier.
2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022	Councilperson Lanier: Yeah. I wanted to, I wanted to say bout this process in terms of the Council coming and having some conversations about this whole audit process. Of course, as you know, I disagreed with the selection that was made in regards to the City's Internal Auditor. I thought that the, the Committee that made these recommendations, which were pushed aside, which were disregarded, I wanted to make it clear that the Audit Committee did everything that they were supposed to do according to law. And, the issues with the submission of a protest from this agency is something that the Attorney and I spoke about. I, I still disagree with that as well. And I, as I said before, I disagreed with the fact that the City is continuing to go with an audit committee, an auditor that was ranked number three, out of three, and was not the least amount of money to be spent by the City for our audits.	
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2024 2025	Chairperson Botel: wanna cut you off.	Councilwoman Lanier, are you done? You finished? I don't
2026	Councilperson Lanier:	Yes, I'm done.
2027 2028	Chairperson Botel: Clerk.	Okay. Thank you. Any other comments from Madam
2029	City Clerk Anthony:	Councilperson Miller-Anderson?
2030	Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.	
2031	City Clerk Anthony:	Councilperson Lanier?
2032	Councilperson Lanier:	No.

- 2033 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 2034 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 2035 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?
- 2036 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.
- 2037 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?
- 2038 Chairperson Botel: No.
- 2039 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilpersons Botel and Lanier
- 2040 dissenting.
- 2041 **13.** City Clerk Anthony: Item No. 13.
- 2042 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 94-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 2043 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 2044 FLORIDA, APPROVING THE RIVIERA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT'S "STOP THE
- 2045 VIOLENCE MARCH" TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2020, FROM 8:00
- 2046 AM TO 2:00 PM; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
- 2047 **NATHAN OSGOOD, CHIEF OF POLICE, 561-845-4130**
- 2048 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- comments on this Item. The acceptance of public comments on this Item is now closed.
- 2050 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So moved.
- 2051 Councilperson McCoy: Second.
- 2052 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 2053 **Police Chief Osgood:** Good evening, Mr. Mayor, Council, community at large. I'm
- 2054 Chief Nate Osgood and I can tell you how we got here and why we're pushing to go
- forward with the Stop the Violence March on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

2056 One of my main priorities when I got here was to really decrease the violence that we see in our community. It can be done. I know it can be done. Part of the problem is. 2057 2058 and we've got many problems, the community's gotta come forward, one, and give us 2059 what they know, and talk to us. Now, after the fact, I get a lot of parents, family members, 2060 of victims..., victims who are killed out there due to the violence. They come to my office, 2061 in the office. I speak to them every day. They call me on the phone, they come to my 2062 office, they're angry, they're hurt, they're sad that their loved ones' killers are still out there 2063 in the communities. And during our investigations, we learn that we know who the killers 2064 are. A lot of them. We know. We have put the information together in these cases, we 2065 have tied the ends together, presented it to the State Attorney's Office. The State

Attorney's Office need' a little bit more, they say. They need community members, witnesses to step up. They're not getting witnesses.

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Our violence in our community is unacceptable at any level. It should be unacceptable by all. Community members are asking to get together with the police and do a march to walk through the community, to put an end to the violence, to come together and stop the violence, the shooting attacks in our community. We have a beautiful community. We have a lot of law-abiding citizens who do not want the violence in their communities. So, to give you an idea what we've come up with, in this march, we made up a few signs, 'Stop the Violence'. These signs, we'll be marching down the streets, in the City of Riviera Beach, from community..., from street to street and we're gonna start over by Cunningham Park, down by Goodmark Park, over to Monroe Heights Park.

Another thing that's happening, people will see the crime and they're not saying anything. You just have to come back and say if you see something, say something. We have4 too many people in our community who know who the killers are. We're saying, 'Enough.' They're saying, 'Enough.' I had two mothers come to my office today, for two hours I spoke to the mothers. Each. And they're talking to me, this needs to stop. They're begging us. We got to come together as a community. Residents, we gotta start talking to the police. This is not an isolated incident or incidents, in the City of Riviera Beach. Speaking to the.., my counterparts around the county, Boynton Beach, West Palm, Delray Beach, even Boca, sheriff's office too, they're all experiencing violent crimes, gun violence, people shooting, come down the street in broad daylight and they shoot down the street just like it's a Bonnie and Clyde movie and they can care less. They're more brazen than ever before and they're gettin' bolder and bolder. When does it stop? The community is saying they had enough, and I agree. We all have had enough. Our shots spotter goes off every single night. And we pick up shell casings every single day and night. This is for information purposes only. We would like to again do t this on November 7<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:00 a.m., congregate right over there, Cunningham Park in the streets. We talk about this. And we're gonna have some of the family members. They wanna speak. One of the gentleman, he came to me and said, 'I need to talk about this.' He's paralyzed. He was shot in the back a few years ago. And he said we're gonna bury more of our black men and boys if we don't stop this.

These are people who have been on both sides of the fence, by the way. These are not all people who've just been choir boys, these are guys who are out there gangbanging themselves and they wanna come and talk to tell the community to stop the violence. And come out and say something.

I'll take any questions, if you have any. Thank you.

2102 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. You said we had public...

2103 **Police Chief Osgood:** Information purpose only.

2104 **City Clerk Anthony:** Fane Lozman, Mary Brabham.

2105 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Fane Lozman, 51 01 North Ocean Drive and ten other properties.

Chief Osgood, I see you put a lot of time into that presentation. Thank you kindly. I think it's a lack of dis'.., I think it's a lack of respect to the police in this community and Ms. Botel is too busy texting on her phone when he started his comments versus listening to the Police Chief. That is rude and just another reason why you should not be Chairperson.

You know, I was reading the Item and it says, 'for other purposes.' I wanna share a quick story with you, Police Chief, that happened this day..., that happened this week..., or last week. A black gentleman by the name of Fair Wayne Bryant, he was incarcerated in the Louisiana Penitentiary in Angola. I read Mr. Bryant's story. He was sentenced under the habitual offender's laws for attempting to steal a..., steal pair of hedge clippers. And you can look it up, Fair Wayne Bryant, do a Google search, Washington Post, CNN. Everybody wrote about it. He was cut loose last Thursday after serving twenty-two years in prison., When I read about the story over the summer, I reached out to my Supreme Court legal team and we started the process to file a petition for Writ of Certiorari with the U.S. Supreme Court. Fair had filed a petition with the Louisiana Supreme Court and he lost 5-1, the dissent from Chief black ju'..., Chief Justice, a black woman, Johnson, talked about the pig law and how black men, to this day are being sentenced for minor crimes to very harsh sentences.

Anyway, we had some really prominent legal counsel for Fair, including a woman who has argued more cases before the U.S. Supreme Court than any woman in the history of the court and we had amicus briefs from FAMM, the Families Against Mandatory Minimums. We put a lot of effort, there was a lot of correspondence and the State of Louisiana decided it was better to cut Fair loose, which they did on Thursday and leave their pig laws on the books.

