CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING April 21, 2021 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT AT MEETING1:

MAYOR RONNIE FELDER MAYOR FELDER

CHAIRPERSON SHIRLY D. LANIER, DISTRICT 3 CHAIRPERSON LANIER

CHAIR PRO TEM KASHAMBA MILLER- ANDERSON, DISTRICT 2

CHAIR PRO TEM MILLER-ANDERSON

COUNCILPERSON TRADRICK MCCOY, DISTRICT 1 COUNCILPERSON MCCOY

COUNCILPERSON DOUGLAS A. LAWSON, DISTRICT 5

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON

COUNCILPERSON JULIA A. BOTEL, DISTRICT 4 COUNCILPERSON BOTEL

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- 1 CALL TO ORDER
- 2 Chairperson Lanier: I want to call the Riviera Beach City Council regular meeting,
- 3 April 21, 2021.
- 4 ROLL CALL
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Madam Clerk, can I get the roll call?
- **City Clerk Anthony**: Mayor Ronnie Felder?
- **Mayor Felder:** Here.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Chairperson Shirley Lanier?
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Here.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Pro Tem KaShamba Miller-Anderson?
- **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Present.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Tradrick McCoy?
- 13 Councilperson McCoy: Here.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Douglas Lawson?
- 15 Councilperson Lawson: Here.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Julia Botel?
- **Councilperson Botel:** Here.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** City Manager Jonathan Evans?
- **City Manager Evans:** Present.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney Dawn
- 21 Wynn?
- **City Attorney Wynn:** Here.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Thank you, Madam Chair.
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you.
- **INVOCATION**
- 26 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- 27 Chairperson Lanier: We will have a, a moment of silence and the Pledge of
- 28 Allegiance by Councilwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson.
- 29 [Moment of silence]
- 30 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: I pledge allegiance...
- 31 All: ...to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it
- stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.
- 33 AGENDA APPROVAL
- 34 ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS
- 35 **Chairperson Lanier:** If you have.., you meaning my colleagues, if you have
- reviewed this Agenda, are there any additions, deletions or substitutions?
- 37 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, there are some additions that the Clerk will
- 38 read off into the record. And Staff is requesting that the presentation of Peanut Island
- 39 update is moved after the Citizen's Leadership Academy presentation.
- 40 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, if you would be so kind
- 41 to indulge me, today you received an email regarding two community benefits from the
- 42 Office of Councilperson Lawson. Copies have been provided to you. The first one is
- \$2,000 for the Reggie Dee Foundation for the National Poetry Event.
- 44 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Madam Chair?
- 45 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead.
- 46 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** What number will that one be?
- 47 **City Clerk Anthony:** So, you received an addition, deletion sheet with the Item No.
- 48 **6A** on it.
- 49 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Where?
- 50 **City Clerk Anthony:** There was confusion with the company as it related to one of
- 51 the Items that was missing from the public Agenda and not your Agenda that you received
- via email. So, we're gonna make this one 6A, as that mistake was corrected by the
- company. So, the community benefit for Reggie Dee Foundation, in the amount of \$2,000
- will now be 6A. Mind Over You, from the Office of Councilperson Lawson, in the amount
- of \$1,000, will be Item No. 6B.
- And during the recess, I also received another addition from the Office of
- 57 Councilperson Botel for Palm Beach State College in the amount of \$5,000. That will be

- 58 Item No. 6C.
- 59 **Councilperson McCoy:** How much?

- 60 Councilperson Botel: \$5,000.
- 61 Councilperson McCoy: And...
- 62 **City Clerk Anthony:** And... Oh, okay.
- 63 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?
- 64 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 65 **Councilperson McCoy:** What's the number for Lawson? I don't see it on this.., for
- 66 Mind Over You.
- 67 Councilperson Lawson: \$1,000.
- 68 **Councilperson Botel:** And there's no dollar amount.
- 69 **Councilperson Lawson:** \$1,000 is what she stated.
- 70 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Thank you.
- 71 **City Clerk Anthony:** [Stammer].., the amount is listed on, I believe it's the fifth page
- of the document. Where it says, 'I, Douglas Lawson, hereby...'
- 73 Councilperson McCoy: Okay. Thank you.
- 74 **Unk:** Second page.
- 75 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. And also, so that's 6'.., Item 6A, 6B, and 6C. Also,
- Madam Chair, Members of the Board, in making the copies for the backup for the public,
- it was noticed that the backup information for Item No. 1, the Minutes for the February 17.
- 78 2021 City Council meeting were not uploaded. It is being requested that his Item be
- 79 deleted and be moved to the next Agenda.., next City Council meeting Agenda.
- 80 **Chairperson Lanier:** So, the February 17, 2021 meeting will be moved to the next
- 81 Agenda.
- 82 **City Clerk Anthony:** That is correct.
- 83 Chairperson Lanier: Okay.
- 84 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, I believe I covered all
- additions that I have in my hand.
- 86 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Madam Chair?
- 87 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.

- 88 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** What.., you all mentioned about Peanut Island.
- Where..., I don't see that on this Agenda here.
- 90 **Councilperson Botel**: It's at the end anyway.
- 91 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson**: Huh?
- 92 **Councilperson Botel:** It's already at the end. I don't know...
- 93 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. It's, it's not in Consent, is it? I mean, it's
- 94 not...
- 95 **City Clerk Anthony:** Peanut Island discussion...
- 96 **Unk.:** Award...
- 97 City Clerk Anthony: ...is Item No. 14.
- 98 Councilperson Botel: Yeah.
- 99 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Okay. So, it's staying at the end or we're moving
- it to the end?
- 101 City Manager Evans: We're, we're asking to move it under awards and
- 102 presentations...
- 103 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Oh.
- 104 **City Manager Evans:** ...after Citizen's Leadership Academy.
- 105 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Oh, okay. So, we're keeping that number at 14?
- 106 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that will still retain
- 107 the number 14.
- 108 **Chairperson Lanier:** Under the.., okay. Gotcha. Are there any other additions,
- deletions, substitutions for this Agenda? [Pause].
- 110 **DISCLOSURES**
- 111 **Chairperson Lanier:** Colleagues, as you review this Agenda, are there any
- disclosures of any of these Items on the Agenda?
- 113 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- 114 **Chairperson Lanier:** Can I get a motion to adopt the Agenda with the changes?
- 115 **Councilperson Botel:** I make a motion to adopt the Agenda with those changes.

- 116 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Second.
- 117 **Councilperson Lawson:** Second.
- 118 Chairperson Lanier: Madam Clerk.
- 119 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 120 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 121 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Botel?
- 122 **Councilperson Botel:** Yes.
- 123 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 124 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.
- 125 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?
- 126 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 127 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Lanier?
- 128 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 129 **City Clerk Anthony:** Motion approved.
- 130 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. This is the portion of the Agenda that is
- considered to be the Consent Agenda. All ma'...
- 132 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair?
- 133 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 134 City Clerk Anthony: ... Members of the Board, the time is 7:36, and public
- comments is due to start at 7:30. What's the pleasure of the Board?
- 136 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: We get through the...
- 137 **Chairperson Lanier:** We will go..., we will go through the Consent Agenda and then
- 138 go to it.
- 139 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Well, Madam Chair? We ha'.., I know we have
- some people here from Citizen Leadership Academy who have been here since the Utility
- meeting. So, if we could at least do that, and then maybe go to the public comments. So
- they're not sitting...
- 143 **Chairperson Lanier:** So we'll put it after the presentations?

- 144 **Councilperson Botel:** Yeah.
- 145 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** After the.., yeah. After...
- 146 Chairperson Lanier: Okay.
- 147 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:**Citizen Leadership.
- 148 **Chairperson Lanier:** Alright. Very good.
- 149 **CONSENT AGENDA**
- 150 **Chairperson Lanier:** Consent Agenda.
- 151 Chairperson Lanier: ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE
- 152 CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION.
- 153 THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A
- 154 COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE
- 155 REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS
- 156 NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.
- 157 **MINUTES**
- 158 1. FEBRUARY 17, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
- 159 2. MARCH 3, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
- 160 3. MARCH 17, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
- 161 4. MARCH 17, 2021 CANVASSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
- 162 **RESOLUTIONS**
- 163 5. RESOLUTION NUMBER 30-21 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
- 164 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING
- 165 THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH
- 166 PALM BEACH COUNTY TO ACCEPT VOUCHERS FROM THE COUNTY'S
- 167 DROWNING PREVENTION COALITION PROGRAM FOR REDEMPTION FOR
- 168 PAYMENT OF SWIMMING LESSONS PROVIDED BY THE PARKS AND
- 169 RECREATION DEPARTMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 170 RICHARD BLANKENSHIP, PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR, 561-845-4070
- 171 6. RESOLUTION NUMBER 38-21 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
- 172 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING
- 173 SETTLEMENT IN THE CASE OF JERMAINE MYLES V. THE CITY OF RIVIERA
- 174 BEACH AND TERRANCE S. GOLDWIRE, CASE NO.: 502019CA001312XXXXXMB;
- 175 AUTHORIZING GALLAGHER BASSETT TO MAKE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF

- 176 FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) AS FULL AND FINAL SETTLEMENT;
- 177 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 178 **DAWN WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY, 561-845-4068**
- 179 7. RESOLUTION NUMBER 36-21 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
- 180 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING
- 181 THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A FACILITY USE AGREEMENT WITH
- 182 PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR THE USE OF LINDSEY DAVIS COMMUNITY CENTER
- 183 FOR THE SENIOR MEALS PROGRAM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 184 RICHARD BLANKENSHIP, PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR, 561-845-4070
- 185 COMMUNITY BENEFITS ON CONSENT
- 186 Chairperson Lanier: Madam Clerk.
- 187 **Councilperson McCoy:** I wanna pull 6C, Madam Chair.
- 188 Chairperson Lanier: You want to...?
- 189 Councilperson McCoy: 6C.
- 190 [Chuckles]
- 191 **Chairperson Lanier:** Alright. Very good. Are there any questions in regards to the
- 192 Consent Agenda? Madam Clerk, are there any public comments for the Consent
- 193 Agenda?
- 194 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have public
- comment on the Consent Agenda. The acceptance of public comment on the Consent
- 196 Agenda is now closed.
- 197 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Proceed.
- 198 **City Clerk Anthony:** Desiree Reavis
- 199 **Ms. D. Reavis:** Hello. First, thank you for letting me speak. City Manager, Mayor,
- 200 Councilmen. This is my first time ever being at a meeting like this. I'm here to represent
- the National Poetry Month Festival. And also in conjunction, I'm a Riviera Beach citizen
- and businessowner and I'm here in behalf of the Reggie Dee Foundation as well.
- Me and my business partner, Sean Frazier, we've been producing spoken word in poetry in Palm Beach County for almost twenty years. And in fact, in 2009, we were able
- to bring poetry nationals through West Palm Beach. And for those not familiar with, with
- 206 poetry in a community like that, nationals, it's like the Super Bowl for poetry and you have
- to actually work to be the host city because it brings thousands of people and thousands
- of dollars in revenue. So, we were able to do that for West Palm and we decided to found

our own spoken word festival due to the relationships we have and the success that we've had. And we were adamant in wanting to do it here in Riviera Beach. For multiple reasons.

And, we were very strategic, even in the flyers and the promotions. I don't know if you've seen the flyers yet, but we have a picture of the Marina. It's a beautiful backdrop. I've lived here for several years. I've handed those flyers to people and they said, 'Is that in Miami?' I said, 'No, that's here.' We also worked hard in our PR and our press releases, and we've already gotten national press from NPR. And, this is something that we wanna expand on every single year, and grow it as a community event.

And this year, we're just.., we're asking for some help with some funding 'cause this is the inaugural event and it's taken a lot of hard work.

- So, I just wanna thank you for your consideration. And, once again, I'm here.., I'm, l'm a resident, a businessowner and I'm also working with the, the Reggie Dee Foundation.
- Thank you.
- 224 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you.
- 225 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, that completes public
- 226 comment for the Consent Agenda.
- 227 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Can I get a motion to approve the Consent
- 228 Agenda?

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- 229 **Councilperson Botel:** Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
- 230 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Second.
- 231 **Chairperson Lanier:** You heard that second? Okay. Madam Clerk.
- 232 Councilperson Lawson: Madam Chair?
- 233 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 234 **Councilperson Lawson:** Before we take a vote, I was gonna ask if any of the
- colleagues... I've actually seen this event and would love for this event to be something
- that we bring into the City, annual event, and have this Item discussed during our budget
- 237 Item. But if any of my colleagues would be interested in providing support to the Reggie
- Dee Foundation, and the event is actually happening this weekend. I know our CRA has
- 239 gotten behind it substantially in regards to promotion and advertisement, but if any
- 240 colleagues would be interested in contributing some community benefit dollars, towards
- the Foundation, to assist with this event that's happening this weekend, I think it'd be a
- 242 phenomenal event for our community.

