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# ROCKLEDGE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022 ♦ 6:00 P.M.

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The Rockledge City Council met in regular session on April 6, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Rockledge City Hall, 1600 Huntington Lane, Rockledge, Florida.

**PRESENT:**

Thomas J. Price	Mayor
Dr. Michael Cadore	Councilmember, Seat #1
Dr. R. Shaun Ferguson	Councilmember, Seat #2
Sammie Brown Martin	Councilmember, Seat #3
Duane A. Daski	Councilmember, Seat #5
Ted J. Hartselle	Councilmember, Seat #6
Joseph E. Miniclier	City Attorney
Dr. Brenda Fettrow	City Manager
Jennifer M. LeVasseur	City Clerk & Public Relations Officer

**ABSENT:** Frank T. Forester Councilmember, Seat #4

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Matthew Trine	Assistant City Manager & Finance Director
John Cooper	Planning Director
Joseph P. LaSata	Public Safety Director/Chief of Police
James Elmore	Wastewater Treatment & Water Reclamation Director
Donna Seyferth	Deputy Chief of Police
Tricia Olsson	Deputy City Clerk

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas J. Price.

## 2. INVOCATION

- The invocation was given by Councilwoman Martin.

## 3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A salute was given to the flag, and the Pledge of Allegiance, led by 7<sup>th</sup>-grade students from St. Mary Catholic School, was repeated in unison.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Regular Meeting on March 16, 2022

***Councilman Daski moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on March 16, 2022; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion carried unanimously (6).***

#### 5. PRESENTATIONS

- None

#### 6. FINANCIAL / BUDGET REPORT

- None

#### 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS

- A. Ordinance: Second Reading and Public Hearing, Ordinance No. 1852-2022, Amending the Rockledge Land Development Regulations, Part II – Administrative, by Deleting and Replacing Sections 21.00 through 26.00

***Councilman Ferguson offered Ordinance No. 1852-2022 entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING "PART II ADMINISTRATIVE" OF THE ROCKLEDGE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, SECTIONS 21.00 THROUGH 26.00 BY DELETING SAME IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW "PART II ADMINISTRATIVE" SECTIONS 21.00 THROUGH 26.00 TO UPDATE NUMEROUS ITEMS THEREIN; DECLARING THAT INVALIDITY OF ANY PORTION HEREOF SHALL NOT AFFECT THE REMAINING PORTIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," and moved for the second reading of the Ordinance by title only and to open the matter for public hearing; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion carried by unanimous vote (6).***

City Attorney Miniclier read aloud the title of the Ordinance for the second reading. Chairman Price declared the matter open to the public for discussion.

There being no public comment, Chairman Price declared the public hearing to be closed.

***Councilwoman Martin moved for the adoption of the Ordinance; seconded by Councilman Cadore. Voting for the motion: Mayor Price and Councilmembers Cadore, Ferguson, Martin, Daski and Hartselle. The motion carried by unanimous vote (6).***

- B. Ordinance: First Reading, Changing the Zoning Classification from R2 (Single-Family Dwelling) District to PUD (Planned Unit

Development) District on 38.48+/- Acres,  
Parcel ID 25-36-05-00-252 (ZDA-22-02)

**Councilman Daski offered an Ordinance entitled** "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION FROM THE R2 (SINGLE FAMILY) DISTRICT TO THE PUD (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) DISTRICT IN PLANNING DISTRICT 4 OF APPROXIMATELY 38.48+/- ACRES, LOCATED WEST OF ROCKLEDGE COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES, NORTH OF WOODLAND DRIVE AND SOUTH OF SIERRA LAKES SUBDIVISION, IN THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN THE BODY OF THIS ORDINANCE; AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE TO REFLECT THE CHANGE OF ZONING EFFECTED BY THIS ORDINANCE; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO FORTHWITH CAUSE THE APPROPRIATE DESIGNATION TO BE MADE ON THE FACE OF THE OFFICIAL CITY ZONING MAP INDICATING THE NEW ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS ORDINANCE; DECLARING THAT INVALIDITY OF ANY PORTION HEREOF SHALL NOT AFFECT THE REMAINING PORTIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," **and moved for the first reading of the Ordinance by title only; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion carried unanimously (6).**

City Attorney Miniclier read aloud the title of the Ordinance for the first reading.

