

**MINUTES
ORMOND BEACH CITY COMMISSION
HELD AT CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

July 31, 2018

7:00 p.m.

Commission Chambers

Present were: Mayor Bill Partington, Commissioners Dwight Selby, Troy Kent, Rick Boehm, and Rob Littleton, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, City Attorney Randy Hayes, and City Clerk Lisa Dahme.

A G E N D A

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INVOCATION**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. ADOPTION OF FY 2018-2019 TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE**
 - A. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-83** : A RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES FOR THE 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR; ESTABLISHING THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES AND THE TENTATIVE BUDGET; DIRECTING COMMUNICATION; EXPRESSING LEGISLATIVE INTENT; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Kelly McGuire, Finance Director (386-676-3226)

- 5. AUDIENCE REMARKS - REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
- 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- A. Minutes from City Commission meeting – June 26, 2018

- 7. CONSENT AGENDA**

The action proposed is stated for each item on the Consent Agenda. Unless a City Commissioner removes an item from the Consent Agenda, no discussion on individual items will occur and a single motion will approve all items.

- A. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-78** : A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A BID FROM MASCI GENERAL CONTRACTOR, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES REGARDING THE 2018 ROADWAY RESURFACING PROJECT, UNDER BID NO. 2018-19; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; REJECTING ALL OTHER BIDS; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: John Noble, City Engineer (386-676-3269)

- B. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-84** : A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SETTLEMENT PROPOSAL REGARDING THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM OF RICHARD CONTE; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS INCIDENTAL THERETO; AUTHORIZING PAYMENT RELATIVE THERETO; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Randal Hayes, City Attorney (386-676-3217)

- C. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-85** : A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE DATES AND TIMES FOR THE HOLDING OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH, FLORIDA, FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2018; PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTIONS THERETO; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Lisa Dahme, City Clerk (386-676-3340)

- D. RESOLUTION NO. 2018-86** : A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE AS A MEMBER OF THE RIVER TO SEA CITIZENS

ADVISORY COMMITTEE; ESTABLISHING TERM AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Lisa Dahme, City Clerk (386-676-3340)

- E. **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-89** : A RESOLUTION APPROVING LOCAL LIMITS FOR THE CITY'S PUBLICLY OWNED TREATMENT WORKS (WASTEWATER); ADOPTING A LOCAL LIMITS TABLE; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Dave Ponitz, Utilities Manager (386-676-3305)

- F. **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-90** : A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH SUPPORTING THE PLANNING PROCESS TO UPDATE THE VOLUSIA COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF A REVISED INTEGRATED FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN, AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Steven Spraker, Planning Director (386-676-3341)

- G. **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY 15-16 and FY 16-17 Subrecipient Agreement Amendments**

Staff Contact: Loretta Moisio, Grants Coordinator/PIO (386-676-3315)

Disposition: Approve as recommended in the City Manager memorandum dated July 31, 2018.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-91** : A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF A LINEAR LIGHTING OR STRIPING ON THE FACADE OF "THE MAVERICK RESORT" LOCATED AT 485 SOUTH ATLANTIC AVENUE; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Steven Spraker, Planning Director (386-676-3341)

- B. **RESOLUTION NO. 2018-92** : A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING A LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT LETTER IN FAVOR OF SEA COAST BANK FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1240 WEST GRANADA BOULEVARD (VOLUSIA COUNTY PARCEL ID NUMBER 4230-00-00-0130) RELEASING A 0.311 ACRE PORTION OF THE UNITY OF TITLE AGREEMENT RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF VOLUSIA COUNTY; AFFIRMING AND RATIFYING THE UNITY OF TITLE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING RECORDATION; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Steven Spraker, Planning Director (386-676-3341)

9. REPORTS, SUGGESTIONS, REQUESTS

10. ADJOURNMENT

Item #1 – Meeting Call to Order

Mayor Partington called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Item #2 – Invocation

Pastor Ben Brown, Tomoka Christian Church, gave the invocation.

Item #3 – Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Partington led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #4A – FY 2018-19 Tentative Millage Rate

City Clerk Lisa Dahme read by title only:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-83

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES FOR THE 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR; ESTABLISHING THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES AND THE TENTATIVE BUDGET; DIRECTING COMMUNICATION; EXPRESSING LEGISLATIVE INTENT; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Partington stated that per Florida Statute the tentative millage rate for the City of Ormond Beach necessary to fund the fiscal year 2018-2019 budget was 4.1655 mills. He noted that the rate was 2.87 percent above the rollback rate of 4.0493 mills. He stated that the tentative debt service millage rates were 0.0840 for the 2002 General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund, 0.0350 for the 2003 General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund, and 0.1050 for the 2010 General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund.

Mayor Partington asked that members of the public who wished to speak or ask questions make it known at that time; hearing none, he asked for a motion and a second to adopt the tentative millage rates.

Commissioner Boehm moved, seconded by Commissioner Kent, for approval of Resolution No. 2018-83, as read by title only.

Mayor Partington stated that the tentative operating millage of 4.1655 mills was 2.87 percent above the rollback millage rate. He stated that the resolution included an adoption of the tentative debt service millage rates at 0.0840 for the 2002 General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund, 0.0350 for the 2003 General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund, and 0.1050 for the 2010 General Obligation Bond Sinking Fund. He apologized for the legalese and noted that it was required to handle the item in that particular way.

Commissioner Kent stated that once they voted, the City Commission could not increase the rate and could only decrease it. He noted that Ormond Beach could rejoice if they adopted the proposed rate, because the city leaders had made Ormond Beach's budget a priority once again. He stated that they ran a lean, mean machine, and residents' taxes would continue to be one of the lowest, if not the second or third lowest, of the 16 cities in Volusia County. He noted that he was proud to be part of a team that continued to provide the city tremendous bang for its buck.

Commissioner Boehm added that the proposed rate was lower than the existing rate in the current year's budget. He stated that in Florida if the amount was above the rollback rate, it had to be advertised as a tax increase. He explained that the Commission was actually reducing the millage it was seeking to operate the city with. Commissioner Boehm stated that the rate reduction was a result of both being very conservative as a Commission, and the fiscal responsibility from staff when they prepared the budgets.

Commissioner Selby stated that they had the opportunity that night to adopt rollback and if they did that, it would be without any degradation in services. He explained the rollback was the rate at which the city would receive, for the general revenue, the same dollars that were received the prior year. He stated that would also maintain 15.5 percent in the General Fund reserves, and strongly felt they should do that. He noted there was concern that Amendment 1 might pass on the ballot in November, and that if it did the city would be short a lot of money and potentially have to lay people off. He stated that was an issue they had time to deal with since it would not take effect until Fiscal Year 2019-2020, noting that it might not pass, in which case it would not be an issue. He explained that if it did pass, the city would have to explain to the taxpayers that they thought they were voting themselves a tax decrease, but to keep services at the same level, the city had to roll forward; meaning that the city had the right to increase the rate, so that they received the same amount of dollars received the prior year. He noted that would cause some individuals to receive a tax increase. He stated that prior to the Operating Budget Workshop earlier in the evening, the city was looking at approximately \$900,000 in additional reserves above the 15 percent, and with the proposed rates it would be approximately \$450,000 in additional reserves above the 15 percent. He stated that he did not feel the need to have that amount of excess in the reserves above the benchmark of 15 percent. He noted that he would not vote for that since he supported the rollback rate, which meant the city could get all the projects done that needed to be done, there would be no degradation in services, and they would have adequate reserves at 15 percent. He hoped others would come along with him.

Commissioner Littleton thought it was a good compromise to lower the millage rate by an amount that took into consideration the inflation rate that the nation was dealing with

at that time. He noted that if one included the fact that the city was also lowering the stormwater rate, and no one else in the area was, he was comfortable with the proposed rate, and it was a good way to give the citizens of Ormond Beach a break.

Mayor Partington stated the Commission had a good workshop, combined with the Budget Advisory Board, prior to the regular meeting that evening. He explained the Budget Advisory Board had recommended going with the same tax rate for the upcoming fiscal year, which under state law would be considered a tax increase for practical purposes. He noted the average property owner in Ormond Beach would pay a tenth of a penny a day more than what they were paying currently to go with the same tax rate, to keep the same services that they had currently, and put the city in great fiscally responsible shape with good reserves and the opportunity not to be negatively impacted by what they all expected would happen on Amendment 1. He stated the budget could be a political football and that he had never been good at politics, but the thing he was good at was protecting the city fiscally. He noted they had done that for the prior 16 years, and he planned to continue to do it and would not play politics with their budget.

Mayor Partington pointed out that the City of Ormond Beach's Finance Department received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the current budget, from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). He noted they had received the award several years in a row, they were protecting the residents fiscally, and congratulated Finance Director Kelly McGuire who was in the audience. He stated that the proposed rate was a compromise, a little less than what the Budget Advisory Board recommended, but a good and fair compromise because it took the rollback rate and adjusted it for inflation. He noted that if the rollback rate, which was a complex formula put together by the state legislature, was fair in the first place, the legislature would have given cities a little bit of consideration for inflation. He explained that at the city level, which was responsible to the residents, the City Commission ended up having to do everything themselves the correct way. Mayor Partington reiterated that the Commission had taken the rollback rate and adjusted it for inflation, to end up with the proposed rate. He stated that he was passionate about protecting the city and doing the best for their residents.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Selby	No
	Commissioner Kent	Yes
	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
	Commissioner Littleton	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Partington	Yes

Mayor Partington stated that the tentative operating millage rate was set at 4.1655 mills. He noted that it was 2.87 percent above the rollback millage rate of 4.0493 mills.

Item #5 – Audience Remarks

Ms. Susan Persis, 3 Tidewater Drive, stated that she attended the OB Life meetings and wanted to commend all the city staff for conducting outstanding, informative, and productive meetings in which all citizens' voices and opinions could be heard.

Ms. Persis mentioned that recently the town council of Ponce Inlet passed a new ordinance which prohibited tethering pets, unless nine specific conditions were met. She read a few conditions directly from the ordinance:

“The dog or cat is at least six months of age. The dog or cat is not sick or injured. There shall be no tethering of any dog or cat during the hours which occur from dusk until dawn. The dog or cat has access to water, shelter, shade, and dry ground; the tether must be secured in such a way that it cannot become entangled with other objects and deprive the dog or cat of water, shelter, shade, and dry ground. The dog or cat is not tethered outside in periods of extreme weather, including but not limited to extreme heat (in excess of 85 degrees) or cold (lower than 50 degrees), thunderstorms, lightning, tornadoes, tropical storms, or hurricanes. If there are multiple dogs and/or cats, each dog or cat must be tethered separately.”

Ms. Persis believed the great people of Ormond Beach wanted to protect animals from abuse and neglect, and the tethering of animals could cause grave harm or death. She explained that Pinellas County, Marion County, and other counties had successfully adopted anti-tethering regulations, and asked the Commission to consider an ordinance

similar to that of Ponce Inlet, so that animals in Ormond Beach did not suffer. She thanked the Commission for their time and handed a copy of the Ponce Inlet ordinance to the City Clerk.

Item #6 – Approval of Minutes

Mayor Partington advised that the minutes of the June 26, 2018, regular meeting had been sent to the Commission for review and posted on the city's website for public viewing. He asked for any corrections, additions, or omissions. He stated that hearing no corrections, the minutes would stand approved as presented.

Item #7 – Consent Agenda

Mayor Partington advised that the actions proposed for the items on the Consent Agenda were stated on the agenda. He asked if any member of the Commission had questions or wished to discuss any items separately.

Commissioner Selby requested that Item 7A be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Selby moved, seconded by Commissioner Boehm, for approval of the Consent Agenda, absent Item 7A.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Kent	Yes
	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
	Commissioner Littleton	Yes
	Commissioner Selby	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Partington	Yes

Item #7A – Road Rehabilitation – Resurfacing – Bid Award

City Clerk Lisa Dahme read by title only:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-78
A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A BID FROM MASCI GENERAL CONTRACTOR, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES REGARDING THE 2018 ROADWAY RESURFACING PROJECT, UNDER BID NO. 2018-19; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; REJECTING ALL OTHER BIDS; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Kent moved, seconded by Commissioner Littleton, for discussion of Item 7A.

Commissioner Selby stated that he had a few questions about the road resurfacing program. He wondered if City Manager Joyce Shanahan would be able to answer them for him; whereby, Ms. Joyce Shanahan, City Manager, stated that City Engineer John Noble would have all the answers for him.

Commissioner Selby stated that he really liked the program and the fact that they had a dedicated fund of around \$600,000 a year, where the city was automatically repaving the roads. He noted that the issue, or his understanding of what was in the documentation, was that the software the city used, pavement management software, was not taking into account roads that had really low traffic volume, and wondered if that was correct.

Mr. John Noble, City Engineer, stated the funds were around \$500,000 to \$600,000 per year, and that Commissioner Selby was correct. He noted the repaving was based on the formula the software used each year with the road recommendations, and that small roads were considered filler roads. He indicated that if there were a small amount of money left in the budget, the software might pick up on one or two of the filler roads, but did not do that very often.

Commissioner Selby wondered if there had been any discussion with the software company to adjust the variables internally; whereby, Mr. Noble stated that staff had meetings with the company they were currently using, and meetings with other companies to see what software programs might be available for use. He noted they had been with the current company for over ten years.

Commissioner Selby asked how many miles of road were in the city; whereby, Mr. Noble stated there were around 131.

Commissioner Selby wondered if a typical road lasted 20 to 30 years, and if the city were doing around five to six miles per year; whereby, Mr. Noble stated he was correct and they did between four and six miles per year.

Commissioner Selby wondered if the microsurfacing program that the city had initiated that year would get them more bang for their buck; whereby, Mr. Noble stated that it would.

Commissioner Selby stated that he was not entirely certain the microsurfacing would last as long as repaving; whereby, Mr. Noble agreed and indicated it was the first year the city had gone to microsurfacing.

Commissioner Selby stated that he was not too concerned about it, but wondered if the city had decided not to microsurface Pineland Trail due to its roughness; whereby, Mr. Noble stated Pineland Trail would not be a candidate, since it was a higher speed road and its current condition required resurfacing.

Commissioner Selby noted that the last exhibit showed an Orchard Lane property and asked what work was being done there; whereby, Mr. Noble stated there was a drainage easement in the backyard and under the John Anderson Drive improvement project, the city did some improvements especially with the concrete driveway. He noted that ponding was still occurring, and the city was going back and fixing those issues.

Commissioner Selby stated that the issue was on private property, but there was a drainage easement and the city was fixing it; whereby, Mr. Noble stated that was correct.

Mayor Partington pointed out that the resurfacing program was funded with a dedicated millage that prior Commissions saw fit to put in place, and that he was not aware of any other city that had a similar program. He noted that even while maintaining the third lowest tax rate in the county, the City of Ormond Beach provided maintenance and service that many other cities only wished they could provide.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
	Commissioner Littleton	Yes
	Commissioner Selby	Yes
	Commissioner Kent	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Partington	Yes

Comments on Consent Agenda Items

Commissioner Selby noted that in Item #7D, the City Commission appointed Mr. Roger Strcula, who owned Upham Inc., to the Citizen Advisory Board of the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO). He stated that he was speaking at a Rotary Club and mentioned the city had an opening on that board, so Mr. Strcula came forward to volunteer his service in that area. He was excited and noted Mr. Strcula would be a wonderful asset to the committee, and a great representative for the citizens of Ormond Beach.

Item #8 – Public Hearings

Mayor Partington opened the public hearings.

Item #8A – 485 South Atlantic Avenue request for striping

City Clerk Lisa Dahme read by title only:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-91

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF A LINEAR LIGHTING OR STRIPING ON THE FACADE OF “THE MAVERICK RESORT” LOCATED AT 485 SOUTH ATLANTIC AVENUE; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Steven Spraker, Planning Director, stated the request was to allow linear lighting at The Maverick Resort as part of their redevelopment. He noted they were trying to break up the walls along the building’s facade, and the city’s Land Development Code (LDC)

did not allow staff to approve striping or geometric patterns, because that responsibility was given to the City Commission. He noted that staff believed the proposed lighting was appropriate and would break up the walls, and that similar striping and geometric patterns had been used on the Lotus Boutique Inn and Suites, next door on the south side, and the Casa del Mar, further south, with positive results. He indicated that it was hard to make large buildings visually interesting. He reiterated that staff was supportive of their request, and the applicant was available for questions in the audience.

Mayor Partington confirmed that staff supported it and the rules allowed for it. He noted that he had a card from the applicant, Mr. Brandt Hay, if anyone had questions for him.

Commissioner Selby moved, seconded by Commissioner Littleton, for approval of Resolution No. 2018-91, as read by title only.

Commissioner Selby stated that he spoke briefly with Mr. Hay before the meeting. He wondered if the LED lights would be able to change color; whereby, Mr. Hay had stated in the conversation that they would not and would be a fixed color.

Commissioner Selby wondered if it were striping or accent lighting on the building that Realty Pros built along Granada Boulevard and were housed in currently; whereby, Mr. Spraker clarified it was accent lighting.

Commissioner Selby asked for an explanation of the difference in layman's terms; whereby, Mr. Spraker stated that striping was when there were more than two stripes on a building, or when geometric patterns were involved, noting those fell into the lighting terms and the color section of the LDC which were approved by the Commission. He stated those were different from accent lighting as part of the overall building.

Commissioner Selby thought it would look great, was excited about the renovations, and emphasized his support for it.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Littleton	Yes
	Commissioner Selby	Yes
	Commissioner Kent	Yes
	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Partington	Yes

Item #8B – 1240 West Granada Boulevard – Sea Coast Bank – lot line adjustment

City Clerk Lisa Dahme read by title only:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-92

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING A LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT LETTER IN FAVOR OF SEA COAST BANK FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1240 WEST GRANADA BOULEVARD (VOLUSIA COUNTY PARCEL ID NUMBER 4230-00-00-0130) RELEASING A 0.311 ACRE PORTION OF THE UNITY OF TITLE AGREEMENT RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF VOLUSIA COUNTY; AFFIRMING AND RATIFYING THE UNITY OF TITLE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING RECORDATION; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Spraker stated that when the property at 1240 West Granada Boulevard was developed it had been East Coast Community Bank, and part of their development requirement was they consolidate all parcels together, noting that none of the parcels could be separated unless it was approved by the city. He stated that Shoppes on Granada had put together a various number of parcels, possibly five total, and one was a portion of the former East Coast Community Bank, which was currently Seacoast Bank. He noted that as part of the realignment they needed the city's authorization to do a lot line adjustment, which would take a little property from the bank and give it to the Shoppes on Granada. He stated that each parcel met its zoning district minimums and staff was recommending approval.

Commissioner Selby wondered if that was the portion of the property that would be south of Granada Boulevard and south of the bank building to provide access from Mirror Lake Drive; whereby, Mr. Spraker stated there would be no access for the Shoppes on Granada on Mirror Lake Drive. He noted it was their stormwater pond, which would be incorporated into the Shoppes on Granada, and provided a better

configuration; instead of having a parcel that jutted in and out, it would be a linear parcel which could be developed more effectively.

Commissioner Littleton moved, seconded by Commissioner Boehm, for approval of Resolution No. 2018-92, as read by title only.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Selby	Yes
	Commissioner Kent	Yes
	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
	Commissioner Littleton	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Partington	Yes

Mayor Partington closed the public hearings without objection.

Item #9 – Reports, Suggestions, Requests

Mr. Dave Ponitz

Ms. Shanahan stated she wanted to recognize Utilities Manager Dave Ponitz, as he had been with the city over ten years and was going to be retiring to take a new job. She noted that she would miss him, that he was so deeply knowledgeable about water and sewer issues, was a tremendous asset to the city, and a wonderful person in general. She explained that there were times she would go into Publix in The Trails Shopping Center and hear Mr. Ponitz's voice in the back of the store, as he was complimenting and thanking the young men and women that were student workers. She noted that told an individual the type of person that he was overall. She wished him the best in future endeavors, and enjoyed working with him during his time at Ormond Beach.