- 243 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Madam Cahir?
- 244 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 245 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** I actually received the application, and I, I will
- contribute if we are still able to do so, with \$500 towards it, for the community benefits.
- 247 **Chairperson Lanier:** Madam Clerk, you can add that as 6D.
- 248 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** I didn't realize it was for the, the event for this
- 249 weekend.
- 250 **Chairperson Lanier:** \$500 from Commissioner KaShamba Miller-Anderson's office.
- 251 Mayor Felder: Madam Chair?
- 252 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes.
- 253 **Mayor Felder:** If I could, I'd like to add \$1,500 to it.
- 254 **Chairperson Lanier:** Alright. That'll be 6E, from the Mayor's office. [Pause]. Very
- 255 good. Thank you. Madam Clerk.
- 256 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Botel?
- 257 Councilperson Botel: Yes.
- 258 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 259 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.
- 260 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 261 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 262 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?
- 263 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 264 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Lanier?
- 265 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 266 **City Clerk Anthony:** Motion approved.
- 267 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. The next Item on our Agenda are awards and
- presentations, and let us move straight to the Citizen's...
- 269 Councilperson Botel: No. [Inaudible]...

- 270 **Chairperson Lanier:** ...Leadership Academy Recognition.
- 271 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair?
- 272 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 273 **Councilperson Botel:** 6C, Madam Chair.
- 274 **City Clerk Anthony:** Mr. McCoy pulled Item 6C.
- 275 **Chairperson Lanier:** Oh, that... Yes, he did. I'm so sorry, Mr. McCoy.
- 276 Councilperson McCoy: Well...
- 277 **Chairperson Lanier:** You can proceed, sir.
- 278 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, you know, I just wanted to ask a question. It appears
- the Chair doesn't even want you to have your community benefits even considered.
- 280 [Chuckles]
- 281 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, you, you gave us a short form, Board Member Botel, but
- 282 I'm just curious, it says programming costs for the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach
- 283 State College cohort. Now, going forward.., well, previously, was there any dollars set
- 284 forth by community benefit?
- 285 **Councilperson Botel:** I would have to check with my legislative aide and I'm gonna
- ask him to come to the podium, because he has all these details about the number of
- people we've served, the number of people...
- 288 Councilperson McCoy: Well...
- 289 **Councilperson Botel:** ...who have graduated...
- 290 **Councilperson McCoy:** I, I don't wanna know that.
- 291 **Councilperson Botel:** And so, and so, wait a second.., and so, he would also be able
- 292 to tell you if we have, in the past... I believe we have done, in the neighborhood of \$2,000
- 293 or \$2,500.
- The original concept was to get money.., the tuitions would be paid with money
- 295 from the City if the people, the students, were City employees, and money for the tuitions
- 296 for people.., of those people who are not City employees to be paid by CareerSource.
- 297 And, since then, we have had some difficulty collecting from CareerSource, possibly
- because not everybody who is taking the course is, is.., falls in, in their guidelines. So,
- we're supplementing those tuitions with this public.., with this community benefit dollars.

- 300 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Well, my next question is, so I guess absent of any
- other detail, this is all I've seen, I don't think I need to know that they're nonprofit, but I
- 302 guess going in perpetuity, is this set to sunset? This cohort program, in some point?
- 303 Councilperson Botel: No.
- 304 **Councilperson McCoy:** And, I guess future funding would be based on...
- 305 Councilperson Botel: I would like...
- 306 Councilperson McCoy: ...an allocation...
- 307 Councilperson Botel: ...to see...
- 308 Councilperson McCoy: ...bye the City?
- 309 **Councilperson Botel:** I would like to see future funding come out of the department
- 310 of the person who ultimately gets appointed as Economic Development Director.
- 311 Because, I believe very strongly and firmly, that this project should be part of an Economic
- Development Program. So, I think that that should fall into that person's purview.
- 313 Councilperson McCoy: Okay. And...
- 314 Councilperson Botel: And, and budget.
- 315 Councilperson McCoy: And, and that's no problem. I'm just curious, is this a, you
- know, this is the first I've seen it, if it's a one-time request or... Aside from community
- benefits, my question is, is this your initiative that you intend on having in the City's budget
- 318 going forward?
- 319 Councilperson Botel: Yes.
- 320 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Fair enough. That's it. That's all I needed.
- 321 **Councilperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 322 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Madam Clerk.
- 323 **City Clerk Anthony:** May I get a motion to approve?
- 324 **Councilperson McCoy:** So moved.
- 325 Councilperson Botel: Second.
- 326 Councilperson Lawson: Second.
- 327 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 328 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.

- 329 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 330 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 331 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Botel?
- 332 Councilperson Botel: Yes.
- 333 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?
- 334 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 335 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Lanier?
- 336 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 337 **City Clerk Anthony:** Motion approved.
- 338 Chairperson Lanier: Thank you. Next Item.
- 339 **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**
- 340 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- 341 PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING
- 342 AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS
- 343 8. CITIZEN'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY RECOGNITION
- 344 MARSHA NOEL, ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER, 561-812-6590
- 345 **City Clerk Anthony:** We're on to the presentations, Madam Chair. It's Citizen's
- 346 Leadership Academy recognition.
- 347 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do not have public
- comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.
- 349 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Mr. Evans.
- 350 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I can turn the presentation over to the dean
- of Citizen Leadership Academy...
- 352 [Chuckles]
- 353 **City Manager Evans:** ...Ms. Marsha Noel, to make the presentation this evening.

354 **Councilperson Botel:** The dean. [Chuckle].

- 355 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: Thank you.
- **Chairperson Lanier:** So ahead, Ms. Noel.
- **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Thank you. I think that's title number one
- 358 hundred now. I think. I don't know.
- 359 [Chuckles]

Assistant to the City Manager Noel: Alright. So, good everybody. My name is Marsha Noel, Assistant to the City Manager. Also, I had the opportunity of managing this year's Citizen's Leadership Academy. So, just very quickly, the Citizen's Leadership Academy is a program that is aimed at educating members of the Riviera Beach community about City operations and services, while empowering them to be more involved and engaged in their municipal government so that they can make a difference.

This program dates back to 2017, and was first initiated by our Councilperson, Ms. Miller-Anderson. Ever since City Administration has now housed this program, so that this will be implemented on an annual basis.

For seven to eight weeks, twenty people across the City, and from various backgrounds, dedicated themselves towards actively learning more than the average person. And those individuals are those who are here this evening with us, in the front two rows, and also individuals that you see displayed on the screen. They receive information about every department and engage with all of our elected officials as well. From Public Works and Development Services, to Finance, Information Technology and community programs, they learned it all.

And despite the COVID-19 pandemic, we managed to hold the entire program in a virtual format, with the exception to a tour that we held at the very end, which took place at the Utility Special District, the Fire Department and the Police Department. But nonetheless, participants shared their genuine appreciation and thrill to have gained the knowledge that they now have, and are eager to invite others to this program. So, my call to action to each of our participants is to be a voice for the community and share what you've learned so others are empowered too.

Also, we would like to thank all of the speakers that attended the, the Leadership Academy, which every department and program director attended to include all of our elected officials, who took two hours of their night for seven weeks to participate with us. And so, at this time, I would like to recognize the eleven participants that are with us for this special occasion. I will list each of their names, and all you simply have to do is, once I hand you the Certificate, you can just line up behind me as best you can.

Alright. So, I'm gonna start with our first participant to be recognized this [stammer] evening, and it is Kiera Hester.

391 [Applause]

- 392 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: Tekesha Saffold.
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- 394 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Next, Jacqueline Woodward.
- 395 [Applause]
- 396 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Shaundelyn Emerson.
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- 398 **Ms. S. Emerson:** Thank you.
- 399 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: You're welcome. Evelyn Harris Clark.
- 400 [Applause]
- 401 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: Doretta Paulk.
- 402 [Applause]
- 403 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: Charles Finley.
- 404 [Applause]
- 405 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: You're welcome. Next, Darlene Cruz.
- 406 [Applause]
- 407 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** Celia Lopez.
- 408 [Applause]
- 409 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: Cory Blackwell.
- 410 [Applause]
- 411 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** And finally, but not least, Vernique Williams.
- 412 [Applause]
- 413 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: There you go.
- 414 **Unk.:** [Inaudible]
- 415 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: So, congratulations to everyone that has
- participated. I also wanna list the name of those..., the names of those who were unable
- 417 to join us this evening. Tawanna Williams, Tabitha Johnson, Sameria Haliburton, Tonya

- Franklin, Kim Spann-Osby, Kristina Rolle, Jatelsa Brown, Marybeth Coffer, and Owen Hanslip.
- And at this time, I ask if everyone in the room can please give this wonderful group a round of applause.
- 422 [Applause]

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- 423 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: And, just so you are aware, each participant will 424 not only have a Certificate signed by the Mayor himself, but also they will take with them 425 a Citizen's Leadership Academy bag that's full of a few tokens of appreciation for their 426 time and their commitment to have spent with us for over a month to learn about the operations of this City. And I truly do believe that amongst this group, you have individuals 427 428 who have invested time to this community, individuals who are looking for ways to be 429 more involved. We've had inquiries and interests about joining advisory boards, 430 volunteering at events, and just even now, I just spoke with Ms. Tekesha Saffold who is 431 visually impaired, and she is certainly an advocate for those who have impairments in the 432 community. And we've even talked about setting up a meeting to see how she can maybe 433 serve us as a City, with her skillsets and her background to support in that area of need.
 - So, this is truly an opportunity to build bridges. And if you know anyone who is aspiring to lead in this community, to be a changemaker in this community, I certainly do believe that the Citizen's Leadership Academy is a great place to start. This is an annual program, so we're looking to put this on spring of next year. This year, the program was from February through March, and so, it'll be about the same time next year.
 - So, if you want more information and be updated on, on the next program, just go to the City's website, rivierabeach.org. You can simply signup through our online newsletter at the homepage at the very bottom. Enter all your information, and so when that goes out, you can get it that way, or just follow us on social media.
 - And before I move on to the rest of my presentation, I did want to allow one of our students to come up here and share a few thoughts about her experience with the Academy. So, Ms. Kiera Hester.
 - [Applause and cheers]
- 447 **Ms. K. Hester:** Good evening, Council, Mayor, everyone in their respective places.
- I am a part of the 2021 spring cohort of the Citizen's Leadership Academy of Riviera
- Beach. It was truly a pleasure being a part of this Academy. I know you heard the City
- 450 Manager say Marsha is like the dean. She kept everyone in line. Like, 'Hey, I had these
- people for two hours, don't keep them passed. We're gonna start on time.' So, it was
- iust truly a pleasure to learn about different departments, to meet department heads and
- 453 different people involved in the Procurement Department, Fire Safety, Police Department,
- 454 Utility District, City Clerk, City Attorney, City Manager's office, and other departments and
- 455 to ask questions, you know, informal questions, formal questions. To have those people
- dedicated to us, for their allotted time to ask a variety of widespread questions, it was truly
- 457 informative.

458 I will say to the millennials that are watching, our time is now. This past weekend, 459 I just buried my grandmother, Ms. Willie Mae Hester, and she was the last of her 460 generation. And so, that, that's been sticking with me. I am the baby of the class. So, 461 millennials, the time is now. If you're looking on how to become a part, I've only been back home roughly about two years, so I would say start here and then you can branch 462 463 and grow. Since being a part of this Leadership Academy I am now a mentor of our City 464 LeadHership Mentoring Program that service young ladies, ages seven to nineteen, 465 under the direction of Ms. Leena Bell in Parks & Rec. So, I will say, get involved. Start 466 here. And I look forward to working with the next class next year.

And, even though a lot of information is passed through, get back in the program. If you wanted to get more information about something, or if you feel it was a lot in one setting, in one class, jump back in the next year. It, it's not a cutoff. So, the class was wonderful. The speakers were great. I believe my vote will be for the City Manager 'cause he had a cute dog.

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- 473 **Ms. K. Hester:** There's a little inhouse competition we had. But, the program, and
- on behalf of myself and my lovely classmates, we thank you all for the opportunity.
- 475 [Applause]
- 476 **Ms. K. Hester:** And back to Dean Marsha.
- 477 [Chuckles]
- 478 Assistant to the City Manager Noel: Thank you so much for those kind words. It's
- been a pleasure working with this group. I feel like I'm a lot closer now to our wonderful
- graduates. And we, you know, I encourage them to stay in touch, stay connected to us.
- I think they even decided to form their own alumni network. So, our.., I think they're gonna
- continue to do some great things here.
- So, I'm gonna ahead and move us forward towards the second part of this presentation. And it's quite interesting that you mentioned who you voted for, for the best presentation 'cause it's gonna burst Mr. Evans' [stammer] bubble.
- 486 [Chuckles]
- 487 **Assistant to the City Manager Noel:** But nonetheless, I'm going to invite the City
- 488 Manager for this one. As part of this year's Citizen's Leadership Academy, the
- participants had an opportunity to vote on their best.., on the best presenter. Like I said,
- every department had had an oppor'..., opportunity to speak and to present. And so, they
- were all ranked through the exit surveys that took place after each workshop, and we've
- decided on a first place and second place winner, who Mr. Evans is going to present.
- 493 [Inaudible dais comments]

- 494 **City Manager Evans:** Well, thank you Dean Noel.
- 495 [Chuckles]
- 496 **City Manager Evans:** And certainly to the alumni class of 2021. Your institution will
- 497 be sending you letters on how you can contribute...
- 498 [Chuckles]
- 499 **City Manager Evans:** ...to continue to fund this academic endeavor.
- So, as Ms. Noel stated, that the department directors got into a competitive challenge to see who was able to deliver the best presentation. And the members of the
- class had the opportunity to vote. And, there was no sops that were left. I used a puppy...
- 503 [Chuckles]
- 504 **City Manager Evans:** ...to close on my presentation. But that wasn't enough. And
- so, when we were talking about recognizing the team that was able to deliver the best
- presentation, selfishly we wanted to get the biggest trophy possible for who would be the
- winner, 'cause we though Administration would be the...
- 508 [Chuckles]
- 509 **City Manager Evans:** ...department that won. But nonetheless, since we didn't win,
- we made some different changes
- 511 [Chuckles]
- 512 **City Manager Evans:** So, without further ado, I think it's important to recognize the
- 513 department that received the highest number of exceed standards ten, on their
- 514 presentation. It's none other than our Development Services Director, one of our newest
- 515 members of the executive management team, Director Clarence Sirmons of Development
- 516 Services.
- 517 [Applause]
- 518 **Chairperson Lanier:** Mr. Evans, please mention the fact that he is a Florida A&M
- 519 university [inaudible], please.
- 520 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.
- [Chuckles and applause]
- 522 **City Manager Evans:** So, without further ado, I'm going to present him with his first
- 523 place trophy. This is a traveling trophy, so names will be added. Director Sirmons' peers
- 524 have already started eyeing the trophy, and have already issued the challenge. So,
- 525 Director Sirmons, congratulations.

