

The Special 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 June 9, 2016.

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MAYOR MIKE THOMAS

COUNCILORS:
JOHN REICHARD
PHIL CHESTER
JOSIE STRANGE
HECTOR SOLIS

CITY MANAGER:
MARIO GISBERT
CITY CLERK:
DIANE FOWLER
CITY ATTORNEY:
AMY E. MYERS

Mayor Thomas called the Special Meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. with all of the Council, the City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney present.

Councilman Phil Chester gave the invocation and Mayor Thomas led the pledge of allegiance.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting May 26, 2016 were read and approved as written per motion by Councilwoman Strange. Second was by Councilman Chester. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

Mayor Thomas asked if there were any additions or deletions to the Agenda. Hearing none, Councilwoman Strange made the motion to approve the Agenda as prepared. Second was by Councilman Solis. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

CONSENT AGENDA

1 REVISION OF THE CITY MASTER AUDIT LIST TO REMOVE OBSOLETE ITEMS. All Departments have been asked to update their audit lists for surplus/obsolete equipment/vehicles/etc. These items are to be removed from the City Master Audit List. STAFF RECOMMENDS approval to remove these items. 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. Auction planned for Saturday, June 18, 2016.

2 RESOLUTION 16-84, BIDS- CITY AUCTIONEER. "A Resolution of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida, approving the Agreement with Evans Auctioneers, Inc., to conduct an auction of City surplus property on June 18, 2016 for a fee of 5% of the total proceeds received; and providing an effective date."

Ms. Fowler read the Consent Agenda. Mayor Thomas invited public comment. There was none. Councilwoman Strange made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Second was by Councilman Chester and the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

REGULAR AGENDA

1 ITEM NO. 1 ORDINANCE 1384, RELIANTSOUTH CONSTRUCTION GROUP ANNEXATION, 1ST READING. Mr. Leonard said this Annexation was for .833 acres, the property was contiguous to the City resulting in compact development, and would not create any enclaves or pockets. The Planning Board considered this request on May 9, 2016 and recommended approval five to zero (5-0). In response to the Mayor's question about use, Mr. Leonard said this would be office buildings, not a construction office. Ms. Myers read Ordinance 1384 by title. The Mayor asked if there were any questions from the Council or the public; there were none. **Councilman Solis made the motion to approve Ordinance 1384. Second was by Councilman Reichard. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

2 ITEM NO. 2 ORDINANCE 1385, RELIANTSOUTH CONSTRUCTION GROUP COMP PLAN AMENDMENT, 1ST READING. Mr. Leonard said this was a Small Scale Plan Amendment for the same property and the Planning Board recommended approval five to zero (5-0) at their May 9, 2016 meeting. He said it currently was "General Commercial" for the County, and if annexed into the City, would be assigned a "Tourist" FLUM designation, consistent with adjacent property. Councilwoman Strange asked if letters had been sent out to nearby properties and Mr. Leonard responded affirmatively and to his knowledge, no one complained. Ms. Myers read Ordinance 1385 by title. The Mayor asked if there were any questions from the public; there were none. **Councilwoman Strange made the motion to approve Ordinance 1385. Second was by Councilman Solis. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

3 ITEM NO. 3 ORDINANCE 1386, RELIANTSOUTH CONSTRUCTION GROUP ZONING, 1ST READING. Mr. Leonard said this property was currently zoned "Plaza Commercial" in the County, and if approved would be "Commercial Low Intensity" in the City. He explained the Zoning category and stated this would be the lowest impact of the Commercial Districts for the City. The Planning Board considered the request on May 9, 2016 and recommended approval five to zero (5-0). The Mayor asked if there were any questions from the Council or the audience and there were none. Ms. Myers read Ordinance 1386 by title. **Councilman Reichard made the motion to approve Ordinance 1386. Second was by Councilman Chester. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

4 ITEM NO. 4 ORDINANCE 1388, LOW SPEED VEHICLES (LSVs) MORATORIUM & REGULATIONS, 1ST READING, PUBLIC HEARING. Mayor Thomas opened the Public Hearing at 9:12 A.M. Mr. Gisbert said Staff had met with five businesses and developed a general consensus, and he hoped to bring Council a slightly revised Ordinance from that discussion. He said the general consensus was to provide a moratorium for that type of business of the beach, limit it to current inventory and no future locations for LSVs. He said four of five businesses agreed to that regulation. Secondly, the industry offered a limitation of fifty (50) LSVs total per business, whether one or numerous locations. Councilman Solis said one of the

companies was not at the meeting, so including their business would mean Three Hundred (300) total LSVs. Ms. Myers clarified that the effect of the Ordinance presented would not implement any of those rules. This Ordinance would be a six month maintenance of the status quo to determine the rules that would regulate the industry.