**Councilman Daski moved to authorize publication and a public hearing to be held on April 20, 2022; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion carried by unanimous vote (6).**

- C. Ordinance: First Reading, Amending the Rockledge Land Development Regulations Section 62.122(c)(15) by Deleting and Replacing Same to Modify and Update Requirements for Mini-Warehouse Development and Regulation

**Councilman Ferguson offered an Ordinance entitled** "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 62.122(c)(15) OF THE ROCKLEDGE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS BY DELETING SAME AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW SECTION 62.122(c)(15) TO MODIFY AND UPDATE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR MINI-WAREHOUSE DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATION; DECLARING THAT INVALIDITY OF ANY PORTION HEREOF SHALL NOT AFFECT THE REMAINING PORTIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," **and moved for the first reading of the Ordinance by title only; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion carried unanimously (6).**

City Attorney Miniclier read aloud the title of the Ordinance for the first reading.

***Councilwoman Martin moved to authorize publication and a public hearing to be held on April 20, 2022; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion carried by unanimous vote (6).***

- D. Resolution: Adopting the City of Rockledge Information Technology Management Policy

***Councilman Ferguson offered a Resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT POLICY EFFECTIVE APRIL 7, 2022" and moved to waive the reading and adopt the Resolution; seconded by Councilman Daski. Voting for the motion: Mayor Price and Councilmembers Cadore, Ferguson, Martin, Daski, and Hartselle. The motion carried by unanimous vote (6).***

## 8. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

***Councilwoman Martin moved to be in receipt of the minutes of the following meetings:***

- Fire Employees' Retirement Board, Minutes of Meeting on February 4, 2022
- General Employees' Retirement Board, Minutes of Meeting on February 4, 2022
- Code Enforcement Board, Minutes of Meeting on March 10, 2022
- Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners, Minutes of Meeting on March 23, 2022

***and to consider independently any recommendation(s) contained therein; motion seconded by Councilman Daski. The motion passed unanimously (6).***

- A. Fire Employees' Retirement Board, Minutes of Meeting on February 4, 2022 (no recommendation)
- B. General Employees' Retirement Board, Minutes of Meeting on February 4, 2022 (no recommendation)
- C. Code Enforcement Board, Minutes of Meeting on March 10, 2022 (no recommendation)
- D. Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners, Minutes of Meeting on March 23, 2022
  - 1. Recommendation: Approval of Proposed Cost Estimate for the Completion of the Don Griffin Trail at Lake Betsi

...recommend approval of the proposed cost estimate for the completion of the Don Griffin Trail in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.00 and to forward the recommendation to City Council...

City Manager Fettrow reported that the City's consultant, BusinessFlare, recommended that the City pave the Don Griffin Trail as part of the rebranding efforts and to increase the use of the trail. The goal is to complete the work in time for the City's inaugural 5K race in October.

***Councilman Daski moved to approve the proposed cost estimate in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.00 and to award the project to CK Contractors and Development; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion carried by unanimous vote (6).***

2. Recommendation: Approval of Scope of Work and Cost Estimates for Barnes Boulevard Streetscape/Landscape

...recommend approval of the Scope of Work and cost estimates in an amount not to exceed \$670,000.00 and to forward the recommendation to City Council...

City Manager Fettrow explained that due to the acquisition of Barnes Boulevard, staff desires to implement beautification measures to make the area more visually appealing to residents and visitors. The City's landscape architect consultant, Susan Hall Landscape Architecture (SHLA), recommended a variety of improvements, including but not limited to various plantings and dog waste stations.

***Councilman Daski moved to approve the Scope of Work and cost estimates in an amount not to exceed \$670,000.00 and to authorize staff to proceed with the project; seconded by Councilman Hartselle. The motion passed without objection (6).***

- E. Reappointments and Appointments

- o None

## **9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- o None

## **10. CONSENT BUSINESS**

***Councilman Daski moved for approval of these consent business items:***

- A. Approval: Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Traffic Signal Lighting, Maintenance, and Compensation Agreement (Public Works Department)
- B. Approval: Modification/Renewal of Continuing Professional Services Agreement for Transportation Related Projects and Other Services, Atkins (Public Works Department)