So why am I mentioning that to you, besides it says for other purposes of the march. I think that's all well and good, your march, but you need to get to these youngsters when they're younger. There needs to be some kind of concerted effort to get to these young children, maybe.., maybe you do it already, but you need to get to them when they're 5, 6, 7 years old. We can't afford to have these young.., these black men incarcerated for petty crimes under the habitual offender laws for, for life, as in Louisiana or twenty-five years in Florida. We need to do something about it, and 'Stop the Violence,' okay, but why don't we try to stop the process for these young children when they're in school? There has to be something better than what happened to Fair. There was another cou'.., thou'.., over a thousand men still in Louisiana un'.., under his circumstances. We're trying to do something for them, but we need to do something younger. I guess that's a good start, but I want something more concerted that hits...

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- Mr. F. Lozman: ...up every 5 and 6, 7-year-old kid about what can happen to Fair Bryant and other men like that.
- 2144 Diyani and other men like that.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Mary Brabham.

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Ms. M. Brabham: She's already said my name. So, I'm gonna, I'm, I'm gonna cut to the chase.

Marching is good and fine. But you must have a comprehensive plan to combat it. We've been there, we've done that, year after year, month after month. We don't want it to be a feel-good thing. And this is.., and, and this no'.., this is nothing against the march because I've heard this out in the community, remember those that have seen me, and this is how I've been because I wanted to engage. They don't want a feel-good moment. They are tired of grandparents, and mothers, and children, they are tired of death and bullets within their home, as well as on their streets there.

We must have a comprehensive plan. Don't get it [inaudible]. Those that know me, I come from a lineage of law, police, sheriff, secret agents and all of that. Those be in my family here. So, I would never defund the Police Department, never because we cannot be lawless. Because, if we be lawless, this is what we are encountering now. The residents have also said to investing that money into those cars there, instead of putting those cameras in the hotspots there. I know you're gonna do the things that you should do, but there are some things that you must do if you want..., really wanna combat the problem. You know that there's gangs in this City here. We all know that. But let's cut through this chase here. The question is, what comprehensive plan are you gonna do here to make the invalids that are in these wheelchair, because I have talked to some. I have gave..., given them literature, on Saturday, as well as Sunday. That, that, that, that's the issue. That is the issue because once where you march, and don't get me wrong now, it's not a bad thing, everybody's gonna go into their own little secret places here. And we are still left as a City here, that says that we have..., we are the best place to live, work and play. We must live up to that motto. Even in this atmosphere.

But it starts within the people that governs us. Our government has abused us. Yes, they have. But we, as peoples, we will still stand firmly. [Stammer] I'm here because I hear it, I get calls and stuff for exactly what I'm saying here today. We are tired. We are overtired. We are stressed with COVID, we're stressed with the violence within our neighborhood, and it's not right. I totally agree, if you cannot stand the heat...

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- **Ms. M. Brabham:** ...you gotta get...
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Ms. Brabham.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** ...the fire.
- **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- **Ms. M. Brabham:** And that's for in and everybody.
- Thank you.

- 2182 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that completes public
- 2183 comments on this Item.
- 2184 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Any comments from Council? I have a question
- for Chief, myself, actually. [Chuckle]. Ms. Brabham raised the topic of cameras and I
- wondered if that was part of a plan you might have, to put cameras in the hotspots around
- 2187 the City? I mean, I know...
- 2188 **City Manager Evans:** [Stammer].
- 2189 **Chairperson Botel:** ...we've had difficulty in the past having residents actually tell
- us when they see something, they don't.., they're reluctant to say something. So if we
- see it ourselves on cameras, would it not be easier for us to take action?
- 2192 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if, if I may...
- 2193 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].
- 2194 **City Manager Evans:** ...pause the Chief as it relates to answering that because that
- is a police tactic and we don't wanna convey what we're doing and how we're doing, but
- we are looking to address the matter holistically. And so, no option or alternative is off
- 2197 the table? But we...
- 2198 Chairperson Botel: Okay.
- 2199 **City Manager Evans:** ...we are monitoring those areas. Those is a particular reason
- why the march is scheduled in certain areas of the community. And one of the things that
- we're also talking about is how do we incorporate Code Compliance into these activities.
- 2202 There's some other municipalities that have implemented programs, crime free multi-
- family programs whereby it's broken into phases. So, phase one would be an eight-hour
- seminar for all renters, property owners that have rental property in our community. There
- will be another step where we look at actually security features, screening tenants. And
- then phase three, working with law enforcement.
- So, we're looking at this holistically. This is merely the first step in subsequent
- 2208 steps that we are gonna look to address some of the problematic activities that we have
- in our community, and you all will be seeing a policy recommendation that will come forward that will look at Code Enforcement, that will also look at a crime-free housing
- 2211 program. And then also, really a concerted effort to go out there and clean up the
- neighborhoods by putting City personnel out there, similar to that of the Ambassador
- 2213 program.
- So, we're looking at this multifaceted.
- 2215 **Chairperson Botel:** So there's a plan?
- 2216 **City Manager Evans:** So there is a plan.

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- 2217 Chairperson Botel: [Chuckle]. It's always good to know. And, I would love to hear
- 2218 that plan. I, I appreciate the fact that you don't wanna make it public, although I would
- like every criminal in the City to know that they're being watched. So, you know, I don't
- 2220 mind telling people, 'Hey, there's gonna be a camera out there.' But, I would like to meet
- with Chief, and maybe some of my colleagues would as well, to hear what that plan is,
- one on one, so that we can be assured...
- 2223 **City Manager Evans:** Right.
- 2224 **Chairperson Botel:** ...that there's something in place.
- 2225 **City Manager Evans:** And the biggest thing that he Chief communicated is that we
- have situations where there is shots fired in our community and, one, we have a Resolu'...
- we have an Ordinance on the book that prohibits discharge of a firearm in the municipal
- boundaries. But the other side of it is, we get more calls for loud music than we do for
- shots being fired in, in residential areas.
- 2230 And so, we really need the community support to help us address some of these issues because, ultimately, law enforcement needs the information to give a compelling 2231 2232 case to the State Attorney's office to help us move forward with the prosecuting. Because, 2233 the same individuals that are in our community, go into West Palm and Lake Park. And our officers know who they are, but until information is provided to law enforcement, there 2234 is nothing that we can do. And the Chief has had the same situation that I've had, is 2235 2236 grieving, weeping mothers and grandmothers in our offices talking about something has to change, and we know who did I,,, but folks are not willing to come forward. And these 2237 2238 families are looking for closure, and they're looking for a sign of hope and this march provides at least one step in the right direction, to bring law enforcement and the 2239 community involved. And the Chief has done a good job with regards to the bike patrols 2240 and getting officers out there. 2241
- So, we're gonna be out there and we're gonna be involved. One of the things that we're excited about, is once we're able to move forward with a new location for YEP, we're going to repurpose the YEP facility if the Council approves us having a police substation in the neighborhoods. So, we're excited about the opportunity. And that may be a model that we look to deploy Citywide, so we're involved and we're active to help
- 2247 curb the criminal activities in our community.
- 2248 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Evans. And let me say, Chief, I would never
- disrespect you, my texting while you were speaking. I tend to make notes on my phone
- so that I can ask questions later. So please, know that.
- 2251 **Police Chief Osgood:** Yes, Chair.
- 2252 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 2253 **Police Chief Osgood:** I, I'm aware. We were making eye contact..., eye contact
- the entire while. I...