Ms. Myers asked for Council comments about changing the moratorium to apply to City roads with the posted speed limits of 45 mph instead of the current proposed 35 mph.

Councilman Reichard asked if this would include the site at the former Miracle Strip Amusement Park. Mr. Gisbert said yes, and if the business had LSVs at that location, would still be covered under the moratorium of fifty total vehicles. Councilman Reichard spoke of potential monopoly and selling the rights. Ms. Myers said that was something Council needed to consider. Mayor Thomas said no one on this Council had been involved in any industry meetings except Councilman Solis and no one had agreed with that number. Mr. Gisbert said tattoo shops and scooters already had that limitation.

Councilman Solis asked about the change in the speed limit and how that would affect Middle Beach Road. Ms. Myers said this moratorium would stop the issuance of any Development Orders on certain areas of the City. Right now, as published, this Ordinance only affected those roads that connected to Front Beach Road, largely residential roads. The traditional north/south corridors (Hills, Alf Coleman, etc) had posted speed limits of 45 mph, and were more likely locations where this type of business might open. Mayor Thomas said he thought this draft Ordinance included the entire City, and Ms. Myers said the scope of the LSVs were throughout the City and her recommendation was to adopt the moratorium on the establishment of motor vehicle sales, service rental facilities that may open on the north/south connectors. Mr. Gisbert said this Ordinance dealt strictly with the businesses.

Councilman Reichard asked if this Ordinance mirrored the scooter Ordinance. Ms. Myers said this was not regulation but rather essentially direction for the Staff and public that no new Development Orders related to these businesses would be issued for six months until rules would be developed regulating these businesses.

Councilman Solis made the motion to raise the speed limit to 45 mph. Second was by Councilman Reichard. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

Ms. Myers read Ordinance 1388 with the amended title. Mayor Thomas explained this proposed Ordinance was merely a moratorium. He asked if there were any questions from the floor.

Mr. Tony Horton, 807 Lyndell Way, asked if this moratorium included Hertz, Enterprise, etc., and if they had been notified. Ms. Myers replied that the Ordinance had been published as required by law but no letters had been sent. However, letters could be sent as an additional notice at the Council's direction. In response to Councilwoman Strange's question on advertisement, it had been published once already in the News Herald and would be published again before the second Public Hearing. Mr. Horton asked if these LSVs were considered amusements or automobiles. Ms. Myers said the Council found they were amusements and the law defined them as motor vehicles. She said limited findings were published in the Ordinance and posted on the website, and more details would come forth in future public hearings. Mr. Horton said this seemed more of an opinion without statistics. Ms. Myers said the Council may make a finding based upon their own personal observations, and once collectively made, those assertions counted as a finding of the City Council. The comments made at the last few meetings were based on the statistics provided by Chief Whitman on the number of LSVs.

Councilman Solis made the motion to approve Ordinance 1388 as amended. Second was by Councilwoman Strange. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye

Councilwoman Strange Aye
Mayor Thomas Aye

Ms. Myers said, as a publication issue, if the Council wanted to adopt this Ordinance at the next meeting which was at 2 P.M., a motion would need to be made to have the second reading and Public Hearing at the June 23, 2 P.M. meeting. **Councilman Solis made the motion to have the next Public Hearing on June 23, 2016 at the 2 P.M. meeting. Second was by Councilman Reichard. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis Aye
Councilman Reichard Aye
Councilman Chester Aye
Councilwoman Strange Aye
Mayor Thomas Aye

The Public Hearing was closed at 9:29 A.M.

5 ITEM NO. 5 RESOLUTION 16-79, PCB FIRE/RESCUE AERIAL LADDER TRUCK PURCHASE AND BUDGET AMENDMENT #24, PUBLIC HEARING.

Mayor Thomas opened the Public Hearing at 9:29 A.M. Mr. Gisbert explained funds were set aside last year to purchase a new fire truck, and during the process of selling the old fire truck, it was rear-ended by another vehicle. Plans had originally been to purchase the new truck July 2017 but because the City was down one truck now, the process was expedited. He said Staff was waiting on the insurance company for a final reading on whether the fire truck was totaled or could be repaired. He said Staff hoped to sell the truck and receive about Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000), Mr. Gisbert said Staff bid out a new truck and a new model was available for delivery at the end of June or mid-July. A revised Resolution was in front of each Councilor which included the actual price from the bid opening. He said this would also allow the City to maintain the new rating just received if the Council approved the purchase. The Mayor asked if there were any questions and there were none. Ms. Myers read amended Resolution 16-79 by title.

