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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

March 1, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rose called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

Mayor Rose led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

3. ROLL CALL

Attending: Mayor Hal Rose, Deputy Mayor Andrea Young, and Council Members Pat Bentley, Daniel Batcheldor, John Dittmore, Stephen Phrampus and Daniel McDow.

Also present: City Manager Scott Morgan, City Attorney Morris Richardson, Assistant City Manager Tom Bradford, Assistant City Manager Tim Rhode, Police Chief Rick Wiley, Finance Director Margi Starkey, Planning Director Christy Fischer, Jacobs Project Manager Brian Mascher, Public Works Director Mark Piccirillo, Systems Administrator Christian Arsenault, City Clerk Cynthia Hanscom, and members of the public.

4. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

Certificates of Course Completion to Citizens Leadership Academy. Mayor Rose and City Manager Morgan presented Certificates of Course Completion to Citizen Leadership Academy Class of 2022 graduates.

Proclamation for Bleeding Disorders. Mayor Rose presented a proclamation to Samantha Nazario, Ambassador for the Bleeding Disorders Coalition of Florida, recognizing March as Bleeding Disorder Awareness Month. Council Member McDow read the proclamation.

Interview of Candidate for Code Enforcement Board Alternate. City Council conducted an interview of Kimberly McGibany for consideration of appointment to the Code Enforcement Board as an alternate. Ms. McGibany stated she wanted to be a part of government and in a position to do more for the community. She stated she had been in the banking industry for many years. She believed serving on the Code Enforcement Board could help her learn more about the City.

Following the interview, Council Member McDow moved to appoint Kimberly McGibany as the first alternate to the Code Enforcement Board with a term ending November 2023. Deputy Mayor Young seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Introduction of New Employees. Police Chief Wiley introduced Officer Madison Ontiveros, who began with the City on February 18, 2022.

Presentation from Waste Management on New Commercial Customer Account Enhanced Communications. Council received a presentation from Waste Management, Inc. of Florida, on the new commercial customer account enhanced communications system. Public Affairs Manager Dina Reider-Hicks presented the new platform called MyWM, which catered to commercial customers.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Annexation Request for Orange Grove Avenue. Planning Director Fischer presented a voluntary request for annexation for property located 571 Orange Grove Avenue. She explained the applicant was making the request in order to connect to City water. She provided an analysis of public services.

City Attorney Richardson read, in title only, Ordinance No. 2022-01:

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ANNEXING BY VOLUNTARY PETITION A PARCEL OF LAND APPROXIMATELY 1.00 ACRES LOCATED AT 571 ORANGE GROVE AVENUE AND AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; FINDING THAT THE AREA BEING ANNEXED IS REASONABLY COMPACT AND CONTIGUOUS TO THE CITY, THAT THE ANNEXATION OF THE PROPERTY DOES NOT CREATE AN COMPLIES WITH FLORIDA LAW: **AMENDING** OTHERWISE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR FILING OF THE REVISED CITY BOUNDARIES WITH THE STATE: PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF PRIOR DEPARTMENT OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Rose opened the public hearing. There being no comments, he closed the public hearing.

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Council Member Dittmore supported the annexation and believed that the City boundaries should be squared off because of jurisdiction issues in providing emergency services. He also expressed concern with services provided to those not in the City but paid by City taxpayers.

City Attorney Richardson explained why involuntary annexations were difficult and believed the City could do more to incentivize the property owners to voluntarily annex into the City.

Council Member Phrampus moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-01, annexing the property at 571 Orange Grove Avenue. Council Member Bentley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

6. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no comments from members of the public.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Batcheldor moved to approve the consent agenda. Deputy Mayor Young seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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8. ACTION AGENDA

Interlocal Agreement with City of Melbourne. City Attorney Richardson presented an interlocal agreement with the City of Melbourne providing for a temporary interconnection. He provided a history of the need to provide fire flow to a West Melbourne business during the construction of the Ellis Road interchange project. The agreement provided for a shared cost for the interconnection with a cost to the City of \$35,695. He noted that the City of Melbourne had approved the agreement at their last meeting. He complimented Melbourne and West Melbourne Public Works Director Mark Piccirillo in getting the job completed in a timely manner.

Council discussed the interconnection that was constructed and a future connection to provide appropriate fire flow to this business.

Council Member Batcheldor moved to approve and authorize the City Manager to sign an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Melbourne providing for a temporary interconnection of the two Cities' water systems in the northwest part of West Melbourne, and equitable sharing of emergency construction costs. Council Member Dittmore seconded the motion.

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member Phrampus reported on the Palm Bay Chamber breakfast for the West Melbourne State of the City presented by Mayor Rose. He commented Mayor Rose had done an excellent job promoting the accomplishments in the City.

Council Members Batcheldor and Dittmore had no report.

Council Member Bentley reported that he had also attended the Palm Bay Chamber event where the Mayor presented for the City and complimented him on a great presentation that was entertaining as well as informative.

Deputy Mayor Young had no report.

Council Member McDow reported he had also attended the breakfast presentation by Mayor Rose and agreed it was well done. He reported on several other events he had attended. He reported the Special Olympic recognition ceremony would be March 12 at the West Melbourne Community Park.

Mayor Rose reported that the 5th Annual Mayor's Walk would be held on Saturday, March 5, as part of the Mayors' Fitness Challenge. He also reported that he had attended the last meeting of the Citizens Leadership Academy at the sewer plant which was very informative. Mayor Rose asked about the cancellation of the Citizens Police Academy and the expected departure of the COVID testing facility at the Space Coast Field of Dreams.

City Manager Morgan announced there would be a ribbon cutting on March 15 at the Ray Bullard Water Reclamation Facility for the construction of the stormwater management area

Mayor Rose asked about several upcoming agenda items and made suggestions for the proposed Building Department building.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.