- 2255 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 2256 **Police Chief Osgood:** ...understand. Thank you.
- 2257 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 2258 Councilperson Lanier: Madam Chair?
- 2259 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. You're recognized, Councilwoman Lanier.
- 2260 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah. I just wanted to say that, although I, I'm definitely in
- support of, of the march, I know that, and Mr. Evans said something about a plan of action,
- 2262 and I'm under the agreement with one of the residents. You know, marching is, is fine,
- but we need to haves a comprehensive prevention plan. Meaning that we have to have
- things in place to prevent crime before it happens. And not only that, but we also have to
- make sure that there is economic job opportunity for people in this, in this City. What
- happens.., crime happens because people don't have any money, people don't have any
- jobs. So, what, what you have is a City that is filled with shootings and people who have
- nothing to do.
- So, as I said before, I'm support.., in support of the march and of the Police
- 2270 Department, but I want to see our Police Department place a lot of effort in crime
- prevention, and also, in community investments...
- 2272 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?
- 2273 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...to make sure that...
- 2274 **Councilperson McCoy:** So we can.., can we make...
- 2275 Councilperson Lanier: I'm sorry?
- 2276 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...Councilwoman Lanier the grand marshal so [stammer]
- since she's in support, we can...
- 2278 Chairperson Botel: Stop.
- 2279 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...ensure that she'll be there as the grand marshal?
- 2280 Chairperson Botel: Stop.
- 2281 **Councilperson McCoy:** I, I move... I make that motion.
- 2282 **Chairperson Botel:** Behave yourself.
- 2283 **Councilperson Lanier:** Let me...
- 2284 Chairperson Botel: Mr. McCoy...

2285 Councilperson Lanier: Let me finish mv... 2286 Pro Tem Lawson: Second. 2287 Councilperson Lanier: Let me finish my, my take on this. But I, I really wanted to... 2288 [Inaudible comment] 2289 Councilperson Lanier: ...make sure that programs like Hope Dealers, programs like 2290 the YEP program, those are programs that we need in our community to prevent crime. And I understand that that given the City of Riviera Beach and, you know, people know 2291 2292 us to be, a City that has crime, that there is... there are more things that are going to 2293 happen besides us marching. And, and I certainly want to make sure that I'm in 2294 support of, of this but I'm also in support of community investments and also preventing 2295 crime in our City before it happens. 2296 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. 2297 **Councilperson Lanier:** Thank you. 2298 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. 2299 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier? 2300 Councilperson Lanier: Yes. 2301 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCov? 2302 Councilperson McCoy: Yes. Councilperson Miller-Anderson? 2303 City Clerk Anthony: 2304 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes 2305 City Clerk Anthony: Pro Tem Lawson? 2306 Pro Tem Lawson: Yes. Chair Botel? 2307 **City Clerk Anthony:** 2308 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. 2309 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote. 2310 Councilperson McCoy: Was that the vote on... 2311 **Chairperson Botel:** That was... 2312 Councilperson McCoy: ...Councilwoman Lanier being the...

2313 Chairperson Botel: Yes.

2314 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...grand marshal?

2315 **Chairperson Botel:** Councilwoman Lanier...

2316 **City Clerk Anthony:** That was the vote on.., approving the Resolution, Councilman

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2318 Councilperson Lanier: That was...

2319 Chairperson Botel: [Inaudible].

2320 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...that was not.., that was not about the grand marshal...

2321 **Chairperson Botel:** The grand marshal. That was a vote making...

2322 **Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible].

## 2323 **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION**

2324 **14.** City Clerk Anthony: Item No. 14.

2325 City Clerk Anthony: PUBLIC ART REQUEST

2326 **RONNIE FELDER, MAYOR, 561-845-4145** 

2327 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, this Item before you is

2328 to seek authorization to proceed forward with a public art mural on the water tank at the

corner of Blue Heron and Barack Obama. This came before the Board for a discussion

back in September. The Mayor and I have had subsequent conversations about moving

forward with this project. We wanted to ensure that this project is consistent with the

ideologies and the journeys that folks have made throughout this nation to stand against oppression, to fight for civil right and civil justice, and that have made a resounding impact

oppression, to fight for civil right and civil justice, and that have made a resounding impact on communities like ours. And so, we put a, a list of names, and there are some other

names, certainly, that most likely will make the list of individuals to be recognized. And it

is something that we can certainly build upon.

One of the things that the Mayor envisioned is that it would be a picture of that particular individual with an inspir'.., inspiring quote or saying, or something that when someone passes that mural, that they feel that that particular message on that particular day is speaking to them. The individuals that we've listed here are just names that we have talked about, but others certainly will be recognized. Martin Luther King, Jr., Muhammed Ali, Jackie Robinson, Rosa Parks, Harriett Tubman, Mary McLeod Bethune, the Tuskegee Airmen, Frederick Douglass, Thurgood Marshall, Chadwick Boseman and multiple names to eventually be added. This is consistent with our City goal, as far as

multiple names to eventually be added. This is consistent with out community engagement and empowerment.

- And, Staff is requesting that we can move forward, and we anticipate the cost not to exceed \$25,000 and we'll follow the appropriate Procurement Code requirements for that particular solicitation. At this particular moment, I'm gonna turn the presentation over to the Mayor, as it's his project and initiative. I was just speaking from the Staff standpoint as we're here to facilitates.
- 2351 Mr. Mayor.
- 2352 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair and Members of the Board, we do not have any
- 2353 public comments on this, this Item. The acceptance of public comments on this Item is
- 2354 now closed. You may proceed Mayor.
- 2355 **Mayor Felder:** Thank you, Clerk.
- 2356 **Unk.:** Mhmm.
- 2357 **Mayor Felder:** Thank you, Mr. Evans.
- You laid it out. I think we talked about this a month ago. I think this kicks off, you know, our art project in the City and I just.., I'm asking for you guys to support us.
- Thank you.
- 2361 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair? So, Mr. Evans, you mentioned the
- procurement process. So what happens after we leave here? What, what are the next
- steps? I mean, is there a conceptual design? Or what?
- 2364 **City Manager Evans:** There, there will be a conceptual design that we will share with
- the Board. I will get with Ms. Pemsel 'cause I think three solicitations, or three guotes,
- are required for any expenditure over the \$5,000 threshold. So, after we would look at
- 2367 the, the quotes and the preliminary designs that are provided, then we would select the
- one that we think best reflects the image that we're trying to accomplish on the water
- 2369 tank...
- 2370 **Councilperson McCoy:** Follow up. So, what5 you..., what you're saying is that the
- 2371 artists are gonna render what their proposal is?
- 2372 **City Manager Evans:** Well, they're gonna.., we're gonna give them the same type
- of conceptual elements that were articulated in this memor..., memorandum, as well as
- 2374 the previous memorandum and they will have all have a conversation with the Mayor as
- far as what we're trying to capture and then provide a sketch, or mockup, with regards to
- the, the mural.
- 2377 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. And, have we laid out perimeters? Is this gonna be...
- is it gonna completely do the whole entire tank? Like, what exactly is that? Where, where
- 2379 do we start, I guess?