From the audience, Ms. Norma Shields asked what floor this new ladder truck would reach. Mr. Gisbert said One Hundred Feet and the Mayor said that would be approximately ten floors. With nothing further, **Councilman Reichard made the motion to approve revised Resolution 16-79. Second was by Councilman Chester. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis Aye
Councilman Reichard Aye
Councilman Chester Aye
Councilwoman Strange Aye
Mayor Thomas Aye

The Public Hearing was closed at 9:33 A.M.

6 ITEM NO. 6 RESOLUTION 16-85, COLONY CLUB EXIT ROAD PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH ST. JOE COMPANY.

Mr. Gisbert said Staff had been working on this project for a while with approved land purchases and engineering. He said the Dredge and Fill permits were submitted. He said the City had agreed to basically pay the mitigation costs and purchase the land which would make the connection from Nautilus to Colony Club. The Mayor asked if there were any questions and there were none. Ms. Myers read Resolution 16-85 by title. **Councilwoman Strange made the motion to approve Resolution 16-85. Second was by Councilman Solis. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis Aye
Councilman Reichard Aye
Councilman Chester Aye
Councilwoman Strange Aye
Mayor Thomas Aye

7 ITEM NO. 7 RESOLUTION 16-86, GULF POWER EASEMENTS FOR NORTH PIER PARK DRIVE. Mr. Gisbert said this was one of the steps in finalizing the Loop Road, clarifying some of the language in the Gulf Power transfer of land. The easement would still allow Gulf Power to transmit power or any other method of power, whether natural gas or telecommunications. This also solidified that if Gulf Power moved a tower and it interfered with this road, it would be a mutually agreeable transition. Additionally, the Hold Harmless Agreement within this document was slightly different than what was normally presented because of the many subsidiaries of Gulf Power.

Ms. Myers further explained that the previous Council adopted a Resolution stating that the City would not indemnify other parties. However, if it was required and necessary, the City could indemnify other parties subject to certain conditions. In this case, Gulf Power's Agreement was inconsistent with those parameters so Staff brought this for Council's blessing. She added that their form had been modified slightly to meet some of the City's concerns, but it was largely Gulf Power's form of indemnification. Mayor Thomas asked if there were any questions and there were none.

Ms. Myers read Resolution 16-86 by title. **Councilman Chester made the motion to approve Resolution 16-86. Second was by Councilman Solis. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

8 ITEM NO. 8 ORDINANCE 1389, REGULATING TENTS ON THE BEACH, DISCUSSION. Mayor Thomas said he appreciated the work of Ms. Myers and Staff, and asked the Council for their recommendations on the different options. Councilman Solis recommended moving forward with Section A, banning certain types of shading devices within the first 30' of the public beach. Under C, it would allow shading devices 48" and above, to allow for the baby shades, tents, and small umbrellas in that area. He also stated the tents would be allowed on the sides and behind the beach chairs. He also recommended Ba, tents no greater than a 10x10 and separated by 4'. Simply, the 30' line would still be there for chairs, towels, small umbrellas, baby shades, and nothing over 48". Spaces would be allowed between the canopies, and tents would still be allowed. On the very crowded areas of the beach, if the guests were having problems with tents, they would deal with the upland property owner. He said this would allow the people to have devices to protect themselves against the sun, which he felt was very important.

Councilman Reichard commented about B2c, no shading devices located to impede lifeguard's ability to see, he felt this was unnecessary because the official lifeguards on City and County property were on elevated stands. Councilman Solis said it should be the lifeguard's discretion as to whether he can see his area for the protection of children. Mayor Thomas said he had no lifeguards contact him to call for this Ordinance and he felt they would find a way to see the beach. He continued that he felt too many rules would create something that would not be enforceable but behind the 30' line made sense.

Councilman Chester questioned whether it was tents that were the problem or Beach Service personnel confronting the tourists. He suggested having the people work with the upland property owners, not the City. He said the City did not have the contracts with the Beach Services, that was the upland property owners, and they should handle the problems.

