

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2015 AT 5:00 P.M.**

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CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I know. They turned this off. Alright.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We are starting our City Council Meeting. Madam Clerk, roll call please.

ROLL CALL

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Present.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pro Tem Terrence Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Bruce Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Cedric Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson KaShamba Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Present.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: City Manager Ruth Jones?

CITY MANAGER JONES: Present.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: City Clerk, Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney, Pamela Ryan.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Present.

(Everyone stood for a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.)

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: If you are planning on staying in this meeting, will you please have a seat. If not, please take your conversation outside. I'm telling you, I'm clearing the Chamber one more time. This, this is very disrespectful. Okay. I'd

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Will everyone in the back please take a seat or please exit the Chambers.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do we have a police officer here tonight?

UNK: [Inaudible] outside, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Maybe he should come in. Could you please get everyone seated or escort them out of the Chambers please. Alright. Ms. Jones, do we have any, additions, deletions, or substitutions to the Agenda?

CITY MANAGER JONES: No, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do we have any disclosures by Council?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER No.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a motion to adopt the Agenda?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So move.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton? *Pro tem* Par..., Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilperson Guyton out.

CONSENT AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Consent Agenda. All matters listed under this Item are considered to be routine and action will be taken by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these Items unless a Councilperson so requests, in which event, the Item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda. Do we have a motion to accept Consent?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So move.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: I'd like to pull. Can I pull?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah. What would you like to pull?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: No. 9, and...

UNK: Somebody took 'em?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: I know [inaudible] I got it.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: Just No. 9.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Move approval with Item 9 being pulled.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Wait, wait. I, I, I got one...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: I'm sorry, No. 11. 9 and 11.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. 9 and 11. Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Wait, wait. I've, I got one, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Can we...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I'm trying to find it here.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I think it's been pulled. Okay. Is that [inaudible]. Okay, I think it's been pulled.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: What would you like...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...move approval with Item 9 and 11 being pulled.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: And 5.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a second?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER I'm sorry. 5, 9, and 11. That is my last...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a second?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Second.

UNK: Thomas.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. We have public comment cards for three Consent Agendas. David Cross, Bonnie Larson, and then, well, Bonnie Larson, you can make your comments for both. Davis Cross.

DAVID CROSS: David Cross. 1030 Sugar Sands. Consent Agenda, Item 3. I'm curious as a taxpayer, why we are paying four people, a total of \$296,000? These are four individuals, I'm guessing, that these settlements are results of some kind of lawsuits that, I do think as a taxpayer, that I, and my fellow taxpayers, need to have a little bit more information than just an Item on the Consent Agenda, you know, giving away \$296,000. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Bonnie Larson.

BONNIE LARSON: I had several comment cards in for, um, Consent Agenda. Which one are we talking about?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: You're talking about...

BONNIE LARSON: Item...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Both of them. Item 6 and Item 12.

BONNIE LARSON: Both of them? Same time? Alright. Don't st, don't start my time yet. You haven't even told me what I'm doing here. 6 and what?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Didn't you say 6 and 12?

BONNIE LARSON: Yeah. But you're running my time already. You, you didn't tell me before I...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Well, alright...

BONNIE LARSON: ...came up. You just said come up.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, continue, please.

BONNIE LARSON: Okay. Let's go then. Alright. Bonnie Larson. Items No. 6 through 9. These are all for the hiring or the extension of a contract here for additional renewals, two additional, so it's two more years renewals for, um, engineering and consulting services. Erdman Anthony, Royal Palm Beach, another one for Matthews Consulting, West Palm Beach, URS Con'., URS Engineers, Boca Raton, and Chen Moore and Associates, West Palm Beach. My question is, why do we need so many? Why do we need so many? And with [inaudible] all seem to be expiring at the same time. So those are my two questions. Why so many?

And, No 12, you want me to talk on? Okay, this is., oh, well 12. That's a separate issue entirely. I don't get three minutes on No. 12?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Please continue ma'am.

BONNIE LARSON: Okay. No. 12, it's for the construction of a second floor on Lindsey Davis building. I didn't even know we were putting a second floor on Lindsey Davis. And when was that approved? In the amount of, \$243,400. And you're gonna be taking money from the Wells and Tate Center Improvement Project to do that. So those are my questions. When was that approved? And, also, the people doing the construction are from Sunrise, Florida. We always talk about getting people from Riviera Beach or at least in Palm Beach County, now this is with Sunrise, Florida, which is in Broward County. So, when did, when did... You, you got my questions, you heard my questions. When was all that approved and, and, uh, why are we taking money from other centers. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Alright. Ms. Jones'll get back to you on those. Okay. Item 5.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Um...

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That's the...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER I'm sorry, go head. I'm sorry.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Item 5.

CITY MANAGER JONES: [Inaudible].

UNK: Huh?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Item 5.

UNK: Yeah.

UNK: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We voted.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes. They voted to Consent...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We voted for it.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Approve the Consent Agenda.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. So now we're at Item 5.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Correct. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, awarding a, a professional services agreement and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the proposed agreement with Ashford, Inc. of Deerfield Beach, Florida by piggybacking the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County Agreement, No.13-250, to provide primary debris removal services on an as needed basis, as required by City of Riviera Beach, with services commencing on June 1, 2015 and ending August 20, 2016, with the option of extending until April 20, 2020 and provide an Effective Date.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do we have a motion?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So move.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Ms. Miller, you have questions?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes. City Manager, I'm not sure who can answer this. Does the City pay three vendors any amount money if there's no hurricanes during that time?

CITY MANAGER JONES: No, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay. And, also, what are the geographical re'..., requirements for the debris removal? Is there a geographical requirement?

CITY MANAGER JONES: No. This is for our City. So it's within our City limits.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Just for our City? Only?

CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay. And how much did the City pay in 2004 and 2006, I'm sorry, in 2005, for the hurricane debris removal?

UNK: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: None of this were here.

CITY MANAGER JONES: I'll have to get you that...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER I know these were a few of the questions that I, I did ask...

CITY MANAGER JONES: Ele'..., uh, I...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER And I did not get an answer.

CITY MANAGER JONES: We can get you that.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay. There were quite a few that I asked that I didn't get an answer back on. So, that's why I was bringing that before the Board, to ask. When do you think we can get that answer?

CITY MANAGER JONES: We'll, we'll try to, ya know, we'll work on that tonight to see if we can get it to you, at first thing in the morning, as to what that figure is.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Mhmm.

CITY MANAGER JONES: It's my understanding, you had back-to-back events for debris.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay.

CITY MANAGER JONES: And so, it's separating all of the FEMA reimbursements and what we got reimbursed for and all of that to get you that exact, total figure.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Mhmm. Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Anything else?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes. Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, Mr. Guyton.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam Manager, Madam Manager, we're piggybacking on SWA, is that correct?

CITY MANAGER JONES: SWA, for management. The County for hauling.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay. We're changing, are we changing the rankings from what the County has?

CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes, sir.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Who is...

CITY MANAGER JONES: We chose...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Go head, go head.

CITY MANAGER JONES: We chose the one and two firms that the County used. However, we're awarding this with the No. 2 for the County being our No.1. And that is because, if you're the No.1 for the County, and if the County has a lot of hauling to do, the companies would like to say that they would be able to accommodate you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Mhmm. No, no, wait, let me save you some, some discussion. I agree with the ranking because Asper is in Lauderdale, the other one is in North Carolina or somewhere else. That, that's not where I'm going. Who is in third? I was looking for our ranking list.

CITY MANAGER JONES: I'mma ask for Brent Johnson, the Director...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...of Public Works to answer that question for you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, sir.

BRYNT JOHNSON: Good evening, Council. Um, as...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: State your name for the record.

BRYNT JOHNSON: ...as, as Ms. Jones mentioned, I'm Brynt Johnson, Director of Public Works. The third ranked firm was Crowder Gulf.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Where they're from?

BRYNT JOHNSON: I'd have to pull.., this is just, uh, Solid Waste Authority's ranking sheet. It doesn't say where they're from. I'd have to...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: And the reason I ask, we have another firm that is in South Florida, Bergeron.

BRYNT JOHNSON: Correct.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Are they on that list?

BRYNT JOHNSON: Bergeron was ranked very last on the list.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: What is last? How many on the list?

BRYNT JOHNSON: They were ranked fifth.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So, it's five companies...

BRYNT JOHNSON: Five. Yes, sir.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Um...

BRYNT JOHNSON: And, if you also wanna know, the, the highest, the total average, um, for the top two, were around seventy eight, Bergeron was ranked fifty-eight, as total scores.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Seventy... What's that now?

BRYNT JOHNSON: That's the total ranking score from the Solid Waste Authority Evaluation Committee.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Uhuh.

BRYNT JOHNSON: Uh, the, the top two were ranked right around seventy-eight and, uh, Bergeron was ranked last at fifty-eight.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay. What, what were the.., I, I don't know and I don't wanna get into long conversation but the cri'.., do you know what the criteria was used to determine the ranking?

BRYNT JOHNSON: Yes, sir. It was... Give me one second, I can grab, give me one second.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: No, no. That's okay. You can get.., where I'm going, I would try to keep our local firms that are in this area at the top of our list because 1) They can respond more quickly and 2) They're here and...

BRYNT JOHNSON: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...can be active in our community. So, if that third one is out of state somewhere, I was hoping that we can move a local firm up to No. 3. That's where I was going. But I don't know where the No.3 that we have now is from. So, um...

PRO TEM DAVIS: I'll tell you. Alabama.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: You know? Alabama?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: See, [chuckle] that, that is where I'm going. Well let me ask you, would, would you oppose moving Bergeron, who is local in South Florida up to number.., cause we have two before them. I mean, it's not like they would be No.1, but...

BRYNT JOHNSON: Right.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...our local people...

BRYNT JOHNSON: Well, um, as you all know, Council can choose any on file...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: No, I'm asking...

BRYNT JOHNSON : ...that they choose.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...your professional opinion.

BRYNT JOHNSON: Honestly, based on the Committee, uh, results that I read, which I have if you'd like copies. Um, they were ranked low because they didn't have a formal plan.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

BRYNT JOHNSON: Um, so their experience was low and some other things. I think they're, if I'm not mistaken, they were high on price. There some other things surrounding, uh, Bergeron being five, uh, but, it was primarily because they did not have an actual plan.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

BRYNT JOHNSON: Whereas other company's submitted substantial plans.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I know you did a lot more ...

BRYNT JOHNSON: [Inaudible] plans.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...more research than just what we had in here.

BRYNT JOHNSON: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay. That's all I have, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis??

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: CHAIRPERSON PARDO?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Item 9.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, accepting the recommendation of Staff and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a three year continuing services contract to provide professional engineering and consulting services with Chen Moore and Associates of West Palm Beach, Florida, providing for two additional twelve month renewal options based upon the mutual consent of the parties and provide an Effective Date.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a motion?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So move.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a second? Is there a second? Second? Okay.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Whoa, whoa, whoa, ...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: What?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I just wanna make sure which work order is, is attached to this? A second for question.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Um...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go head.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Is this the, is the company that's slated to do the sidewalks in the north end?

BRYNT JOHNSON: Good evening again. Brent Johnson, Director of Public Works.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Good evening, Brynt Johnson.

BRYNT JOHNSON: We haven't awarded, uh, work orders yet. These are just the contracts, but they are associated with all of the, uh, the, the bond projects as we call 'em because we went and I received revenue from Bond Insurance and these are all associated with those bond projects and that would be one of 'em, even, although I can't say that they are the ones that are going to get that particular project.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. So...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Say it.

BRYNT JOHNSON: Cause these are just contracts.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: They're, they're other, they're other firms that were approved already that could do that north...

BRYNT JOHNSON: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS : ...end work?

BRYNT JOHNSON: Yes, sir. Yes, sir.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. Then, I, I don't wanna see the north end work. I'm sorry.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Wait, wait...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: The south end work stopped. Okay.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So, you gonna stop the north end?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No. It's not...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...stopping any end.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I just wanna make sure that the south end wasn't tied to it. Madam Chair, I withdraw my second.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: What's it mean, it's not stopping any end?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And now there's nothing. So, we don't have a second on this?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: No, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: This is just gonna die?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Wa'.., wait, Madam Chair. Let me, let me...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I need a second. Do we have a second?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay. Well, I made the motion for discussion, but...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And there's no second. So, the motion fails. Item 11.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: [Inaudible].

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, awarding a professional services agreement and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the proposed agreement with Thompson Consulting Services, LLC, of Lake Mary, Florida, by piggybacking the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County, agreement No.14-244, to provide debris management services on an as needed basis as required by the City of Riviera Beach, with services commencing on June 1, 2015 and ending May 30, 2017, with the option of extending until April 17, 2021 and provide an Effective Date.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do we have a motion?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So move.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a second? Okay. Ms. Miller, you have questions?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: Is this tied in with the previous one we just talked about with the debris removal?

BRYNT JOHNSON: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER But this is dealing with a different company?

BRYNT JOHNSON:No. This is debris management. Debris removals just, those are the firms that come in with the heavy equipment.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Mhmm.

BRYNT JOHNSON:Transport it to a, a site near us and then debris man'..., monitoring are the ones that actually monitor how much debris, they certify the trucks, they do a lot of the paperwork related to us getting reimbursed by FEMA. So, it's a two part process. You need debris, debris removal firm and you need the debris management firm.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay. Okay. Thank you.

BRYNT JOHNSON: You're welcome.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Anything else? Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. That's the end of the Consent Agenda. Petitions and Communications for filing?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: None.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Awards and Presentations. Is the Mayor here yet? I know the Mayor was traveling and he was due back. I'm sure he's on his way. Okay.

So, Item 15. Presentation from the Office of Councilman Bruce A. Guyton, of a Certificate of Appreciate, of Appreciation for Ms. Adriane Marcel, for volunteering her time and heartfelt dedication in organizing and promoting change within the Riviera Beach Community. Mr. Guyton.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Thank you.

UNK: Is this Marcella?

UNK: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Hi, Adriane Marcel. How are you? Let me just say before I start, Adriane Marcel spons'... Did I say that right? Marcel?

ADRIANE MARCEL: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Marcel sponsored a prayer walk. Anyone that promotes, peace and harmony in our community, I'm gonna support. And, when she came to me about the march, which actually, was it your father? Her father was given a Bishop...