- 2380 **City Manager Evans:** For, for cost sakes, I don't believe that it will be able to cover
- 2381 the entire tank. It will be portioned. So, there may be.., the fist iteration may be five
- 2382 names with their, their quote on probably the most visible section of the tank. And then,
- subsequent sides can.., or subsequent person and sayings could be added. We're.., the
- way in which it's gonna be built out, and correct me if I'm wrong, Mr. Mayor, is that it, it's
- 2385 a living piece that it will, over the time, have more images of, of those that have [stammer]
- 2386 played a significant role in human rights and civil rights and equality.
- 2387 [Pause]
- 2388 **Chairperson Botel:** Any other questions? Do we...
- 2389 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?
- 2390 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead, Mr. Lawson.
- 2391 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you. Mr. Evans and Mr. Mayor, this I'm..., absolutely love this
- idea. I'm in complete support of it. The tank, are we gonna paint the entire tank? Cover
- 2393 the entire tank and then start to add the mural or are we just gonna start painting section'
- of..., sections of the tank with...
- 2395 **Councilperson McCoy:** I think that's...
- 2396 **Pro Tem Lawson:** ...these images?
- 2397 **Councilperson McCoy:** ... exactly what I just asked.
- 2398 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Because the issue and concern I have is that, if we don't cover the
- entire thing, at least with a uniform color, it's... I'm, I'm not sure how that's gonna look...
- 2400 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. We...
- 2401 **Pro Tem Lawson:** ...in the City. So.
- 2402 **City Manager Evans:** We, we would.., it would a uniform color. So, it would have
- 2403 the, the canvas...
- 2404 **Pro Tem Lawson:** The canvas.
- 2405 **City Manager Evans:**...per se, would be...
- 2406 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay.
- 2407 **City Manager Evans:** ...prepped for the painting. And so it...
- 2408 **Pro Tem Lawson:** So, the canvas...
- 2409 **City Manager Evans:** ...won't be something...

- 2410 **Pro Tem Lawson:** ...will be three and then the images will just be updated and it'll be a
- 2411 living...
- 2412 **City Manager Evans:** Mhmm.
- 2413 **Pro Tem Lawson:** ...[inaudible]...
- 2414 **City Manager Evans:** That, that is correct...
- 2415 **Pro Tem Lawson:** ...piece?
- 2416 **City Manager Evans:** ...Councilman.
- 2417 **Pro Tem Lawson:** I, I love the idea. I would love for this to kinda kickstart the Arts in
- 2418 Public Places idea. And really just kinda take this off, 'cause this is gonna be a great
- staple for our City. This will be a recognized piece in the community, and this could
- 2420 actually be a continuation on the Arts in the Public Places program.
- So, thank you, Mayor, for bringing this to the table.
- 2422 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?
- 2423 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Councilwoman Lanier.
- 2424 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah. I, I certainly support this project as well. You know, it
- 2425 hits all of the..., it hits all of the areas of Art in Public Places, social justice and equity. And
- 2426 I think that his is something that the City of Riviera Beach would welcome. I, I know the
- residents would, and I think that it'll be a great addition to coming across Bule Heron and
- 2428 Martin Luther.., Barack Obama Highway and Blue Heron Boulevard.
- Thank you.
- 2430 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 2431 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?
- 2432 **Chairperson Botel:** Anything else? Yes, Mr. Lawson.
- 2433 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Just a follow up question. How quickly can we get this project
- 2434 procured and started?
- 2435 **City Manager Evans:** If I tell you how many times the Mayor calls me on this project
- 2436 [chuckle]. It's gonna move quickly, very quickly.
- 2437 [Chuckles]
- 2438 **City Manager Evans:** If it could start tomorrow, it would start tomorrow. So, I'm,
- 2439 I'm.., Ms. Pemsel and I have already had the preliminary conversation, so we're gonna
- 2440 move quick and, hopefully, we can have something done before..., our goal is really to try

- to do something before Thanksgiving. If not before Thanksgiving, by the first.., first week
- 2442 in December.
- 2443 **Pro Tem Lawson:** And do you need a motion?
- 2444 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir. I do.
- 2445 **Chairperson Botel:** I have one, one more question. Are you going to put out some
- 2446 kind of an RFP for the artists to do these?
- 2447 **City Manager Evans:** We're gonna put together.., we'.., I've had conversations with
- 2448 CRA Staff with regards to the process that they followed for the artists. So, we're gonna
- 2449 put out some type of notification to artists, or reach out to artists. We are certainly looking
- 2450 for those that have local ties to our community 'cause we think that that's important,
- 2451 especially for this being the first...
- 2452 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].
- 2453 **City Manager Evans:** ...public art piece that the City of Riviera Beach is doing
- versus the CRA, is a little ahead of us at this point, but we're gonna catch up very guickly.
- 2455 **Chairperson Botel:** I just wanna be sure that we get samples of their work.
- 2456 **City Manager Evans:** Oh, yes. We're....
- 2457 **Chairperson Botel:** Before...
- 2458 **City Manager Evans:** We're, we're gonna make sure that it is of top quality.
- 2459 Absolutely.
- 2460 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Great.
- 2461 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?
- 2462 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.
- 2463 **Pro Tem Lawson:** And also, if I can just throw a guick name out. I just wanna make
- sure that we take into consideration the, the great John Lewis, my fraternity brother, if
- 2465 that's an option as well to look at, if we can make him one of those top five that we start
- 2466 with.
- 2467 **City Manager Evans:** Absolutely.
- 2468 **Chairperson Botel:** Anything else? Then, would somebody please make a res'...
- make a motion and we can have a second, then we can vote on it.
- 2470 Councilperson McCoy: So moved. I was gonna ask...
- 2471 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

2472 Councilperson McCoy: I was gonna ask should we... Pro Tem Lawson: Second. 2473 2474 Councilperson McCoy: Should we add our former Mayor? 2475 **Chairperson Botel:** We have, we have... 2476 Councilperson McCoy: Oh, so... 2477 **Chairperson Botel:** ...a motion and.., we have a motion and a second. Madam 2478 Clerk. 2479 Mayor Felder: [Stammer]..., we'll come to your house and put a mural... 2480 [Chuckles] 2481 Mayor Felder: ...at your house. 2482 [Chuckles] **Chairperson Botel:** 2483 [Inaudible]. We'll have to try... 2484 **Pro Tem Lawson:** The motion's... 2485 **Chairperson Botel:** ...[inaudible] to do that. 2486 **Pro Tem Lawson:** ...on the table, and properly second. 2487 [Chuckles] 2488 **Chairperson Botel:** It's motioned, and it's seconded. It must be getting late. We got a motion and a second. Madam Clerk. 2489 2490 City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson McCoy? **Councilperson McCoy:** 2491 Yes. 2492 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson? **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes 2493 2494 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier? [Pause]. Councilperson Lanier? 2495 [Pause] 2496 **Councilperson Lanier:** Oh, yes.