Councilman Reichard said with the 30' buffer, the Beach Services would place their chairs right on that line and then the tents would not be in front of them so that problem would be solved. He questioned about some of the beach locations not having sufficient room for tents and Beach Services, and the upland property owners not being cooperative. He said he thought the 30' line was an excellent idea.

Councilman Solis said he thought the majority of the properties would be fine but the areas that were overbuilt would remain a problem. He said he felt the guests should make it known to the HOA Board or the property owner that they would like room on the property for their personal tent. He said the Ordinance also needed to state a Beach Service directing guests to another property was wrong.

Councilman Reichard asked if it would be the job of the Beach Service to direct where tents could be placed. Mayor Thomas said in his opinion, it was the property owner's job to do so and should be handled when the guests checked-in. He said some Beach Services were taking advantage of placing the number of chairs on the property, taking all of the site. He said if the Beach Services did not address the issue, the Council could enact regulations limiting the number of chairs, or other things. He said this Council would address the situation if the Beach Services did not correct the problems themselves.

Mayor Thomas recommended A, and he read the regulations with the 30' line and stopping all shading devices within that 30'. Some properties had chairs set all along that line which would make it inconvenient for their own guests, and if they continued that action long enough, the guests would stay elsewhere. The Mayor said the least restrictive way now was what he recommended. Councilwoman Strange asked about no baby shades. The Mayor commented about enforcement and that tents were not used in the past and parents kept the kids from being sunburned. He said he thought some people expected the Council to do too much. He continued that the first 30' was a very active area and anything within that area would be inhibitive to what our guests visited the beach to enjoy. He said it was simple to do the A1d, no shade devices within the 30'. The Mayor said this problem was only occurring on a few properties and that he felt the property owners would correct the problem.

Councilman Solis said he felt the small shade devices should be allowed in front of the chairs and explained his reasons. Councilman Reichard said his emails requested to keep the tents in some fashion and most agreed that the 30' would allow people to walk freely on the beach. He remained concerned about too many chairs on smaller properties with a large building, and the guests continuing to call the City stating there was no place for their tent. He questioned who would tell the guests they could not place their tent within that 30'. Councilman Solis said the HOA or the person renting the room.

Councilwoman Strange asked if the size of the tents should be addressed. Mayor Thomas said if they were outside of that 30' and on private property, he felt it was not the City's business. He said the regulations should be simple. Councilman Chester said with the 30' and the Leave No Trace, nothing else was needed. Councilwoman Strange said she opposed tying the tents together.

Mayor Thomas said he believed the Council agreed in concept about the 30' commerce line already in effect. Only one Councilor mentioned shade devices south of that line. He said the tents could go anywhere else that a spot could be located on the property. He opened the floor for public comment.

Ms. Cindy Biddle, 2003 Pritchard Street, spoke as an advocate of skin protection and tents. She distributed photos of her skin cancer surgery for the record. She said sunscreen would not prevent skin cancer and stated she should not have to remove her belongings and leave the beach to get out of the sun. She should be allowed a tent. Mayor Thomas said no one on this Council had stated that they wanted to ban tents.

Mr. Cal Chester, 228 Oxford Avenue, said the comments earlier had addressed some of his concerns. He recommended using the FLC and checking what other cities had implemented. He asked about the resorts being allowed to rent the tents out themselves or utilize the Beach Services to rent tents. He offered hiring more lifeguards to walk the beach as well as those sitting in the elevated towers. Regarding weather, add the notice that it was too windy to erect tents, or use flashing signs to communicate the rules. Finally, he suggested a designated tent area, similar to the dog park.

Ms. Megan McDougal, 9860 South Thomas Drive, said she was excited there was no total tent ban. She said she had started a petition which urged no new regulations as she did not want to make it more difficult for the tourists to enjoy the beach. If the Council did implement new regulations, she recommended good signage to alleviate the confusion and frustration.

Mr. Neal Morgan, 17721 Front Beach Road, said the Council was talking about canopies, not tents. He added that the water line changed by the hour and questioned who would be responsible for measuring the 30' line. He asked the Council to review his letter dated May 5th concerning an improper sign on the beach. He said the Leave No Trace regulations had worked and the Council did not need to go further.

Mr. Frank Sewell, 435 Hidden Island Drive, said he understood the 30' line and spoke of bad publicity no matter what actions the Council took. He asked the Council to

look at Myrtle Beach and their tent ban with the next year reporting a loss of Eight Hundred Thousand visitors. Councilman Reichard said this Council was assuring the community and the world that a visitor would have 30' on the beach to walk all the way, which was a very positive step.

