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COUNCIL MEMBERS  
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## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

### MINUTES

October 4, 2022

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rose called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 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 Diana Adams, Pat Bentley, John Dittmore, Stephen Phrampus and Daniel McDow.

Also present: City Manager Tim Rhode, Interim City Attorney Cliff Repperger, Deputy Police Chief Rich Cordeau, Public Works Director Mark Piccirillo, Human Resources Director Jennifer Curran, Planning Director Christy Fischer, Jacobs Project Manager Brian Mascher, Systems Administrator Christian Arsenault, Assistant City Clerk Eric Popham, and members of the public.

#### 4. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS

##### Hispanic Heritage Month and Puerto Rican Day Parade Proclamation

A proclamation was read by Mayor Rose and presented to Samantha Mazarin with United Third Bridge, Inc. naming September 15 through October 15, 2022 as Hispanic Heritage Month and October 22, 2022, as Puerto Rican Day.

##### Presentation of IEMO II Certification of Completion

Mayor Rose presented a Certificate of Completion to Council Member Daniel McDow for completing the second level of training for the Institute for Elected Municipal Officials (IEMO).

## 5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

**Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezoning for the St. Johns River Water Management District Diversion Project.** Planning Director Fischer presented information and background for the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-14 and Ordinance No. 2022-15, changing the future land use of the 59.24-acre property located on the west side of St. Johns Heritage Parkway from Low Density Residential (LD-RES) to Institutional (INST) and rezoning the 59.24-acre property from Single Family Residential (R-1A) to Institutional (P-1).

Interim City Attorney Repperger read Ordinance Nos. 2022-14 and 2022-15, in title only:

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2022-14**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO PROVIDE FOR INST (INSTITUTIONAL) LAND USE FOR A 59.24 ACRE PARCEL GENERALLY LOCATED WEST OF ST. JOHNS HERITAGE PARKWAY, APPROXIMATELY 2,500 FEET NORTH OF US-192 (SR 500) AND AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; ESTABLISHING AN APPROPRIATE LAND USE FOR THE PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; EXTENDING THE GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POLICIES AND OTHER LAND USE PLANNING REQUIREMENTS TO THE PROPERTY; AND, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2022-15**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, REZONING A 59.24 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND GENERALLY LOCATED WEST OF ST. JOHNS HERITAGE PARKWAY, APPROXIMATELY 2,500 FEET NORTH OF US-192 (SR 500) AND AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, FROM R-1A (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) P-1 (INSTITUTIONAL); PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

*Deputy Mayor Young moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-14, changing the future land use of the 59.24-acre property located on the west side of St. Johns Heritage Parkway from Low Density Residential (LD-RES) to Institutional (INST). Council Member Dittmore seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.*

*Deputy Mayor Young moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2022-15, rezoning the 59.24-acre property from Single Family Residential (R-1A) to Institutional (P-1). Council Member Adams seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.*

## 6. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no comments from the public.

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

*Council Member Bentley moved to approve the minutes from the Regular City Council meeting minutes on Tuesday, September 21, 2022. Council Member Adams seconded, which passed unanimously.*

## 8. ACTION AGENDA

**Selection of City Attorney.** City Manager Rhode described the expected process for selection of City Attorney based on what Council has done in contract negotiations for the two previous City Attorneys.

Council Member Phrampus expressed some concern related to the order of the contract negotiation process as well as the expressed pay range for the position. Mayor Rose asked to have a copy of the contract sent to City Council by for their review.

Council Members expressed appreciation to both the candidates and the City's Human Resources Department for being flexible to accomplish all the tasks up to this point.

*Council Member Dittmore motioned that Mayor Rose shall with the assistance of the City Manager negotiate the employment agreement with John Cary for the City Attorney appointment. Council Member Bentley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.*

**Classification and Compensation Study.** Human Resources Director Curran provided background information and answered questions related to the proposed classification study in the amount of \$36,500 from Evergreen Solutions, LLC. The came firm completed the study in 2018 with the recommendation to completed this again in 2022.

Council Member Phrampus asked how frequently the study should be completed. Human Resources Director Curran replied although other municipalities accomplish this task more frequently; at this time every four to five years seems to be good for the City.

Mayor Rose asked if benefits would be part of this study. Human Resources Director Curran and City Manager Rhode confirmed that benefits in addition to salary would be part of the study.

*Council Member Adams motioned to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Evergreen Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$36,500 to conduct a classification and compensation study for the City of West Melbourne. Council Member McDow seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.*

## **9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

Mayor Rose asked City Manager Rhode to update Council on the City's response to Hurricane Ian. City Manager Rhode provided the timeline and sequence of events. He noted that total rain fall was estimated to be approximately 4.5-inches and the wind gusts peaked at 75 miles per hour. A shelter was opened at Max Rodes Park with approximately 95 individuals making use of the service. There were no failures of sewer lift stations within the City. Overall, very little damage related to wind or storm damage and the City received no calls about flooding. City coordinated with County to begin clean-up of storm-related vegetative debris. City Manager Rhode also noted that the City is tracking all clean-up related expenses for possible reimbursement through Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Mayor Rose asked about overtime and City Manager Rhode estimated a cost of approximately \$68,000.00.

Council Member Phrampus expressed thanks to Deputy Chief Cordeau and City Staff for the tour of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Council Member Dittmore also expressed his appreciation for EOC.

Council Member Bentley had nothing to report.

Deputy Mayor Young stated her thanks to all the City Staff and especially the members of Public Works for the preparation for the hurricane.

Council Member McDow echoed appreciation to the leadership and staff of the City for the work done before, during and after the hurricane.

Council Member Adams reported she met with Promise in Brevard Advocacy Group to discuss advocacy for persons of special needs. She also expressed thanks to all City Staff for efforts in response to the storm with a special nod to Public Works for coordinating the sandbag program.

Mayor Rose expressed thanks to all the staff.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

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Hal J. Rose, Mayor

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Eric Popham, Assistant City Clerk