ADRIANE MARCEL: Bishop Marcel.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Bishop Marcel.

ADRIANE MARCEL: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: And we do have a little bio, so.. But this is something that I think is well deserving and it is my hope that more engage in activities that promote peace and harmony in our community. And, I'm gonna have my legislative aide, Sylvia Blue to read a short bio and then we will. This is...

[Music playing [Pharell, Happy]].

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: This is the prayer walk and these, these are slides from Saturday. Unfortunately, I was out of town at a training class when you came to me. [Inaudible]. And we were, the City was represented by Mr. Thomas, if I'm not mistaken. Councilman Thomas walked the whole way, is that correct Mr. Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: That is correct. I did walk that entire way and I prayed on each corner that they did.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I made it through. Thank you.

[Music playing. [Pharell, Happy]].

SYLVIA BLUE: Madam Chair, Member of the Council. Ms. Adriane Marcel is the youngest of six children to the late, Dr. Ennis Marcel, Junjor, Junior, and Dr. Beatrice Marcel. Ms. Adriane is an alumna of the esteemed Bethune-Cookman University and

a force of the community within her our right. She is the Founder and Chief Administrative Officer of Envision America Incorporated, wherein she partnered with both large and small corporations. Her efforts supported funding for free afterschool programs, computer labs, and summer camp programs, here in the City of Riviera Beach. The most recent effort of Ms. Adriane and her family, was to submit the legacy of community organizing handed down by her father, the late Dr. Ennis Marcel, Junior. She was able to do this along with the support of the City of Riviera Beach. On, April 16, 2014, a proclamation from the Office of the Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, proclaimed April 16, 2014 as Dr. Norbert S. Marcel, Junior Day in the City of Riviera Beach. On March 10, 2015, Ms. Adriane wanted to continue her father's legacy of uniting together to stop the violence and crime in our community and requested the support of Mr. Guyton and District on office and the City in bringing forth an Interfaith Prayer Walk. On, Saturday, April 18, 2015, the first Dr. Ennis Marcel, Junior Interfaith Prayer Walk was held and deemed a huge success. Going forward, Ms. Adriane and her family and friends, would like that the third Saturday in April of each year be held as, Dr. Ennis Marcel, Junior Day, wherein a large scale community event will take place here in the City of Riviera Beach to remind us of our duty to the community. Adriane Marcel, her mother his here. We also wanted to recognize her...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Where's her mother?

SYLVIA BLUE: Dr. Beatrice, would you come forward please?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Could you give her a hand when she comes, please.

SYLVIA BLUE: We all know that behind every good man is a good woman. That's Adriane Marcel here and this is the product of the Reverend, the late, Dr. Marcel. And, Dr....

ADRIANE MARCEL: Marcel. Beatrice Marcel.

SYLVIA BLUE: Beatrice Marcel. Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Thank you.

DR. MARCEL: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: And, here is the certificate that reads: Certificate of Appreciation to Adriane Marcel and, Sylvia Blue, I don't have my glasses on.

SYLVIA BLUE: They're right here.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Thank you. Thank God for a good legislative aide. In appreciation to you and your volunteer, in appreciation to you for volunteering your time, efforts, and heartfelt dedication and organizing and promoting positive change within the City of Riviera Beach, presented this day, May...

UNK: 6.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: 6, 2015. Thank you very much.

ADRIANE MARCEL: Thank you. Thank you for this.

ADRIANE MARCEL: Thank you very much. I'm not much of, for public speaking. Thank you. Thank you very much

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you for all you do.

ADRIANE MARCEL: Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Really. Thank you for all you do for the community. It is greatly appreciated.

ADRIANE MARCEL: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Keep up the good work.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Bless you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay. Thank you.

ADRIANE MARCEL: Okay. Alright. God Bless.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Alright.

ADRIANE MARCEL: You wanted to say something?

ADRIANE MARCEL: I'd just like to leave one scripture. Isaiah 41 and 20, that all may see and know and understand that the hand of Lord had done this and that the God of Israel is the Creator of this prayer walk. May God Bless the City of Riviera Beach and we will continue to pray until the change is made on the Gold Coast of Florida.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, sir.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I would also like to say, congratulations to you. I don't know who it was, some nice lady at the corner of the 28th and Avenue O. She started to pray, and I felt something a little different starting to happen. As she was praying, but, we would love to have her come and pray before one of these meetings. I don't know who she was but right there at the corner of 28th and Avenue O, something different was happening. But I do wanna congratulate you on your prayer walk and thank you for inviting me. And please let them know, I walked the entire way in long pants.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Thank you. Congratulations.

ADRIANE MARCEL: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you again. Item 16. Presentation from the Office of Chair *Pro tem* Terence D. Davis to Inlet Grove Community High School Football Team.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes. Madam Chair and the audience, residents of Riviera Beach. You have come before you, Mr. Terry Braden. He's the newest and the youngest high school football coach in the State of Florida.

PRO TEM DAVIS: A Riviera Beach native.

PRO TEM DAVIS: He's gonna do a presentation to talk about his vision for the young men over at Inlet Grove High School as well as the young men in our great community. He's a young product that went away, came back and is enthusiastically happy about working with our community. And, I wanna thank Terry Braden for coming to this Board and giving us your presentation today.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. That's the end of your presentation?

PRO TEM DAVIS: He's gonna do a presentation.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. But, I'm asking is that then end of your presentation?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Alright. Sir, good evening. Please state your name for the record.

CHARLES FINLEY: Okay. My name is, uh, Charles Finley. I'm the President of the Inlet Community High School Football Booster Program. We, we're here in, in support of, uh... Okay. Thanks. We're here in, in support of, uh, Coach Terry Braden, this afternoon. Just to give you a little information on the Football Booster Program. We are a 501(c) 3, Non-Profit Organization, and we're composed of community members, volunteers. Our primary purpose is fundraising for the football program at Inlet Grove. Okay. We are, uh, we strive to provide the student athletes an opportunity to learn the necessary football skills and to become educated students of character on and off the field. Okay. We, uh, the Booster Program, we work with the school administrators, the head football coach, Terry Braden, Junior, and his staff to assess the needs of the football program, to support the student athletes so they can comp'.., compete at the highest level. We also expect to contribute to the cost of equipment, strength and conditioning training, transportation, and other on and off field needs of the football program.

The fundraising activities consist of donations through the community, business, City government, churches. We have a fund, fundraising letter that has gone out. I believe each commission person has received one. And, we'll be working their home games,

the concession, and also we have businesses in the community that will be, uh, be donating banners at a cost of \$350 per banner for the football field, with a renewal fee of \$50 each year. So, all contributions should be made out to the Inlet Community High School Football Booster Club and mailed to the school address which is 600 West 28th Street, Riviera Beach.

The Booster Club officers, I am the President, Charles Finley. I have a Vice President, which is, Carolyn Braden. Our Treasurer is, Juanita Cohen Finley. Our Secretary is, Kara Davis, Assistant Secretary is, Juliet, Juliet [sp] Brown, and our contact information..., you can contact me. That's my, uh, phone number and email address, as well as Coach, Head Coach, Terry Braden, Junior. And his contact information is there as well. So, uh, what we are, uh, uncompri-sed of, community leaders. And, we came on, on board because we see the need at Inlet Grove Community High School for, for the field that conditions, that's a long term project that we have for them, working with that, the organization to bring that field up, up to a, a competition level, as well as helmets, which is our short term goal, working with the school to condition the football helmets because of the concussion, uh, concerns, of, of football players. So with that, I'll, I'll bring Head Coach Terry Braden, Junior, up.

TERRY BRADEN: Alright. Thank you.

TERRY BRADEN: Thank you very much. Since protocol has already been established, I would first of all, like to say, I would like to thank my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ because without him I am nothing. Secondly, I would like to introduce my players and my staff. Now I will now say 'em name by name. Stand up guys. I brought 'em here to see the professionalism of a...

TERRY BRADEN...City Council Meeting and teach 'em, football is not about just playing but it's about life as well. Also, I would like to thank my mom, she's here. She's a resident of Riviera Beach for a very long time. You can sit down fellas. Thank you very much. Um, and she's my number one supporter. Carolyn Runner, she's been here and I love her, she's my heart, so I had to say that first cause you have to respect your mother because with' your parents, your days'll be longer. I understand that as well. With my vision for the Hurricane Football Program is to provide and to excel the academic side of things. Football does not last forever. I went to Howard University, earned a scholarship to Howard University then I transferred to Tuskegee University and I earned my Bachelor's degree in social work. Previously, I was the, uh, Special Team Quality Control Coach at FAU, and then I triculat-ed down to become the Head Football Coach at 23 at Inlet Grove Alumni where I went as well.

I'm coming here today because I wanna show greetings and I wanna say thank you very much and I love my City. Every day I wake up, I'm happy that riding to my job. I'm happy that I'm mentoring black men, coming back and mentoring black men what it's supposed to be like and what we should do every day in the community, not in the community just to be here or a politic figure but that's not what I'm here for. I'm here because I love my job and I love what I do. My heart beats Riviera Beach. I love Riviera Beach but we have support our boys. We have to support our City. We have to

come to the games. It shouldn't be just fifty, fifty parents or fifty residents at a game. It should be a whole game. That's why, my first game, August 21st, of this year, I wanna have a Recreation Appreciation Day, which I'm working with Willis Williams and that's the protocol that I have to establish because you have to give back to the community first. I'm 24 years old and I watch Channel 18 every week. Every week I watch it, because I love my City and... Furthermore, I'd like to say, uh, I got to church with [inaudible], she probably didn't know I was the Head Coach. I sat by her everyday almost but I'm a proud member...

UNK: Almost every Sunday.

TERRY BRADEN...of the great Reverend Davis Griffin, right here at Hill Top Baptist. I attend there every first and third Sunday, every Sunday and I pay my tides [laughter] cause I know you gonna say that.

TERRY BRADEN: I pay my tides.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you.

TERRY BRADEN: I pay my tides. 10%.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: That's great. Thank you very much for all you do for this City and, I guess we can put this information up on Channel 18 so if anyone would like to donate to the football team, they'll have the information.

TERRY BRADEN: Well, thank you very much and I appreciate all you have done for me and thank you, Terence and my fraternity brother, Cedric Thomas as well.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: That's great. Thank you, sir.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Really quick. Could you, could you read off your contact so those at home probably can't see.

TERRY BRADEN: My cell phone number is 561-707-6843 and my email is terry.braden.jr@gmail.com. And, I don't feel like I was rushed off but I really appreciate my City and thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Great. Thank you.

TERRY BRADEN: And, also I invited ya'll to the spring game. It'll be 2 p.m., May 29th and we'll have a VIP section for the City Council. That's a great flyer and we branded our program. That's what you have to..., brand your guys and I support my guys and I'm, I'm fighting for them to get a football scholarship and academic scholarship and excel and they are from Riviera Beach.

Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: That's great. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Item 17. Discussion on Peace and Feast in the Neighborhood Event.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Good evening, sir.

DERRICK MCCRAY: How you doin'? I'm... Good evening, everybody. Uh, to the Mayor, he's not here but to the City Council, City Manager. I'm Derrick McCray, owner of McCray's Backyard BBQ and the President...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Wait, hold on a second. I, I guess... Okay. I'm sorry. Continue.

DERRICK MCCRAY: It's okay. And, uh, the owner of McCray's Backyard BBQ and the President of the Youth Recreation Association of Palm Beach County. I am pleased to stand before you and announce the Second Annual Peace and Feast in the Neighborhood along with Praise in the Park, which, we're proposing for July 25th and 26th of this year. The goal of the Peace and the Feast in the neighborhood event is to make our community a better place by unifying and educating our youth and families on the impacts of violence in our communities. And I wanna commend the, uh, Adriane Marcel's on her effort for the violence and also wanna tell Terry, who's my frat brother also, that I'm very proud of him on what he's doing to impact the young men and women in this, in our neighborhood.

Uh, this, this is a positive signature event for the City of Riviera Beach which will be a beacon of light for surrounding cities. Hopefully, we can, uh, hopefully we can take this event, one day, to, uh, Bicentennial Park. But, what we're trying to do again is get the City to co-sponsor with us this event like we did last year. And, let me go here... And, I want you guys..., you could be looking at the video. I think they, I don't, I'm not tech savvy, but, uh..., let me see what I'm doing here. Okay. [Video]. This is some of the events that took place last year. We had all the City Council members out last year. These are some of the performers that was there and everything was positive. We would not let nothing come through that was not positive. What we want to do is impact the lost, the least, and the left out, by giving them, uh, a opportunity to interact with the, with our law enforcement, with the State Attorney, and with agencies that could provide other opportunities to help, uh, our young people move forward, uh, with their lives. And, this, this event was born on the death of a young man at, uh, at Good Mount Park last year.

I was sitting down before the television show that, that was aired, uh, on Discovery and we was talking about the violence in the community and we need to something. And so, we said, we need to do, maybe peace..., do a peace in the hood type event to get all our young people to understand that we gotta stop killing each other and that we gotta understand that it's more to life than guns. And, uh, and that we need to develop relationships with law enforcement, so maybe the law enforcement will understand who some of these people are instead of just seeing them run and then shoot. Maybe, they might know one of the kids or somebody by name and hesitate instead of just putting a bullet in 'em. So... And, we need our young people to know how to respond to law

enforcement. When they say, "Stop". Stop. Don't run. Ya' mean? So, what we want to do is educate our people on how to interact with law enforcement and law enforcement to interact with us. So that we could save lives, precious lives.

Also, with this, we wanna be able to educate our people on how to get jobs because one of the biggest problems that our young people are facing is that they don't have economic provisions. So, with this Peace and the Feast, we try to have all the different agencies out there. For instance, uh, we have, like a, a job fair, where we have people out there offering young people jobs for the summer because they need to do something productive. We also have HIV testing. We have safe link wireless registration. We have, uh, teen runaway, uh, prevention information. We have the GED and we have the colleges out here providing information on how to get in school, what you need to do to move forward. Ya' mean. If you ain't got... If you can, if you can sit home all day, let's give you an opportunity to do something to impact or better your lives. Uh, on top of that, we have, Children Services and other agencies to im'.., that impact the community. All come out and support this event cause it's all about peace and learning how to live together. Cause, naturally, we're harmonious people but we having been acting like that. We act like we don't even love each other but we gotta learn how to love each other.