Ms. Melissa Goodroe, 6213 Thomas Drive, said she favored the tents on the beach. She questioned if a Beach Service paid the upland property owner to be on the property and if they felt they had more jurisdiction than a tourist. Councilman Chester said yes. She said she thought the 30' was an excellent idea and also placing the burden of policing the problem on the HOA, not the City.

Dr. Jeremy Sunseri, 1411 Trout Drive, a dermatologist, said he was glad the Council was thinking along his same lines. He spoke of skin cancer being preventable, and that it was a slippery slope when discussing banning shade devices because they were a safety device. He said the shade devices prevented skin cancer. He urged using common sense, not over-regulating, and letting the people protect themselves against the sun.

Mr. Jeff Smith, 170 Crane Street, said he agreed with the majority of the comments but questioned the tents being a hazard to the lifeguards. He said when he lived in Long Island, they dealt with tents and the lifeguard stands were raised higher so the lifeguards could see. The guards could see over any structure on the sand. He said the beach was being promoted as a family beach and families were under the tents. He urged the Council not to ban the tents.

Mr. Tony Horton, 807 Lyndell Way, said this was a ban on one of his freedoms. He spoke of the wording of the law and asked that clear evidence be presented for a factual basis for the regulations. He agreed with the 30' and requested more language which would make it difficult to expand more than the 30'.

Mr. Burnie Thompson, 8317 Front Beach Road, spoke of unintended consequences and said the 30' ban would make it more difficult for young mothers to watch their children swimming in the water. He said there could be accidents because the mothers could not be closer. He commented about the Council in future repeal Ordinances as opposed to making new Ordinances, restricting free Americans. Regarding the Leave No Trace amendment, he said requiring people to move their tents at 7 P.M., that was not dark. Regarding the 30' from the water, Mr. Thompson mentioned Councilman Reichard's abstaining at the last meeting because he was on a Homeowners' Association. He said that was the ethical thing to do, and questioned Councilman Solis taking the same action to prevent the appearance of a conflict of interest since he was also on HOAs.

Mr. Mike Burke, 1615 PCB Parkway, Gilmore Resorts, said this was a property rights issue. He spoke of problems when tents were strapped together within the 30', blocking the view, and they were not guests at his resort. They were from the next door property. He said if the Council was inclined to order no shade devices within the 30' area, that would be a good compromise which would help solve the problems. Next, all of the HOAs would have to determine how to get along on their own property without spreading out to the nearby properties, violating their property rights. One HOA had already started that process. Mr. Burke said establishing the 30' line would be a problem because it changed daily, and spoke of beach vendors being arrested for setting their chairs within the 30' line. He understood the complaint was dropped by the State Attorney's Office because the evidence could not be proved. He requested the Council to establish where the 30' line would be for everyone and not allow the Beach Service vendors to set the line.

Councilman Solis answered some of the comments in that some properties were deeded to the waters' edge. Another question involved renourishment and State Funds, which developed the 30' line. As private property, the upland property owners could lease the area to the Beach Service vendors. As far as recusing himself from this discussion, he would not do so because many of his homeowners encouraged his vote and support and it would be doing a disservice to those citizens. He did not believe it would be a conflict of interest in listening to the citizens and their concerns. As a new member of two HOAs, he had not been involved with the leases with the Beach Service vendors. Councilman Solis said lastly that he felt there were too many chairs on the beach currently and it would be nice for families to come to the beach and not have to pay a vendor to rent a tent.

Mayor Thomas said the Beach Service vendors paid either the HOAs, the private property owners or the hotel owners. This was private enterprise and the Council had no control over that aspect. Regarding lifeguard stands, the City and County only had three guarded beaches and their stands were elevated. The Mayor said he received no requests from any HOAs for this Ordinance. Regarding perception, he mentioned Facebook and the "facts" presented online. He said there was nothing sinister going on with the Council. A problem was being addressed to determine a way to correct it.

Councilman Reichard said some of the Beach Service vendors were not interested in renting tents to guests. Regarding abstaining from the prior vote, Ms. Myers had advised afterwards that it had not been necessary that he recuse himself from voting merely because he was the President of a HOA. He added that in some instances, the developer of the properties, not the HOAs, benefitted financially from the Beach Service vendors. He also suggested that all vehicles be prohibited within that 30' buffer except emergency vehicles. Mr. Gisbert said typically, vehicles which crossed that line were the Beach Services depositing the jet skis before 9 A.M. and the turtle watches. Chief Whitman confirmed the Police were enforcing vehicles off the beach before 9 A.M.

