

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida, and when permitted or required by the subject matter, the Panama City Beach Community Redevelopment Agency, held on April 12, 2018.

ROLL

MAYOR MIKE THOMAS

COUNCILORS:  
JOHN REICHARD  
JOSIE STRANGE  
PHIL CHESTER  
HECTOR SOLIS

CITY MANAGER:  
MARIO GISBERT  
CITY CLERK:  
JO SMITH  
CITY ATTORNEY:  
AMY MYERS

Mayor Thomas called the Regular Meeting to order at 6 P.M. with all Council members, City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney present.

Pastor Rick Young of the Woodstock Church gave the invocation and Vice-Mayor Strange led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Thomas announced the upcoming Community Events. Councilman Solis announced the upcoming Warrior Beach Retreat event. Councilman Chester announced the upcoming Optimist Golf Club charity event for childhood cancer.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 22, 2018 were read. **Councilman Reichard made the motion to approve the Minutes as prepared. Second was by Councilman Chester and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

<b>Councilwoman Strange</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Solis</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Reichard</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Chester</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Thomas</b>	<b>Aye</b>

Mayor Thomas asked if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda. Councilman Reichard asked to add the "Patsy Duran Day" Proclamation to the Agenda. There were no objections. **Councilwoman Strange made the motion to approve the Agenda as amended. Second was by Councilman Solis and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

<b>Councilwoman Strange</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Solis</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Reichard</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Chester</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Thomas</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**PRESENTATIONS**

**1 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD.** Councilwoman Strange introduced Mr. Jackson Barfield and presented him with the Civic Achievement Award for exemplary service to the Beach Boys and Girls Club. She then congratulated Jackson. Mr.J.C.Schwab presented a gift card from a local business and a gift bag from the Council. The audience responded with applause.

**2 "NATIONAL BOYS & GIRLS CLUB WEEK" PROCLAMATION AND ANNUAL REPORT PRESENTATION.** Councilwoman Strange invited Mr. Hank Hill, CEO of the Boys & Girls Club, to the podium and presented him with the Proclamation designating April 9-13, 2018 as "National Boys & Girls Club Week". Mr. Hill thanked the Council and presented the annual report from the Club, detailing the number of children served and well as thanking the City for the annual donation to the City which supported their effort.

**3 "CHILD HUNGER AWARENESS MONTH" PROCLAMATION AND PRESENTATION.** Councilwoman Strange invited Mr. Ric Brigman to the podium as she read portions of the Proclamation designating May as "Child Hunger Awareness Month". Mr. Brigman thanked the Council and spoke of his organization Food4Kidz's efforts in feeding the children of our community.

**4 EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION FOR 40 YEARS OF SERVICE- PAUL CASTO.** Councilwoman Strange invited Mr. Casto to the podium to congratulate him for his 40 years of service to the City and presented him with a key to the City.

**5 "PATSY DURAN DAY" PROCLAMATION AND PRESENTATION.** Councilwoman Strange invited Mr. Craig Duran, Patsy's son and Mr. Juan Duran, Patsy's husband, to the podium as she read portions of the Proclamation honoring Ms. Duran for her work for the Panama City Beach Library Foundation and declaring April 21, 2018 as Patsy Duran Day.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (REGULAR NON-PUBLIC HEARINGS AND CONSENT ITEMS)**  
Mayor Thomas opened the Public Comments section of the meeting at 6:20 P.M. and invited comments.

1 Mr. Tom Klomps, 614 Poinsettia Court. Mr. Klomps urged the Council to vote no for Resolution 18-75. He said the starting salary was more than some of our police officers and questioned some aspects of the job description.

2 Mr. Mike Minnick, 101 Windsor Way. Mr. Minnick questioned if the pedestrian crosswalk would be lit for the safety of the pedestrians. He thanked the Council for this improvement as it was needed on that roadway.

3 Ms. Molly Allen. Ms. Allen stated her appreciation for Councilwoman Strange and spoke of how she helped the community and participated in lake cleanups. She thanked her for her work.

With no further comments, Mr. Gisbert responded that the Police Department and FDOT had provided flashing beacons for the new crosswalk. The Mayor closed the Public Comments section at 6:26 P.M.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Ms. Smith read the Consent Agenda Item by title.