- 526 [Applause]
- 527 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** Thank you very much, Mr. Manager.
- 528 Although it is a, a traveling trophy, I have no intentions of sending it to the next person
- 529 next year.
- 530 [Chuckles]
- 531 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** So, for the other department heads, come
- 532 with it.
- 533 Thank you all, to everyone in the Academy. It's always a pleasure for me to talk
- about planning and development, but especially the, the work of the Development
- Services Department and our charge to plan, build and maintain this amazing City. So,
- if ever any of you have any other questions, comments, concerns related to planning and
- development in the City our office, our Department is always available to help and, and
- talk with you more.
- So, thanks again to everyone.
- 540 [Applause]
- 541 **City Manager Evans:** And certainly, we do [stammer].., we do want to take the
- opportunity to recognize second place. And, unfortunately, Director Rodney Freeman
- isn't here. I asked Marsha to get me the smallest trophy...
- 544 [Chuckles
- 545 **City Manager Evans:** ...that was still considered a trophy. So, this is it and this pr'...
- 546 presented to the second-place winner of our Citizen Leadership Academy. So this is the
- smallest trophy that's been provided by our trophy vendor. So, Ms. Noel, Dean Noel, will
- be accepting this award on behalf of Library Services and Mr. Rodney Freeman.
- 549 [Applause]
- Assistant to the City Manager Noel: Since I didn't win, I'm not giving it back. But, I'll
- make sure he receives it.
- Alright. Well, thank you all again for giving us some time to recognize trailblazers
- in our community that have joined us this evening. We truly appreciate the time you all
- took as well. They certainly said that they would've recommended every single workshop
- 555 to somebody that they know.
- So, with that being said, that completes our presentation. And, if I can get our group to meet just outside these doors. We're gonna take a group picture. I know we
- have to continue on with the meeting, but we'll take a guick snap. So, thank you all.
- 559 **Councilperson Botel:** Madam...

- 560 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Madam...
- 561 Councilperson Botel: ... Chair?
- 562 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** ... Chair?
- 563 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead.
- 564 **Councilperson Botel:** Very quickly. I think I was part of the first or second cohort,
- second perhaps?
- 566 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: I believe the second.
- 567 **Councilperson Botel:** The second. In any event, I just wanted to thank KaShamba
- 568 Miller-Anderson for her vision in starting this program.. It...
- [Inaudible dais comment]
- 570 **Councilperson Botel:** ...it's a wonderful way for people to get to understand the City
- and all of its functions, and its variety of directors, some great and some better than great.
- 572 [Chuckles]
- 573 Thank you, KaShamba, for starting it and I hope we can continue it for many years
- 574 to come.
- 575 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you.
- 576 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair, I just wanted to say thank you to
- 577 the City Manager and the team, the department heads, and especially Marsha. Marsha
- can tell you, at the very beginning, I, I didn't wanna let go, but I knew that I had to because
- it was no longer mine. So., but, I can tell you, she rally took it and ran with it. And, it
- should be noted, that there are several people in this current class that this is probably,
- 581 like, their third or fourth time participating, My mom, Jackie Woodward, Ms. Paulk, Ms.
- Darlene. We also have some people in the audience, Mr. Wiley, Ms. J.B., and, I, I think
- that's it. But that goes to show you how much they..., and they learn something every...
- every year they learn something new, so they continue to come. And, like, Kiera definitely
- said something that's true. I initially had the younger kids, as well, in the first couple
- years, and so, that was to build the pipeline of younger folks, so that they can get into
- years, and so, that was to build the pipeline of younger loiks, so that they can get into
- leadership positions. So, she said what needed to be happening. We need to have young
- 588 people getting involved as well.
- So.., but, I, I thank you all so much. I, I certainly thank the department heads for continuing the challenge of trying to compete because that was always something that
- we continued to do. But you all took it to another level with the trophy. So, I appreciate
- that. And again, I just thank you all for..., and the Board. I have to say for the Board for
- indulging me and taking over... allowing the City to take it over so that it continues to go
- on for years to come.

- When I did it the first few years, that was something I did with my community.., well, no, it wasn't my community benefits, it was the Utility District stipend that I did not take. I utilized that money to go towards the Citizen's Leadership Academy. So now, it's a City function and which is why we have our illustrious dean heading it now.
- So, thank you all again. I appreciate it. I'm very proud of you all.
- 600 [Applause]
- 601 [Inaudible comments]
- 602 **Chairperson Lanier:** Let's give this class another round of applause. They were
- 603 excellent.
- 604 [Applause]
- 605 **Chairperson Lanier:** Madam Clerk, we can move on to the next Item.
- 606 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we'll now go on to Item
- 607 No. 14.
- 608 Councilperson Botel: Should, should we.,...
- 609 City Clerk Anthony: Pea'...
- 610 **Councilperson Botel:** ...go to public comment because people are waiting?
- 611 **Chairperson Lanier:** This is... How long is this presentation, Mr. Evans?
- 612 **Mr. F. Lozman:** Point of order. [Inaudible].
- 613 **Chairperson Lanier:** I, I understand that. I understand that. Mr. Evans, how long
- 614 is this presentation?
- 615 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, it's roughly about probably ten minutes.
- 616 Chairperson Lanier: About ten minutes? Alright. We'll go ahead and, and...
- because we are thirty minutes past our time for public comment, we will go ahead and
- move to public comment now. And Mr. Evans, you can provide this presentation after our
- 619 public comment.
- 620 **City Manager Evans:** No problem, Madam Chair.
- 621 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you.
- 622 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC 7:30 P.M. NON-AGENDA ITEM SPEAKERS
- 623 (Three Minute Limitation

- 625 Chairperson Lanier: Madam Clerk.
- 626 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, if I can read..., get you to read the statement
- into the record, please.
- 628 Chairperson Lanier: PLEASE BE REMINDED THE CITY COUNCIL HAS
- 629 ADOPTED RULES OF DECORUM GOVERNING PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING
- 630 OFFICIAL MEETINGS, WHICH HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE ENTRANCE. IN AN
- 631 EFFORT TO PRESERVE ORDER, IF ANY OF THE RULES ARE NOT ADHERED TO,
- 632 THE COUNCIL CHAIR MAY HAVE ANY DISRUPTIVE SPEAKER OR ATTENDEE
- 633 REMOVED FROM THE PODIUM, FROM THE MEETING AND/OR THE BUILDING, IF
- 634 NECESSARY. PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELVES ACCORDINGLY. PUBLIC
- 635 COMMENT SHALL BEGIN AT 7:30 UNLESS THERE IS NO FURTHER BUSINESS OF
- 636 THE CITY COUNCIL WHICH, IN ANY EVENT, IT SHALL BEGIN SOONER. IN
- 637 ADDITION, IF ANY ITEM IS BEING CONSIDERED AT 7:30, THEN COMMENTS FROM
- 638 THE PUBLIC SHALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ITEM HAS BEEN
- 639 CONCLUDED. ANY PERSONS WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK DURING PUBLIC
- 640 COMMENT. PLEASE FILL OUT A PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED AT THE
- 641 FRONT DESK AND GIVE IT TO THE STAFF BEFORE THE PUBLIC COMMENT
- 642 SECTION IS ANNOUNCED.
- 643 Chairperson Lanier: Madam Clerk.
- 644 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, the acceptance of
- 645 public comment, at this particular section of the Agenda is now closed.
- Desiree Reavis, Sean Frazier, Paige Parker.
- 647 **Chairperson Lanier:** Will the names of the residents, whose names have been
- called, come to the podium?
- 649 **City Clerk Anthony:** Desiree Reavis, Sean Frazier, Paige Parker.
- 650 [Inaudible audience comment]
- 651 **Chairperson Lanier:** Okay. That's fine. Next person, Madam Clerk.
- 652 **City Clerk Anthony:** Sean Frazier...
- 653 **Mr. S. Frazier**: Yes.
- 654 **City Clerk Anthony:** Paige...
- 655 **Mr. S. Frazier:** Good ev'...
- 656 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...and Peter Hruda.
- 657 **Mr. S. Frazier:** I'm sorry. Good evening, Madam Chairperson...

658 Chairperson Lanier: Good evening.

Mr. S. Frazier:Council, Mr. Evans, Councilpersons, and Mayor Felder. My name 660 is Sean Frazier. I'm part of the group that's representing the Reggie Dee Foundation, 661 along with the poetry event.

And, I just wanted to take one second to, first of all, thank you for everything you've done already. You guys have been speaking with us, working with us. You've made an incredible effort to help us along, give us instructions and accommodate us.

I did wanna mention that one of the things that's really important about poetry, is that it's been seen as a form of therapy. So, when you think about the ways that poetry can affect our community in terms of healing from writing, people thinking about, you know, the, the way that people process the things that they see in our community. We're looking to give people the opportunity to open up in different ways.

That's what the arts present. And, we [stammer], again, as Desiree stated, that Riviera Beach is the perfect place for that. So again, we wanna take what has been said about Riviera Beach, that we know is not necessarily true, we wanna take what we know about Riviera Beach and we wanna juxtapose that with a annual event that is gonna allow for not only the local residents and the people in the State of Florida to get a better understanding, but the nation. And, you know, eventually, internationally as well, as one of the headliners that we're bringing is actually..., we're bringing him in from Amsterdam.

So, you know, we have a very far reach. We're just looking to make sure that what we do, is the absolute benefit to this local community.

- Thank you for your time.
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you, sir.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Paige Parker, Peter Hruda, Fane Lozman.
- **Mr. P. Hruda:** My name's Peter Hruda. Madam Chair, Members of the Board.
- l'm gonna read what my wife had to present, Paige Parker. She had to go due to some medical reasons and stuff. She was not able to stay later.

She wrote something and I'm just gonna read what she wrote. Good evening. I've stood up in front of you all many times. Each time with a quiver in my voice, fighting back a tear. A quivering voice and a tear because I am [stammer] compassionate about my hometown for forty years, of Singer Island in Riviera Beach. I often speak on the overcrowding of the roads, water supply, sewer, storm drains and the lift stations on Singer Island.

This Island has been my main place of residence all these years. This does not, in any way, mean that I do not care about the City as a whole, because I most.., I most certainly do. Tonight, I hate to say it, but I told you so. And I said to say, I told you so.

694 At the last meeting I spoke about how bad the traffic and speeding was on the Island, 695 how many..., how no one obeys the speed limit or traffic signals and how out of hand and dangerous the situation is and that someone was going to get hurt, or worse yet, get 697 killed. Well, that happened last week. That was a horrific, deadly accident and it was in 698 front of the City Ambassador Center.

Because of the accident, Ocean..., the Ocean Avenue was shut down at the Ocean Mall, north corner of Park Avenue south, and traffic was being directed at each end of the crash scene into the surrounding neighborhoods. There was no director, except at the scene because of further confusion and dangerous conditions as people were lost, confused and frustrated, trying to find their way through the neighborhood with no direction.

I watched in horror and then dismissed as the traffic built up over the bridge coming on the Island. People were using the emergency lanes to pass each other. My horror intensified as I watched fire trucks and ambulances try to make their way down the bridge to the crash scene, with traffic piled up and the emergency lanes blocked. It seems basic thinking would have put officers at the foot of the bridge, directing traffic down the dri'... Lake Drive, the traffic would not pile up the bridge.

More accident could've not happened and, most important, so emergency vehicles could guickly and safely move through. We need more policing of the speed limit on Singer Island, we need speed traps, flashing signs, whatever it would take.

714 Thank you. [Chuckle].

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- 715 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you, sir.
- 716 Mr. P. Hruda: Sorry.
- 717 City Clerk Anthony: Fane Lozman, Cory Blackwell, William Wiley, J.B. Dixon.
- 718 Mr. F. Lozman: Fane Lozman, Singer Island.

Madam Cahir, congratulations on your new position. If the Clerk has not given you a copy of Robert's Rules of Order, you should request a copy. Like, for example tonight, Rule 65. Rule 65, when you co'.., when you transact business out of order, like when you waived..., when you moved public comment out of order, you have to take that to a vote, and it must pass by two-thirds. You just can't have a little free for all between yourselves.

