

CITY COMMISSION MEETING
November 1, 2021
7:00 pm

This Commission Meeting was conducted utilizing Communications Media Technology. Some Staff members were present in the Commission Chambers while others were present via the Zoom application to respect the social distancing guidelines.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT IN CHAMBERS:

Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor
Brian Williams, Vice Mayor, Commissioner, Ward 3 (Not Present)
Sheldon Jones, Commissioner-at-Large 1
Tamara Cornwell, Commissioner-at-Large 2
Harold Smith, Commissioner, Ward 1
Tambra Varnadore, Commissioner, Ward 2

STAFF PRESENT IN CHAMBERS:

Mark Barnebey, City Attorney
Mohammed Rayan, Public Works Director
Scott Tyler, Chief of Police
Jim Freeman, City Clerk
Cheryl Miller, Finance Director
Kera Hill, Planning Analyst
Jeff Burton, CRA Director
Xavier Colon, Assistant CRA Director
Penny Johnston, Executive Assistant
Vanessa Cochran, Assistant City Clerk

STAFF PRESENT ELECTRONICALLY:

Todd Williams, Information Technology (IT) Consultant

1. Mayor Bryant called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., Pastor Lawrence Collins, 11th Street Church of Christ, did the invocation followed by a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

All persons intending to address the City Commission were duly sworn.

2. PROCLAMATION: Commissioner Varnadore presented the Farm City Proclamation to Patty-Keen-Freed and Mike Ingram.
3. PROCLAMATION: Mayor Bryant presented the Wreaths Across American Day Proclamation to Cookie Agan, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 325.
4. CITY COMMISSION AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion: Commissioner Cornwell moved, Commissioner Varnadore seconded, and the motion carried 4-0 to approve the November 1, 2021 City Commission Agenda.

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5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bryant stated that 1 public comment was emailed regarding an alternative location to build a luxury apartment complex and copies were placed at the Commissioners' stations.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes: September 13th and 27th
- b. Special Function Permit -Tanya Clavey Memorial Annual Car Show
- c. Public Works Surplus Vehicles and Small Equipment

Motion: Commissioner Cornwell moved, Commissioner Jones seconded, and the motion carried 4-0 to approve the November 1, 2021 Consent Agenda as presented by staff.

7. HEARING ORDINANCE 2021-04 GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN/RIVIERA DUNES APARTMENTS (K. Hill)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; APPROVING ADOPTION OF A GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AS DESCRIBED HEREIN FOR A MULTI-FAMILY, PLANNED DEVELOPMENT CONTAINING 255 MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL UNITS ON 8.37 ACRES OF PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ALONG THE EAST SIDE OF U.S. 41 SOUTH OF HABEN BOULEVARD AT THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO THE RIVIERA DUNES DEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (RIVIERA DUNES APARTMENTS)

Continuation of Public Hearing from August 27, 2021.

Mayor Bryant opened the Public Hearing at 7:23 p.m.

Motion: Commissioner Varnadore moved, Commissioner Cornwell seconded, and the motion carried 4-0 to continue the Public Hearing to a date to be determined, which will require re-noticing of the hearing at the expense of the applicant.

Mayor Bryant recessed the City Commission Meeting to open the November 1, 2021 CRA Board Meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Bryant reconvened the City Commission Meeting at 8:49 p.m.

8. Resolution 2021-34 Budget Amendment

Motion: Commissioner Varnadore moved, Commissioner Cornwell seconded, and the motion carried 4-0 to adopt Resolution 2021-34.

STANDING AGENDA ITEMS:

9. TRAFFIC UPDATE

Chief Tyler provided an update on students making U-turns on 8th Avenue West and 19th and 20th Street West.

COMMENTS:

10. DEPARTMENT HEADS' COMMENTS

Mr. Rayan, Public Works Director, provided information on the below projects:

- Phase 5 design for the roundabout on 23rd Street West
- MLK Restrooms Project
- Jackson Park
- Ward 1 Phase 3

Mr. Freeman, City Clerk, stated that the upcoming meetings remaining for 2021 are November 15th and December 6th, and the Commission cancelled the December 20th meeting. He announced that the 2 Cell Towers items will be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

Attorney Barnebey congratulated Mr. Burton on the new position as the President of the Florida Redevelopment Association (FRA). Also, he reported that the parcels owned by the CRA/City on 10th Avenue and 8th Street were sold to RCubed Engineering, LLC last week.

11. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Bryant asked staff to get the word out to those in need that Mount Carmel Missionary Church has subsidies available.

12. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Jones inquired about the proposed Ordinance 2021-15 Signage. Mr. Freeman expressed that the item will be on the November 15th agenda as a public hearing. Attorney Barnebey added that the draft of the ordinance will be provided to the Commission to review before the meeting.

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 8:59 pm

MINUTES APPROVED: JANUARY 3, 2022

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CITY CLERK