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Grant

Ms. Shanahan learned earlier that day the FAA had provided an Airport Improvement Program Grant offered to the city for the full amount of their project Runway 8/26 Rehab design and extensions at the Ormond Beach Municipal Airport. She noted that she knew that had been the Commission's priority for quite a while, and had amended the airport master plan adopting it as such. She stated the grant amount was \$2,200,000 which represented 90 percent of the total cost, and a grant request was currently pending with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for eight percent project share of \$200,000. She noted that left the city share at just two percent of the overall project. She thought that was a wonderful bang for their buck, and complimented Airport Manager Steven Lichliter on all that he did for the city at the airport. She explained that grant was long awaited and greatly anticipated, so she was excited to see it moving forward, and would bring it to the Commission formally in the coming weeks.

New City Clerk

Commissioner Littleton congratulated Ms. Lisa Dahme, the new City Clerk, on doing a wonderful job at her first official meeting.

National Night Out

Commissioner Littleton stated there would not be a City Commission meeting on Tuesday, August 7, 2018. He noted the police department would host National Night Out, it would be a wonderful event held at Nova Park, and hoped everyone would come out for it.

Vacation

Commissioner Selby stated that he would be on vacation with family and miss the upcoming City Commission meeting on Wednesday, August 8, 2018. He noted it would be his first absence from the Dias since he was elected in November of 2016. He was disappointed that he would not be there, since they would be discussing the Lucky's Market at 101 East Granada Boulevard. He emphasized that he was 100 percent supportive of that project, and the assistance that the city would be providing.

Mr. Dave Ponitz

Commissioner Selby stated that he would miss Mr. Ponitz, and had gotten to know him through working on septic to sewer projects. He noted that Mr. Ponitz was a great guy, with big shoes to fill, and wished him the best. He explained that he was supportive of anyone advancing their career, but hated to see Mr. Ponitz leave the city.

OB Life Meetings

Commissioner Selby stated that he observed chatter on social media after the prior OB Life presentation and wanted to address it. He stated that it referenced Mayor Partington

and himself leaving the meeting immediately following introductions, and that they did not care enough, or something to that effect, about that program to stay. He noted that he was prepared to stay for all of the meetings, but both he and Mayor Partington had been asked not to participate, so that everyone would be free to speak whatever was on their mind and provide input, without having to be concerned about what they said and potentially offending someone. He hoped at the upcoming meeting there would be an announcement to all attendees about that, because he thought it inadvertently made them look bad.

Commissioner Kent stated that he would pick up where Commissioner Selby left off; a group of people tried to criticize Commissioner Selby and Mayor Partington, for the sole reason that they wanted to allow the citizens to fully participate and not sway any votes. He noted that desperate people would say desperate things, and wished that it had not bothered them.

Wyatt Kent

Commissioner Kent stated he was proud of his twelve year old son, Wyatt Kent, for sitting through the City Commission meeting that night and learning about local civic government. He thanked Wyatt for being there, along with his wife.

Lucky's Market

Commissioner Kent stated that through the direction of that Commission, the city had been able to pique the interest of a Lucky's Market, which would hopefully be solidified and come to Ormond Beach in Zone 1, across the street from Zone 2. He noted it would be a wonderful addition to the beachside community, and to the entire city of Ormond Beach. He was excited that it would be an opportunity for Ormond Beach beachside residents to shop close by.

Fourth of July

Commissioner Kent stated that Ormond Beach's Fourth of July celebration was second to none again. He emphasized that the city did it better than anywhere else he had seen fireworks, that it was a beautiful celebration for America's birthday, and a wonderful, wholesome, and great family event. He noted that he was proud and pleased to be part of it.

Commissioner Boehm echoed what Commissioner Kent stated about the Fourth of July celebration.