So, what we're trying to do is provide a medium by giving away free barbeque, free fish. Last year we fed over 3,000 people at Peace and the Feast, uh, uh, and we had performances by 30 local artists and our headliner last year was Miles Jay. We had all the law enforcement agencies including Riviera Beach Police Department, uh, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, Mangonia Park, Lake Park, their tactical units, uh, Palm Beach County School District, and it was no reported incidents last year. With over 3,000 young people coming out and no incidents. Everybody acted accordingly last year. And, before they even came out, we let them know that, this, police is gonna be out there. You need to come out, act like you somebody, because if you gonna perform, we want you perform like you're performing at church. Even though you can express yourself but we want you to express yourself in a way that anybody can hear you and listen to you. Because a lot times, we, we praise the athletes, we praise all the scholars but we forget about the lost, the left behind, and the left out. And those the ones that's gettin' in trouble. So, we got to do something to encourage them to have a, a positive light and, in our City and believe that it's some hope left for them.

So, with that, I'm asking the City again this year, would they help us out with, uh, co-sponsoring, uh, this event. Last year, I spent over \$15,000 of my own money to make sure that we had a successful event. This year our budget will go up to about \$30,000 because, what's happening is, this.., my side of it, and with the City, we asking the City after I met with some people today, that it's gonna cost a maximum, maybe \$15,000 for two days for, uh, uh, for staff, uh, for that event. That's gonna be with the parks and rec, police, fire department. Those are the three agencies that we're asking to participate with us. I will cover everything else that need to be covered with this, like I did last year. But, we just need help from the City. Cause our job is to make our City, again, be a positive light known for change. Last year, this event, people was calling us from as far as Miami to know what we did with the Peace and the Feast because it was

so successful. Ya know, as we know, we used to have some great events here. Uh, West Palm Beach have, have the SunFest, uh, ArtiGras up in North Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens.

And as you go around, it's a lot of major festivals that they take time out for. But, this is our own homegrown event, the Peace and the Feast. As the City grow, as the outline changes, Bicentennial Park is coming and we need to have some of our own that we could get involved with...

DERRICK MCCRAY...that we know that's positive. I guess I met my time.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah. We need to get going.

DERRICK MCCRAY: I'm sorry about that. But, I'm very enthusiastic about my City. It's not about what my City could do for me but what could I do for my City to help it be a better place. Instead of me always tryna' take something, I wanna, we tryna' give something back to help our people be a, a better community and also as we move in, we move into the future, we want our, we want the change of thinking and change of behavior by our young people to know that we come from a great City. I agree with those people before...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Absolutely.

DERRICK MCCRAY: We need to do something to create change. So, with that, I think you guys have budget in front of you guys and you can see where we at. My cost is gonna be about \$30,000 and the, uh, City cost will be about \$15,000. So...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

DERRICK MCCRAY...I'm hoping I can get the support from you guys.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes. Thank you Derrick McCray. Madam Chair, Madam Manager could this come back to us officially for a vote and, and we can officially take action up or down so that they'll know if we can provide.., I think all they're asking for is staff services pretty much. And, as I indicated at my presentation, anyone promoting peace and harmony, I'm gonna support, so...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And...

CITY MANAGER JONES: We can...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

CITY MANAGER JONES: We will do that.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. And, I would ask, ya know, just show us what the cost is.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Ma...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Is all ya' asking... Are you only asking for staff support?

DERRICK MCCRAY: Yes. And, and, I think a application for the park.. Was it? Within that application is the park, for uses of the park, uh, and staff. And staff support. That's it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And, where'd you come up with the estimated cost...

DERRICK MCCRAY: Well, I, I...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO...as to the staff?

DERRICK MCCRAY...I, well to'.., today I had, I met with some of the department heads to get a, a, a cost.. It, it, what we, what they anticipated it might cost. That's how I came up with that. We, we figured it would be, at max, and not even a chance of that, fifteen grand. It's probably gonna be about, uh, thirteen two is what I'm thinking but I asked for fifteen just to be safe.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. So, we'll have Staff work on it.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Uh, su'.., sure. I'm concerned about some of these numbers but, okay. Alright. No problem. Staff's gonna work on it and bring it back, okay? No problem.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Alright. Derrick McCray, thank you.

DERRICK MCCRAY: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: So, we're gonna Agenda the Item.

DERRICK MCCRAY: Okay. Alright. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Public hearings, Item 18.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, approving the Site Plan application for, from AUTECH Industries, Inc., to develop 6.13 acres of vacant land on Interstate Park Road West, located south of Blue Heron Boulevard and west of Garden Road, for a 24,216 sq. ft. truck repair and maintenance facility with accessory office within the general industrial zoning district and providing for an Effective Date.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So move.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Properly moved and second. Good evening, Mary McKinney.

MARY MCKINNEY: Mary McKinney, Director of Community Development. And, this is an application from AUTECH Industries which was submitted to the City in December of 2014 and it's to develop at 24,000 sq. ft. truck repair and maintenance facility with accessory office within the general industrial zoning district. It's on a 6.13 acre parcel that's vacant and undeveloped on Interstate Park Road West and we put the aerial up to show you the location in the City, over here near 95. Perfect spot for it.

MARY MCKINNEY: And, the business is moving from West Palm Beach to Riviera Beach and will employ about twenty-four people with an average salary of \$55,000. The tax value of the development will be approximately \$4,000,000 when completed. That would generate to the City approximately \$40,000 in tax revenue. After complete review by Staff, Staff determined that the development proposal is consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan and the City's Land Development Plan Regulations. On April 23, 2015, the Planning and Zoning Board reviewed the Site Plan application and recommended approval. Staff recommends approval with the following conditions. A two year landscaping performance bond for a hundred and ten (110 %) percent of the value of the landscaping and irrigation as required before the Certificate of Occupancy is issued. Construction must be initiated within 18 months of the Effective Date of this Resolution. All future advertising must state that the development is located in the City of Riviera Beach or be subject to fines by the City. A unity of title for the four parcels is required prior the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy by the City's Building Official. No standing, stacking, or parking of vehicles is allowed to occur on the public roadway or swale area within the adjacent right away, which is Interstate Park Road. Areas designated for parking, landscaping, drainage, or retention shall not be utilized for the storage of materials. The truck equipment wash station on the property shall not be open to the general public nor shall it be available to others not directly associated with the primary business use vehicle and equipment repair and maintenance. The truck equipment wash station is an accessory use to the primary repair and maintenance use on the site and may not operate as a standalone primary business facility. The truck

equipment wash station shall not be converted to an automated system or include a drive through component in the future. And the truck equipment wash station shall meet all state, county, and locally, local environmental regulations and standards proof of which shall be provided to the City prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy by the City's Building Official.

That's the end of the presentation. There are a few more slides that show you the elevation of the buildings. And this is a, um, example of a facility that they already have. These are the types of trucks that you see and you probably recognize the AUTEK name, it's on a lot of these lift trucks and I think our Public Works Department also has one. At least one. And, that's the end of the presentation. Um, the representatives from AUTEK are here this evening if, for any questions that you may have. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, Mary McKinney. We, we don't have any public comment cards. Do we have anything from the commission?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Just a question to...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, Mr. Guyton.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON...the AUTEK, um...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON...representative.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Would a representative from AUTEK, please step forward. Good evening, sir. Please state...

JOSH NICHOLS: Good evening..

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...your name for the record.

JOSH NICHOLS: Good evening. Josh Nichols with John Schmitt & Associates, agent for the applicants.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Welcome.

JOSH NICHOLS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mr. Guyton.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Thank you, Mr. Schmitt. You and I met and.., first of all, let me thank you and your, and the company you represent for choosing Riviera Beach. Could not have chosen a better place. We're glad to have you as corporate citizens and we discussed the job component and the skill sets that may be required. And, I had a discussion with you about residents of Riviera Beach, those who may have the skill sets having an opportunity to take advantage of, of your job opportunities and

you told me you would speak to representatives to convey my, my concern about residents having an option. And, what I would like is that, when you all start advertising that you coordinate with the City so we can put it on our website or some means by which we can let the residence know that good paying jobs are here and those that do have the skill set, by all means, if they're interested do apply. Because we wanna make sure that our residents have an opportunity to partake in these good paying jobs.

JOSH NICHOLS: Understood. And, I, I passed that word along to, to the, uh, the applicant, uh, to AUTEK. And, they agreed that, um, they'll definitely look to, to the locals, uh, to make sure that, that we can come in, in and get that job force in there. Um, there's no special certification, uh for that...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I, I, asked you about that too.

JOSH NICHOLS: Exactly, yes. So, I went back and made sure that I, I followed up on that. Uh, there's no special certification. Uh, they're looking, you know, hardworking mechanically inclined and then what they do is once they're in the, in the, uh, job, then they teach them, give them training to then certify them to work on certain, uh, equipment in the facility.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

JOSH NICHOLS: Yep.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So, you'll coordinate with the City when, before you start advertising...

JOSH NICHOLS: We will do that.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:...so that we can be a part of that. Okay.

JOSH NICHOLS: Thank you, sir.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Anything else?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: No.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: That's all I [inaudible].

PRO TEM DAVIS: No.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Well, thank you very much for coming into the City of Riviera Beach. We really appreciate it.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Madam...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair. right before we call, right before call this. I just wanna make sure that advertising means on TV as well.

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So, anything on TV, I want, I want some teeth in this to make sure that if they don't or if they say West Palm Beach or anything like that, that they get a fine for real, for real.

MARY MCKINNEY: Okay. It's in... That's part of our code but we'll make sure that happens.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yeah, yeah. Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright? Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Item 19.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: An ordinance of the City Council, the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, amending Chapter 31 of the City's Code of Ordinances, entitled Zoning, Article 4, entitled Non-Conforming Uses, Section 31-79, entitled Restorations, amending the manner in which restoration value is calculated and how building restorations are permitted within the City, providing for conflicts, severability, and codification, and provide an Effective Date.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So move.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a second?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Good evening again, Mary McKinney.

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes. And, this is second reading of the ordinance of restoration language. Um, this initially came up when we were discussing the Coastal Construction Setback Regulations, that the, um, way that property is evaluated after a storm was by the assessed value and since we know the assess value is usually much lower than actual value of the property, we propose this change to the ordinance so that property owners could rebuild their structure at the current value of the property instead of the assessed value. And, this would be for acts of God, hurricanes, fire, any natural disaster and that when they did, if they did get totally destroyed, when they did rebuild, they would of course have to comply with current building codes cause that's the law. But we changed it so that they could rebuild outside the assessed value.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Alright. Ms. Davis.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mary McKinney, would this spill over to, on the west side of, of the bridge?

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Or, just strict, strictly for the coastal?

MARY MCKINNEY: No. This is for the entire City. Because right now it's only..., let's say your house was valued at \$100,000 but the property appraiser only had it assessed for \$50,000...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Uhuh.

MARY MCKINNEY: Then you would on be able to build \$50,000. That would be the value that you could build. We're changing it so that it's the current reconstruction value of the property so that that would be changed and wouldn't be a problem for anyone in the City.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay. Alright. That'd be all.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Alright. Madam Clerk.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No comment cards?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No comment cards.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, this ordinance was advertised in the April 26, 2015 edition of the Palm Beach Post. Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes. What did she... I'm sorry. I didn't hear. You asking for a vote?

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Yes, ma'am.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Say that, say that again.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER No, no.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: CHAIRPERSON PARDO?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller dissenting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Item 20.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: It's seven.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I know, but if you'll, ya know, just give me...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No problem.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Let's, let's move along only because the Council Meeting didn't start until what, ten after?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: You're the Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: So...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No problem.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We're gonna do a couple of more Items and then we'll go to public comment. Just a couple of more minutes. Alright. Item 20.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Madam Chair, the following ordinance was advertised in the April 26, 2015 edition of the Palm Beach Post, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, Amending Chapter 31 Of The City's Code Of Ordinances, Entitled "Zoning", Article V "District Regulations", Division 9 "Rm-20 High Density Multifamily Dwelling District", And Division 10 "Rmh-20 High Density Multifamily/Hotel District", And Division 25 "Rh Resort Hotel District", By Amending Property Development Standards Associated With Ocean Setbacks, Coastal Construction And Development Density, In Order To Promote Increasingly Sustainable Development Designs On Singer Island; Providing For Conflicts, Severability And Codification; And Providing An Effective Date.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So move.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Once again, Mary McKinney.

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes. And, this is an ordinance on second reading that was proposed to change the coastal setback on the Islands, on Singer Island, on the east side of A1A to the 1997 Line from the 1979 Line. And, this was proposed because of the extensive erosion that the, Singer Island experiences and then, of course, the economic impact that it has to the City. Um, sometime in the future, we estimated that we could possibly be responsible for over a million dollars a year in, um, sand and renourishment and repairing the, um, area along the beach front. On July 16th we did a moratorium and following that, we prepared the regulations for this coastal setback and we had two heavily pub'., attended public meetings from the Planning and Zoning Board. The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval on December 11, 2014. City Staff recommends approval and the City Council recommended approval on first reading on February 4, 2015. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. We have a couple of public comment cards. Phillip Barrett and then Larry Smith. Is Mr. Barrett here? No?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Are you speaking, sir? You put a card in.

PHILLIP BARRETT: Yes, ma'am. Give me just [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No. You can speak now.

PHILLIP BARRETT: Okay. Hi, I'm Phillip Barrett. Uh, I've been part of Riviera Beach since 1984. Uh, and, I think what City is doing is very good. I just wanted to request City that 3100 North Ocean Drive, uh, is a unique piece of parcel which is in the works to be developed which will be very beneficial to the community. And, uh, I just want to make sure our exemptions which has been talked about and given remains intact.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, sir.

PHILLIP BARRETT: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Larry Smith and then J.B. Dixon.

LARRY SMITH: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, sir.