Ms. Genese Hatcher, 203 South Wells Street, asked if the comments would be noted in the Minutes. Mayor Thomas said yes. She then questioned her lengthy comments made January 5th, with it noted in the Minutes that she had spoken about her homes on Oleander. Mayor Thomas asked if the Minutes were inaccurate, and Ms. Hatcher responded that there were no comments noted.

Councilwoman Strange made the motion to accept the Mayor's recommendation, A1d, no shading devices in the 30' area. Second was by Councilman Reichard. The Mayor asked if there were any further comments. Councilman Solis said for the record, he felt the baby shades should be included in that area. **The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

9 ITEM NO. 9 RESOLUTION 16-87, AT&T PHONE SYSTEM AND BUDGET AMENDMENT #33, PUBLIC HEARING. Mayor Thomas opened the Public Hearing at 10:45 A.M. Mr. Gisbert explained that the phone system in this building must be modified because the current system ran through the Police Department building, resulting in an additional expenditure to bring this building up to current fiber optics. Councilwoman Strange said there was no choice in the matter. Ms. Myers read Resolution 16-87 by title. **Councilman Reichard made the motion to approve Resolution 16-87. Second was by Councilwoman Strange. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote recorded as follows:**

Councilman Solis	Aye
Councilman Reichard	Aye
Councilman Chester	Aye
Councilwoman Strange	Aye
Mayor Thomas	Aye

The Public Hearing was closed at 10:46 A.M.

10 ITEM NO. 10 CITY MANAGER UPDATE. Mr. Gisbert explained the various items posted on the website and out for bid, such as the Bayside Utilities and Colony Club Lift Station replacements. He stated the City Auction would be Saturday, June 18th. Regarding the Gross Sales for April, from April 2015 to April 2016, the results were up 5.6%, and up 4.87% from year-to-date last year compared year-to-date this year.

The Mayor called for floor items and there were none.

11 ITEM NO. 11 COUNCIL COMMENTS. Mayor Thomas said he had met with Staff to discuss when to start the new building and that he did not want to spend substantial funds on this building to bring it up to code while waiting four or five years. He said he thought the City had the ability to do something now and wanted to see what

the other Council members thought. The Mayor said a needs assessment would need to be updated for this building. The Fire Chief was still evaluating where he felt the Fire Station should be located. This would allow for estimates to be brought back to Council as quick as possible. He also mentioned new parking possibilities. Councilman Reichard agreed. Councilwoman Strange concurred. Councilman Solis said it would need to be determined whether the new building could be afforded. The Mayor said the City Hall needed to look better and be more functional as this building was very old, with nothing compliant. By general consent, Staff was directed to bring back more information.

Mayor Thomas said it was time to start the budget process. He said he met with Ms. White and Ms. Smith who suggested starting with the smaller budgets which would allow the three new Council members to state what depth was to be expected. The first Budget Workshop was recommended for Thursday, July 7th, starting at 9 A.M., for about 2 hours. There were no objections. Mr. Gisbert said this would allow Staff to understand better what details the Council would like to see in the larger budgets.

Mayor Thomas announced the next meeting would be at 2 P.M. with the Variance Hearing at 1 P.M.

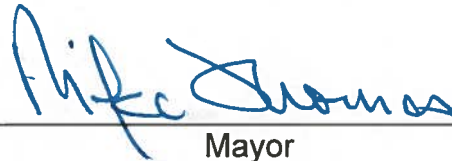
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MS. HATCHER. She asked the Mayor when the Minutes would be amended to reflect all of her comments at the January 5, 2016 meeting. The Mayor said the Minutes had already been adopted and no one's full statements were verbatim in the Minutes. Ms. Hatcher repeated that none of her comments were in the Minutes.

With nothing further, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

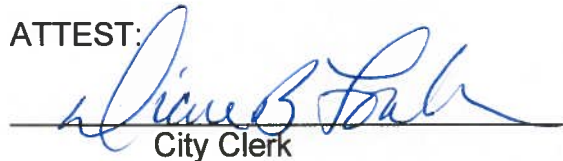
READ AND APPROVED this 23rd of June, 2016.

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



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk