

City Commission Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at 6:30 PM
Video and Agenda Packet

Present: Mayor Fred E. Cleveland, Vice Mayor Lisa Martin, Commissioner Valli Perrine, Commissioner Jason McGuirk, and Commissioner Brian Ashley, Asst CM Ron Neibert, and City Clerk Sharon Taylor Harding.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- There is a Strategic Planning full day public workshop planned for Thursday, March 13, 2025 beginning at 8AM – check city website for agenda and location.
- Venetian Bay's GeoSam discontinued collecting fees for parking in the town center cancelling the requested Magistrate Hearing
- Washington Street Refurbishing is moving into the active phase with more details to come.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Several citizens thanked the City for upholding the Master Development agreement in Venetian Bay.
- One person said GEOSAM will propose a new parking plan which is in violation of the MDA.
- Three citizens spoke concerning a home on 23rd Street that is allegedly housing active drug trafficking and suspicious behavior. Neighboring families are worried and fearful. Police have been called numerous times without results. A strategy is underway by the police department to resolve the situation.
- Several spoke to the traffic and pedestrian danger on Washington St. They hope the new design will address their concerns.
- Several people raised concerns about noise which is seemingly unenforceable – they eding for urgent review and improvement of the city's noise ordinance.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 7.A Consider the adoption of the City Commission minutes from the regular meeting held on February 11, 2025. **Unanimously adopted**
- 7.B Consider the approval of a Proportionate Fair Share Agreement (PFSA) for off-site roadway improvements required for impacts caused by the development of the proposed Florida Health Care Plan (FHCP) Medical Office facility, for the total of \$222,571.06 to be paid for this purpose. **Unanimously approved**
- 7.C Resolution No. 06-25: Consider the adoption of a resolution, which if adopted, would approve applying for a F.I.N.D. (Florida Inland Navigation District) Grant for the construction of a boathouse that would store the Police Departments Marine Vessel. **Unanimously adopted**
- 7.D Special Event: Consider the approval of the Southeast Volusia Historical Society Heritage Day Event 2025, to be held on Saturday April 5, 2025. **Unanimously approved**
- 7.E Special Event: Consider the approval of The Fat Tuesday on Flagler Avenue Mardi Gras Parade 2025 Event, to be held on Tuesday March 4, 2025. **Unanimously approved**

- 7.F Special Event: Consider the approval of the Flagler Tavern St. Patrick's Day Celebration 2025, to be held on Monday March 17, 2025. **Unanimously approved**
- 7.G Consider the approval to award Byrdson Services to demolish and rebuild three (3) homes. **Approved by majority vote, with Vice Mayor Martin recused from the vote.**
- 7.H Consider the approval to award Paul Culver Construction to demolish and rebuild one (1) home. **Unanimously approved**

PUBLIC HEARING

Ordinance No. 07-25: Conduct the Second Reading and Public Hearing of an Ordinance, which if adopted, would establish a boating-restricted area within 500 feet of a sewage pumpout station near Yacht Club Island. **Unanimously adopted**

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Commissioner Perrine moved to reappoint Kathleen Brown to the Code Compliance board. Vice Mayor Martin seconded the motion, and **the motion carried unanimously.**

Police Chief Kirk was asked to address the CC on preparation for Spring Break 2025. There is an expectation that the crowds may be very large. He reported that there will be large police presence from five different forces in the County. Chief Kirk has dealt successfully with the challenges of large crowds and the issues of lawful behavior. The fact that so many county schools and colleges are planning the same two weeks for spring break adds to the challenge this year. The Mayor congratulated Chief Kirk on his plan and expressed confidence in his department's abilities.

Commissioners' Reports

- Several commissioners spoke to the success of the History Museum Night Out, Black Heritage Weekend and Art Fiesta weekends.
- The mayor attended the State of the County meeting and was impressed with the potential for a regional interentity approach to storm water management and preservation of our land and waterways.