LARRY SMITH: Members of the Council, Madam Manager. Good evening. I'm Larry Smith. I'm a lawyer with Gary, Dytrych, & Ryan in North Palm Beach and I'm also coincidentally a resident of Riviera Beach for the last 27 years. I represent, Mr. Barrett's property, property owner, 3100 North Ocean Drive. We have an application that is pending and I'm gonna kinda elaborate a little bit on what Mr. Barrett said. You may recall last summer that we appeared before you when you were talking about the moratorium and, at that time.., and it's, and it's acknowledged in the ordinance that the Council gave us an exemption, if your will, from the moratorium. And, the reason it was discussed at the time is because we had previously submitted an application which was over a year ago, March 31st actually of 2014. Now, that application was submitted before any discussion of the moratorium, any discussion of the coastal setback, and, quite frankly, the application proposes a, an amendment to an earlier approved project but the March 2014 Plan does not meet the 1997 Line. It meets the 1979 Line. We have... We were exempt from the moratorium in July, the Council made that, put that on the record and we went.., we continued to process the application and we have resubmitted, a couple months ago.., we just got about a week and a half ago, comments letter, comments back from the Staff and we're gonna meet with Staff next week to go over the comments and we're gonna get there. But, we still don't meet the 1997 Line. We meet the 1979 Line. And, at the time of the consideration of the moratorium, I think, our, our statement was, that we had spent about \$160,000 in reliance on the application that we had submitted and working with Staff and so forth and that's gone up, it's over 200, probably as much as 250. I asked my client earlier this evening just to see how much we have spent. So, here's where we are. We submitted out application based on a set of rules. We'd like to finish, have the City finish processing the application based on that set of rules. The rules that we in place at the time that we submitted our application. And, that's what we're here to ask for tonight. The project, you know, it's beyond the scope of the comment, but it's gonna be a great project. It's gonna generate as many as 2,700 jobs. I've heard a lot of the discussion here tonight about other projects and the economic impact, the positive economic impact. This is gonna

be a very positive economic impact with Riviera Beach. And just to refresh your memories, this project is proposed to be located between the Tiara and the...

LARRY SMITH...Marriott Timeshare. So, what we're...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay...

LARRY SMITH...what we're asking for is an acknowledgement on the record that we don't have to comply with the 1997 Line and the, and be processed under the codes at the time of our application.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

MR. SMITH: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. J.B. Dixon and then Ann Reddy.

J.B. DIXON: My name is J.B. Dixon. Um, I've been a property owner in Riviera Beach since 1978. Um,, I live at 3000 North Ocean Drive in Riviera Beach on Singer Island. I feel strongly about adopting the new coastal setback to the 1997 level and I would urge the Council in the future that when new CCL's are proposed by the State, that they adopt them at that time because you are now acting on something that was set in 1997. Um, it's very important to the beaches and to the safety of the residents that this, the kind of erosion which is now taking place, not be allowed in, in new building. I would also, you know, wonder if maybe the City Manager's Office could consider a change in the way they do the Agendas for these meetings so that business Items are put first and community recognition or whatever Items are put after that so that people do not have to stay for two or three house to bring business before the Council. Thank you for your attention.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, ma'am. Ann Reddy.

ANN REDDY: Good evening. I'm Ann Reddy. I am the President of SICA, The Singer Island Civic Association and a resident of Riviera Beach. SICA believes that the City should take action to protect the stability of our essential dune structures and coastline and promote environmentally responsible development. So, we strongly urge the City to adopt the Amendments proposed in Section 31-243, Paragraph 5 and, in particular, the establishment of the 1997 Coastal Construction Control Line. Building seaward of the 1997 Line could destabilize our fragile beaches, add to the millions of taxpayer dollars being spent each year on beach renourishment and do irreversible damage to our unique island ecosystem. So we urge you to be responsible advocates of our fragile Singer Island Coastline.

And we also support adoption of Item 19 using appraised value rather than assessed value as a basis for restorations.

Thank you for your time.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. That's the end of the comments. Anything from the Board? This is on second reading.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes. Mr....z

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Um...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thomas.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Of course, we had some [sigh], well, we had a lot of dialog on the 1979 and 1997 Line. My issue, or my concern rather, would be the property at the 3100 or whatever the address is. I wanna make sure that...

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ... I have it right. Are we giving them the right to still go up under the rules that they originally started their project on?

MARY MCKINNEY: But that's, as long as they comply with the conditions of approval that they had in 2004 by the City.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. So, let me make sure I understand this correctly. They submitted an application. They want the right to bill what they submitted.

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: And, they're going to be fine with doing that even if we accept the 1997 or adopt the 1997 Coastal line?

MARY MCKINNEY: That's provided they comply with the conditions of approval that they obtained in 2004 and those conditions say that, for their variance approval, that they had to be in substantial compliance with the Site Plan that they had approved in 2004. To this date, they do not have a Plan submitted to the City that complies with that criteria.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. Did they submit a Plan to the City?

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes. In April of 2014, they've submitted a Plan to the City. Since then, they've submitted various renditions of plans to the City which some Staff has provided their comments on. And, up until now, they have not submitted a Plan that meets the conditions that they obtained in 2004 when they got a variance. Similar too, you said at the last meeting that this was discussed, 'Are you outside the footprint of what you had approved?' And, the answer to that is, yes they are.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: How does this affect what we're trying to do in reference to preservation?

MARY MCKINNEY: This ordinance? Our ordinance?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No. Not the ordinance. The project.

MARY MCKINNEY: The project that they, if they comply with 2004, it would still be east of the '97 Line. And up to the '79 Line. But...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

MARY MCKINNEY: ...they would have to build that project that they got approved in 2004 or one that's substantially the same. They haven't submitted that to us yet. Their new project is east of the '97 Line and, actually, some of it is east of the '79 Line.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. So, just so I und'..., I'm understanding this clearly, if they, they've submitted a project and it's not in compliance with what we're trying to do with the 1997 Line, they won't be allowed to do it even though they've submitted this prior to us adopting this?

MARY MCKINNEY: They can sub'..., they can build a Plan that's east of the '97 Line. It has to be the same as what they got approved in 2004. They got several variances in 2004. Those variance said, if we're gonna grant you this special favor, we're telling you, you have to build what you showed us.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

MARY MCKINNEY: Well, what they showed the City then and what they're proposing now is different. So, if they don't build what they showed the City then or substantially the same, then they have to comply with the new regulations.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Is there a reason why the, the Plan that they submitted is not the same or, what's the, what's the reasoning for it, them not doing what they was scheduled to do 2004?

MARY MCKINNEY: They think the market has changed and they'd like to have something different there.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. And, did they actually spend north of \$200,000 going through, through...

MARY MCKINNEY: I couldn't tell you...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...this process?

MARY MCKINNEY: ...how, how much they spent. They...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: How, I'm, I'm saying, how much did they spend in terms of with the City?

MARY MCKINNEY: With the City?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: And would it cost that much to go through a process?

MARY MCKINNEY: I don't wanna say whether or not...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Please sit down...

MARY MCKINNEY: ...it would make...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...we're not dialoging.

MARY MCKINNEY: It's be..., that would be difficult for me to do without seeing some documentation. But, I think that you should separate what you said to them before when you said they were exempt with the moratorium if they complied with not moving their building footprint and did what they needed to do in compliance with the conditions that they had then. I think you should just leave that cause you already told them that. They don't..., it doesn't have to be reiterated again. You've already told them that. And then let them proceed along with their development application, the proper way, like everyone else in this City does, just like AUTECH just did tonight and let them get to the point where they have a project that they can present to the Planning & Zoning Board and the City Council that either meets what they did in 2004 or complies with the new regulations.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

MARY MCKINNEY: So that's a separate issue.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Anything else?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes. Mr. Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Mary McKinney, we keep using this word exempt but that's not how [chuckle] how I understood it. We just said that we would honor your original plan.

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay. As long as you stay within those parameters.

MARY MCKINNEY: Exactly. Yes.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Should you go out, then you have to comply with the 1997.

MARY MCKINNEY: Exactly.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So, that's not exempt. That, that's just...

MARY MCKINNEY: That's...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...saying that we're honoring...

MARY MCKINNEY: Exactly.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...what you had submitted prior to our visiting the 1997 Line. Having said that, the language that we are relying on that says, 'substantially similar or the same.' Have we defined what substantially means?

MARY MCKINNEY: We, we will. I mean, we will actually define it but 'substantially the same' means this is your project which is so many feet and...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yeah.

MARY MCKINNEY: ...this is your building footprint, you're within that. You're subs'.., substantially the same.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes. And, and...

MARY MCKINNEY: We will. And, and to be honest, this isn't the forum because their project is still going through the review process with all the Staff reviewing it. It's not at the point...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: But, I know...

MARY MCKINNEY: ...where City Council...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...and, and I don't wanna discuss the project but I wanna make the language clear.

MARY MCKINNEY: We will.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So that everyone is on the same page. If we say it has to be substantial, we say that, that means the same footprint or that means.., whatever it means, but right now there's some ambiguity because it's not reduced to writing, what substantially actually means. Right now, as I see it, it's subjective. And I just want us to be on the same page. Whatever it is. That, that's, you know, so, everyone knows on both sides, this is what we expect. If it means stand in the same footprint...

MARY MCKINNEY: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: We need to put it in writing.

MARY MCKINNEY: And I think...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Or, or explain it so that everyone understands what that word means.

MARY MCKINNEY: And I think the point of the Board of Adjustment granting them the variance, they got several variances to build a bigger project, then they could by rights.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Mhmm.

MARY MCKINNEY: I think the intent of the Board was to say, 'You showed us this, this is what you're going to build. Don't show us something and come back with something else.'

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Understood.

MARY MCKINNEY: That was the intent of the Board. I'm sure our legal Staff will be very involved in this...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

MARY MCKINNEY: ...because, if they wanna build outside of what they got approved, then we'll have to have more legal discussions.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yeah. Okay. That's all I have. But my, my, my concern is that everything is clear.

UNK: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: And it's not necessarily too subjective because that substantial is what the lynch-pin is now. What is substantial?

MARY MCKINNEY: We'll be there.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay. Alright. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Anything else from the Board?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER When will we be able to get those answers back?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Ms. Miller. Well, I guess prior to that...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Trying to get...

UNK: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...that project coming to us. Right?

MARY MCKINNEY: As the project moves through the process and before it comes to City Council, we will have that all defined and laid out.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Madam Cl'...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair? You...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do you have something?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go ahead.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Attorney Ryan, Mary McKinney has made some reference into substantial.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Mhmm.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Have you been working with her with that language to actually be, be clear? I would like some clarity before I vote on this Item today.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: I have and there's different interpretations of what is substantial. And, quite honestly, it's going to be one of those things, 'you'll know it when you see it.' If they change their Site Plan completely, then it, it, that's an easier test.

PRO TEM DAVIS: But...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: But there is no bright line.

PRO TEM DAVIS: But, but my question is, if someone make, um, say that it's, it's not substantial...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I mean, they review the document. Right?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Sure. Yes.

PRO TEM DAVIS: So, they review the marked document. I mean, something was submitted to Staff.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Correct.

PRO TEM DAVIS: So, at that time, it should have been something they put placed in writing so that we can make a decision today so we can know what's substantial.

MARY MCKINNEY: But, but...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Cause we, we can't be making a judgment call based on something that no one knows about.

MARY MCKINNEY: But that's a separate...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah. This is...

MARY MCKINNEY: That's a totally...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

MARY MCKINNEY: ...separate issue.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...issue.

MARY MCKINNEY: That's a development project issue.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

MARY MCKINNEY: Right now, we're just doing regulations.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I, I...

MARY MCKINNEY: That's...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

MARY MCKINNEY: ...totally separate from this.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I, I...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Let me...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Hold on, hold on, hold on.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Separate vote.

UNK: Right.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I'm asking the questions that I need to get clarity on. On..., cause substantial was brought up, in the presentation. And I need to understand what substantial means on this Board.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

PRO TEM DAVIS: That's what I'm addressing. What was brought up in this presentation.

MARY MCKINNEY: No. I, I didn't bring that up.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: He brought that up.

MARY MCKINNEY: [Inaudible].

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And let me, let me say this because apparently at about 4:40...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...p.m. I received a, an email asking us to place Amrit in the ordinance to exempt them which I would never encourage this Council to do. If they wanna present a project...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And it, as Mary., Mary McKinney said, it will go through the process.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: They have had a Site Plan approval since 2004.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: It is 2015.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And, we haven't seen anything concrete yet. So, at some point, they have got to come up with something and...

PRO TEM DAVIS: [Inaudible].

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...we should not, the City should not have to continue to exempt them *ad nauseum*. At some point, this group is going to have to come forward with a Site Plan that either complies or does not comply.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right now, Mary McKinney is saying it does not comply.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: They have said that they are making more changes and we will deal with the issue when that comes up.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: You know, we exempted them from the moratorium and they still didn't come forward with anything.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right now, as McKinney stated so that we're not confused, they are under the old 1979 Line.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And if their project comes in the way it's sup'..., it's, in 2004...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...and the way they submitted it a few months ago, then they'll stay in that Line. But if they come forward, they've changed their mind again, with something completely different...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: They will not meet that test, not even close to that test of substantial compliance. So, we have to see it. We, we have to know what they're going to do...

PRO TEM DAVIS: So, so, they can...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...before we'll have the answer.

PRO TEM DAVIS: So, they can come before this Board with something different but it still has to meet those standards that...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: If they come, if they decide, 'You know what, this is just not working...'

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: 'This is our new plan.'

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And it's something completely different, they will be subject to that new Line.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: We're not keeping them, you know, which I think is what they're trying to get us to do, keeping them in the old...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...1979 Line loop. At some point, and I think twelve years...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...gettin' kinda close. At some point, they either have to come into compliance or they have to actually build something.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Cause, what I'm trying to find out is, excuse me Madam Chair, is, if they've been, this Item's been..., project's over ten years old. Am I correct?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Correct.

PRO TEM DAVIS: And, how, and they've been spending money with the City. Correct?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Well...

PRO TEM DAVIS: With this Plan...

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: I mean,...

PRO TEM DAVIS: With this 'City....

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...they gave...

PRO TEM DAVIS: I don't know...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...the City...

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...what they've given

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...a good deal of money.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Originally.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And, you know, we can, we.., and their attorney and our attorney, and their attorney and I have had many conversations about this and we ag'...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: You know, we understand that we will disagree on these issues. But they feel like the fact that they spent that money, that is, in some way, giving them a vested right. We disagree with that.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay. Who's we?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Some of the money...me'..., meaning Mary McKinney and I.

PRO TEM DAVIS: You said, we...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Just in, Staff.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Alright.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: This is still at the Staff level.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: So, we're still working through those things.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And, as it, as we get closer, you will definitely be involved.

PRO TEM DAVIS: So, this will...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Trust me.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...come back...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: This is not...

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...before this Board?