Also, you should also look at time certain. They had a big discussion when they set that at 7:30. Really nothing should move the 7:30 time, unless it's an emergency. So even those people were waiting around, the proper course of, of doing that, was they woulda had to wait for public comment to end, and then they can come. It wasn't an emergency for them to wait twenty minutes. But, that.., over the years, that had a lot of discussions. So Rule 65 and time certain means time certain.

I've been tied up with some other projects. I can't deal with Riviera Beach 365 days out of the year, but I've been gone for about a month. And, a lot has happened. I own about 2.17 million square feet out there. And I have a floating home that's on less than a thousand square feet of floating dock. So, less than a thousand, I own over two million square feet. The DEP has filed a legal action against me in response to a legal action I field against them, where we were seeking a declaration that we do not need a permit to fill in our property. And there's neighbors of ours that don't have permits. So they came back and filed a lawsuit seeking a \$15,000 a day fine against me. So, we're in quite a dog fight about that.

The fence on Pine Point Road. We put probably \$50,000 into that legal fight with the City. I don't know how much money the City has spent but that's now before the Florida Building Commission, it's now before the Special Magistrate. And we filed a, a.., we had one of the top lawyers in the State of Florida file a request for binding interpretation with the Florida Building Commission. If they rule in our favor, that's gonna be a very big deal because the evidence has come out that the fence was inspected and approved. And it's all over until Botel and the Pine Point Road people stepped in and said they don't want the fence there. So, there's a lot going on, on the fence battle.

And finally, my electric's been taken away. I can't have a fence. So basically, my property where my floating home is now, has been turned into a park. It's kind of been eminent domained without getting compensated for it. So the next move for me, now that all the value of my property has been taken away, is a taking action against the City that's gonna be significant. So let's get that filed, and the five of you who are the final policymakers, you're ultimately are gonna be responsible for that, along with the City.

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- **Mr. F. Lozman:** Thank you.
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you, sir.
- **City Clerk Anthony:** Cory Blackwell, William Wiley, J.B. Dixon.
- **Mr. C. Blackwell:** Good evening, City Council, Chair, Mayor, Administration.

I want you to indulge me for one moment here. I'm gonna read off some names. Joseph Brown, Allaysya McDonald, Octavious Pittman, Lori Pettis, Maria Tritico, Antonio Lawrence, Laura Duncan, Dishawn Reynolds, Javon Turner, Cedric McLean, Darius Graham, Courtney Fobbs. I can go on. Last but not least, Dexter Ferguson. Seven year old young man that was killed on the 14th. I came to this mic about three weeks ago and I spoke and said that I was extending an olive branch to the Chief and to the City to offer my expertise, anyway I can as a police officer. I've served this community in a vast area from the sheriff's office, for almost twenty-five years. Now I work for the School Board.

Two days after Dexter Ferguson was killed, our City.., I don't know who, who from Administration approved it, but we hosted an event at Well Recreation Center and we handed out hot dogs, we had music and K-9 expedition. I ask you, can we do better?

- Can we do better? Our Police Department needs help. I put on a uniform like these men
- and women do every day. I applaud them. They're shorthanded. If they need extra
- funds, I say you give it to them. I say your next meeting should have something on the
- Agenda to speak with the Chief and members of this community to find out what we're
- gonna do about violence in this City.
- 774 I leave that with you tonight. Thank you for your time.
- 775 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you, sir.
- 776 **City Clerk Anthony:** William Wiley, J.B. Dixon.
- 777 **Mr. W. Wiley:** Sorry. Hello. How ya doin'? William Wiley. Born and raised in
- 778 Riviera Beach. I'm an algebra teacher here at Roosevelt Middle School. And, avid
- citizen, and also on the Planning & Zoning Board for the City of Riviera Beach.
- 780 First of all, I'd like to congratulate Julie and KaShamba for the election and
- everything. I didn't get a chance to, to acknowledge you guys last time. And, I would
- also like to congratulate Shirley Lanier for being an excellent decision to be the Chair.
- And congratulations also to the Citizen's Leadership group. They already left. I was a
- part of that group in 2017-'18, and it was a great course to learn to be welcoming to the
- 785 City.
- The thing I wanna talk about tonight, class.., about... And, I'm sorry. I usually say
- 787 class [inaudible]...
- 788 [Chuckles]
- 789 **Mr. W. Wiley:** Sorry. Sorry. I start, I start all my classes off like that, so I'm
- 790 sorry. Respected and distinguished guests.
- Alright. First of all, I'd like to congratulate, first of all, the City for staying on a
- 792 positive path for election and making sure that we kept the correct people in our City to
- take care of our City. And I've always said that we keep the City of Riviera Beach first.
- Is it okay for me to discuss tonight about the situation with, and I don't know
- whether I'm in order to say this or not, to talk about, I guess, the group, the Alpha group
- about the facilities? Is that okay to talk about right now?
- 797 **Chairperson Lanier:** It's public comment. You can...
- 798 **Mr. W. Wiley:** Public comment.
- 799 **Chairperson Lanier:** ...say whatever...
- 800 **Mr. W. Wiley:** I just wanted to make sure.
- 801 Chairperson Lanier: [inaudible]...

- 802 Mr. W. Wilev: Let's be frank about this. That was a bad deal, to talk about. I know 803 myself and Mr. McCoy, at one point we discussed this a couple years ago when this first 804 was birthed. And, we, we didn't, we didn't agree on it then and I definitely don't agree on 805 it now. Our City Council's Board job is to serve the people, protect the City, make economical decisions in the City's best interest and ensure safety from threats that are 806 807 foreign and domestic. Alright? And after we saw this.., what happened in March election, 808 I'm pretty sure a lot of our City threats have been deemed internal. And, hopefully, that 809 the City can make those corrections later on.
- In no way I'm speaking against any fraternity or any sorority group or any organization that does good deeds in the community. I was part of, eight years for the Marine Corp Reserve unit and I know about actively giving and making a commitment to the, to the City and to the state, and to the country.
- But, this deal was born in obscurity and in no way benefits the City and its people.
 Rent wasn't paid, liability insurance wasn't being paid at the time, and like Mr. McCoy said, at one point, what if a child or someone got hurt and the City got sued.., and there was a possibility that the City coulda got sued? What would the conversation be then if that would've happened? Alright? And at that point, once something was not.., the rent was not done, was not paid, as Mrs. Lanier said, she was very correct in saying this, the contract needs to be redone. But better yet, it needs to be terminated.
- We want a proper solution here and we can make a change, of course, because
 Mr. Evans is clearly here as us, as a City, making a mistake and bringing him back to
 make.., and correct that mistake. So we can always, always make corrections.
- 824 [Timer]
- 825 **Mr. W. Wiley:** So, if we get a chance, please, let's redo this contract and start over
- again. And, hopefully, we can [inaudible] the City use...
- 827 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you.
- 828 **Mr. W. Wiley:** ...that facility and make money off that City ourselves.
- 829 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you.
- 830 **Mr. W. Wiley:** That's what the City is supposed to do.
- 831 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Thank you, sir.
- 832 **Mr. W. Wiley:** Thank you. Sorry for going over.
- 833 **City Clerk Anthony:** J.B. Dixon.
- 834 **Ms. J.B. Dixon:** J.B. Dixon, Singer Island in Riviera Beach.

I would like to agree with the last speaker, that I also thought, upon hearing of the situation with the property rented by a fraternity, that I think it is horrendous that they are paying the City a hundred dollars and then charging these poor nonprofits, who can barely afford it because I, I now that they often ask for donations just to be able to pay their rent. So, they have been taking in thousands of dollars by essentially subleasing the City's property, for which they are only paying a hundred dollars a month. And then, they didn't pay that. To me, I, I can't understand why that lease is not completely cancelled. And, if a new contract is made with them, to make sure that the nonprofits receive breaks in their rent, because that should be what the City's interest is in leasing it to, to that group. The.., I didn't mean to get off the topic until that was.., that was addressed by Mr. Wiley.

But I really wanted to come today to say that the Singer Island community garden is finally underway. And, this.., I don't know if you've been over there, but you've.., now see a nice sign, very floral, a mural that says that is Singer Island community garden of Riviera Beach. This Friday and this Saturday, we really need volunteers. We need to plant three hundred shrubs and dozens and dozens of flats of annual flowers to border Blue Heron Boulevard, on the very edge of the garden. And, we also need help in building the raised beds and, and transporting them to the garden. So, we would like some hefty help from hefty people.

And.., but there's something for everyone to do, even if you cannot stoop or bend, we have sit down jobs that are available. And many of us from the Island have been over to the 10th Street garden weeding, along with our Councilwoman Botel, and we would hope that our west side neighbors will come over in return and help us on the Singer Island garden this Friday and Saturday.

858 Thank you.

Chairperson Lanier: Thank you.

City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, please be advised that a member of the public attempted to turn in a public comment card after I announced that the acceptance of public comments was closed. We have ended...

863 Chairperson Lanier: Thank you.

City Clerk Anthony: ...public comment.

Chairperson Lanier: Thank you. Madam Clerk, next Item.

866 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we're now onto Item

No. 9. Resolution Number 35-21. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera

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869 Chairperson Lanier: Not...

City Clerk Anthony: ...County, Florida.

- 871 **Chairperson Lanier:** ...not, not No. 9. Number 14. We [stammer] moved it.
- 872 **City Clerk Anthony:** Oh, I'm so sorry.
- 873 **Chairperson Lanier:** [Inaudible] No. 14. I'm sorry to interrupt you but I wanted to
- make sure that... for the record.
- 875 **14. City Clerk Anthony:** Item No. 14.
- 876 City Clerk Anthony: PEANUT ISLAND PROJECT INITIATIVE.
- 877 JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, 561-812-6590, BARBARA CHEIVES,
- 878 **CONVERGE & ASSOCIATES**

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- 879 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, there are no public
- comments on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.
- 881 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Mr. Evans.
- 882 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, this Item before you is
- a update with regards to the Peanut Island Project initiative.
 - As we went through multiple conversations and iterations with the Port of Palm Beach about the City of Riviera Beach being the entity responsible for the renovations and the reconstitution of the activities that were contemplated on Peanut Island. In order to work with the other municipalities, the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach Shores, the County, and the City of Riviera Beach, we secured the services of Ms. Barbara Cheives with Converge & Associates, to assist in facilitating conversations between both..., the other municipalities to see about what we can do collectively to work together to see those facilities restored. And, we had a couple of conversations, some discussion offline, and we end up getting to a point that it was a heavy lift for the agency to continue to move forward in such a fashion.
- And, Barbara can provide additional perspective with regards to the conversation and the discussion, and certainly what we tried to do as an agency, to facilitate those facilities coming back to life and doing it to little or no expense to the taxpayers of Palm Beach County.
- So, without further ado, Barbara, if you wanna provide your perspective.
- 899 **Ms. B. Cheives:** Good evening everyone.
- As the City Manager stated, I was brought on in February to facilitate meetings between the cities that are all involved, the County and the Port. We held three meetings, and the, excuse me, the first wo were held in this room. Just to give you a little bit of a feedback on those meetings, and from your, from your Staff at those meetings, were the City Manager, your City Attorney and Assistant City Manager Deirdre Jacobs with representatives of all the other parties.

The Mayors of Palm Beach and Palm Beach Shores were very much in favor of restoring Singer Island and renovating the bunker and the historic sites on Singer Island, but not adding any new buildings, doing anything that would change the footprint of the Island. They wanted no type of event center whatsoever, and they cited noise and heavy usage in boat traffic concerns for their representative'.., for their respective residents at Palm Beach and Palm Beach Shores. And they stated they were in favor of passive, lowkey usage for the Island.

The County representatives were here, and they reminded everybody that the current Comp Plan for Peanut Island allows for no more than four events per year to be held on the Island, and that the creation of an event center would require a change to the Comp Plan. And, would impose, as they said, stress on the sewers and the infrastructure of Peanut Island. They were, they were not speaking in favor of any entity at that point, but giving us the facts, as they said it.

The Port explained to everybody that they had no interest in managing anything that went on, on that Island.

That meeting went on for about an hour and a half, or to two hours and I suggested at that point, because it didn't seem to be going anywhere, that everybody pause for the evening, go home, think about it, sleep on it, come back the next day and we would ask Mr. Evans to give a more comprehensive plan on exactly what he was planning, or what Riviera Beach thought could happen with the property.

So, we did that. We came back the next morning at 10:00. Mr. Evans gave a detailed report on the City's vision and the plan for Peanut Island. He explained the City wasn't planning a large event center, but a state of the rat welcome center that would be used for business meetings, class [stammer] trips and private daytime gatherings. The City would follow existing noise ordinances. He indicated that the City is also prepared to restore and renovate the historic buildings and return the boathouse to its original form, complete with the historic boat.

He stated that this could be a major increase to tourism in the county and the City, and increases the historical value of the Island. And he stated the City was looking at a public private partnership to finance the pro'.., this project, so that it wouldn't be a strain on the municipality, but there would be a public private partnership. And he also said that the City would be prepared to work with any party involved in the, in the project.

Mayor Fiers., Fiers, Fiers., of Palm Beach Shores wasn't in favor of that, and decided that because we were having a public meeting in this room, he thought that we should sugg'.., we should select two members from each entity to come back together to hammer out the discussion and see what we could come to with all the parties involved.