Pro Tem Lawson?

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City Clerk Anthony:

2498 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

2499 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

2500 Chairperson Botel: Yes.

2501 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

2502 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?

2503 Chairperson Botel: Yes.

2504 **Councilperson McCoy:** Mr. Mayor, you're gonna have to get with Mr. Lozman when

you get ready to come to my house. He knows where I live.

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2507 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2508 Councilperson Lanier: [Chuckle].

2509 Chairperson Botel: Don't, don't...

2510 [Inaudible comments]

2511 16. OPERATIONAL UPDATE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS AND PROGRAM

2512 **ACTIVITIES – VERBAL PRESENTATION.** 

2513 **JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, 561-812-6590** 

2514 City Manager Evans: Madam Chair, this, this Item will be very brief. I do want to

2515 inform the Board that City Staff is looking at the events, special events process and

programs, looking at how it's done on the CRA side and looking at how it's done on the

2517 Cityside to ensure that there's consistency and uniformity. There is some ambiguity in

2518 the process, and it is a pretty cumbersome process and can be confusing for folks that

have to go through that because we are getting requests to utilize some of our event spaces. We also want to build in a COVID compliance piece in that. The CRA has done

a good job in incorporating that, as people have started to utilize the facility and are

acutely aware of what the expectations are but we're looking at the policy holistically and

more robustly. And also looking at our special events, what those special events look like

over the next year and what's the best way to roll them out safely and not.., ensure any

2525 issues resulting in the events that the City of Riviera Beach hosts or co-hosts. We're

gonna clarify what a co-host event is versus a hosted event versus a presenting event

and versus a City event. It is my hope that, as the City Manager, as well as the CRA Director, that we can bring you a list of City sponsored events that are adopted by the

2529 Board on an annual basis for.., these are the City events. Anything else that falls out of

2530 that would be events that the City may cosponsor or may be done by persons that are

interested in having events in our community and they would have to go through the

appropriate permitting process. So, I pulled some information from other municipalities and, hopefully, will be able to provide you a shell of some recommendations at your next regular meeting in November.

And so, Madam Chair, that concludes my report, just letting the Board know that we need a, a cleanup and modernize and tighten up our special event programs and, and procedural elements to be able to make sure it's a little bit cleaner than the process that we have in place now.

- 2539 Chairperson Botel: Thank you, Mr. Evans. Do we have any responses to any of
- 2540 the questions? I should've asked you this at this at the end of public comments, any of
- 2541 the questions raised during the public comment section? [Inaudible]...
- 2542 **City Manager Evans:** I was gonna do that under my City Manager section, and I can
- 2543 go ahead and take that now if you'd like, Madam Chair.
- 2544 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Thank you.
- 2545 **City Manager Evans:** Okay.
- 2546 Chairperson Botel: I'd, I'd....
- 2547 **City Manager Evans:** Okay.
- 2548 **Chairperson Botel:** ....also like, in particular, I'd also like you to address the issue
- of the backups and whether or not we're have a book or make things available at the...
- 2550 **City Manager Evans:** Right.
- 2551 **Chairperson Botel:** ....Clerk's office and so on.
- 2552 **City Manager Evans:** So, that's the, the first that I have. What we will do is, we will
- 2553 make sure that information is listed on our website, that if individuals are requesting a
- 2554 copy of an Agenda Item or Items, that we will print that up for them and reserve it for them
- 2555 here at, at the Event Center, prior to the meeting.
- 2556 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 2557 **City Manager Evans:** Obviously, the information is posted online, but we did not
- want to provide a hard copy of the book for, for obvious reasons but we will make Agenda
- 2559 Items and supplemental material available to the public if they choose to just give us a
- 2560 call and we'll help facilitate that.

Another item that I do want to address, at your last Regular City Council meeting, there was some remarks made by the Interim Public Works Director concerning 35<sup>th</sup> Street, Avenue H to Avenue F, and that roadway project moving forward. I want to inform the Board that I am postponing that project moving forward. We received some additional monies from the county, approximately \$389,000 that we got over and above the \$169,000 that we received, and we can utilize that money for a lot of other projects. And, in my conversations with Staff, there was a report that was done with regards to the state of roadway infrastructure in our community. And for whatever reason, that, that study was abandoned. So, I am going to ask Staff to commission a report to look at roadway infrastructure and networks throughout the City, and we are going to address the roadway projects based on what the need is versus it being something that Staff picks and chooses from. There are a lot of other roadways in our community that are in desperate need of repair. And so, one of the things that I will be bringing back to the Board for your authorization is, I would like to provide a letter to the county informing them that we are no longer moving forward with that particular project, with that funding. We can take that \$389,000 and do some housing rehabs. We can do a lot of other community related projects because it is CDBG funds, Community Development Block Grant funds that we can do some things to have a very meaningful and lasting impact in the community versus a specific roadway. In addition to, we know that there other roadways in the community that are in desperate need of repair.

So, I will be bringing that Item before the Board to ask for the opportunity to inform the county that we wanna move in another direction.

Also, I've had some conversations with some residents in Councilman McCoy's District, and I would like to schedule an opportunity to go out there with Councilman McCoy and Staff to look at a corrective action plan regarding the roadway project.

## Councilperson McCoy: [Inaudible].

**City Manager Evans:** There are some concerns that individuals have shared with me, and so, I will work with Councilman McCoy for us to walk the neighborhoods and to inform the residents that we're going through and seeing what other issues need to be resolved and addressed. And we still know that we need to have the community conversation about the long-term plans for that roadway project.

With respect to individuals not having WiFi or internet access, I'm happy to report, I reached out to the School District, as well as Palm Beach County, and our WiFi project is still slated to happen in December, so we will have a City that will have WiFi accessible points for most of our community. So that's something that's very exciting. In addition to, we've already built in the process to make sure that all our public places have WiFi. So, anywhere where the public convenes within the City or CRA, we're looking to light up those areas so WiFi service is available.

With regards to Councilperson Lanier not being present. The Governor did extend the Executive Order to allow for remote meetings to be available to those communities that needed to utilize that. And plus, Councilperson Lanier has shared some information that has [stammer]..., and has documentation about a reasonable accommodation that the agency is making to accommodate her at this particular time she is present for the meeting and accounted for, and doesn't fall under the language that says she is absent for a meeting. She is present and she has documentation to support that.