MARY MCKINNEY: Oh yeah.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Absolutely. There is no way that this, this issue is not coming back to this Board because it has to go through Planning & Zoning.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: It's already been to Planning & Zoning.

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: No. It wasn't...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No, it hasn't.

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Uh-uh.

MARY MCKINNEY: It's not at Planning & Zon'.., it's not ready to go. It's still in Staff review.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Even in 2004?

MARY MCKINNEY: Oh, in 2004?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right.

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right. It went to Planning & Zoning, it went to.., came to Council..

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...it went to the Zoning Board of Adjustments and so it has to go through that process again. They have to start over.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, Mr. Davis.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I'm Thomas.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I'm sorry. Mr. Thomas.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No. It's okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I'm apologize.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: We look alike. I know.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Oo, no, no, no.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: [Chuckle]. You know, my, I agree with adopting the 1997 Line, period. And if that's what we're deciding on, I'm fine.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And that's it.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Right. But, where my, my, my conscious is sayin' hey listen. There's still some issues regarding that and when we gave them.., well, Mr. Guyton explained it a little bit better, when we gave them some parameters...

MARY MCKINNEY: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: You know, to be, to avoid this, I was under the impression that we're saying, 'Okay. Because you had started the process, then we should allow it.' I'm hearing different things tonight that cause me some concern. I

wanna make sure that, by us voting, by this Board voting on this, we're not saying, 'Hey, whatever you're trying to do, it's dead because it...

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...was it was twelve years ago.'

MARY MCKINNEY: No. Not at all.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I wanna...

MARY MCKINNEY: It doesn't.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...make sure.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: I, I was not trying to give that impression. My, what I was trying to say to the Board is, at some point, we've gotta have a viable Site Plan. And...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I, I get it. But I, I've heard, you know, conversation tonight saying that, if they have a pl'.., if they have a project...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...that goes, I believe it's east of the 1997 Line, then they would no longer be in compliance.

MARY MCKINNEY: Well, but, they have an approval from 2004.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I understand.

MARY MCKINNEY: If they pro'.., build that, which is east of the '97 Line...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Then they could...

MARY MCKINNEY: They build it similar, very similar to what they showed the Boards then, including the City Council, they can forward, east of the '97 Line. This has nothing to do with this ordinance.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. But, we're...

MARY MCKINNEY: But...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: We're not tying the hands of somebody is what...

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...I'm saying with this...

MARY MCKINNEY: Not at all.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I wanna make sure that I understand this clear. So, so, if they come back with something that's east of the '97 Line, if this Board approves it, then it can be done.

MARY MCKINNEY: As long as it complies with all the conditions that they have for their variance. And you, and you will get that when it gets to that point. They're not close to that point. We're gonna meet with them again, next week on their plans.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. That's not very clear to me though.

MARY MCKINNEY: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: That's not, and, and I'm, I'm, it's just me. It's just me. I'm, I'm not, I'm not getting this because something that you may have wanted to do in 2004 may not work in 2015. So...

MARY MCKINNEY: Well...

PRO TEM DAVIS: [Inaudible change...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I, I...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: It's a variance.

MARY MCKINNEY: I think that the best thing to do is for you to understand that the Site Plan review of their application is a totally separate process.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No problem.

MARY MCKINNEY: It has, and actually, it should never even have been brought up with this ordinance.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

MARY MCKINNEY: Actually, I think that maybe there is some type of con'..., language that's confusing the Board that's being promoted by the applicant of that property.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Correct.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

MARY MCKINNEY: That's confusing the City Council.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: It defin'...

MARY MCKINNEY: They have..., right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: You're definitely confusing me. I just wanna make sure that this vote does not stop the ability...

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...for redevelopment.

MARY MCKINNEY: No. I won't.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Not at all.

MARY MCKINNEY: Guarantee you, it won't. As long as they comply with what they have approved.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: That's what's the issue.

MARY MCKINNEY: But that's, they are conditions of approval. And that's a separate, that's for dev'...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: That's for anyone.

MARY MCKINNEY: ...development review.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. Does this action affect whatever that action may be? Because we have not had, we...

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: We have not had any type of.., it happened before anybody was sitting on this Council. So, we have not had any type of in depth conversations on what that variance was, is the, does the variance need to be...

MARY MCKINNEY: And...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...extended or anything like that?

MARY MCKINNEY: No it won't. And you can't do that. But, Council, City Council's not allowed by law to do that. Only for...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: To do?

MARY MCKINNEY: ...to extend a variance. They have...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: A, a variance...

MARY MCKINNEY:...a variance that's approved, it's approved by the Board of Adjustment...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: [Chuckle]. It's a different Board.

MARY MCKINNEY: It can only go...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:...it's a different Board.

MARY MCKINNEY: Right. It's a different Board...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: But what Board, what Board does that?

MARY MCKINNEY: The Board of Adjustment which we now just changed to a special magistrate so, but...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Mhmm.

MARY MCKINNEY:...it's the Board of Adjustment. It's the law. They approve variances and the applicant draws a plan that complies with those variances that they got, which are like specials, extended sideways, setbacks, maybe extended height for some things. Those are variances.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: But we, we, okay, so we don't, we no longer have that Board but we have a special magistrate...

MARY MCKINNEY: Right. Right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:...that does it.

MARY MCKINNEY: We did that about, I don't know, three or four months ago. But, that is a s'.., it's all separate. And, what you take, do tonight, will not affect that at all.

UNK: Why not?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Well, I'm hearing...

MARY MCKINNEY: Will not affect it.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:...you say two different things. That's the only thing that.., I'm hearing you say, if they don't stay with what happened in 2004, then they're out of compliance.., with whatever project that they may...

MARY MCKINNEY: Right. And that was a condition of their approval then. That was their conditional approval in 2004. And they have to do that. They cannot build to those variances without, they have to comply with those conditions.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So, my concern is, I, I don't understand it totally. I'm not understanding it. So.

MARY MCKINNEY: Alright. Listen...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Okay. Hold on. Let him, let him say what he doesn't understand here.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yeah. I'm not...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: But what...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Will you sit down, please?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I'm, I'm...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Mr. Thomas, what are, what are you missing? Something...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I'm, I'm, if, okay so, what you're saying is because they got a variance in 2004, they can't change it no matter what happens, they can't change it?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Well, I, I think, I'm [sigh]. I would say this, in my opinion, they don't have to comply with the variances. If they don't wanna do the variances, they don't have to. If we gave them a variance that said your building could be thirty stories and now they wanna build twenty stories, which is within our Site Plan...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Uhuh.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:...within our Code, I think they could do that. I don't think they could build..., they can't get anything extra. If they don't wanna do the extra part, I think they will probably be okay. But they can't, they can't expand upon the variance. Which is...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: And what I'm, what I'm trying to say, I haven't had an opportunity to understand what the variance even is. So, if it's, they can't go over ten stories...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:...and you're saying that, hey listen, the new plan that they put in is for...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: But we don't...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:...fifteen sto'...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:...but see, that's the problem. They keep changing. They keep changing. So, we can't present you with anything because they keep changing their plan.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No problem. No problem. So, follow me with this. If we said we're going to give you other circumstances so that you're not a part of this morit'..., moratorium and all these things...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS...that we're going on. Why is it that we're not sayin', 'Okay. This is obviously getting a little confusing and maybe even convoluted, we give you a certain amount of time to come up with whatever plan you have or you're done with this.' Versus saying, 'Okay. You got a variance.' I, everybody else may know what, what the variances are but I don't know what they are. And I'm afraid that I'm about to make a vote on something that I support that's gonna hurt a potential...

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...redevelopment plan.

MARY MCKINNEY: It's not.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Now, if you're telling me that it's not, period...

MARY MCKINNEY: It's not.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: But I've heard, I've heard tonight that you say, 'Hey, if it's outside of the, if it's east of that 1997 Line, they can't do it.' So, the action that we'll take tonight would impede them from...

MARY MCKINNEY: They can do it.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I'm, I'm asking, let me get this...

MARY MCKINNEY: They can do it as long as they got build what they got approval to build.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Exactly.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. Okay. Listen, please. Let me just, let me understand it in a way that I'm comfortable, please.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I understand that. What if they want to change from the variance that they, that they received in 2004? Then what?

MARY MCKINNEY: Then they have to comply with the existing regulations.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So, would that not mean that a, a vote tonight on that particular 1997 Line would tie their hands to being able to, to build something if it's different?

MARY MCKINNEY: That means that they'd have to comply with the regulations we're gonna approve tonight which is only right because every other development parcel in the City has to comply with them too.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. I'm not gonna waste any more time but, I'm , I'm, I'm not comfortable right now.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, Ms. Miller.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Um, may I make a motion that, we table this because there appear to be a whole lot of confusion and questions.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Second.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Wow, that a first. I appreciate that.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON GUYTON?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON THOMAS?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: CHAIRPERSON PARDO?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilpersons Guyton and Pardo dissenting.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC -7:00 PM Non-Agenda Item

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you. At this point we're gonna go to public comment. Shawn Pitman and then Bonnie Larson.

SEAN PITTMAN: Thank you, Madam Chair. Uh, Mr. Mayor, with Council, Ms. Miller, good to see you. Welcome. Uh, Madam Manager, Madam Clerk, thank ya'll. For just a moment, um, wanted to just update you briefly on, uh, the legislature and where we are...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I'm telling you, Cedric, this is bad. I'm sorry, sir.

SEAN PITTMAN: No. You're fine.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go ahead.

SEAN PITTMAN: You're fine. It's your meeting. [Chuckle].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, thank you for recognizing that.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: I know, right? Say that again.

SEAN PITTMAN: Madam Attorney, good to see you.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: You too. Always.

SEAN PITTMAN: Um, you all have read a lot in the paper about what happen and didn't happen in Tallahassee, uh...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: That's just...

SEAN PITTMAN: You do know that, uh, that it got very interesting in the end as the House of Representatives decided to leave three day early. Um, not passing a budget and having the less, the least amount of bills in recent history pass the, pass the legislature. Uh, just about a hour ago, uh, a special session was called for the dates of June 1st to June 20th. Um, so we will be back at it in just a couple weeks, just three weeks. And, um, wanna thank the, the, the Council for your promptness in information. The Manager, the CRA Director, um, Mary and, and, Danny, um, our Madam Attorney, was, uh, steadfast in sending information that we needed in order to, uh, to have a decent session, uh, in the midst of, of chaos. And, I can't tell you that it gets any better. What I can tell you is, uh, in the special session, a lot of what held it up was Medicaid expansion and low-income pool funding, uh, hospital funding which you all read about quite a bit. Those issues have not been resolved and without resolving those issues, you cannot do a budget. Uh, and that's where we are. So, it's our understanding as of about an hour ago that the legislature will, legislature will convene on June 1st. They have to first deal with the Medicaid expansion issue and it's my understanding that there will be, be a Bill filed so that there can be real debate and real discussion on whether or not Medicaid expansion should be adopted here in in Florida. Uh, if it is, then there's a number, a budget number that the State will know to work with. If it's not, that is a different number. There's \$4 billion dollars in between, difference between, uh, both with Medicaid expansion and, and without Medicaid Expansion. Uh, so that will tell you why a budget cannot be done. Um, it is..., we do not know till this date whether they will

start over from scratch with the budget once they decide what that number will be. Um ...

SEAN PITTMAN: ... if they do, we're in, we're in...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: It's okay. Continue.

SEAN PITTMAN: Okay. I've never had that happen.

SEAN PITTMAN: If they, if they do, uh..., and, and, and I'll be quick. The bottom line is, we got a lot of work to do, still. And, I appreciate, uh, um, Mr. Guyton and, and, uh, our City Manager for coming up this past session. Ya'll did a lot of good work. Thank you. But, we got more work to do. And I welcome, uh, Ms. Miller, uh, any of you, uh, as we go towards to the next, uh, twenty days of session to come and help us. Uh, we could use your help. Uh, electives like to talk to electives. They like to talk to people on the ground. It means much more when the City Manager's says that something's shovel ready then it does when I say it. Uh, and that just matters. So, I just wanted to stop by, give you that update. Uh, when you do your prayer, think about us in Tallahassee, cause we need it cause there's a lot of stuff that I can't explain to ya. So, I hope you don't ask my questions about it.

SEAN PITTMAN: That's all.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you.

SEAN PITTMAN: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And I'm sure we'll be seeing you soon.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We have those water projects we're pushing.

Yes, Mr....

SEAN PITTMAN: Absolutely.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thomas.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Sean Pittman, thank you. I know you're doing a lot of hard work up there for us. Do we have any proposed money in the budget that's coming back this way?

SEAN PITTMAN: Well, there's, there's no budget.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

SEAN PITTMAN: Uh, but before it all crashed and burned, we did have some dollars in for the, the Broadway Corridor. Um, at least in the Senate budget. Uh, I think we're

gonna do fine. What., the other projects we had in were water projects and water is always the last thing that's done.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Mhmm.

SEAN PITTMAN: And with Amendment 1 going on, water is more questionable today. The, the dollars for water are more questionable today than they have been in the past. So, Amendment 1 is still an issue in the air. Uh, and without knowing what's happening with Amendment 1, how that's interpreted, then, you know, we won't know anything about the water projects.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. So...

SEAN PITTMAN: But we got good people working on it. You know, we got, uh, Mr. Hager, and we got Mr. Powell, and we got, uh, Senator Clemens. We got good members that are working real hard. Uh, have influence. So, I'm, I, I, I feel, I feel like we'll be in good shape.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Is there anything that we need to be doing and our residents need to be doing? Is there anybody that they can be calling to make sure that... I mean, we've done very well over the past several years and, I, I can't thank you enough, that we've been getting money back here. I just wanna make sure that we continue that behavior. So is there anything that we could do to help that process along the way?

SEAN PITTMAN: Um, when my contract come up, don't let people come up here and talk against me.

SEAN PITTMAN: But seriously, I think just the, the citizens allowing you all to come up, have the dollars to come up and make a difference. Because though you have me there...

UNK: Mhmm.

SEAN PITTMAN: ...again, electives really wanna hear from the people on the ground. They wanna talk to the people who know where the rubber meets the road, who understand who they're hiring to do what, how long it's gonna take. I mean, they, they, they wanna hear that. And, it's okay. We, we do well without it, but I does make our job easier.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So, you'll contact us in June when you want us to come up, or, or, come to Capitol Hill, and...

SEAN PITTMAN: I, I think the first thing we need to Councilperson is, uh, is, let's see what they do with Medicaid expansion.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right.