- C. Approval: Project Award, Lift Station Wet Well Rehabilitation, Paints & Coatings, Inc. (Wastewater Treatment Department)
- D. Approval: Project Award, Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation, Paints & Coatings, Inc. (Wastewater Treatment Department)
- E. Approval: Use of Forfeiture Funds for Confidential Informants (Public Safety Department)
- F. Approval: Tank Replacement for VacCon Truck, PW66D (Public Works Department)
- G. Approval: Declaration of Surplus Property and Authorization to Scrap Said Property, Four Legally Impounded Vehicles (Public Safety Department)

***The motion was seconded by Councilman Ferguson and passed by unanimous vote (6).***

## **11. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT BUSINESS**

- o None

## **12. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Action Item: Approving and Transmitting a Letter of Support for the Florida East Coast Corridor Trespassing Mitigation Project (City Manager)

City Manager Fettrow explained that the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization has requested letters of support on behalf of Brightline for a RAISE grant application as part of the Florida East Coast Corridor Trespassing Mitigation Project. This project includes the construction of various safety measures at grade crossings, and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will be a funding partner for the project. She noted that a draft letter of support was provided to Council for consideration.

***Councilwoman Martin moved to authorize staff to draft the letter of support; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion carried without objection (6).***

## **13. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- o None

## **14. REPORTS**

- A. City Manager Report
  - o City Manager Fettrow:
    - Thanked Council for permitting Councilman Ferguson and her to travel to Tallahassee to advocate for home rule and announced that

both she and Councilman Ferguson received the Home Rule Hero Award from the Florida League of Cities.

- Provided Councilmembers with a flyer announcing the James Allen Goins Football Field Dedication Ceremony on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.
- Reported that, per the Brevard County Emergency Operations Center, Brevard County remains at a low COVID-19 transmission level with less than 1,000 new cases per week, low hospitalizations, and a positivity rate between 2 - 4%. Booster shots have been approved by the FDA for individuals who are over 50 years old or immunocompromised.
- Reminded Council of Trash Bash on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. and the Mayor's Fitness Challenge closing ceremony on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

#### B. City Attorney Litigation Report

- None

#### C. Reports from the Dais

- City Attorney Miniclier provided an update on the pending Trosset case.
- Councilwoman Martin:
  - Thanked the students from St. Mary Catholic School for attending the meeting.
  - Attended a recent Womens' History Month event where former City of Cocoa Councilwoman Jewel Collins was honored.
  - Congratulated Councilman Daski for his feature in the Space Coast Daily newspaper.
  - Announced that the behavioral health unit at Rockledge Regional Medical Center is closing.
  - Reminded Council of the "Gospel on the Lawn" Good Friday event that she is hosting at the Civic Hub on April 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Councilman Cadore:
  - Congratulated Councilman Ferguson and City Manager Fettrow for receiving the Home Rule Hero award.
  - Thanked the Public Safety Department for their service and leadership.

- Announced that Rockledge High School is hosting a flag football game on April 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Councilman Ferguson:
  - Thanked the students from St. Mary Catholic School for attending the meeting.
  - Congratulated City Manager Fettrow for her Home Rule Hero award and praised her for her extraordinary efforts to bring change.
  - Is attending the State of the State Legislative Recap on Thursday morning in Cocoa.
  - Invited Council to attend Faith Temple Christian Center's Easter service on Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at the Civic Hub.
  - Reminded Council of the Space Coast League of Cities dinner on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> in Cape Canaveral.
- Councilman Hartselle:
  - Noted that St. Mary Catholic Church will hold a Palm Sunday procession on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - Announced that he will be getting married on June 25<sup>th</sup>, to which Councilmembers offered applause and congratulatory remarks.
- Councilman Daski:
  - Thanked students and residents for attending the meeting.
  - Echoed congratulatory remarks to Councilman Ferguson and City Manager Fettrow.
  - Announced that the September 11<sup>th</sup> Ceremony is in the planning stages, with the first meeting scheduled for May.
  - Explained that, while the meeting may have gone quickly, Councilmembers study and prepare ahead of time for meetings so that they are informed of the items that will be considered.
  - Announced that BeachFly Brewery is now open.
  - Wished everyone a Happy Easter.
- Mayor Price invited the students from St. Mary Catholic School to ask questions of Councilmembers. Three students elected to ask questions about various topics, and Councilmembers offered responses.



**15. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Chairman Price declared the meeting to be adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

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**Council Chairman**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City Clerk**