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With regards to the water rate. We are looking to have subsequent conversations with the Board about the water rate. The water rate has not gone into effect. It will be publicly noticed and there will be an opportunity for the residents to share their thoughts and perspectives with regards to the rate. The intent behind the rate is certainly related to infrastructure investments in the Utility District, and it has nothing to do with pandemic pay or a shortfall. It's to prepare for a potential bond issuance of anywhere from seventy-five to \$125MM. Our water rates, compared to other municipalities, is right at par. I believe the City of West Palm Beach, as well as Lake Worth and other municipalities, do have higher water rates.

There was also a remark with regards to the resignation of the Utility District Director, Mr. Jimmie Johnson. That is correct. I am appointing Acting Director Jonathan Batista, who is the Assistant Director to the Acting Director role, effective immediately. He has a vast level of experience and expertise and has worked for Brown and Caldwell, in the water and wastewater field. So, he has extensive experience.

And then, there was a mention during the presentation about the lady that was presenting the audit. That lady is none other than our new Deputy City Manager, Ms. Elizabeth McBride, that has a myriad of credentials and expertise, and we were fortunate to steal her from the School District. She is an attorney by trade, has studied at some excellent academic institutions, has a wealth of knowledge and experience and has worked with elected officials, has worked in CRA's, has worked for municipalities, serving as their general counsel. So, we are excited for her leadership, and we have an exceptional team with Ms. McBride, Ms. Jacobs, Ms. Noel and all the department directors. So, all of this that we're able to is collective as a team, so I'm excited that we have Ms. McBride onboard. And this was her first presentation to the Board, and she did an exceptional job. And, I wish my first presentation to the Board went as smooth as that, but I, I can promise her that probably will be the smoothest. [Chuckle]. But we're, we're glad to have her onboard and she is a very exceptional professional, and is gonna do great things for the City moving forward. So, I'm, I'm really excited about that lady that we have on our team, because I think we're gonna be better off because having her on the Administrative Staff.

And Madam Chair, I believe that captures everything that I wrote down in my notes.

Chairperson Botel: I do have one more item for you, Mr. Manager and that is, I wonder if you would allow perhaps if Ms.., Councilwoman Miller-Anderson is interested in making a short presentation... Not a presentation, a few comments about the trip that she and others made down to Boynton Beach, and whether or not you and Administration could schedule trips like that for the rest of us because I think it.., I've heard through the grapevine, that it was an exciting trip and that you learned a lot about what, what was happening in Boynton Beach. And given that we have some big construction projects looming on the horizon, we might wanna learn from what they have done. So, is that gonna be a possibility?

**Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Sure. I can do that at our next meeting. I'll have a presentation for you all.

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2648 Councilperson McCoy: Wait, wait. No. That's alright. 2649 **City Manager Evans:** And... 2650 **Councilperson McCoy:** You don't need to give a presentation. We, we know... 2651 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm sure you wanna see a presentation... 2652 **City Manager Evans:** And... ...Mr. McCoy. 2653 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** 2654 City Manager Evans: And, and... 2655 [Inaudible comment] 2656 City Manager Evans: ...Madam Chair, if I may? One last item. Something..., 2657 exciting news. When I was appointed over at the CRA, we are expediting the construction 2658 of the Riviera Beach Military Cord of Honor and we will look to have that project completed 2659 by Veterans Day, so we will have our first Veterans Day ceremony coming up this 2660 Veterans Day in November. So, that's exciting news and we're gonna recognize, at our Veterans Day, we'll have a plaque that will recognize our first responders as well. So, 2661 2662 we're... 2663 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. 2664 City Manager Evans: ... excited about that. And, Lauren has been emailing me as late as 8:50 about it, so we're having a lot of synergy and activity associated with that... 2665 2666 [Inaudible comment] 2667 ...o we're excited about that... City Manager Evans: 2668 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. 2669 City Manager Evans: ...event coming up. 2670 Chairperson Botel: Thank you. But, you will make arrangements for some of us 2671 to go to Boynton Beach? Yes? **City Manager Evans:** Yes. Yes. 2672 2673 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. I'd appreciate it. 2674 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Madam Chair? I think, because all of the 2675 legislative assistants were present, that would be a great opportunity for them to provide some of that insight. Because I just kinda tagged on. 2676

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2679	Chairperson Botel:	Yes.		
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2681	Chairperson Botel:	He's Righ	nt.	
2682	Councilperson Miller-An	derson:	is who your presentation really	
2683	Chairperson Botel:	Well then, M	Ir. Brown	
2684	Councilperson Miller-An	derson:	should be coming form.	
2685 2686	Chairperson Botel: next opportunity. Thank y			
2687	Councilperson Miller-An	derson:	Wonderful.	
2688	Chairperson Botel:	Ms. Miller-A	nderson. Thank you.	
2689	Councilperson Miller-An	derson:	I have enough to do.	
2690	Chairperson Botel:	I appreciate	that.	
2691	DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY			
2692	Chairperson Botel:	Do we have any discussion by City Attorney?		
2693	City Attorney Wynn:	No, Madam Chair. Thank you.		
2694	Chairperson Botel:	Thank you.		
2695	CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS			
2696 2697	<b>Chairperson Botel:</b> Do we have City Council committee reports? [Pause]. I attended the Palm Beach County League of			
2698	Councilperson Lanier:	l		
2699	Chairperson Botel:	Yes? Comn	nissioner, Councilwoman	
2700	Councilperson Lanier:	Oh, I		
2701	Chairperson Botel:	Lanier.		
2702 2703	Councilperson Lanier: Services Committee is wo	•	st gonna say that we, the, the Health and Human ing a testing date to the City of Riviera Beach and	

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- its residents. It was supposed to be the end of this month, but it'll probably be the first
- week in November for, for additional testing.
- 2706 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Any other [audio inaudible]?
- 2707 Councilperson McCoy: Well, I hope... Madam.., actually... I, I would wait but I'm.., I
- would hope it's after the election but then before the march, that's scheduled for the 7<sup>th</sup>.
- 2709 So, Councilperson Lanier, that's the first thing that jumped out at me was the first week
- in November is kinda busy. At least for the organization.
- 2711 **Councilperson Lanier:** We are working on setting that date, Mr. Evans and Ms.
- Valerie Grimsley, and Chief Curd, are working on setting a date that does not conflict with
- 2713 other City activities.
- 2714 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. I was at the Palm Beach County League of Cities
- 2715 Board of Directors meeting today and we had a very interesting presenting about FEMA
- 2716 Coastal Flood Map initia'.., updates. It appears that the.., since 2017 until now, the level
- of flooding in the area has gone up three or four feet, in general, particularly on coastal
- barrier islands. And so, I asked the gentleman who made the presentation to give me..,
- to send me some information that I could share with the rest of Council. That was kind of
- disturbing. We had a number of other topics but I'm not gonna go into them.
- And I.., in terms of tourism, we had been working with Don Kolodz, formerly of
- 2722 Discover the Palm Beaches, to develop a tourism master plan. Ms. McBride and Marsha
- Noel and Mr. Brown and I have been working on that endeavor. And we'll be presenting
- 2724 that to the Council in the near future.

## 2725 STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

- 2726 **Chairperson Botel:** Any.., statements by the Mayor and City Council, starting with
- 2727 Mr. McCoy.
- 2728 Councilperson McCoy: Thank you. Mr. Evans, the COVID-19 committees, the
- appropriations of the \$25,000 for each committee, has that money been carried over from
- 2730 the budget year?
- 2731 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir. It has been carried over.
- 2732 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Alright. Good enough.
- 2733 Is.., where are we at as far as timelines for the Charter amendment workshops,
- 2734 and do we have a possibility to have two readings and a workshop before, whatever that
- 2735 deadline is, that's proposed by the Supervisor of Elections?
- 2736 **City Manager Evans:** The City Attorney and I had some conversations with regards
- 2737 to that. One of the things that we thought we could do and, you know, if, if it's the pleasure
- of the Board, since we still have the opportunity to have digital meetings until November,
- is host a digital workshop to get input from the Board because we can get that input and

- then bring back proposed ballot language at your second..., or, at your second meeting in November for first reading, and then second and final reading at your second..., your first meeting in December and still meet the timeline to get the information to the Supervisor of Elections. So, we certainly wanted to see if the Board wanted to explore that opportunity. We can set it up for Wednesday after 5:30 to get direction from the Board as to what you'd like for us to, to draft, and then work with Legal and the Clerk's office to put things on the ballot for consideration.
- 2747 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, that, that sounds okay. I, I just am thinking, you know, we got proposed dates for parliamentary training, which was kinda basically tying our 2748 2749 hands. At least mine, it was, as far as the schedule is concerned. But, you know, we're 2750 back in a in-person setting and I certainly don't think that I'm suggesting that we don't do it but, you know. I don't know how important that is but if we're gonna spend four hours, I 2751 would much rather it be four hours on doing something that'll help us out fiscally with the 2752 challenges that he Charter amendments places with the county.., I'm sorry, with the, the, 2753 the fiscal issues with the Charter provision requiring us to deposit.., or set aside monies 2754 for the catastrophic fund. So, you know, I, I would certainly be open to hear what 2755 2756 Administration has in that respect.
- And lastly, so, I don't know if the Chief is still here, but I think October 30<sup>th</sup>, Trunk or Treat at the City of Rivera Beach Municipal Complex, it is a drive thru Trunk or Treat event?
- 2760 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.
- 2761 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I will be there, and I would expect that we have, obviously, social distancing and, you know, members from various departments participating. So that is August 30<sup>th</sup>, and I believe it starts at 6:00 o'clock p.m.
- Thank you, Madam Chair.

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- 2765 **Chairperson Botel:** Councilman Lawson.
- Pro Tem Lawson: Thank you, Madam Chair. I just have some notes. The Charter amendments for the ballot, I was gonna ask about that and bring that to the colleagues but if we're gonna do a workshop and discuss it, then I'll wait to bring the comments for recommendations.
  - Mr. Evans, can you have a update.., do we have an update on the disparity study and the status of the disparity study? And also, an update on our projects over on Singer Island. They were brought to us a while ago, the project from, I believe the Sands Hotel and the Ocean Mall parking lot. If I can just get wo updates on those things.
- And then finally also, just a quick notice that the website that was posted was awesome. I really loved it, Ms. Noel. Thank you. Keeping us posted, you guys did a great job. It looks amazing.
- 2777 **Chairperson Botel:** Councilwoman Lanier, do you have any comments?

- 2778 City Manager Evans: Madam Chair, do you want...
- 2779 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. I have a few... I have a few comments. I would like...
- 2780 first like to thank...
- 2781 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Sorry, Madam Chair. Can I get the update from Mr. Evans?
- 2782 **Councilperson Lanier:** I would first like...
- 2783 Chairperson Botel: Hello?
- 2784 **Pro Tem Lawson:** [Chuckle].
- 2785 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead. I think I cut Mr. Evans off. Let'.., let's hear from
- 2786 Mr. Evans and then I'll...

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- 2787 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair and Members of the Board, to Councilman
- 2788 Lawson's points. With regards to the Sand Hotel, I did provide a, a comprehensive
- 2789 memorandum with regards to what needs to occur and what the developer needs to do
- 2790 to initiate moving forward with that process. I don't believe there has been any
- correspondence back since then, or there may be one about setting up a meeting to
- 2792 discuss that but I'm, I'm.., I have to check for sure. But, we did send out a comprehensive
- 2793 memorandum outlining everything that needs to accompli'... or needs to be accomplished
- for that particular project to come to fruition.

As it relates to the project adjacent to that in the hotel property, or the Ocean Walk property. Unfortunately, there's that provision in the Charter that prohibits the City from entering into any lease agreement on that particular parcel for any term longer than fifty years. There's... Less than fifty years, I'm sorry. There's thirty-eight years remaining on that lease, so if the developer effectively would move forward with the development of that particular asset, the City, in thirty-eight years, would have to go through a competitive solicitation and that investor may lose that investment that he or she has made in that particular parcel. So, it's cost prohibitive for them to move forward with that much risk, and that is probably something that you may wanna have conversation as a potential Charter amendment because that provision does have some significant challenges for the redevelopment of that particular area of our community.

And, with respect to the disparity study. Staff has had a couple of conversations with Attorney Lee. We can provide a more in-depth memorandum to you by end of week, to the Board, as to what we're doing and then [stammer], ultimately, schedule a update presentation for the Board at your meeting in November.

- 2810 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Mr. Evans. Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 2811 [Inaudible comment]
- 2812 **Chairperson Botel:** Councilwoman Lawson.., Lanier. Geez.

- 2813 [Chuckles]
- 2814 **Chairperson Botel:** Lanier.
- 2815 **Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible].
- 2816 **Councilperson Lanier:** Wow. Councilwoman Lawson.
- 2817 **Chairperson Botel:** I didn't think I would make it through this meeting so I, I'm
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- 2819 [Inaudible comment]
- 2820 **Chairperson Botel:** ... just to have got to the end, I'm doing pretty good here.
- Councilperson Lanier: I just wanted to briefly give a huge thank you to Walter Shariff, who is the person who is operating the camera, and also ensuring that I, during some of my health challenges, can be a part of the meetings. I know I had some technical difficulties earlier, but I really want to thank him for helping me to be able to be a part of the meetings and to be heard.

I also want to say that, even though the Council may have some issues back and forth, in terms of Items that come to the.., that come to the Council and come to the, the public, I want to assure the public that we are doing the very best that we can to ensure that everything that is being spent by the City, which is your tax dollars, is done in such a way that you know what is happening, and that it is done the most efficient way. I'd like to thank Mr. Jonathan Evans, Ms. Deirdre Jacobs, Ms. Liz McBride for their help in making sure that all of these issues that are on our plate, there are numerous.., and sometimes people just don't understand the magnitude of issues that are at our door and at our feet to be able to address, every single day. And the Staff at the City of Riviera Beach does it very well. And I think that the Council is doing an excellent job trying to make sure that these issues are done properly and done in the best interest of the residents.

- Thank you.
- 2838 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.

2839 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: I don't have a whole lot. I do see that I have a 2840 presentation that I'll be working with the legislative assistants on. And, that was an assignment I guess Sammie Brown had. He was nice enough to add me on to the list 2841 2842 since I didn't have an assistant, so I was an assistant and I participated with the group. It 2843 was very informative, very exciting and the Assistant Manager that gave us the tour, he 2844 came to us about a year ago and di the presentation on P3, so.., and how Boynton did 2845 theirs. And I can tell you, their Chamber, I mean, I really was in awe of their Chamber. 2846 And so, hopefully, when we do get our new building, we can have something very similar to that. It was a very nice-looking Chamber. But, not just the Chamber, there were a 2847 number of things, and, and hopefully I can get with them and Sammie can be the lead on 2848

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- 2849 that presentation, along with Super Eight, and the others that are participating with the 2850 group. 2851 I think that's it. I.., you know, I just wanted to say thank you to everybody. I know 2852 we've had a lot going on, but I think we're doing guite a bit of positive things in the City at this time, and I certainly want to make sure that we continue on that path. You know, I 2853 mean, we may... when we're passing these Resolutions and, you know, it just kinda 2854 2855 seems like we're doing it, just doing it in our sleep sometimes, but we're really getting a lot done. And, and we should really be proud of that. And so, I just thank you all for being 2856 the group that wants to try to get some things going and, and so that the residents can be 2857 2858 proud of it. 2859 Thank you, Mr. Evans and team, and Ms. Jacobs, Ms. McBride and everybody else that participate in this endeavor 'cause I know it's not easy, especially when you're... 2860 2861 when we have a lot..., we're very, very involved City. So, you know, everyone is not always 2862 gonna be happy but we're working together as a team and we're trying to get things done. 2863 And I did want to find.., did, did we decide who won for the Census? For Census? Did Mr. McCoy win, or did we ever figure that out, Ms... 2864 2865 Do we [stammer]... Ms. Noel... Chairperson Botel: 2866 Pro Tem Lawson: I think [inaudible]... 2867 City Manager Evans: Yeah. 2868 Chairperson Botel: ...do we have a.., do we have... 2869 **City Manager Evans:** We, we, we can, we can do a formal announcement at the next meeting, because we had some issues with mail-in ballots and... 2870 2871 Okay. Yeah. We wanna make sure... **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** 2872 City Manager Evans: Just kidding. 2873 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Right. We can just add... 2874 City Manager Evans: Yeah. You know? 2875 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** We need to get somebody over there that 2876 [inaudible], 'cause, you know... 2877 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.
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...poll watchers or something.

- 2881 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. We need to con'...
- 2882 **Councilperson McCoy:** Standby, standby.
- 2883 [Chuckles]
- 2884 **Chairperson Botel:** Sand down, standby.
- 2885 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Thank you so much.
- 2886 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you., Mr. Lawson.., Councilman Lawson.
- 2887 **Pro Tem Lawson:** I just wanted to remind all of our residents, just please get out and
- vote. Voting has opened up. Early voting right here in the City is at Wells. I visited over
- there today and there was just a steady line of people going through and voting, so please,
- residents, get out there and vote. Make sure your voices are heard. I really want riviera
- Beach to just show out in this election, just getting to the polls and, and filling up those
- 2892 ballot boxes, guys.
- 2893 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair? And I'm glad Mr. Lawson
- brought that up because all of us were tagged in a Facebook Page post about the Wells
- 2895 Gym A/C issue. So, Mr. Evans, if he can give an update as to whether or not that's been
- 2896 fixed.
- 2897 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 2898 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair and Members of the Board, we did get that
- 2899 issue resolved. Director Blankenship had crews out there immediately, as soon as we
- 2900 found out the information. In addition to, we did get some concerns with how close the
- voting booths were, and those have now been separated by at least twenty to twenty-five
- 2902 feet. So, the Supervisor of Elections did assist us in, in making that happen.

One of the other things I want to ensure to all the residents that, if you are concerned, or you have any issues with regards to going to vote, call the Riviera Beach Police Department and we will make sure that you have your Constitutional Rights protected and we are there to help facilitate, whether it's escorting you there and home, we're going to make sure that people can exercise their right to vote and participate. So, if there's any questions, concerns, anything, we stand prepared to, to assist in, in any particular way or any particular fashion.

- 2910 Chairperson Botel: Thank you. I just wanted to thank Marsha Noel and Liz
- 2911 McBride for helping me on the Tourism Committee. I wanna commend the folks who
- worked on the new website, it is beautiful.
- 2913 Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 2914 **Chairperson Botel:** It's really... Great job. Bravo.

2915 2916 2917 2918	I also wanna thank Development Services Department for being responsive to the needs of our constituents on the Island who've had some issues. And in the past, those things have taken ages to resolve and it seems like now, things are really getting done quickly. So, I'm just happy about that.			
2919	And I think that's al	I I have.		
2920	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>			
2921	Chairperson Botel:	If someone would like to make a motion to adjourn.		
2922	Councilperson Miller-Anderson: So moved.			
2923	Pro Tem Lawson: Second.			
2924	Chairperson Botel:	Madam Clerk.		
2925	Councilperson Lanier:	Second.		
2926	City Clerk Anthony:	Councilperson Miller-Anderson?		
2927	Councilperson Miller-Anderson: Yes.			
2928	City Clerk Anthony:	Councilperson Lanier?		
2929	Councilperson Lanier:	Yes.		
2930	City Clerk Anthony:	Councilperson McCoy?		
2931	Councilperson McCoy:	Yes.		
2932	City Clerk Anthony:	Pro Tem Lawson?		
2933	Pro Tem Lawson: Yes.			
2934	City Clerk Anthony:	Chair Botel?		
2935	Chairperson Botel:	Yes.		
2936	City Clerk Anthony:	Unanimous vote.		
2937	Chairperson Botel:	This meeting is adjourned. Thank you.		
2938	[Gavel			

[End of video]

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## City Employees, Public Comment Speakers and Others

Fane Lozman	Mr. F. Lozman			
Sophisticated Out Loud Nicole Cummings	Ms. N. Cummings			
Development Services Director Clarence Sirmons				
Bessie Brown	Development Services Director SirmonsMs. B. Brown			
Fire Chief John Curd	Fire Chief Curd			
Justice Service Center Director Orie Bullard				
	Justice Service Center Director Bullard			
Cindy March	Ms. C. March			
Terence Davis	Mr. T. Davis			
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