SEAN PITTMAN: Because, um, that's gonna, that's gonna help us draw a landscape and a strategy for you.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

SEAN PITTMAN: That's the first thing that they have to do. They'll do a week of Committee with meetings. Uh, and you'll see Medicaid expansion starting to be discussed in Committees in both the House and the Senate. It'll be more fireworks than ya'll have here, I'm sure, so, so take a look at it cause you, as you know, if you've been reading, there's a complete difference of opinion. The Senate's on one extreme, the House is on the other. The Governor is over with the House but I, I think his influence is, is not as substantial to date.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Thank you very much.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam Chair, let me just commend our lobbyist. When I went up with the City Manager, it was, which I think my second trip. It was evident that Sean Pittman, who was born and raised here in Riviera Beach, was very respected from the Governor's office down to the Staff level and I'd just like to thank you for what you're doing up there, because you said it makes your job easier but when you bring us money back here, it makes our job easier. [Chuckle].

SEAN PITTMAN: Well, thank you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So, thank you very much.

SEAN PITTMAN: Thank you for saying that and, and whoever does the website, thank you because you made me a famous photographer. You know, I took a picture of the Lieutenant Governor and Mr. Guyton, and, and the City Manager and it was on the front page of the um, of the website.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

SEAN PITTMAN: I, I, I love that.

[Laughing].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Alright. Well...

SEAN PITTMAN: Madam Chair, thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you very much and...

SEAN PITTMAN: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...have a save trip back to Tallahassee.

SEAN PITTMAN: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Bonnie Larson and then Lorne [sp] Gagnon.

BONNIE LARSON: Good evening. First thing I'd like to say tonight is, we've gotta be more organized at the meeting. Tonight there were not enough cards in the back. They should be right in the drawer there because, you know, if you don't make.., if you don't fill out a card in time, then you don't get to speak and there were no cards back there. There weren't enough cards back there for the City meeting. Also, there's a side board over there. If the fire marshal had come in here, we would've been shut down. We need to make it so that people can get out of here if there's a fire. There, it would've been impossible to walk by that area. So, let's, let's do that.

I'd like a couple updates on things because we never hear updates. Um, the trailer park, Southern Court. I'd like to know what's going on with that. I know, Ms. Jones, you wrote them a letter, apparently nothing happened. They're not listening to your letter, whatever it was. I don't know what you wrote, I would like a copy of that letter. But the big construction, um, big heavy equipment still sitting there, piles of concrete sitting there. It does look like a bomb went off in there and I understand.., somebody came to the podium and said that they had over a million dollars' worth of fines when they brought the property and those fines were waived. I'd like to know if that true. Who did that? And what we're doing about that? Because they're showing us absolutely no respect to Riviera Beach. We're trying to develop our City and it looks like a bomb went off in there. Just looks awful. And, there kids living in there. You're talking about kids having accidents, falling glass, rubble. It, it's a disgrace, an absolute disgrace.

Also, the City fought hard not to have a recycle business in Riviera Beach, uh, then one went in at the Port. What's happening with that? Is that recycle business still there at the Port? Is there nothing we can do about that? There are no trees in the median on uh, between 27th and 28th Street. I've asked several times. I've asked public request. I get no answer. The answer is, well someone wrote and said do you know a citizen complained. No, we need to look like we, the City, are up on this. They owe us trees for that median. Where is.., don't say a citizen complained. So I still have no answer on that. Where are those trees? I heard word on the street that the trees were redirected. I'm trying very hard not to believe that. Although, I did see trees of the exact same type, of the exact same company, put on private property. So where are those trees that belong on that median? Where are they? I don't have an answer yet. Um, the City Council had a Special Utility Meeting last night that should've been on the website, it should've been on the calendar as a special meeting regarding the, uh, responsibility for investors and their water bills for their tenants. Um, Consent Agent, it says here that the only ones who can talk about Consent Agenda are the Councilperson, unless the Councilperson. No! We the citizens are allowed to speak on Consent Agenda Items and it says exactly the opposite on here. Also, you made me speak on all, like, three or

four of the Consent Agendas all at one time, Items all at one time, and then there was answers to anything.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No. It was two Agenda Items.

BONNIE LARSON: So, anyway, um, it's contradictory, this is contradictory. We need to fix that. And we need to, uh, just fix things in Riviera Beach. And let's hear some updates. The, the industrial area that we brought, the eleven acres that we brought. We paid a lot of money for that over on 15th Street. I heard from this podium that we're not gonna use that now or it's totally been changed. No one on the Council said differently. So what is happening with that property on 15th Street?

BONNIE LARSON: Let us know what's happening in our own City.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Lorne Gagnon and then John Woodward.

LORNE GAGNON: Good evening, City Council. My name is Lorne "C.C." Gagnon. I have a business...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening.

LORNE GAGNON: ...in, uh, Riviera Beach on Singer Island. I've been there for about twenty-five years through all the destruction and everything. I'm one of the oldest people in the business. Um, something interesting's gonna be happening, is the Post Office, the Bank of America is gonna be closing down and it's been given out to tender as a Post Office in your retail store. Uh, this just is something that the Post Office delivered and I've actually applied for this and from my... What I find out, I guess when you use the term, 'word of the street', is that the City or the CRA is trying to put the Post Office in their Clean and Safe Building to help pay for the extra cost of that building for their.. This is an application for business, businesses that are on the Island to have an opportunity to work with the Post Office and create a business and a client inside of there to be able to offer the services like they have had in the Bank of America. So, somehow, this City is startin'.. trying to get involved and open a Post Office which in the application it says, type of business.

Is the City not involved in running the City or are they getting involved in running small businesses, small retail things. Now I do employ people from this area here. I have been here for a long time and this is something that's gonna help me continue with my business and generate ca'.., uh, people coming in because you know the Mall itself is right now 26% occupied. It's been very, very tough to make a business there.

Also, we have our Clean and Safe people. Thank you, whoever did finally get the messages to the people what's goin' on. Like, we had an Easter egg hunt. That might've been nice to let the Clean and Safe people know that. They never got anything. We had 750 people on the beach, seven o'clock in the morning 'til nine o'clock and not an ambassador around. They didn't even know about it. Next

weekend, we had our marathon, they did not even receive any information. This is a really good Clean and Safe when we have 750 people and not one of them to be found 'til four o'clock. But at night time, we got two of them walking around, twiddling their thumbs on the phone.

Please, ya know..., great opportunity, try to help our people, great. But let's get some scheduling and get them to do something. Even though you did pay for a nice building, huge \$3,000 a month, you've put over \$80,000 worth of, uh, built-out in it for a bathroom, a shower. There's lots of places that could've been rented. And, as I understand, the reason you took that one is so you can have a polling station four times a year. Now you don't need that building to take away from a small business like me the opportunity of having a Post Office. The City is not in the business of having businesses, you're in the business of running the City. So basically that's what I gotta say.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, I appreciate your comments and I can tell you, I don't think anyone up here is aware that.., and we didn't instruct anyone to apply to put the Post Office inside the Clean and Safe Building.

LORNE GAGNON: Somebody from the City is, or CRA is trying to get...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, we will get... I see the Executive Director back there, so...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: He's saying, 'No.'

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I promise you that we will find out what's going on.

LORNE GAGNON: Okay. Please. Just leave, leave the businesses for the small businesses.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, yeah. And, right. And I agree with you. We're not in that business. The Ambassador Program is to house a police officer, and the Ambassadors and that's it. It's not a...

LORNE GAGNON: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. It's not a business.

LORNE GAGNON: That's all I'm asking.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

LORNE GAGNON: Beautiful store by the way, nice signs.

MAYOR MASTERS: And, I agree...

LORNE GAGNON: Wish I could afford them.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And, and we'll make sure that the CRA and City coordinate a little better.

LORNE GAGNON: Yeah. There is a marathon...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We have...

LORNE GAGNON: ...coming up...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well...

LORNE GAGNON: ...here and they should get the information. It's funny that...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Agreed. Well ...

LORNE GAGNON: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...you know, sometimes the Council people don't even know that events are happening. But sir, thank you and thank you for sitting through the meeting. Okay, next we have John Woodward and then Felicia Wilder.

JOHN WOODARD: Hello, Council. Um, I was up...

JOHN WOODARD: ... [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Wait, sir. Just for the record, please state your name.

JOHN WOODARD: I was... Yeah, I was just about ready to. Uh, my name is John Woodward. Um, I'm from South Florida Contractors Association and also FRACA [sp], which is the, the Florida Contractors Association. Um, I actually emailed everybody letting them know I was gonna be here tonight talking. Um, but before I do that, I actually have to make a correction. In that email, I had mentioned that I had spoken to the Mayor's Assistant and I apologize, the way I worded it sounded like I implied that they agreed that it was happening. Um, what I meant is, if it was happening, the Mayor's office would obviously support fixing the problem as any of you would, I'm sure. Um, so that's all. And as, if wasn't happening, I wouldn't waste my time standing up here, so. Um, but my original intention of coming up here was to, to let you guys know what was going on with the lack of communication that was going back and forth. I thought nothing was going on. I found out today, Mrs. Jones did email me and let me know what was going on which I do appreciate that. Um, I would like a little bit more communication, um, with us cause we'd like to work as a partnership like we have with West Palm Beach and the County of Palm Beach, um, in fixing the problems that you are probably all aware of by this point with the emails going back and forth.

Um, I don't want to get into like a he said, she said, any of that kind of stuff. I want to work together with you guys. Um, I'm not paid to protect or serve the public but that's my intention here. I wanna protect the, the citizens of Riviera Beach. And, um, you guys are paid to do that, so that's why I'm coming to you as elected officials. Um, my

hope is, that you guys would actually appoint somebody, uh, a lead person to contact us to keep in communication and also to follow through to make sure that this is actually happening. Um, uh, I don't, don't wanna waste much more of your time. I just wanted to reiterate again that this is concerning a multi-family complexes that the, the illegal and unpermitted activity that's going on. We have supplied packets to, I think, everybody sitting on the Board, um, to my rec'., to my memory anyway. Um, and if anybody would like that information, I could resend it. Um, also I'll leave my contact information. I'll meet with anybody at any time to give you, um, any details that you're asking for, including any proof or anything else that you would need to proceed in the process to eliminate the illegal activity that's going on in your City.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam.

JOHN WOODARD: To protect and...

MAYOR MASTERS: Chair.

JOHN WOODARD: To protect the people that are in your City. That's it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Fine. Thank you.

JOHN WOODARD: Alright. Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Very much and again, thank you for staying. Mayor.

JOHN WOODARD: No, no problem.

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes. Stay there for a second.

JOHN WOODARD: Oh, okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: I wanna ask you...

JOHN WOODARD: I do apologize Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: No, no, no, you're fine. You're fine. Have you spoken to anyone in my office today?

JOHN WOODARD: No.

MAYOR MASTERS: Have you received a email from our office today?

JOHN WOODARD: No. The only emails I got today were from, um, Mrs. Jones and one of her, one from her assistant, which one from Mrs. Jones also.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Well, you made a serious a statement...

JOHN WOODARD: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...in an email that I received.., I think it was today, that you met with.. You had a meeting with the Manager and in...

JOHN WOODARD: Your assistant.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...which you.. No, not my assistant, with the City Manager.

JOHN WOODARD: Oh, oh yes. Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: And you said that she walked out of the meeting...

JOHN WOODARD: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: Abruptly

JOHN WOODARD: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: Can you exp'...

JOHN WOODARD: You want me to elaborate on that?

MAYOR MASTERS: I do.

JOHN WOODARD: I'd be happy to. Um, in her defense, it was Election Day.

MAYOR MASTERS: I need you to clear it up. If it's...

JOHN WOODARD: Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: Like you cleared up the other thing. Clear that up too.

JOHN WOODARD: In her defense, it was Election Day. Okay? I didn't schedule the meeting. I called and wanted a meeting, they scheduled it for that day. Um, this is a high priority thing where it's actually lives at risk, um, so it's, to, to us, especially as an unpaid volunteer, I was just looking out for, you know, the better of the public. Um, it's a very high priority to us. I agreed it was Election Day but, um, I thought her walking out and leaving us with, if I remember correctly, it was, uh, two of her assistants.

CITY MANAGER JONES: Mr. Jones and Mr. Pierce.

JOHN WOODARD: Yes. Um, to finish the meeting, um, and then we had no more correspondence after that, after I had called. I don't wanna get into he said, she said...

MAYOR MASTERS: No, I understand.

JOHN WOODARD: So...

MAYOR MASTERS: I just wanted you to clear it up because that's a serious statement that you made in the email and...

JOHN WOODARD: She did.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...once you put something in writing, it's...

JOHN WOODARD: That's fine.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...a record.

JOHN WOODARD: That's why I put it in there.

MAYOR MASTERS: So you cleared it up tonight, right? I think?

JOHN WOODARD: Yeah. I mean, to be honest, I, I thought the, the matter deserved her full attention but being Election Day, she felt pulled away. So...

MAYOR MASTERS: And you, you did meet with two other, the two assistants?

JOHN WOODARD: Her assistants.

MAYOR MASTERS: Her assistants?

JOHN WOODARD: That's correct. They did...

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. I just wanted you to clear that up and...

JOHN WOODARD: No problem.

MAYOR MASTERS: Please...

JOHN WOODARD: They did stay for the entire time.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Then send me another email stating that.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

JOHN WOODARD: Well now it's in public record. I just said it. So...

MAYOR MASTERS: But, I need it in writing.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. And, you know, just so you know, she's the administrator of the City.

JOHN WOODARD: I understand that.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. So, ya know, she had her assistants in there, so...

JOHN WOODARD: Oh, no. I understand.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: It's not like, you know, the City just left ya high and dry.

JOHN WOODARD: Well, I was just getting..

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ... more respectful for that.

JOHN WOODARD: The reason why that, that was in there is...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: That's fine, that's fine. We have it and it's on record now.

JOHN WOODARD: Okay. I just...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. We appreciate...

MAYOR MASTERS: We're good, sir.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...you. Thank you very much.

MAYOR MASTERS: We're good.

JOHN WOODARD: Alright. Thank you, have a good night.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Felicia Wilder and then Henry Taylor.

MAYOR MASTERS: Also, Madam Chair, for the, for those who came tonight that was speaking on the City Manager's [inaudible] can make comments during public comments if they can't stay to the end, to [inaudible] Agenda public comment, you can talk on anything that's related to the City. As we have always done in the past.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Hold on, hold on.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: But it's an Agenda.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Cause we're gonna... Wait a minute. If we're gonna make the statement. The way that it's written is that, public comment is for discussion of Items that are not on the Agenda. So, if there's an Item that is listed on the Agenda, then you're supposed to wait until the Agenda Item comes up and not speak generally. That means, so people would just speak on an ordinance in public comment and then we get to the ordinance.

MAYOR MASTERS: Well, wait a minute.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: So, I'm being very specific. That is how it's always been.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Madam Attorney.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Yes.

MAYOR MASTERS: Are you saying that it's always been that people cannot speak on public comment...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Isn't that...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...on an Item on the Agenda?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Yes. If you look at the Agenda Item, the, the Agenda...

MAYOR MASTERS: That's not my...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: It says, comments from the public, 7:00 PM, Non-Agenda Item Speakers, three minute limitation. It's on the Agenda.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. But, my understanding...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: I don't want us to give...

MAYOR MASTERS: My understanding has been the opposite. That if, if it's Agenda Item, if a person wanna speak on the Agenda Item, they cannot make a public comment on, at the Agenda Item time. But, if it's a, if it's a public comment they can talk about something on this Agenda. That's what I've always thought.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: You, okay. I want it, I want it to be clear. You can always suspend your rules and do whatever you wanna do but I do not want the public to have the impression that they are allowed, under this particular Agenda, that we've had for years, to speak under public comment on anything. That is not the way it's been.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. So let's continue. Good evening, ma'am. Thank you...

FELICIA WILDER: Good...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...for waiting.

FELICIA WILDER: Good evening. My name is Felicia Wilder and I rely in Riviera Beach, Florida and I'm here concerning, um, my roof. Uh, in reference to my roof that was put on in 2013 and I've been addressing the City of Riviera Beach since then up until this present and the City Manager's office has been directed to give Peter, Mr. Rangel, instructions to come out. He came out but he didn't have a key. So I'm trying to figure out how he got in. So if you need a key, I'll let him in. The thing is underneath the roof, where the inspectors have passed this and the insurance company will not give me insurance because it didn't pass City, it didn't pass the codes. And they're asking

me to furnish them with pictures. Peter, or inspector, or whoever need to go out there and do what they need to do. He said he wasn't gonna do anything else unless he was directed by his boss, I think the City Manager? He went out, stood out, looked, hey, [inaudible] in the roof. What it is, is underneath. Where they passed it, passed it, pass it. Now I got a roof. Nobody will come in and do my ceiling because of the roof, can't get insurance because of the roof. So, now, I need someone to direct Peter to come out, I'll be there with a key, whatever to let 'em in. He can't do that inspection on the outside. They have covered it up and God fixed it and I don't know how many other roofs been done like that. Well, I didn't have insurance. I don't think they knew. But this is how I had to get the roof fixed in order to get the insurance. Paid over \$4,000. No roof.

They were gonna condemn the place. I told 'em, 'Go head and condemn it. I don't care'. So then I had someone to come out and fix the roof and the City passed it. So the inspector.. I asked for their certification, I'm just gonna use this as a parable. I went to college, I took art. Only draw stick people but I passed art, can't draw nuttin' but he got certification, somethin' wrong.

FELICIA WILDER: We can pass test. I passed a test but I still draw stick people. I'm not an artist but I passed art. Something is wrong about his certification. I asked for those documents, haven't received them yet. So, someone please give them a directive to come out and do what needs to be done. I'm.., since 2013. That's uncalled for. I'm a senior citizen, this is the way you treat your people? I pay taxes, this this way you treat your people? I've gone from one officer.. I think everybody in this building know my business. Think I care? I'm glad. Maybe somebody will reach out a hand and help me.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Madam, Ms. Jones. Could you...

CITY MANAGER JONES: And, you recall...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I'm gonna pass...

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...we did send you, uh...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, fine. I'm gonna pass you down Felicia Wilder's information and I would appreciate someone getting with her first thing tomorrow morning and hopefully send someone out there.

CITY MANAGER JONES: And we...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible]...

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...have and we sent you a written update of everything that happened after then. But, we'll go back out but it's.., if you read that email that's, a...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. So she's here tonight so I would...

FELICIA WILDER: He needs to go...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...appreciate someone...

FELICIA WILDER: ...on the inside...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...taking care of her.

FELICIA WILDER: ...and look at the roof. The inside. That's where they covered it up. Peter stood on the outside, he didn't have a key to my house. So he needs to get on the inside.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Promise you...

FELICIA WILDER: Do I speak on...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...someone will be in contact with you tomorrow morning, ma'am.

FELICIA WILDER: Okay. Now do I have to come back...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: She has a directive.

FELICIA WILDER: ...to City Council again to address this issue or will something be done this time? I keep comin'

CITY MANAGER JONES: He will come out. I can't say when.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

CITY MANAGER JONES: He will come out.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: You can tell her. Yeah.

CITY MANAGER JONES: We will come out and look at it and depending on the assessment will depend on what's done. But we will have someone out to look at it.

FELICIA WILDER: Do I need to be there? Or do I need to leave a key? Cause he needs to get on the inside.

CITY MANAGER JONES: No. You need to be there. Cause when we inspect a roof, we're looking about the roof construction and you say whatever this is, you've got to be inside the house.

FELICIA WILDER: I've been explaining that all along.

CITY MANAGER JONES: So you will need to be there.

FELICIA WILDER: Okay.

CITY MANAGER JONES: So..., we'll have to make an appointment so that you are there with the key...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...to let him in.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We need to move on. If you'd like to have a conversation off the dais. Ma'am, Ms. Jones will get with you tomorrow morning. And thank you for bringing this to our attention again.

FELICIA WILDER: Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Manager, may I suggest that... Ms. Jones, I know you have, you're very sensitive when it comes to our seniors and very supportive. It might be a good idea if you, you go too. Because she seems to have a lot of, ya know.. The communication..., sometimes just goin' the extra mile can be very helpful. So I wanna suggest, on the record, that you may wanna go with Peter or whoever. Or somebody, one of your assistants or somebody. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. We're gonna continue now. Henry Taylor and then Erica Davis.

HENRY TAYLOR: Henry Taylor, Riviera Beach.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, sir. Thank you for waiting.

HENRY TAYLOR: Good evening to you, City Council. I have a couple of things. Last evening we had a meeting with the Utility Board on some problems that were being hashed out through the landlords and we had a couple of Board Members that, uh, decided that they didn't wanna hear what we wanted to say or what we had to say and, uh, it kinda perturbed me because we only had three people left there sitting to make decisions. Uh, Councilman Thomas talked like he wanted to help us out. He decided not to attend the meeting last night and we also had the Chairperson who decided that probably she didn't wanna hear what we had to say either so she gave the gavel to the Chair *Pro tem* and she left the meeting. I think that this shows a whole lot of disregard for the property owners that were here trying to get something solved, that these people needed to show that they had concern for what we had concern about. They decided to leave, they showed us that they didn't really care, didn't wanna hear what we had to say. And, I think that most of the people that were at that meeting felt the same way. We had three people, Councilman Guyton, Ms. Miller, and Brother Davis, Councilman Davis and they did a wonderful job. Councilman Davis should be the Chairperson the way that he ran that meeting last night.

The other thing is that, I think that this Council needs to grab a hold, take a hold of these cars in this City that's leaving the City and going to other counties in this State. You' putting a burden on the taxpayers. I pay a lot of taxes in this City. I pay your salary in this City, part of it. I pay enough taxes in this City to pay everybody salary sitting up

there on that Board. And we need to think about the citizens more. Take some of the burden off. Let these cars stay in the City.

HENRY TAYLOR: You pay these department heads enough money to drive they own cars to the City.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alight.

HENRY TAYLOR: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Hold on one second. I'd like to make a comment or a statement about why I left the meeting yesterday. Ya know, I don't know if you are aware or if many people are aware but I am a single parent and I had an emergency at my house last night and I needed to leave. So, I apologize I wasn't here to hear your concern but I can tell you I did watch it on television. And, and, ya know, you've been here quite a number of times and I listen to your concerns and I knew what your concerns were. So, please don't think that I didn't wanna hear from you or the other residents that were here last night but, ya know, as a single parent, sometimes, I need to..., my family needs to come first. So, I apologize. Mr....

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...Thomas.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: To Henry Taylor's comments that I thought were very offensive seeing that he didn't know what was planned. When this meeting was scheduled, it was a conflict. Sometimes we can't make every single meeting. I think it's unfair for Henry Taylor to say these things when I know that I've probably had more meetings than anybody else up here with the landlords. So it's unfair for you to say that, esc'.., especially when you don't know what the, the, situation was with it. We're all committed to doing everything. As a matter of fact, for that particular subject, we all went through this. I was the one that requested that we have a meeting and go line by line. So, you know, please don't say those type of things. I know it's very easy to spew out insults when you're at that podium and not understanding that everybody up here still has lives. We, believe us, we put more hours in than what you're paying us to do. We don't do it for the pay, we do it for the service, so, that's a little disheartening for you to come up here and say, and spew out those insults when you have no idea what was going on. We're very committed to it, as we always have been and we will stay engaged with it. It was a workshop so we will view the tapes, we will go over it again and if there's something that needs to be done, we will do our job and act on it. That's all.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Erica Davis and then Reverend Davis.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: Henry Taylor, just for you to know, I was out of the State yesterday. I would've been here cause you know I support your concerns 100% but I was out of the State for the record.

Thank you, Henry Taylor. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, ma'am.

ERICA DAVIS: Good evening.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you for staying with us.

ERICA DAVIS: My name is Erica Davis. I've been in this City for 10 years and I have a concern. I was over to the beach this morning and I witnessed this private beach sign on the beach and I was wondering,, uh, is this a law that's been in place for years because I've grown up on the beach of Singer Island and I've never ever seen a sign like that before.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

ERICA DAVIS: And, I was wondering if it is a legal sign? If it's an ordin'.., ordinance, or, a, a, a, uh, residential thing? If we're paying taxes for restoration on this area of the beach, why are we doing it if it's private beach? Cause I'm not going to do it and I will fight it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mary McKinney. Sure. Alright. Are you done, ma'am?

ERICA. DAVIS: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Thank you. Mary McKinney.

MARY MCKINNEY: Those signs that the speaker had, were signs that 2700 North Ocean put out on their part of the beach. There's private beach up to the main water line and then it's public. So they did put some signs out. They probably are confusing to the public. I, when I first saw them, you know, I didn't, I thought they were fairly inappropriate to be on the beach. But it is private property and they put the signs out.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Alright. Thank you. Alright. Reverend Davis and then Mami Kisner. Reverend, thank you for staying with us.

REV. DAVIS: Thank you too. Uh, I wanna say, uh, that, uh, my name is Reverend Griffin Davis. Uh, I wanna say this, it's so sad that most of the people live here can't get a job. Most of the jobs that people, uh, for people out of town, people live here and built

this City and you have children going to college, you should check 'em out and see what they majored in and try to give 'em a job in this City. And, uh, stop tryin' to bring people from all over the country here when people work for this City. That's number one.

Number two, I wanna say that we have a problem in this City, I mean a serious problem and it's got to be changed. We got to change it somehow or another but, uh, it's got to be changed. The City is, is outta control. The code enforcement, it's disgrace before God. Ya got about 30 or 40 million dollars in liens on people home and I keep bringing it up. I mean it's, I mean it's..., when you think about it, it's a disgrace.

UNK: Disgrace.

REV. DAVIS: Alright. You was sayin' that, I think Bruce was sayin' that, uh, they have these liens on people property and they have never taken anybody property. You don't have to take 'em, they can't borrow money, they can't get no grant. They can't sell it. So, the City owns it. And the sad part about it, that hurt me so bad, these people work hard for they homes and some of ya, it's not all of ya, some of ya sit up there and let these, let these big developers take these people property. The same thing happened in Miami. I was talking with the Pastor Payne, Chapter Baptist Church, I mean Methodist Church. And, what they do, when they want your property, is send the code enforcement in there. The Honorable Judge Rogers says, when he's on the Council, the code is a joke. And, it's a disgrace how they doin' these people, put these liens. I know one lady said tonight, that she has a \$25,000 house and \$800,000 in liens. My son has about, a lil' couple houses, three houses, he got \$800,000. You got over 30 or 40 million dollars in liens and the thing I'm tryin to get you to see, what are, where ya, where ya comin' from? I'm not..., I'm talkin' bout some of ya. This this is hand down from the top and come to the bottom and it..., because down in City Place down there, there were people, minority people stayin' down there and what they did, they send they code enforcement in to put liens on people property and run 'em out and then they..., then now they have a big billion dollar development down there. Same thing.

And, my son was in, uh, Atlanta about a two weeks ago to a religious convention and there's a man sat at the table with him at the restaurant and he said, uh, he said, "I was poor about, uh, twenty years ago but I'm a billionaire now." He asked my son, "Where ya from?" He said, "I'm from Riviera." He said, "Oh, man. All the big developers headquarters goin' down the City of Riviera". What we tryna' say, don't take these people property. Ya'll sit up there, some of you sit up there and let... Ya'll done took these people money, I believe, and ya'll big developers had gone in some foreign country. Don't do it to these people, okay. They don't need that. Don't do them people like that. Please.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, Reverend. Mami Kisner and then Margaret Sheppard.

MAMI KISNER: Good evening. Mami Kisner.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening. You've been here a...

MAMI KISNER: ...a while.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...long time.

MAMI KISNER: Thank you. Um, I'm here because I told the residents I would be here and I would speak for them. I wanna thank you for your hard work. I know your jobs are not easy as elected officials. I've dealt with elected official in many cities, including in Washington. So I know your job is not easy. But you, when you decided to run for that office, you said that you would represent the people. That it would not be your own personal agendas, it would be the voice of the people.