**1 REVISION OF THE MASTER AUDIT LIST TO REMOVE OBSOLETE ITEMS.** *These items are to be removed from the Master Audit List. STAFF RECOMMENDS approval. By approval of this matter in the Consent Agenda, the City Council makes a finding of surplus for these items and approves their removal from the Master Audit List.*

**2 ORDER 02-PL-18, WATERFALL PHASE 1 SUBDIVISION REPLAT APPROVAL.** *After having received testimony and reviewed the exhibits produced at the Quasi-Judicial Hearing held on this matter on March 22, 2018, the City Council orders that the subject request to subdivide the land is hereby GRANTED and the captioned replat of WATERFALL PHASE 1 is hereby APPROVED.*

**3 RESOLUTION 18-74, SHADDAI SHRINE TEMPLE SPRING CEREMONIAL PARADE.** *"A Resolution of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida, authorizing careful traffic control and extraordinary usage of a portion of Front Beach Road (U.S. 98) to permit the Shaddai Shrine Temple Spring Ceremonial Parade on the morning of Saturday, May 19, 2018; and providing an immediately effective date."*

**4 RESOLUTION 18-77, IRONMAN 70.3 GULF COAST ROAD USAGE.** *"A Resolution of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida, related to the "Ironman 70.3 Gulf Coast"; authorizing temporary closure of portions of Richard Jackson Boulevard, West Pier Park Drive, and Pier Park Drive on Saturday, May 12, 2018; authorizing careful traffic control and extraordinary usage of portions of Front Beach Road, Middle Beach Road, SR 79 and Bay Parkway on May 12, 2018, for the event; and providing an immediately effective date."*

**Councilman Solis made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Second was by Councilwoman Strange and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

<b>Councilwoman Strange</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Solis</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Reichard</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Chester</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Thomas</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**ITEM 1 ORDINANCE 1449, AMENDING PARKING LOT AND PARKING GARAGE SETBACKS, 2<sup>ND</sup> READING, PUBLIC HEARING, AND ADOPTION.** Ms. Myers read Ordinance 1449 by title and explained that existing standards for parking lots and parking garages would not only apply to properties zoned residential but those properties used for residential purposes. The Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 6:30 P.M. and called for questions or comments. There were none. He closed the Public Hearing at 6:30 P.M. **Councilman Reichard made the motion to approve Ordinance 1449. Second was by Councilwoman Strange and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

<b>Councilwoman Strange</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Solis</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Reichard</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Chester</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Thomas</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**ITEM 2 CRA ANNUAL REPORT FOR FY17.** Mr. Gisbert explained the report in brief detail and its NearTerm Work Plan as outlined. He spoke of the new land purchases for the next segment and details about construction for Segment 2. He spoke of plans to do new segments every two years with Requests for Proposals already posted on the website.

Councilman Reichard asked about the option of completing the Powell Adams Road redevelopment since very little businesses were currently on that road. Mr. Gisbert explained that the option would be considered and it seemed to be a simple addition to the project. However, the right-of-way was narrow. Councilman Solis mentioned now was the time to purchase the needed land. Councilman Reichard urged the project to move in this direction. Mayor Thomas agreed in some aspects but reminded that there were other reasons that this roadway had not been redeveloped yet, and reminded about the new development on the next block.

**ITEM 3 RESOLUTION 18-75, BUDGET AMENDMENT #17 TO FUND PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER.** Ms. Myers read Resolution 18-75 by title. The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments from the other Council members. There were none. Councilman Reichard commented that the goal of this position was to inform the citizens, give a voice to the City for issues, and interact and work with the City management. With no further comments, **Councilman Reichard made the motion to approve Resolution 18-75. Second was by Councilman Solis and the motion passed by majority roll call vote recorded as follows:**

<b>Councilwoman Strange</b>	<b>Nay</b>
<b>Councilman Solis</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Reichard</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Chester</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Thomas</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**ITEM 4 RESOLUTION 18-76, BID AWARD- PEDESTRIAN CROSSING FOR NORTH PIER PARK DRIVE AND BUDGET AMENDMENT #21.** Ms. Myers read Resolution 18-76 by title. The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments from the other Council members. There were none. **Councilwoman Strange made the motion to approve Resolution 18-76. Second was by Councilman Chester and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

