

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

October 20, 2020

7:00 p.m.

Commission Chambers

Present were: Mayor Bill Partington, Commissioners Dwight Selby, Troy Kent, Susan Persis, and Rob Littleton, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, Assistant City Manager Claire Whitley, City Attorney Randy Hayes, and City Clerk Colby Cilento.

A G E N D A

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INVOCATION**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**
 - A. Lauren Huhta - Elementary ESE Teacher of the Year
 - B. First Responders Appreciation Day
 - C. Public Works & Utilities Department
- 5. AUDIENCE REMARKS - REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
- 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. Minutes from City Commission meeting – October 6, 2020
- 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. 2020-147:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM FLORIDA HEALTH CARE PLANS, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH/MEDICAL BENEFIT SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager (386-676-3202)

- B. RESOLUTION NO. 2020-148:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM THE STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE DENTAL INSURANCE BENEFITS SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager (386-676-3202)

- C. RESOLUTION NO. 2020-149:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM THE STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE VISION INSURANCE BENEFITS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager (386-676-3202)

- D. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-150:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Staff Contact: Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager (386-676-3202)

- E. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-151:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE VOLUNTARY LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager (386-676-3202)

- F. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-152:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE VOLUNTARY SHORT-TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFITS SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager (386-676-3202)

- G. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-153:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FUNDING OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNTS FOR THE 2021 PLAN YEAR; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager (386-676-3202)

- H. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-154:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE PROVISION OF EMPLOYEE LONG TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFITS SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager (386-676-3202)

- I. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-155:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH AND TEAM VOLUSIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Brian Rademacher, Economic Development Director (386-676-3266)

- J. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-156:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF RTR FINANCIAL SERVICES INCORPORATED REGARDING DEBT COLLECTION SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; REJECTING ALL OTHER PROPOSALS; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

- K. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-157:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN ON-LINE GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,452.00 TO THE FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL DOCUMENTS INCIDENTAL THERETO, INCLUDING ANY CONTRACT NECESSARY FOR THE CITY TO ACCEPT THE GRANT AWARD; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Loretta Moisiso, Grants Coordinator (386-676-3315)

- L. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-158:** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT RENEWAL BETWEEN THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH AND NOEMI VALLE AND ANTARES VALLE D/B/A BIRDSTOWN SKATE SHOP FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE NOVA SKATE COURT CONCESSION STAND; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Robert Carolin, Leisure Services Director (386-676-3279)

- M. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-159:** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF BARTH ASSOCIATES, LLC REGARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO UPDATE THE PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT AND PAYMENT THEREFOR; REJECTING ALL OTHER PROPOSALS; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Shawn Finley, Public Works Director (386-615-7049)

- N. **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-160:** A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING REVISIONS TO THE CITY'S FEE SCHEDULE FOR CULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES OPERATED BY THE LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Robert Carolin, Leisure Services Director (386-676-3279)

- O. **Auto Renew Contract - Central Square Annual Maintenance**

Staff Contact: Ned Huhta, IT Manager (386-615-7031)

Disposition: Approve as recommended in the City Manager memorandum dated October 20, 2020.

- P. **Invitation to Bid - Florence Street On-Street Parking Improvements**

Staff Contact: Shawn Finley, Public Works Director (386-615-7049)

Disposition: Approve as recommended in the City Manager memorandum dated October 20, 2020.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-48:** AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY INTO THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH, SAID PROPERTY BEING GENERALLY LOCATED AT 1644 NORTH U.S. HIGHWAY 1 ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF SAID HIGHWAY AND BEING NORTHWEST OF THE INTERSTATE-95/NORTH U.S. HIGHWAY 1 INTERCHANGE, AND BEING COMMONLY KNOWN

AS THE "AA ACCURATE TRUCK & TIRE REPAIR" PROPERTY (PARCEL ID NO.: 3136-01-64-0010; INCLUDING THAT PORTION OF OAK STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY ABUTTING THE PROPERTY TO THE SOUTH; SETTING FORTH ZONING PRIVILEGES AND OBLIGATIONS REGARDING THE PROPERTIES; REDEFINING THE TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY TO INCLUDE THE PROPERTIES; REDESIGNATING THE BOUNDARIES OF ZONE 1 OF THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH TO INCLUDE THE PROPERTIES; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMISSION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(SECOND READING)**

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

9. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

- A. **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-49:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 BY AMENDING THE GENERAL FUND (001); LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (109); GRANTS FUND (116); FINANCING DEBT SERVICES FUND (205); 2010 BEACHFRONT PARK BOND FUND (220); CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND (301); RECREATIONAL IMPACT FEE FUND (310); FACILITIES RENEWAL & REPLACEMENT FUND (317); RENEWAL & REPLACEMENT FUND (409); AND THE GENERAL LIABILITY FUND (504); AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. **City Attorney Evaluation**

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

- B. **City Manager Evaluation**

Staff Contact: Joyce Shanahan, City Manager (386-676-3200)

11. REPORTS, SUGGESTIONS, REQUESTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

Item #1 – Meeting Call to Order

Mayor Partington called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item #2 – Invocation

Father Roy Allison, St. James Episcopal Church, gave the invocation.

Item #3 – Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Partington led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #4 – Presentations and Proclamations

Item #4A – Lauren Huhta – Elementary ESE Teacher of the Year

Mayor Partington presented Ms. Lauren Huhta with a proclamation honoring her for being named Elementary Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Teacher of the Year. He noted Ms. Huhta was the daughter of Information Technology Manager Mr. Ned Huhta. He discussed Ms. Huhta's career as an ESE teacher and declared October 20, 2020, as a day to recognize her for her outstanding accomplishments and dedication to her

students.

Commissioner Persis stated she had the privilege of hiring Ms. Huhta for her first job as an ESE teacher at Pine Trail Elementary School. She stated she was extremely proud of Ms. Huhta for her accomplishments and awarded her a key to the city.

Item #4B – First Responders Appreciation Day

Mayor Partington presented Police Chief Jesse Godfrey and Fire Chief Rusty Sievers with proclamations in honor of First Responders Appreciation Day on Wednesday, October 28, 2020. He recognized first responders for their courage and dedication to protecting the public. He stated first responder appreciation yard signs would be available for Ormond Beach residents at a drive-thru pick up event at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Monday, October 26, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. He invited all citizens to join in honoring and thanking first responders, and encouraged all residents to display the yard signs as a sign of appreciation.

Item #4C – Public Works and Utilities Department

Mayor Partington presented Public Works Director Mr. Shawn Finley with a proclamation honoring the Public Works and Utilities Department for their outstanding service during a critical situation when a sewer main collapsed in the intersection of Granada Boulevard and Clyde Morris Boulevard during the summer. He thanked all employees involved in responding to the situation for ensuring effects on the public were kept to a minimum. He declared October 21, 2020, as a day to recognize the Public Works and Utilities Department for their hard work and invited all citizens to do the same.

Item #5 – Audience Remarks

Mr. Jim Schultz, 117 Harvard Drive, discussed freedom of speech on social media and the negative impacts of fluoridation.

Item #6 – Approval of Minutes

Mayor Partington advised the minutes of the October 6, 2020, meeting had been sent to the Commission for review and were 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 the actions proposed for the items on the Consent Agenda were so stated on the agenda. He asked if any member of the Commission had questions or wished to discuss any items separately.

Commissioner Selby stated he wished to pull Item 7I.

Commissioner Persis moved, seconded by Commissioner Selby, for approval of the consent agenda, absent Item 7I.

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

Item #7I - Team Volusia Service Contract

City Clerk Colby Cilento read by title only:

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-155
 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE
 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF
 ORMOND BEACH AND TEAM VOLUSIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
 CORPORATION; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Persis moved, seconded by Commissioner Selby, for approval of Resolution No. 2020-155, as read by title only.

Commissioner Selby stated he supported the item and noted his intent for pulling the item was to address comments made regarding his involvement with Team Volusia. He stated an accusation had been made that there was a conflict of interest regarding him serving as co-chair of Team Volusia's Real Estate Task Force. He asked Mr. Dwight Durant, the immediate past president of Team Volusia, to speak on the issue. He noted for many years his company had been a supporter and member of Team Volusia, paid dues to the organization, and believed in the mission of the organization. He stated the claims of him making money from volunteering for Team Volusia were false.

Mr. Dwight Durant, Representative of Team Volusia, thanked the City of Ormond Beach for being involved in the organization. He stated Team Volusia was a public-private organization and was made up solely of volunteers. He explained Team Volusia had taskforces that aided in bringing businesses to Volusia County. He stated the task forces were made up of individuals who were experienced in related fields, noting Commissioner Selby was nominated to serve on the Real Estate Task Force due to his experience with real estate. He stated Team Volusia confirmed with attorney John Ferguson of Cobb Cole, their legal assistant, that there was no conflict with Commissioner Selby's involvement with Team Volusia.

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

Comments on Consent Agenda Items

Commissioner Kent discussed his support for Item 7K, which approved the submittal of a grant applicant to the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation.

Commissioner Selby also stated his support for Item 7K; as well as Item 7M, which approved a bid award to update the current Parks and Recreation Master Plan; and Item 7P, which approved of the city's intent to issue an invitation to bid for the Florence Street On-Parking Improvements projects. He proceeded to discuss multiple items on the consent agenda that approved of insurance policy renewals for the city. He noted his approval that the health insurance policy only included a six percent increase, instead of the 15 percent increase that was originally anticipated.

Mayor Partington also discussed his support for Item 7K and Item 7M. He echoed Commissioner Selby's comments regarding the health insurance policy renewal items.

Item #8 – Public Hearings

Mayor Partington opened the public hearings.

Item #8A – 1644 N US HWY 1 (AA Truck & Tire Repair) and Oak St ROW Annexation

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Mayor Partington noted no audience cards had been submitted on the item.

Commissioner Persis moved, seconded by Commissioner Littleton, for approval of Ordinance No. 2020-48, on second reading, as read by title only.

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

Mayor Partington closed the public hearings without objection.

Item #9 – First Reading of Ordinances

Item #9A – FY 2019-20 Budget Amendments

City Clerk Colby Cilento read by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-49

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 BY AMENDING THE GENERAL FUND (001); LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (109); GRANTS FUND (116); FINANCING DEBT SERVICES FUND (205); 2010 BEACHFRONT PARK BOND FUND (220); CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND (301); RECREATIONAL IMPACT FEE FUND (310); FACILITIES RENEWAL & REPLACEMENT FUND (317); RENEWAL & REPLACEMENT FUND (409); AND THE GENERAL LIABILITY FUND (504); AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Selby moved, seconded by Commissioner Littleton, for approval of Ordinance No. 2020-49, on first reading, as read by title only.

Ms. Kelly McGuire, Finance Director, explained each year staff requested the Commission amend the prior year's budget to reflect updates and changes. She noted the amendments were largely capital project related and all the projects had been approved individually. She stated the projects were part of the 2018-2019 FY budget, but noted capital projects did not get completed within one fiscal year; therefore, staff was requesting the amendments.

Mayor Partington noted the amendments were normally requested after the conclusion of the fiscal year and were not out of the ordinary.

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

Item #10 – Discussion Items

Item #10A – City Attorney Evaluation

Mr. Randy Hayes, City Attorney, thanked the Commission for his positive evaluation. He noted the evaluation reflected all city employees' hard work. He complimented City Manager Ms. Joyce Shanahan and her team. He thanked the Commission for their cohesive direction and for ensuring all employees were on the same page. He noted the past year had been challenging due to the COVID-19 pandemic and complimented city employees again for their hard work.

Commissioner Kent moved, seconded by Commissioner Persis, to accept the City Attorney evaluation as presented.

Commissioner Persis complimented Mr. Hayes on his strong work ethic and dedication to his job. She thanked him for always being responsive and willing to help. She stated Mr. Hayes was respected by many and noted she was proud of him.

Commissioner Littleton stated Mr. Hayes and his employees were the best in the business thanks to their experience, hard work, and integrity. He thanked him for his service to the city and the Commission.

Commissioner Kent complimented Mr. Hayes for his caring personality and effectiveness at running the legal department. He noted Mr. Hayes was also tough, fair, and did an excellent job representing all of the citizens of Ormond Beach. He complimented Mr. Hayes' integrity and stated the city was extremely fortunate to have him.

Commissioner Selby noted Mr. Hayes' leadership and attitude set the bar high and made him special. He provided examples of Mr. Hayes' exceptional work protecting and continuously looking out for the city. He stated he had total confidence in Mr. Hayes' ability and thanked him for his work.

Mayor Partington stated he agreed with the comments from all Commissioners and noted his comments on the evaluation spoke for themselves.

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

Item #10B – City Manager Evaluation

Commissioner Persis moved, seconded by Commissioner Selby, to accept the City Manager evaluation as presented.

Commissioner Persis complimented Ms. Shanahan on her hard work and dedication to the city. She stated residents of Ormond Beach respected Ms. Shanahan and noted she was a wonderful example of a strong, working woman. She thanked Ms. Shanahan again for her work and for being a positive role model.

Commissioner Littleton stated Ms. Shanahan was a major asset to the city and helped make his job as a Commissioner easier. He thanked her for her leadership and hoped she would stay with the city for many years to come.

Commissioner Kent stated he switched his vote as a Commissioner many years ago to ensure Ms. Shanahan was the city's first choice for city manager and noted the decision was one of the best decisions he had ever made. He stated he appreciated Ms. Shanahan's high expectations and complimented her work ethic, kind personality, and patience when dealing with the public.

Commissioner Selby stated he was very pleased that Ms. Shanahan decided against moving to Naples to become their city manager years ago. He echoed Commissioner Kent's comments and complimented Ms. Shanahan on her character and leadership, and thanked her for her service.

Mayor Partington stated he agreed with all the Commissioners' comments and would once again rely on his written comments on Ms. Shanahan's evaluation to speak for themselves. He noted Ms. Shanahan was one of the top five city managers in the nation and listed reasons why. He complimented Ms. Shanahan on dealing with various members of the public and her outstanding work performance.

Mayor Partington encouraged Ms. Shanahan and Mr. Hayes to enjoy more time off of work so that they did not get burned out.

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

Item #11 – Reports, Suggestions, Requests

Evaluation

Ms. Joyce Shanahan, City Manager, thanked all members of the Commission for her evaluation, and for their leadership and guidance. She complimented Mr. Hayes on his

strong work ethic and noted she enjoyed working alongside him. She complimented all city employees on their hard work and quick responsiveness while assisting citizens. She noted the City of Ormond Beach was a crown jewel of Florida.

Ms. Claire Whitley, Assistant City Manager, complimented both Mr. Hayes and Ms. Shanahan on their outstanding work performance and their dedication to the city. She stated she enjoyed working with and learning from both of them.

Events

Ms. Shanahan noted the city would be hosting a drive-thru Veteran's Day event on Thursday, November 19, 2020, where they would be handing out boxed lunches to veterans.

Ms. Shanahan stated the city was planning to host a drive-thru event for the Hometown Heroes program as well. She noted staff had debated hosting the event in person, but explained the event was expected to draw a crowd of over 200 people and would make social distancing in-person challenging.

Ms. Shanahan discussed Biketoberfest and reviewed data regarding emergency calls and violations that the city's fire department and police department responded to during the event.

Commissioner Littleton and Commissioner Persis stated they were looking forward to First Responders Appreciation Day on Wednesday, October 28, 2020.

Ormond Beach Police Department

Ms. Shanahan discussed a recruiting event that the Ormond Beach Police Department held, noting the department currently had six vacancies. She complimented Police Chief Jesse Godfrey for utilizing innovative ideas to recruit new employees. She noted current times were difficult for police officers and complimented Ormond Beach officers on their strong work performance.

Ms. Shanahan noted the Ormond Beach Police Department received accreditation renewal for another three years by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Accreditation. She discussed the various policies that were examined and reviewed by the FDLE Accreditation team and complimented Chief Godfrey on receiving the reaccreditation. She noted after five accreditation periods the department could become eligible for excelsior status.

Mayor Partington congratulated members of the Ormond Beach Police Department for receiving their accreditation renewal and discussed the importance of the accreditation. He complimented the city on implementing a Citizen's Law Enforcement Advisory Board many years ago and discussed the many positive effects the board had on the department.

FEMA Reimbursements

Ms. Shanahan noted the city received funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for emergency preparation for Hurricane Dorian and for the Andy Romano Beachfront Park ramp that was damaged.

Mayor Partington discussed ideas on how to fix the Andy Romano Beachfront Park ramp. He proposed Mr. Durant may be able to assist in the design of the ramp.

Annual Audit

Ms. Shanahan stated the Finance Department was beginning their annual audit process, noting the audit would be presented to the Commission in February, 2021.

Team Volusia

Mr. Hayes confirmed for the record that from the city's side there was no conflict of interest with Commissioner Selby's involvement with Team Volusia.

Thank you

Commissioner Littleton thanked city staff for their hard work and expressed his favor of living in the City of Ormond Beach.

State of the City

Commissioner Selby, Commissioner Kent, Commissioner Persis, and Mayor Partington complimented the State of the City event and discussed safety precautions implemented at the event.

Commissioner Selby encouraged citizens to view the State of the City video listed on the city's Youtube page and website to learn more about current projects taking place within the city.

Mayor Partington complimented city photographer Mr. Dave Pizzo on creating the State of City brochure and video. He discussed his favor that the back page of the brochure highlighted the city's first responders.

Cassen Park Breakwater

Commissioner Kent noted the city had been experiencing high tides lately and was concerned that the tide was reaching the top of the breakwater. He stated he wished for staff to look into options of building the breakwater higher.

Election

Commissioner Kent discussed the importance of always being kind and encouraged everyone to do so. He stated that his family members names were not on the ballot, and encouraged people to call him directly if they had any issues with him.

Commissioner Persis wished all members of the Commission the best of luck on Election Day.

Performing Arts Center

Mayor Partington noted he had met with Ms. Lucy Jackman, who was working on renovations at the city's Performing Arts Center. He stated he had requested staff find ways for the city to assist in the project and anticipated staff presenting those options to the Commission soon. He complimented Ms. Jackman for her passion.

Item #12 – Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

APPROVED: November 4, 2020

BY:

Bill Partington, Mayor

ATTEST:

Colby J. Cilento, City Clerk