The Mayors.., the incoming Mayor.., the current and incoming Mayor the Town of Palm Beach were here the first day not the second, but Jay Boodheshwar from the Town.., from the Town of Palm Beach reiterated that the Town of Palm Beach remains

opposed to any additional building on the Island, and maintain that they're only in favor of the restoration of the historical sites.

The County stated that they're prepared to move forward with restorations, and willing to work with the City of Riviera Beach to explore future use of the development. The County reiterated that the current Comprehensive Plan prohibits any retail use on the Island, which meant we couldn't sell anything on the Island at all, even [stammer] a refreshment stand.

We left that meeting . And then, reconvened on March the 10th. Those meetings were February 23rd and 24th. We, at the suggestion of Mayor Fier, we dec'..., we reconvened on March 10th at the Robert Weissman Governmental Center with the County. At that meeting, we had your Deputy City Manager Elizabeth McBride and Assistant City Manager Deirdre Jacobs. Mr. Evans was, unfortunately, hospitalized at the time and unable to attend. The Ci'..., the County, at that point, told us that grants could only be applied by [stammer] applied for by certified government entities. And the County, being that certified entity, prepared..., was prepared to apply for grants for the Department of the Interior. They emphasized that five years ago, the cost of restoration for the facilities was five to \$5.5MM and felt that they were in a place to get the grants to, to fill those obligations.

The Port stated at that meeting, that they were not in the entertainment business, and acknowledged that they had opened up the opp'.., they acknowledged that they had opened the opportunity to the City of Riviera Beach to get in the running for the lease.

Mayor Coniglio restated that the Town of Palm Beach position was that the County should take the lead on the lease with all the cities shoulder to shoulder, an MOU should be drafted to spell out the roles of each entity, and this will be a community effort with the Lagoon neighborhoods. She stated that there would be no changes in the Land Use, the Comp Plan or the zoning.

Mayor Fiers echoed the Palm Beach recommendation, adding there should be a.., there should be a refreshment facility, if we could do that, and he would, he would be in agreement with changing the Comp Plan for something that small. Again, he recommended that the entities come together behind the County to hammer out the scope of the activities.

Verdenia Baker was with us and stated that all the entities should be clear on the use of the property before an MOU is signed. Ms. Baker suggested activities such as tours, approved culture activities, Easter egg hunts for children. And Ms. Baker, at that point, clarified that the County had been discussing this with the Port since 2000. And had begun discussing it in earnest since 2017, when the last lease was ended. In '19'.., in 2019 was when the Board began discussing other opportunities, and that point, began to discuss things with the City of Riviera Beach.

The Port reminded everyone that the Port Board meeting expected a Letter of Intent at their March 18th meeting, and that the Port required a five-day notice to include

all letters in advance of that meeting. And Ms. Baker indicated that she would.., that would require her to have a conversation with their Legal Department.

All parties agreed that the first priority is restoration of the property, and the property should be open and available to students and tourists. All parties agreed that a MOU would be required. The single point of contention is that Palm Beach and Palm Beach Shores are firm that the Island should be used for passive use only. And, Riviera Beach envisions a more robust use of the property.

The question remains, who is the Port going to do business with? Who gets the lease? Should Riviera Beach submit a Letter of Intent, Palm Beach told us that they intended to submit a Letter as well to compete with Riviera Beach. Ms. Baker informed everyone that the County was in no position and did not intend to compete with any other entity. That meeting ended with Ms. Baker saying that she would get in touch with Mr. Evans, and they would have a dis'.., a discussion. Excuse me.

The final meeting was March 18th, which was the Port Commission meeting. Mr. Evans addressed the Commission. He reported that Riviera Beach had great interest in the restoration and development of Peanut Island property, and they had a clear vision for a welcome center, educational space, meeting space, a vintage boat and a restored [stammer] boathouse, an event space that would link activities to the current Marina. He said that while Riviera Beach had the vision to create what would be the jewel of this community, it was clear that the City did not have the support of the neighboring municipalities.

He stated that because the Towns of Palm Beach and Palm Beach Shores had no desire to deviate from the previous policies or consider modification of the current Comp Plan, Riviera Beach would be hard pressed to proceed given the lack of support. Mr. Evans stated that given the lack of synergy, Riviera Beach would yield to the County in taking the leadership role, and having them take a leadership role, in the future Peanut Island. Riviera Beach will remain at the table with the other municipalities as an MOU is develop and the specifics of the future use would determine.

Mayor Fiers publicly commended Mr. Evans on his decision and assured him that the usage of the Island will be inclusive and encompass a rich diversity of the surrounding cities. Erin Call from the County, Parks & Restora'..., and Recreation said that the County will take the lead on the Island and that they're committed to restoration, not redevelopment, and to creating a low impact, educational facility. He echoed Mayor Fiers that equity will be an important factor as they move forward.

And that concludes the report.

Chairperson Lanier: Thank you. Are there any questions from the Board?

1021 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Madam Chair?

1022 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.

- 1023 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** I don't have a question, but I do just want to make mention that I did attend that Port meeting, and I can say that Mr. Evans did really tried very hard in, in terms of trying to make sure that the City had a, a, a appropriate seat at the table. And it's unfortunate that, you know, some of the neighbors that border the Peanut Island, basically just want it to sit as is. And, and, you know, I don't quite fully understand it when just this weekend, we had Floatopia, I think it was, and, I mean, it, it was a very busy area. And so, I'm not really sure of how that is different.
- So, I, you know, I hope that at some point, we're able to be realistic and, and try to share what we have out there in the waters because we.., it really could've been a really special thing and I, I think at this point, it's probably just going to remain as is. And, and.., it, it's just very unfortunate.
- But I appreciate all of your help, and, and Ms. Cheives as well.
- Thank you.
- 1036 **Ms. B. Cheives:** I was going.., I do have to ad one comment that Mr. Evans made at the end of his presentation at the Port, that I thought was brilliant. He said, 'In twenty years, people will look back at this and say it was a missed opportunity.'
- 1039 Councilperson Lawson: Mhmm.
- 1040 **Ms. B. Cheives:** And I honestly believe that it is.
- 1041 **Councilperson Lawson:** Madam Chair?
- 1042 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead, sir.
- 1043 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair.
- I just wanna echo the sentiments of Councilwoman Miller-Anderson. I, I saw the efforts that Mr. Evans put forward to this project to bringing something to our City, and I commend him for making every attempt possible. There was just pushback at every angle, and it's to the point now where we're gonna have to just try to revisit this or hope there's a change of heart in those other areas to allow for us to work together and get something done and accomplished.
- So, I do believe that it is a missed opportunity, but I believe that there's also opportunity for us to come back and mend this and get something done in the, hopefully, near future.
- Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 1054 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Are there any other comments from the Board?
- 1055 [Pause]

- 1056 **Ms. B. Cheives:** Thank you.
- 1057 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Next Item, Madam Clerk.
- 1058 **PUBLIC HEARINGS**
- 1059 ORDINANCES ON SECOND AND FINAL READING
- 1060 **ITEMS TABLED**
- 1061 **REGULAR**
- 1062 **9. City Clerk Anthony:** Item No. 9.
- 1063 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 35-21 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 1064 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1065 FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF AND AUTHORIZING
- 1066 THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH THE FIRMS
- 1067 AVISON YOUNG, JONES LANG LASALLE, LAMBERT ADVISORY LLC, AND PFM
- 1068 CONSULTANTS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP ADVISORY
- 1069 SERVICES FOR VARIOUS CITY-WIDE PROJECTS; PROVIDING FOR TWO (2)
- 1070 ADDITIONAL TWELVE (12) MONTH RENEWAL OPTIONS BASED UPON THE
- 1071 MUTUAL CONSENT OF THE PARTIES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 1072 RANDY SHERMAN, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR,
- 1073 **561-845-4040**
- 1074 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do not have public
- comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.
- 1076 **Councilperson Botel:** I move we accept Resolution No. 35-21.
- 1077 **Councilperson Lawson:** Second.
- 1078 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Second.
- 1079 **Chairperson Lanier:** Mr. Evans.
- 1080 City Manager Evans: Ma'... Madam Chair and Members of the Board, this Item
- before you this evening is seeking authorization to move forward with agreements for a
- public private partnership advisors. The list of advisors stem from financial advisors to
- real estate advisors to small and large scale housing advisors. By allowing for us to move
- forward with this particular agreement, we can then utilize the professional services to
- facilitate P3 consultant work for the Intent to Negotiate with Fire Station 88, as well as the
- 1086 CRA is looking to adopt the same type of Resolution at your next regular meeting to be
- able to utilize these services to help with the Marina Phase 2.

- 1088 Mr. Sherman is prepared to answer any questions the Board may have. And Staff recommends approval of the Resolution before you this evening.
- 1090 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Board Members are there any questions in
- regards to this Item? [Pause]. Hearing none. Madam Clerk.
- 1092 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 1093 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.
- 1094 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 1095 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1096 City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson Botel? [Pause]. Vice.., Chari Pro Tem Miller-
- 1097 Anderson? [Pause]. Chair Lanier?
- 1098 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1099 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilpersons Botel and Miller-
- 1100 Anderson out.
- 1101 Chairperson Lanier: Next Item.
- 1102 **10. City Clerk Anthony:** Item No. 10.
- 1103 City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 37-21 A RESOLUTION OF THE
- 1104 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1105 FLORIDA: AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT
- 1106 BETWEEN MGT OF AMERICA CONSULTING, LLC AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA
- 1107 BEACH (CITY) TO UNDERTAKE AN IMPACT FEE STUDY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO
- 1108 EXCEED \$65,000; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 1109 RANDY SHERMAN, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR,
- 1110 **561-845-4040**
- 1111 City Clerk Anthony: Madam Chair, Members of the Board we have a public
- comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment is now closed.
- 1113 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Can I get a motion to approve Resolution 37-21?
- 1114 Councilperson McCoy: So moved.
- 1115 Councilperson Lawson: Second.
- 1116 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Public comment, Madam Clerk.
- 1117 **City Clerk Anthony:** Delores Williams.

- 1118 [Inaudible dais comment]
- **Ms. D. Williams:** I'm very disappointed with the Board. I did put my card in the first
- 1120 time. But, the only thing I was coming up here, not to criticize any of you tonight, but any
- ltem, but I got up here to honor one of the City workers, to let ya'll know, Pauline that work
- 1122 with the City new engineer...
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Mrs. Williams, you have to comment on the Item that is before
- 1124 us. The Item...
- **Ms. D. Williams:** But that's all L...
- 1126 Chairperson Lanier: ...is in regards...
- **Ms. D. Williams:** ...wanted to say.
- **Chairperson Lanier:**to an agreement between....
- **Ms. D. Williams:** I know that. I just wanted to give a comment when I had...
- 1130 Chairperson Lanier: You have to...
- **Ms. D. Williams:** ...it before.
- **Chairperson Lanier:** But you have to comment on the Item that is on the Agenda,
- 1133 ma'am.
- **Ms. D. Williams:** All I just wanted to give a comment on one of the workers in this City,
- 1135 Pauline [inaudible]...
- **Chairperson Lanier:** I understand that.
- **Ms. D. Williams:** That's all I wanted to say.
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Okay. Thank you very much.
- **Ms. D. Williams:** Her name's Pauline, she works for...
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you very much, ma'am.
- **Ms. D. Williams:** ...the new engineer.
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Tha'...
- **Ms. D. Williams**: That's all...
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you very much.
- **Ms. D. Williams:** ...I wanted to say. And...

- 1146 **Chairperson Lanier:** Are there any...
- 1147 **Ms. D. Williams:** ...that's [inaudible].
- 1148 **Chairperson Lanier:** ... questions from the Board in regards to this Item?
- 1149 Councilperson Lawson: Madam Chair?
- 1150 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead, sir.
- 1151 **Councilperson Lawson:** With the impact fees, I just.., with, I'm sorry, the study, I just
- believe that this is something that we.., I support in reference to taking a look at updating
- our impact fees. Development and costs and that's coming down the pipeline for our City,
- we're going to really need to be prepared financially. And, the increase in recent crimes,
- has already advocated problems in our community. Development, economics, process
- and growth in the City is the only way that we can address certain things. As policymakers
- this is how we implement this, by establishing programming and using some of these
- impact fees by establishing some growth with our City, giving our police force additional
- support, increasing the median income. Utilizing these fees to properly fund our
- 1160 community.
- So, I support the study. I really wanna see how we can actually implement this
- into a process of changing the trajectory of our community.
- 1163 Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 1164 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you, sir. Any other comments in regards to this Item?
- 1165 [Pause]. Madam Clerk.
- 1166 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 1167 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1168 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Botel?
- 1169 Councilperson Botel: Yes.
- 1170 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 1171 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.
- 1172 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?
- 1173 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1174 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Lanier?
- 1175 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.

- 1176 **City Clerk Anthony:** Motion approved.
- 1177 Chairperson Lanier: Next Item.
- 1178 11. City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 39-21 A RESOLUTION OF
- 1179 THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1180 FLORIDA AUTHORIZING JH SPRAGUE CONSULTING, LLC TO PREPARE AND TO
- 1181 SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$648,525 FOR PHASE IV DOCKS G-B AND
- 1182 G-A AS PART OF THE APPROVED 2021 FIVE YEAR MARINA CAPITAL PLAN;
- 1183 UNDER THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT(FIND) WATERWAYS
- 1184 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND UPON NOTIFICATION OF AWARD, ACCEPT THE
- 1185 GRANT AND AUTHORIZE THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH THE BUDGET;
- 1186 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 1187 RANDY SHERMAN, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR,
- 1188 **561-845-4040**
- 1189 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do have a public
- 1190 comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.
- 1191 **Councilperson Botel:** I move that we accept Resolution No. 39-21.
- 1192 Councilperson McCoy: Second.
- 1193 Councilperson Lawson: Second.
- 1194 **Chairperson Lanier:** Madam Clerk, public comment, please.
- 1195 **City Clerk Anthony**: Fane Lozman.
- 1196 [Pause]
- 1197 **Councilperson Botel:** [Inaudible].
- 1198 Chairperson Lanier: Seeing he's not here, Madam Clerk, we will move on to
- 1199 comments from the Board in regards to this Item. Are there any comments on this Item,
- 1200 Board?
- 1201 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Can we hear the presentation? [Inaudible].
- 1202 **Chairperson Lanier:** Is there any presentation on this Item?
- 1203 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair, briefly. This particular Item is requesting
- that the Board authorizes JH Sprague Consulting to proceed forward with submitting a
- grant to the Florida Inland Navigational District for the amount of \$648,525. The matching
- funds that would be needed in the event that the City is able to receive the grant, has
- already been booked and has been planned, as this is part of subsequent phases of the
- Marina dock projects that we have been working on for some time now.

- 1209 At this particular time, Staff recommends approval of the Item before you this
- evening. And no funds would be expended until the City receives confirmation that the
- grant has been secured.
- 1212 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Any questions, comments from the Board?
- 1213 Councilperson Lawson: No, Madam Chair.
- 1214 **Chairperson Lanier:** Who said something? No?
- 1215 **Councilperson Lawson:** I said no...
- 1216 Chairperson Lanier: Okay.
- 1217 **Councilperson Lawson**: ...Madam Chair.
- 1218 Chairperson Lanier: Madam Clerk.
- 1219 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Botel?
- 1220 Councilperson Botel: Yes.
- 1221 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 1222 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.
- 1223 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 1224 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1225 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?
- 1226 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1227 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Lanier?
- 1228 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1229 **City Clerk Anthony:** Motion approved.
- 1230 Chairperson Lanier: Next Item.
- 1231 12. City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 41-21A RESOLUTION OF
- 1232 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING
- 1233 \$35,000 FOR THE WATER TANK ART PROJECT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
- 1234 **DATE**.
- 1235 **RONNIE FELDER, MAYOR, 561-845-4145**

- 1236 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do not have public
- 1237 comment on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.
- 1238 **Chairperson Lanier:** Can I get a motion to approve Resolution...
- 1239 **Councilperson Botel:** So moved.
- 1240 Chairperson Lanier: ...41-21?
- 1241 **Councilperson Lawson:** I second.
- 1242 **Councilperson Botel**: Thank you.
- 1243 **Chairperson Lanier:** Presentation, Mr. Evans.
- 1244 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, this Item before you is seeking City Council
- authorization to proc'..., proceed forward with expending \$35,000 for the art on the water
- tank. The Mayor has had a community meeting, which was held early last week, I believe.
- 1247 And, the attendance numbers weren't as high as we anticipated because we had
- inclement weather. The Mayor is going to set up another meeting to be able to get input
- from the community with regards to two additional persons, females, that we would place
- on the water tank.

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- Originally, when the project was contemplated, there were three persons that would be on the water tank, two males and one female. And so, we've expanded that to include an additional female. So, there will be a total of four persons on the water tank. And so, the Mayor is working with the community, as well as Ms. Noel, to facilitate a
- subsequent digital meeting that will allow for additional feedback, and then that will come
- to the Board. Previous action that the Board did authorize is.., they did authorize us to move forward with the additional.., the first two individuals associated with the project,
- 1257 move forward with the additional..., the first two individuals associated with th
- and that is Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and President Barack Obama.

The cost associated with the project originally, was [stammer] anticipated to be \$25,000, but with the additional persons that would be added to the tank, as well as some additional prep work that needs to occur, the total cost of the project is \$35,000.

At this particular moment, Staff recommends approval of the Item before you this evening. And then subsequent actions will come back before the Board to select the two other persons that will be part of the art project.

- 1265 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Are there any questions from the Board?
- 1266 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1267 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?
- 1268 **Chairperson Lanier:** Mr. McCoy. I'm sorry. Councilman McCoy.

- 1269 Councilperson McCoy: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 1270 Mr. Evans, you said the project is from \$25,000, now we're up to \$35,000. Will we
- take this Item back again to authorize the expenditure? Because this says just setting
- 1272 forth a budget.
- 1273 **City Manager Evans:** This, this is something that would be all inclusive, if the Board
- authorizes this particular expenditure request.
- 1275 **Councilperson McCoy:** If it's above the limit, are we selecting two different vendors?
- 1276 What exactly...
- 1277 **City Manager Evans:** [Stammer]...
- 1278 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm not sure why we're adopting a budget, and not an actual
- expenditure or a contract, or something of the sort.
- 1280 **City Manager Evans:** The competitive solicitation occurred, and the original
- estimate was \$25,000. Pursuant to the Code, you do have the ability to authorize
- additional work if a competitive solicitation process has occurred, and so you do have
- that. There was not an additional solicitation that was provided for because, if you select
- an artist, you don't want another artist, per se, in essence, working on that particular
- project. So, that would, that would deviate and probably change the scope of the project,
- and maybe increase the cost associated with the project.
- So this particular Item is requesting that the Board authorizes the \$35,000
- expenditure associated with the project to incorporate the two males that were mentioned
- early, as well as the additional two females.
- 1290 Councilperson McCoy: Mr. Evans, my only question that I'm asking you is, this is
- asking us to approve a budget of \$335,000. What you're asking us to do is essentially
- 1292 approve an expenditure. And the difference is, this Resolution doesn't identify who
- exactly the expenditure is being set forth to. So that is what my concern is. If it's gonna
- be over \$25,000, then obviously there should've been some indication of the exact vendor
- that we're using. So that's what I was a little not certain on.
- 1296 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Any other questions?
- 1297 Councilperson Botel: Madam...
- 1298 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I'm waiting on a response.
- 1299 **Chairperson Lanier:** Oh, I'm sorry.
- 1300 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if it's the Board's desire to provide additional
- clarity with regards to the, the expenditure request of \$35,000, but the title of the
- 1302 Resolution is approving \$35,000 for the water tank art project.

- 1303 Councilperson McCoy: Okay. If... Madam Chair?
- 1304 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead.
- 1305 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, you know, I don't have a problem with it. I mean, if it's
- necessary to insert who the vendor is, then I wanna be able to do that and make sure that
- it's done proper because this does exceed the \$25,000 threshold.
- Now, if you were suggesting to me that there was other prep work, meaning that
- there was another vendor that was gonna do the prep area, or do the pressure washing
- or something, then I think that that's admissible. I just don't want it to come back that this
- was not properly, in my opinion, properly authorized because it does exceed the limit in
- the Manager's authority. However, there's missing a actual vendor.
- 1313 **Chairperson Lanier:** Do you want to address that, Mr. Evans? Is.., has that been
- addressed properly, Mr. McCoy?
- 1315 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: No. They're talking [inaudible]. They're talking.
- 1316 Councilperson McCoy: And, and while they're deliberating on it, I guess my other
- concern is, Mr. Evans, if you can also just clarify the source of the funds, because I think
- 1318 I mentioned it says any legal funds. I, I just wanna make sure that we're clear that this is
- coming from the authority of the City Manager's budget and not USD dollars.
- 1320 **City Manager Evans:** That is correct, Councilperson. The funds that are available
- for the particular project would come out of funding that's available in the City Manager's
- budget to accomplish the project at the total cost of \$35,000.
- 1323 If it is the Board's pleasure, we can add a, a provision in there, in Section 3, that
- names the particular artist that will be doing the project, because there is no sub work
- that will be provided to any additional contractor. They will manage the project in its
- entirety. And the gentleman's name is Harold...
- 1327 Councilperson Lawson: Caudio.
- 1328 City Manager Evans: Claudio?
- 1329 Councilperson Lawson: Caudio.
- 1330 **Unk.:** C-A-U...
- 1331 City Manager Evans: C-A-U, Claudio.
- 1332 Councilperson McCoy: Alright. Well, I yield.
- 1333 Chairperson Lanier: Alright. Thank you, sir.
- 1334 Councilperson Botel: Madam Chair?

- 1335 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1336 **Councilperson Botel:** I think my concern is that I would be voting on something that
- doesn't have a certain design. I mean, we're.., you're asking us to vote on something
- when we really don't know what the final project is gonna look like. So, I mean, while
- 1339 you're saying that you're gonna leave it up to another community charette to pick the two
- other figures to go on the tower, I would feel more comfortable waiting to vote on this until
- after it's decided what those two figures are because I may, you know, I may decide I
- don't agree with it.
- So, my, my preference would be to put this aside for a moment or two. Well, a
- week or two, until you have an opportunity to have these community meetings, so that we
- really know what it is we're voting on.
- 1346 City Manager Evans: Madam Chair, if I may?
- 1347 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead, sir.
- 1348 **City Manager Evans:** With regards to the, the artist starting on the project, the intent
- was for him to start on the, the first two individuals because he has turned down additional
- ightharpoonup jobs and delayed the project. And so, our concern is, we are going to look to have the
- subsequent meeting, and then bring that before you as far as the, the name of females
- that would be considered as individuals that the community wanted to see on the tank.
- And that will be brought to you at your May 5th meeting. But, they would look to start the
- work on the two individuals that the Board provided consensus that they were comfortable
- 1355 with.
- So, you ultimately will have the final say on those two individuals. We're just gonna
- provide recommendations to the Board, based on what the community input is. And I
- think this would be the fourth meeting that we've had on the project.
- 1359 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Madam Chair?
- 1360 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead.
- 1361 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Are you finished? Ms. Botel finished?
- 1362 Councilperson Botel: Yes.
- 1363 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** The.., so, it was originally \$25,000 for three
- 1364 people. Right?
- 1365 **City Manager Evans:** That's correct.
- 1366 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: And then.., how did they come up with the
- additional \$10,000 for a fourth person?

- 1368 **City Manager Evans:** There was some.., when the vendor pressure washed the
- tank, there was some damage that occurred, that they actually scaped off too much of
- the paint off of the tank, so it needs to be corrected and fixed and replaced and that's why
- the costs have gone up associated with the particular project, and then the other person
- that we have added on the tank that had some cost associated with it.
- 1373 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Did they ever provide, like, a budget or, or
- invoice of, of some sort, with the breakdown of all of the prices of everything? I think
- before, it was under the twenty-five, so we didn't necessarily.., it wasn't really for us to be
- getting involved with 'cause it was being handled by you. So, was there something
- provided in terms of the cost?
- 1378 **City Manager Evans:** We, we do have an estimate on the cost, or an invoice on the
- cost but it's not broken down per individual as it relates to the particular project. It's the
- total cost, and then, you know, a deposit was requested. But it's not broken down that
- specifically, as to all the nuances that will be needed or done associated with the project.
- 1382 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Alright. Thank you.
- 1383 **Chairperson Lanier:** Are there any other comments? Yes.
- 1384 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair, I wanna offer this disclosure, which I think is
- probably not required, but I think it's more necessary. But, I did actually engage Mr.
- 1386 Caudio back on March 28th to do a personal photo, which I paid in advance. So, I just
- wanna make sure that doesn't come up that, in some way, that this...
- 1388 [Chuckles]
- 1389 **Councilperson McCov**: I had to go back and look at the date.
- 1390 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: You slid your...
- 1391 **Councilperson McCoy:** I wanna make sure that there is no...
- 1392 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: ...photo in the price?
- 1393 Councilperson McCoy: Huh?
- 1394 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: You slid...
- 1395 **Chairperson Lanier:** That this is what [inaudible]?
- 1396 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: ...your photo in the price?
- 1397 Chair pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Oh my.
- 1398 Councilperson McCoy: No, no. 1...
- 1399 [Chuckles]

- 1400 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. It was, it, it was a personal photo...
- 1401 **Unk.:** Okay.
- 1402 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...that I engaged him with and I, I got my Cash App to prove
- 1403 it
- 1404 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Okay.
- 1405 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I just wanna make sur that I give that disclosure. So, in
- no relation... And, that's almost actually why I wanted to make sure that we clarify who
- this Resolution because we have a very unusual circumstances that will then turn around
- and end up in a cir'.., circumstance where there's a suggestion that this may have been
- associated with it. But, well in advance, and I'll offer this up into public records that this
- was something I engaged well ahead of this Item.
- 1411 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. My comments for this is, I was anticipating
- \$25,000 for this project and the \$35,000,, I have heartburn with.
- Second of all, I don't have.., if I could've at least seen what it would look like.., I'm,
- 1414 I'm sure that the artist would, you know, could do a sketch for us or something that could
- 1415 give us some idea of what the water tank will look like.
- 1416 And then, third of all, I think that we need, you know, when you say community
- charettes and community events, we certainly want to be able... we don't want to, you
- know, keep having them ad nauseum and nothing happens, but we also want to make
- sure that we have everything set before we get started with this. Now, with that being
- said, we're still looking at another additional two individuals that..., another one individual
- that's co'... costing us \$10,000. I just do have some heartburn with the, with the cost.
- 1422 **Mayor Felder:** Ma'.., Madam Chair?
- 1423 **Chairperson Lanier:** Hold on a second. I'm not finished. The heartburn that I have
- with the cost, as I stated before, was the fact that going into this, and up until now, we
- were looking at \$25,000 with the discretion... under the discretion of the City Manager's
- budget. But now, we have... went up to \$35,000 and, even though I love Art in Public
- Places, especially the project that Councilman Lawson brought forth, those types of
- projects will be funded through developers who are bringing business to our City, and that
- funding would come out of those funds, not from the City. And therefore, we're looking
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- at \$35,000 from the City coffers for a painting on the water tank. And, as I said before, I
- like Art in Public Places, but I have heartburn with this going from twenty-five to \$35,000.
- 1432 Those are my comments.
- 1433 **Mayor Felder:** Madam Chari?
- 1434 Chairperson Lanier: Yes, sir.