<b>Councilwoman Strange</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Solis</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Reichard</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Chester</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Thomas</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**ITEM 5 RESOLUTION 18-79, BID AWARD- STREET RESURFACING FY18 AND BUDGET AMENDMENT #20.** Ms. Myers read Resolution 18-79 by title. The Mayor asked if there were any questions or comments from the Council members. Councilman Reichard questioned the Bid total and the 5% contingency. Ms. Jenkins responded that the actual Bid totaled \$872,000 with the Resolution quoting a not-to-exceed amount of the \$924,000. Mr. Gisbert added comments about the twenty year plan for repaving the streets and the set aside funds each year. He spoke of the Half Cent Sales Tax being a

tool which would be used and its funding a portion of the Bay Parkway Extension. The Mayor said the County budget for resurfacing was One Million Dollars annually for their roads. With no further comments, **Councilman Solis made the motion to approve Resolution 18-79. Second was by Councilwoman Strange and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

<b>Councilwoman Strange</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Solis</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Reichard</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Chester</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Thomas</b>	<b>Aye</b>

**ITEM 6 RESOLUTION 18-80, BID AWARD-YEAR ROUND WRECKER SERVICE AND TOWING.** Ms. Myers read Resolution 18-80 by title. Mayor Thomas disclosed a phone call today from another wrecker service who had explained that a sole source wrecker service had been tried elsewhere in the State. The Mayor asked Chief Whitman if the change to a single source was due to a problem with a current provider in rotation, and if so, why not remove that wrecker service and continue to use the others. Chief Whitman responded that the beach had become so busy that some wrecker services could not respond quickly enough which then kept three officers out of service waiting to complete that call. He elaborated. He said the smaller companies could continue to respond to private calls. He said part of the proposal was to be able to respond within twenty minutes, regardless of traffic. He confirmed the owner could call the wrecker firm of their choice. **Councilman Chester made the motion to approve Resolution 18-80. Second was by Councilman Reichard and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

<b>Councilwoman Strange</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Solis</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Reichard</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Councilman Chester</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Thomas</b>	<b>Aye</b>

#### DELEGATIONS

Mayor Thomas explained the delegations period and opened this portion of the meeting at 6:52 P.M.

1 Ms. Carlie Gintoli, 222 Wiregrass Lane. Ms. Gintoli spoke of her efforts to combat student bullying and mentioned her non-profit organization. She said there were flyers with more information in the hallway.

2 Ms. Sheree Crim, 17680 Front Beach Road. Ms. Crim made comments about disrespect, shame, and hostile words. She spoke of transparency and honesty and requested respect for the residents.

3 Mr. Burnie Thompson, 301 Lullwater Drive. Mr. Thompson asked when the Council members "clocked out". He also asked to see the email list used by Councilman Solis to endorse one candidate and badmouth another candidate. He questioned where this list originated.

With no further comments, the Mayor closed the Delegations section of the meeting at 7:00 P.M. Councilwoman Strange said she was always on call. Councilman Solis said he did City business all day but he was also a citizen of the community. He mentioned his First Amendment rights and private time. He continued that the list was gathered three years ago when he was a private citizen and it would not be disclosed because the intent of those emails concerned another issue. Councilman Reichard stated that Councilwoman Strange had also endorsed another candidate which was her right, the same as Councilman Solis.

Mayor Thomas said up until two years ago, the residents complained because the beach was going the wrong way. He stated that he endorsed no candidate.

#### ATTORNEY REPORT

Ms. Myers had no report.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Gisbert reported the job vacancies for multiple people per vacancy posted on the website as well as the Bid Openings on the website.

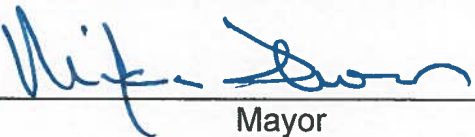
**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Reichard said it had been a swell time. Councilman Chester said his Council work was a 24 hour job. Councilwoman Strange said this was her last meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

READ AND APPROVED this 26<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018.

**IN THE EVENT OF A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE FOREGOING MINUTES AND A VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT OF THESE MINUTES, THE FOREGOING MINUTES SHALL CONTROL.**

  
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Mayor

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City Clerk