Commissioner Kent

Commissioner Boehm noted that Commissioner Kent had an anterior cervical fusion only ten days prior, and was still in attendance at the regular Commission meeting that night. He indicated that was how much Commissioner Kent cared, and was passionate about, Ormond Beach; to have major surgery and still show up to handle business. He noted that it was major surgery, that he was familiar with the surgery and what people went through, and that someone had to really want to serve their city to show up that night. He noted it was a great tribute to the type of person that he was and how much he cared. He stated that Wyatt Kent had probably first attended a City Commission meeting in utero before he was born, and had therefore attended more meetings than anyone at his age. He appreciated Wyatt and Ms. Heather Kent being there.

Leisure Services

Commissioner Boehm stated that the city's summer camps at South Ormond Neighborhood Center, Nova Community Center, Environmental Discovery Center, The Casements, and the Ormond Memorial Art Museum, were all in the process of wrapping up for the summer. He observed that the city provided opportunities for children in all types of fields, from sports to art to the environment, to help them learn and engage during the summer and better themselves. He explained that was only part of what the City of Ormond Beach Leisure Services Department did, along with the Fourth of July celebration, to provide for their citizens. He stated the sheer scope of what they did was really remarkable and outstanding, and gave credit to Assistant Director of Leisure Services Stefan Sibley. He noted one could always hear Mr. Sibley's voice getting everyone ready at the Fourth of July celebration.

National Night Out

Commissioner Boehm stated the City of Ormond Beach Police Department supervised and put together National Night Out every year. He noted it would have a Hawaiian Luau theme that year, and hoped Police Chief Jesse Godfrey would be there in a hula skirt. He stated that it was a great event to bring a family to, it was free and for all citizens, at

the Nova Community Center. He noted it was another thing the city did to provide quality of life to citizens and hoped everyone had the opportunity to attend.

OB Life Meetings

Mayor Partington referred back to the OB Life issue that Commissioner Selby brought up. He pointed out that the current Commission, one of the most responsive and transparent Commissions that he had worked with in sixteen years, had approved the citizen engagement series and it was being held by staff at the Commission's request. He wanted to make sure they and staff were listening to and getting accurate input from all residents as they prepared the 2019 Strategic Plan moving forward. He noted it was similar to the previously requested input from residents in 2015 with the community conversation workshops, and they were again showing a pattern of engaging the community and citizens by asking for their thoughts and opinions so they could incorporate it into what the Commission did. He explained they were conducting those meetings the exact same way that they did prior, and were relying on the educated experience of the University of Central Florida's Institute of Government. He noted their facilitators explained that the desire was to ensure that the meetings were conducted in an environment where citizens were comfortable sharing opinions, in an atmosphere as free from politics as possible. He and Commissioner Selby were asked to be at the meeting to welcome individuals and help kick off the meeting, but then asked to kindly leave. He noted they respected and abided by that.

Lucky's Market

Mayor Partington stated that he was excited about the Lucky's Market coming to Ormond Beach. He noted there was a Lucky's Market in Gainesville, Florida, and received an email from them the prior Saturday. He explained that it listed some of the things that Lucky's Market did there: local vendor fairs where their farmers brought in produce locally grown and he expected that in Ormond Beach also; and an impact day, which meant that ten percent of that day's sales would be donated to a local non-profit that supported one of their four areas of focus (healthy communities, youth and education, resilience, or sustainability). He noted that beyond being a beautiful store and market, there were other things they would bring to the area. He stated that the excitement in the community was palpable, there had been a huge response, and citizens were looking forward to it. He indicated that seeing a quality market for beachside residents in a building that sat vacant for so long, was a very positive thing.

National Night Out

Mayor Partington stated that National Night Out would be at what he called Nova Rec, currently Nova Community Center, since he had grown up going there. He noted it would be a fantastic event, and hoped to see everyone there. He explained that a group called Polynesian Fire would be performing, noting that Ms. Shanahan always loved it when there were flames inside public buildings, but that they were trained and looked like they knew what they were doing, so everyone would be in for a treat. He stated the event would be on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at 440 North Nova Road, and hoped to see Coach Hill there.

Item #12 – Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

APPROVED: August 21, 2018

BY:

Bill Partington, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Dahme, City Clerk