- 1435 **Mayor Felder:** So, we can stay at the \$25,000. I will personally give \$10,000, my
- personal money, to get the art project on the water tank.
- 1437 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?
- 1438 **Mayor Felder:** You guys approved the twenty-five, I'll personally put ten with it.
- 1439 Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair?
- 1440 Chairperson Lanier: Yes, sir.
- 1441 Councilperson McCoy: Mr., Mr. Mayor, before you get to committing, I'm not sure if
- 1442 I.., and I, and I'm certainly not saying that I don't think you should do that, but if I'm hearing
- the Manager correctly, the additional dollars is, that's being requested is, in part, by some
- 1444 routine maintenance that occurred?
- 1445 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah.
- 1446 City Manager Evans: Madam Chair, if I may?
- 1447 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead.
- 1448 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. Some'.., when we had the, the tank pressure washed
- 1449 to prepare the site for the artist, actually the company pressure washed too much and
- actually peeled off some of the paint, which caused some damage to the site. So, the
- issue has to be cured before it can be painted. And so, that's some cost associated with
- 1452 that.
- 1453 And we also looked at a vendor that would come in and do that, to see if that was
- something that we can reduce the number of the project, but what would happen is
- invariably, the vendor would not.., it would be tough for the vendor to be able to get exactly
- where the artist felt comfortable. And actually, it was cheaper for us to engage the artist
- to facilitate that particular process consistent with what they need the site to be to move
- forward with the project.
- 1459 **Chairperson Lanier:** Okay.
- 1460 **Councilperson Lawson:** Madam Chair?
- 1461 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes, [inaudible].
- 1462 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair.
- Looking at the actual cost that the original invoice, or the original expense, was
- 1464 \$25,000 with three individuals. We requested to add a fourth individual. That additional
- 1465 cost is a rough estimate of about..., if it was per individual that he was painting, paint time,
- effort, \$8,333. If we add that to the \$25,000 cost, that takes us up to about thirty...
- \$31,000..., \$32,000. So, I'm assuming that the maintenance cost is why it went up to the

- thirty-five. I don't think that I would actually want the Mayor to contribute those \$10,000
- to this project. I do agree with Councilwoman Lanier that there is a little of a heartburn,
- but we, we did request to add that fourth person.
- 1471 And, I would actually like to move forward with it because I know that the artist has
- been waiting to get started on this project. And I think it will be an amazing kickstart. I
- 1473 agree with Councilwoman Lanier that I really want us to move forward. And in my
- 1474 comments I was going to address the Arts in Public Places and get some feedback on
- that so we can actually attract some of these local vendors and businesses that are
- coming to our community to assist with it.
- But I think this will be a good kickstart that we can invest [stammer].., invest into
- as a community to really kinda be the catalyst for that Arts in Public Places. So, I would
- actually be in support of the Item as is.
- 1480 Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 1481 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Are there any other comments in regards to this
- 1482 Item? [Pause]. None. Madam Clerk.
- 1483 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 1484 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.
- 1485 City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson McCoy?
- 1486 Councilperson McCoy: Yes.
- 1487 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Botel?
- 1488 Councilperson Botel: No.
- 1489 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?
- 1490 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1491 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Lanier?
- 1492 Chairperson Lanier: No.
- 1493 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilpersons Lanier and Botel
- 1494 dissenting.
- 1495 **Chairperson Lanier:** Next Item.
- 1496 13. City Clerk Anthony: RESOLUTION NUMBER 40-21 A RESOLUTION OF
- 1497 THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,
- 1498 FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATIVE
- 1499 SERVICES TO APPROPRIATE \$150,000.00 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES RESERVES BUDGET TO ACCOUNT NUMBER 1500 1501 10117101-531000, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **CLARENCE SIRMONS, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, 561-845-4090** 1502 Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do not have any 1503 City Clerk Anthony: 1504 public comments on this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now 1505 closed. Can I... 1506 **Chairperson Lanier:** 1507 Councilperson Botel: I move that we adopt Resolution No. 40-21. 1508 Councilperson Lawson: Second. **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** 1509 Second. 1510 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Any public comments? Madam Chair, Members of the Board, we do not have any 1511 City Clerk Anthony: 1512 public comment on this Item. Mr. Evans. 1513 **Chairperson Lanier:** 1514 City Manager Evans: Madam Chair, since Director Sirmons is such an excellent 1515 presenter, I think it's only appropriate... 1516 [Chuckles] 1517 City Manager Evans: ...he comes up here and does his own presentation. So, I'd like to have the Director of Development Services, Mr. Clarence Sirmons. 1518 1519 **Chairperson Lanier:** Alright. Mr. Trophy. 1520 [Chuckles] 1521 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** I did say I'm always happy to talk about 1522 Development Services, so. 1523 Good evening, Madam Chair, Members of the Council, Mr. Manager, Mr. Mayor. 1524 As stated, this Item is to replenish the funds in the Department's professional services account, as they have been more quickly depleted in this Fiscal Year. And I am 1525 here to answer any questions there may be related to the Item. 1526 1527 Chairperson Lanier: Thank you. Are there any questions from the Board for Mr. Sirmons? 1528 1529 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Yes. Madam Chair?

- 1530 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead.
- 1531 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: So, if it's \$75,000, why are we asking for one
- 1532 fifty? Just in case something else occurs or what?
- 1533 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** Yes. This amount is to cover us for the
- remainder of the year. We do project additional expenses related to legal items related
- to the Department, but as well as any other professional services activity. So, that
- includes a third party for our Building Department for CAP. Even though we only use
- 1537 them in a limited capacity, we do have expenses there. We have items such as
- 1538 consultants for our Comp Plan work. So,, all of those things come out of our professional
- 1539 services account.
- 1540 And again, it has been depleted more quickly than normal this year, so we would
- like to avoid having to come back to Council later on in this Fiscal Year to cover any
- 1542 further expenses, so we projected out how much we would need for the remainder of the
- 1543 year. And anything not expended during this Fiscal Year would be returned to the
- reserves account for the Department.
- 1545 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** So, just looking forward, when we do budget, or
- start talking about budget, do you per'... perceive this being something we probably need
- to increase or is this some anomaly?
- 1548 **Development Services Director Sirmons:** Yes. That is something we are
- 1549 considering. We don't expect a, a reduction in, in some of the items that have garnered
- legal expenses, and we are looking to do some significant work on our Comp Plan in the
- coming year. So, we will ensure, during the next budget cycle, we can cover those without
- having to do any future transfers.
- 1553 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Thank you.
- 1554 **Chairperson Lanier:** Any other questions for Mr. Sirmons? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.
- 1555 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy? [Pause]. Councilperson Botel?
- 1556 Councilperson Botel: Yes.
- 1557 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 1558 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.
- 1559 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?
- 1560 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1561 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Lanier?
- 1562 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.

City Clerk Anthony: Motion approved.

Chairperson Lanier: Thank you.

DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER

Chairperson Lanier: Next Item is discussion by the City Manager.

City Manager Evans: Yes, Madam Chair. Just briefly. Just to remind everyone that we do have the ribbon cutting of our urban farm, that is to occur on Saturday. So, we did send a meeting invite to the elected officials. But for those members of the public that would like to join us, the address is 1621 West Blue Heron. It's actually on the site that the old Fire Station 88 was on. And that goes from 12:00 to 3:00. The ribbon cutting part of it starts at 12:00, but it's contemplated that they'll keep you there working and, and providing some type of support to be able to get our urban farm up and operational.

And the intent behind this urban farm is to address some of the food gaps that we have in our community, and we anticipate being able to deliver anywhere between eight to ten thousand pounds of fresh, organic produce to our community. So, thank you for the support and the leadership from the Board to see this project come to fruition. So this is one of many projects that will be coming online.

Also, the Staff has requested a special meeting of the City Council on Wednesday, April 28th at 6:00 p.m. That is to deal with the ITN, our Intent to Negotiate with Fire Station 88. That.., you will hear a presentation from the firm that is.., that has submitted for the solicitation, and then, Staff. And then, hopefully, we can move forward in subsequent steps to bring that Fire Station out of the ground.

Also, to the Council, we will be talking with you individually. Staff has come up with an idea and solution as it relates to Fire Station 86. That's the Fire Station on Singer Island. And we do want to discuss possibilities that we've identified property where the new station can go, and seemingly, we may be able to look to have both those fire stations under construction at the same time.

So, some exciting things are on the horizon. And the, our Library is on track. And for any of the elect officials that would like to get an opportunity to tour the facility, please let myself or anyone in the City Manager's office know, and we can get that coordinated.

1593 And that concludes my comments, Madam Chair.

Chairperson Lanier: Thank you.

Councilperson McCoy: Madam Chair? Question regarding that.

Chairperson Lanier: Yes. Go ahead.

- 1597 **Councilperson McCoy:** Is, is there gonna formal ribbon cutting or something of the
- sort with the Library?
- 1599 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Councilman McCoy. We are going to.., our Library grand
- opening is going to be on Juneteenth. Actually, on the morning of that day, we'll have our
- demolition ceremony at the old Library, and then later on in the day, we'll have our grand
- opening at the new Library. So, that day, Staff is working out the logistics and will provide
- the save the date card for all the elected officials and members of the community.
- 1604 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you.
- 1605 **DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY**
- 1606 **Chairperson Lanier:** City Attorney.
- 1607 **City Attorney Wynn:** Yes, Madam Chair. Briefly.
- I sent you all a.., an email, I believe yesterday, early regarding the firearm prevent'.., preemption lawsuit that the City is a party to. And I need to get your.., whether... I need some direction from you all on whether you want to proceed with the appeal to the Florida Supreme Court, or whether you want to sit this out.
- As I stated in the memo, the previous Council agreed to enter into the, the appeal to the First Direct Court of Appeal. This was urged by the'.., by Councilwoman Botel at the time. And, I don't know if she wants to speak to it or not [stammer], or if you have any questions as it relates to the firearm prev'.., preemption lawsuit. I've spoken with a couple of you about it and I can go through it if you want me to.
- 1617 **Chairperson Lanier:** No. Not at this moment. But you wanna have a comment to
- 1618 it?
- 1619 **Councilperson Botel:** Just a guick comment in that...
- 1620 Chairperson Lanier: [Inaudible].
- 1621 **Councilperson Botel:** ...I would urge my colleagues to approve the expenditure of
- the remaining \$900. I mean, we originally got into this and spent \$10,000 and there were
- only ten or a dozen cities involved, and now I think there are thirty. So, the cost for us to
- 1624 continue in this important endeavor, is minimal. And, I feel very strongly that many, if not
- all, of the residents of Riviera Beach would like to see us free from the shackles of the
- preemption that the State has placed on us so that we cannot bring forth any gun
- regulations in this City, lest we be fined personally \$5,000, kicked off of Council and have
- 1628 the City fined \$100,000.
- So, the purpose of going to the Supreme Court would be to remove those restrictions from us, so that we could engage in sensible gun control. Nobody is wanting to take anybody's guns away, but we do want to be sure that we're engaging in sensible

gun control, in the City, with the hope that other cities, neighboring cities, will follow our lead and do [inaudible].

So, I, I urge you. And, as a matter of fact, if you don't mind, I'd like to make a motion that we expend the remaining \$900 in this endeavor.

- 1636 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Second.
- 1637 **Councilperson Botel:** Thank you.
- 1638 Chairperson Lanier: Any discussion?
- 1639 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair, I'd like to be recognized for debate.
- 1640 **Chairperson Lanier:** Yes. Go ahead, sir.
- 1641 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, I just wanna kinda clarify some alternative facts by
- the Member from the 4th District.
- Respectfully, Councilwoman Botel, I wanna just make sure, in all seriousness, and I'm gonna ask for Ms. Wynn's help, what we're being asked to do does not change the
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- 1646 Councilperson Botel: Right.
- 1647 Councilperson McCoy: And I wanna make sure that Members understand that. In
- 1648 fact, what's here..., and we have to be very, very clear and honest about what, what, what
- we're spending the \$900... And it's not the \$900. I'd be happy to join in, but I don't wanna
- give us the false hope, but we cannot change the law. The only part of the law that is ripe
- for the court to consider, is whether or not we held personally liable.

But, but here's the caveat, and this very important that the Members understand that. That's the only thing that's gonna be brought before the Supreme Court. As it stands right now, if anyone, ourselves included, the City Attorney or the City Manager, or the Police Chief, or any representative or agent of this City of Riviera Beach, attempts to enact anything that is not already authorized under law, you are violating the law. So, the very notion that you're going to offer something that's gonna remove the penalties, means we have to first violate our oath of office by doing something in contravention to the state law.

So, the only thing that's of challenge at this point, is whether or not we can be held personally liable. And I shared this with Ms. Wynn the other day. Members, you may know that House Bill 1 just passed and was authorized by the Governor that actually holds us personally liable. Me, personally, I'm just gonna stay far away from any kinda regulation that's gonna make me personally liable. And I don't understand why we would spend \$900 on something that's gonna be fruitless because in for'..., for us to actually be personally found liable, we had to actually go and personally violate something that's already preempted to the state.

1668	So Members, I just don't know that it's actually something that we should spend
1669	an additional \$900. And I was saying this before, and I think you remember this,
1670	Councilwoman Botel, that even in the beginning, I didn't think it was a good idea because
1671	there was no real, in my opinion, purpose to do this because you would have a
1672	hodgepodge of regulations. And I restate my point that, in order to be penalized, means
1673	we have to first violate the law. And I would hope that we don't get in that situation. Even
1674	though sometimes I mysteriously see arbitrarily, unreasonable searches being done, but
1675	I would like to say that, at this point, we're gonna find ourselves in more trouble.

- 1676 I yield. That's all I have.
- 1677 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you, sir.
- 1678 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: [Inaudible].
- 1679 **Chairperson Lanier:** Any, any other questions in regards to this Item? There's
- been a motion. It's been seconded. Madam Clerk.
- 1681 City Clerk Anthony: Councilperson Botel?
- 1682 Councilperson Botel: Yes.
- 1683 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?
- 1684 Councilperson Lawson: Yes.
- 1685 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?
- 1686 Councilperson McCoy: No.
- 1687 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Miller-Anderson?
- 1688 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: Yes.
- 1689 City Clerk Anthony: Chair Lanier?
- 1690 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.
- 1691 City Clerk Anthony: That motion is approved with Councilperson McCoy
- 1692 dissenting.
- 1693 **Chairperson Lanier:** Any other comments, City Attorney?
- 1694 **City Attorney Wynn:** No. Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 1695 CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 1696 **Chairperson Lanier:** City Council committee reports. Any committee reports to...
- 1697 for, for the public?

1698 Councilperson Botel: Madam Chair?

1699 Chairperson Lanier: Yes.

Councilperson Botel: A, a quick... April 15th, I attended the Transportation, Energy and our, our Ocean panel for Sustainable Palm Beach North, presented by Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency. And I believe I asked that the information from that session be shared with my colleagues on the Council.

And on April.., today, that's April 21st, I attended the Palm Beach County League of Cities Board meeting, at which I was elected to be the representative from the League of Cities to the Hunger Relief Advisory Committee for Palm Beach County. In addition, at that meeting, we had a, a, a report from Michael Stahl at ERM.., from the Environmental Resource Management about the fact that this county has completed its, that, that is the County Environmental Resource Management group, has completed its amendment to the floating structures Ordinance, and I believe that my legislative aide has, or will present you with the synopsis of that floating structure Ordinance. Which will have its first reading before Council on May.., in md-May. And I'm hopeful that my colleagues will join me in supporting the acceptance of that new floating structure Ordinance by the County Commissioners.

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- 1716 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. We'll start...
- 1717 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Stammer]...
- 1718 **Chairperson Lanier:** ...with comments... I'm sorry.
- 1719 Councilperson McCoy: Can, can I ask her a question? Did you say that it's gonna
- come before the County or before the Council?
- 1721 **Councilperson Botel:** The County.
- 1722 Councilperson McCoy: Oh, okay.
- 1723 Councilperson Botel: Yeah.
- 1724 Councilperson McCoy: Alright.
- 1725 **Councilperson Botel:** It, it's a county.., the thing about it is, and the, the value to us
- is, it's a county Ordinance, which mans from which municipalities can opt out. So, the
- thought is that most municipalities will not opt out, and that we will have one uniform
- Ordinance throughout the county, that will govern floating structures so that no matter
- where the floating structure is, whether it's on Palm Beach, Palm Beach Shores, Riviera
- 1730 Beach, Singer Island, wherever, we'll have one uniform way of dealing with these floating
- structures and maybe finally be able to remove some of them from our waterways.

- 1732 **Councilperson McCoy:** And, lastly, you weren't suggesting that we get in contact with
- 1733 your legislative aide?
- 1734 **Councilperson Botel:** No, no, no, no. No, no, no, no.
- 1735 Councilperson McCoy: Okay.
- 1736 **Councilperson Botel:** He has copies of it in the back which he was gonna hand out.
- 1737 So...
- 1738 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Thank you.
- 1739 **Councilperson Botel:** ...he'll, he'll gives you those.
- 1740 Councilperson McCoy: Thanks.
- 1741 **Chairperson Lanier:** Alright. Thank you.
- 1742 STATEMENTS BY THE Mayor AND CITY COUNCIL
- 1743 **Chairperson Lanier:** We have comments from the Mayor and City Council, starting
- with the Mayor.
- 1745 **Mayor Felder:** No comments, Madam Chair. Thank you.
- 1746 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Starting with Councilman Lawson.
- 1747 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair.
- I just wanted to highlight two events that are happening this weekend. There's an expungement resource fair that's being hosted in our City. And, that is gonna be 9:30 to 4:00 o'clock on Saturday, in front of City Hall. That's gonna be an amazing resource for just residents of our community to learn about expungements, to learn about voting rights. It's hosted by Minorities for Medical Marijuana, Trulief, Justice For All Foundation. And it looks like it's gonna be a really good event, so I'd love for my colleagues to come out Saturday, if they're available.
- After that, I believe the, the organization, Reggie Dee Foundation, and the poetry event will be, the National Poetry event, is gonna be at the Marina at.., starting at 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. I think that'll be a phenomenal event for our community.
- I wanted to personally invite my colleagues out on Monday. I'm hosting a Reentry
 Mental Health forum. Every month.., every three month cycle we've been doing a Mental
 Health Forum in the Minority Community to just kind of bring awareness to mental health
 in our community. This month, we're gonna be focused on, since it's Reentry Month and
 Second Chance Month, we're gonna be focused on the effects of mental health in our
 community, especially with our returning citizens. So, at 7:00 p.m. it'll be hosted right
 here in the Marina, and I'd love for my colleagues to come out.

And finally, Mr. Evans, if you can provide for the next Agenda Item, a update in the Arts in Public Places presentation 'cause I know that fell into your office. So, if we can get an update on that and kinda proceed, and start to begin to move forward. 'Cause I'm excited that we're moving forward with the water tank, but I wanna implement this process so that when budget cycle comes around and impact fees are being discussed, we can have this as a discussion because we have multimillion dollars worth of development coming. So, I wanna be prepared in the City.

1772 Thank you, Madam Chair.

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- 1773 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you, sir. Councilman McCoy.
- 1774 Councilperson McCoy: No, Madam Chair.
- 1775 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Councilwoman Botel.
- 1776 Councilperson Botel: Yes. Just a reminder that my quarterly Singer Island town hall 1777 meeting will take place on May 20th at 6:00 at the Ambassador Center, at 1229 East Blue Heron. We'll have a Moderna COVID vaccination event this Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 1778 1779 9:30 a.m. And then the people who are doing the vaccinations are gonna be going over 1780 to Sonoma Bay, and then I think Thousand Oaks. But for us, on Singer Island, it's gonna be 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Walk-ins are welcome. But I will post on Next Door and 1781 1782 Facebook the number if you'd like to make an appointment. I wanna thank Bishop 1783 Masters for providing the opportunity, and thank Mr. Carl Presto for the use of his beautiful boutique hotel as the venue. That's 1000 East Blue Heron. It's little motel right across 1784 1785 the bridge on the north side.
- The Singer..., again, reminder that the Singer Island community garden will be planting out there at 8:30 on Friday. I'll be there. And I'm, I'm not sure if I'll be on the Saturday as well, but.., because I have a beach cleanup at Loggerhead Marine Life Center at 8:30 on Saturday, so I invite anybody who would like to, to join me.
- 1790 That's it. Thank you.
- 1791 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.
- 1792 Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson: The only thing I wanted to announce, I, I
- received a call earlier today regarding a... Let me put on my glasses, hold on.
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- 1795 **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Fumble through it. John Lewis National Action
- Day will be on May 8th. And, it's a call to action. They're asking for all of the help of
- everyone to participate in this Right to Vote event. It's going to take place nationally, and
- they're planning a really big even here in Palm Beach County. It's going to be a
- nonpartisan event. So, no campaigning out there. Everyone will be able to join in. They'll
- 1800 have a votercade going from Boynton Beach and they want to end it here in Riviera
- 1801 Beach. I do believe they have already submitted paperwork and, I think they're trying to

end it somewhere, I believe at Wells. But, anyone who's interested in participating, it's..., you can contact them at votingrightsalliance.org. And the contact.., Palm Beach County coordinator contact is V. Lynn Whitfield. Her number is 561-856-6757, or Ms. Mami Kisner at 561-319-7785. And, as I said before, it's a national call to action. And there are a list of maybe fifty different organizations, national organizations that are endorsing this event. So, if you're interested, please contact them and they can provide you more information. But they're asking for the community to get involved, and then at the end, they'll, they'll meet up, I believe at Wells is where the application's been submitted. So they're trying to get the support of all of the City of Riviera Beach, being that's it's going to end here in our City.

And then, I just had a question for Mr. Evans regarding, I don't know if we talked about it, with the vaccines, 'cause people are asking about will we be doing vaccines? I don't know if..., I don't know if we talked about it last week or not, but if you could just kinda tell people where we are with it, in terms of not doing it every week.

City Manager Evans: Yes. Madam Chair and Members of the Board, we, we are only doing second shots at this particular moment. Our site has transitioned for us to do second shots. So, we still have our pod open on Thursday, Friday and Sa'..., or, actually, Thur'..., Thursday, Friday and Saturday for second shots. And those are for persons that have received shots from the City of Riviera Beach. If persons are looking for the first shots, we can put information on our website. We'll have it up tomorrow, but we have been assisting persons that are coming out to our site, because Gaines Park is still providing for first shots, as well as the county's megasite that they have at the Fairgrounds, that has thousands of appointment spots that are available.

Also, I think it's important for the community to know that you are seeing a situation where the, the megasites, and some of the sites that are happening throughout certain municipalities were not a hundred percent sure how long some of those continuations of first shot dosage would.., will be available. So, as soon as we hear more information as it relates to the state's plan or the county's plan, any deviation, we'll be sure to let the community and the public know.

But at this particular moment, our site has transitioned to provide for second shots only, for those individuals that have an appointment with the City of Riviera Beach. And if you do have a second shot that's scheduled, your appointment time is the same time that you got for your first shot. So it's important for folks to know that, because we do follow up, but sometimes people forget, and so we did want them to know that.

So, there are so'.., there's some information that we can put on our website for persons that are interested in first shots.

- **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Thank you.
- **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you.
- **Chair Pro Tem Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. I just wanted to say one other thing, 1841 'cause I forgot to, you know, applaud the Police Department for the event that they had

1842 on Friday. It, they had, I think they had more fun than everybo	Hè	mink me	tney na	nad	more	Tun	tnan	every	ooay	eise	out	tnere,
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- especially with the dunk tank, but it was a really great event. I wish more people could've
- participated. Perhaps in the future, maybe on a weekend, we may be.., there'll be more
- people to participate. But it was a really nice event for those that came out. Thank you
- 1846 all so much.
- 1847 **Chairperson Lanier:** Thank you. I just have a couple brief comments. I wanted to
- thank.., this past Saturday, we had our neighborhood cleanup on 6th and 7th Streets in
- 1849 Riviera Beach. A special thank you to the Democratic Women's Club of Palm Beach
- 1850 County who assisted in the beautification of the property right across the street from West
- 1851 Riviera Elementary. They planted flowers, they cleaned up bushes, they made mulch for
- hours. And then they headed over to the vaccine site at Wells Recreation Center to assist.
- 1853 Also, thanking the CRA and Ms. Jenkins for putting it together. Ty Hanna for Thrive for a
- 1854 Change, and the young ladies of Goal Chasers.

Second announcement. 13th Street informational session. As you know, and probably heard from me numerous times about the major trucks coming down 13th Street. We're having an informational session on Thursday, May 6th from 6:00 to 7:00, right on 13th Street, in the open, on the street. Because we want as many residents as we possibly can to come out and give their feedback into what type of traffic calm'.., calming we'll use for that area.

And also, the last comment is, I am so, so, so excited, and so happy about the urban farm groundbreaking for the City of Riviera Beach, which means that we will have our own legitimate, full-fledged, organic farm to feed the residents in the City. And, April 24th 12:00 to 3:00, please come out. 1621 Blue Heron Boulevard.

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- 1866 **Chairperson Lanier:** And that folks, is our show.
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1870 City Employees, Public Comment Speakers and Others

- 1871 Desiree Reavis Ms. D. Reavis
- 1872 Assistant to the City Manager Marsha Noel Assistant to the City Manager Noel
- 1873 Kiera Hester Ms. K. Hester
- 1874 Development Services Director Clarence Sirmons
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