I've been in this county almost 20 years. I have never come to Riviera Beach as much as I have in the last few years because people are calling and people are hurting. Your employees are hurting because of mismanagement. I don't know where the problem is but I know it needs to stop. These employees are also residents. And what are we doing to show our younger people in this community? What are we saying to them? Are we saying you can bid for a contract and then not get the work? Are we saying you can go to work for Riviera Beach in some of the departments and be in a hostile work environment and be harassed? Are we saying that you can work for Riviera Beach, yet you can drive to Broward County using the gas from this City? Everyday? Two times? Where is the leadership? Yes, your job is hard. And, yes the emp'.., the City Manager's job is hard. But people are crying. Today I heard from two other departments, two other department with major issues of management here. That means there's something wrong. We've got to dig deeper and, quite frankly, we've gotta pray more. And I'm willing to come and pray at every meeting cause we surely need it. But this is not just one issue, it is snowballing. It is snowballing to the public, to the citizens, and if you think this is a few citizens, they're gonna start coming by the droves. They're gonna show up at the polls because they want some change. There has to be some responsibility and I admire you for taking on those roles but you gotta listen to the people.

MAYOR MASTERS: That's right.

MAMI KISNER: You've gotta listen to the employees and you've gotta listen to the people who built this City. They have a right to speak, they have a right to vote and they have a right to be heard. It is only fair that you keep personal agendas, personal opinions and you do the right thing for the people.

MAYOR MASTERS: That's right.

MAMI KISNER: That's why I spend my time here because they are calling and begging us to speak for them.

Thank you very much.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Madam Manager.

CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. So we've been hearing this, we've heard it at the last meeting, we heard...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...it a couple times now tonight. Have we heard from the SEIU?

CITY MANAGER JONES: And, in fact, she just brought a card up cause she wanted to speak when she hear that.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Oh, someone's here from the SEIU?

CITY MANAGER JONES: Yes. Ms. Watson just brought a card up.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

CITY MANAGER JONES: So, if you...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well...

CITY MANAGER JONES: After you get through with, we'll...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Cause, ya know, we know the Unions are quick...

CITY MANAGER JONES: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...to...

CITY MANAGER JONES: And she...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...contact us and no one has contacted me. Okay.

MARGARET SHEPPARD. Thank you for staying.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: Margaret Sheppard, Riviera Beach. I was talking to Mr. Guyton the other day because I was pretty upset with Reverend Davis keep talking about these liens and papers and, I was wondering if someone could just sit down with him and tell us, the public, what he's talking about. You all say it's not true. He's saying it's true. I'd like to know what's true so I just suggest that someone that's like, Troy Perry, that can get in a room and make us, the public, understand. I just like clarity. I like a good.., I don't wanna go on he said, she said. I wanna know.

It's one thing Terence Davis said today and I have to agree with him totally. I don't see where a Director have that ability to stand here and talk to you all like you are absolutely nothing. What's done in the dark will surely come to light and it came to light! And, I'm glad Terence called his whole card and stopped him in his shoes. And it, it's.., and someone said it. That is not the only place that's carrying on a lot of foolishness. Someone start talking to me the other day, I did see this lady displaced. I didn't know why she was moved until I finally I asked, "Why are our sitting here?" And when she got through with me, I couldn't believe it's going on over there. I couldn't believe it.

If you all are using blinders, take the blinders off. It's happening. No one should come to their job feeling intimidated. I walked off from a supervisor job because a lady told me I was gonna have to brown nose. I told her, "Not so, not here." So I took the underdog job and when things got bad and she needed me, I said, "Remember, I'm the underdog." And I walked straight out that door. You have no reason to make people feel uncomfortable. Ms. Jones they're uncomfortable here. I, I, I just, I just have to say it. I just have to say it. And, you..., someone as'..., I think I asked a question. Could Mr. Aurigemma, pu'..., be put on administrative leave until you all find out what's going on? Well one of the gentlemen walked passed me and he said, listen to this, I couldn't believe this. He said, "Now we're up under Randy Sherman." ? Finance?

MARGARET SHEPPARD: I mean, come on. That's sounds a little crazy.

CITY MANAGER JONES: Let me explain.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: Yeah, yeah. I, I, I want to hear that. Un'..., under Mr. Sher'..., well, I guess you had to put 'em up under Randy Sherman cause this is the big guy. I think he would've killed Mr. Aurigemma. I, I, I think he would've hurt that man. It has to stop. And you all have to get..., I'm glad you stopped it, Mr. Davis. BAM! You just, "Uh-uh. You're not gonna disrespect me. I'm an elect' official. I'm your boss. How...

UNK: That's right.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: ...dare your stand

MARGARET SHEPPARD: ...there and talk to me where it's bein' televised. How dare you? Then you don't have no respect over there with the people that work for him. It's disrespectful...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: ...to come here to this City and talk to us like that."

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Uh, David Cross and then Tradrick McCoy.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: What?

MAYOR MASTERS: As, Ms....

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mr. Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...Sheppard's goes back to her seat. Margaret Sheppard, I just want to say on the record, that the, you were right about..., at least one of the things

she said, probably a few others, but one thing I do wanna say on the record, that the employee morale in this City is at an all-time low.

UNK: Yes it is.

MAYOR MASTERS: And, I've talked to many employees and they don't have much good to say about what's going on in their departments. It's a very...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: ... [inaudible] low. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Thank you. Davis Cross, thank you for staying with us.

DAVID CROSS: You're welcome. David Cross, 1030 Sugar Sands. Uh, before I start on my very brief comment. I'd like to endorse what Bonnie Larson said, with regards to fifth, the 15th Street project. We need to know what's going on there. There's a huge amount of tax dollars involved. The only input that I get are, uh, emails from Mr. Wester, who I actually I have no idea who he is. But...

DAVID CROSS: Ya know. Um, and they're all hugely negative...

MAYOR MASTERS: Concerned citizen, he's a concerned citizen.

DAVID CROSS: Well, he a concerned citizen, I know. And they're hugely negative but we never get anything from the other side saying what is going on with this project which is very, very important to all the residents in, in the City. So, anyway, David Cross, resident and taxpayer since 1999. I continue to worry about the relationship with the O'Donnell Advertising Agency to whom we're paying \$8, 250 every month. \$99,900 a year. On Monday, the Governor came to town, uh, for what I consider to be a very important positive visit. Um, he looked and named four companies in Riviera Beach and made some very positive comments about the, uh, business environment in Riviera Beach. On Tuesday, the, uh, City Manager's office issued, I guess, it was a press release, which was then, which was actually very comprehensive and which was then picked up by the O'Donnell Agency who kind of copied it, they shortened it, edited it and copied it, but I never saw anything in the Post. [Stammer], I mean, this is a major event, I thought. Nothing in the Post, at all. Ya know, what's going on?

Um, I, I just don't understand why we're paying this agency so much money and yet we don't seem to get information that comes to the residents, the employees, uh, and our neighbors in the county. I know they do a lot of national, international stuff but that's only part of the.., what we need to happen. Lots of good stuff going on and we need to publish it. What we need, actually, is someone in the City who understands the City as our Public Information Officer or Public Information Department. Having someone out on Palm Beach, uh, in Palm Beach just doesn't cut it for me. Thank you for your time.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Chadrick McCoy and then Norma Duncombe.

TRADRICK MCCOY: Good evening. Chadrick McCoy, 1465 West 30th Street.

MAYOR MASTERS: Good evening.

TRADRICK MCCOY: Uh, three hats I have tonight. Um, number one, I heard the City's lobbyist Shawn Pitman, speak on the legislative session and I do have the honor of working with State Representative Powell and I might add, however, the legislature, excuse me, the House did adjourn three days early. Ya know, I'm thrilled to say that Representative Powell and our Staff, well, Representative Powell along with myself and Delano Allen, we stayed at work , you know, so ya know, we honored the commitment that, you know, the voters of Riviera Beach and Palm Beach County have sent us to Tallahassee and do that work. And, thankfully we were able to send two Bills to the Governor so, I'm excited about that. Number two, I'm also a member of the Planning and Zoning Board and I've had the unique, I think probably, the once in City's history to have been elected to the Planning and Zoning Board as Chair three consecutive years. And, being humble and a team player, I declined on the last year so I can have our colleagues be a part of the process as well so, I know that Item is coming up tonight and I'll speak further on it but I'm asking for your support to keep the Planning and Zoning Board in the same fashion that it's been for some time. We have five members whose application is coming up tonight that is up for reappointment.

Now, I would, uh, like to reflect back what I heard Councilman Thomas saying just moments ago was, "We don't do it for the money, we do it for the service." So please keep that in mind and my service is so serious. I'm committed, I've, I've shared with a couple members of the Council, during legislative session, I've traveled back from Tallahassee just to make a meeting. So, not only did I come back but I gave up *per diem* and, at my own expense, came back. So that, I think that should say a lot. So, in your deliberations a little bit later, and I'll go on a little further as it, um, when that Item comes up. But please, let's keep the Board in place because if it's not broke, then we don't need to replace more than half of the members and then, ya know, have that learning curve of new members coming onto the Board. So, I ask your support on that.

Thanks again.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, sir. NORMA DUNCOMBE and then Mary Brabham.

NORMA DUNCOMBE: Uh, Norma Duncombe. The first thing I wanna say is, when you say, 'Public Comment', that means public comment. You speak on any subject that you choose to speak on. Now, should we get a judge ruling on this? Maybe we should because that's what public comment is. I came up here to say one something but I, I, I've had to go back because, uh, I was at a public workshop yesterday, last night and I wanna compare that workshop with one that I was, attended in these Chambers a lil over a month ago. The meeting over a month ago was called by a Council Member for people in my community. I received a letter explaining what that workshop would be about. When we arrived at the workshop in this Chamber, the Council Member told us why we were there and she had the person who was the expert on the subject there.

And the first statement out of his mouth, "Was we are not here to shove something down your throat." We did not have someone standing against the wall mashing a three minute button. We had a discussion, there were persons who agreed with the project, there were persons who disagreed. But we did not have anybody in that meeting that left feeling that they had been intimidated by someone sitting up there insulting them. And that's what happened last night. I was shocked at the attitude of one of the Council Members up there. You have a Code of Conduct for the persons, the public comments. We need a Code of Conduct for the Council Members. You are supposed to respect the residents of this City and, and there are times when there are people who will not respect you. I can't control adults, but I'm saying, even if they do disrespect you, your position demands respect. And last night it was just disgraceful. The way the public in this building was spoken to by a member of the Council. So, I'm sayin', I'm requesting that under your, your, your public, um, uh, uh

NORMA DUNCOMBE: ...comment that you have conduct for the public, that you also put in a Conduct Code of Conduct for the Council Member so that they will respect the citizens of this City. And, Reverend Masters, I'm calling on you to have a public meeting because we need to stabilize this City and right now it's not stabilized. There are a lot of things that we need to get together and do.

Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, Norma Duncombe, Mary Brabham and then Willis Williams.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair, while he's coming, um, Norma Duncombe, I will have that meeting, we'll call a town hall public meeting. Okay? On the private beach. [Chuckle].

MARY BRABHAM: Good evening. Mary Brabham, Riviera Beach.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, ma'am.

MARY BRABHAM: Good evening.

MAYOR MASTERS: Good evening.

MARY BRABHAM: To the Chair, Vice Chair, all the elected officials. It may be chaos all over this place here.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Yes.

MARY BRABHAM: But, I believe that there is hope.

UNK: Mhmm.

MARY BRABHAM: There is hope.

UNK: Gettin' on my knees.

MARY BRABHAM: I, as a resident, we have listened on and on about the resident's complaints, the employee complaints. As a governing Board, your due diligence is to not allow all of these residents, with all of these complaints, constantly come up here telling you the same thing over and over and over again. You should be tired because Mary Brabham is tired. Not just Mary Brabham but Mary Brabham can tell you that the residents are tired too. It should not be like this. We sit here and then we hear you all go on when you sit up there. Sometimes you don't even know what you're talking about.

MARY BRABHAM: And we all have always said, I'm not sayin' that perhaps, that you know, not throwing it out whereas you don't know but that's you due diligence is to know. Once when you enter on that dais. That's just all it is to it. It's simple as ABC, and it will end with Z. So, we have said over and over and over again, "What is wrong here?" What is wrong here? And, it's up to you as a Board to find out what is wrong. What is wrong? I've, I've constantly said let's have a meeting of the minds. It's not always Mary Brabham way or the highway and it's not all you all's way as the highway. But we got to bring some ending results and we have to address these numerous of things that come before this City here. We, we watched and we are watched in Texas, California, South Carolina, because I have 'em contacting Mary Brabham. And, and for this to go on like this here, it's it's, it's just not right. It doesn't make us look good at all. It makes us all look like, including the residents, we don't know what, what in the world we're doing. We're just on a planet here just sittin' in these chairs and we're just sittin' out here just sayin' the same thing over and over. So that's enough of that. The Max Fisher Boys and Girls Club, thank you all for an evening that my husband and I really enjoyed. That Michael Jackson Explosion...

MAYOR MASTERS: [Chuckle].

MARY BRABHAM: ...that's for the young at heart as well as the old. Mr. Brabham and Mary Brabham was both up there sayin', "Yeah, yeah, yeah".

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

MARY BRABHAM: So, so, so we say, we give kudos to the youth, we give kudos to the seniors, we give kudos to the residents. Take care of these problems. Take care of them.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

MARY BRABHAM: You as a body, take care of these here. We don't wanna hear it. We don't wanna hear any more of this.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, ma'am. Willis Williams and then Rodney Roberts.

WILLIS WILLIAMS: Good evening. Willis Williams.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, sir.

MAYOR MASTERS: Good evening.

WILLIS WILLIAMS: Riviera Beach. Again, I'm here, uh, I'm not gonna talk on, a, a.. I did a public request from the, uh, Clerk's office regarding Mrs. Jones' contract and I asked this Board some time ago about Mrs. Ryan's contract. And why it hasn't been brought back before this Council. So, I'm not gonna speak on Mrs. Jones because, uh, it was, disheartening to go into the Clerk's office and find that they could not find a copy of Mrs. Ryan's contract. And we have gone over this probably the last eight years. Ms. Ryan's been here eighteen years, so we've gone around this corner so many times, it's almost ridiculous that we always get right at the March election and it falls through the cracks. Somebody forgets to do the evaluation or someone forgets to take the time that it takes to do the evaluation or what have you. So, I'm gonna do a lil something and give you a lil encouragement because it does matter. I saw a segment today on Channel 18 where Mr. Thomas and Ms. Jones are doing a, a thing on the Clerk's office about how important it is to keep records. And I thought about it, I said, 'My God, how does this come together?' So it is important that we find out why Mrs. Ryan's contract is in the Clerk's office.

Mrs. Ryan came to work here eighteen years ago and, at that time, there were three individuals on that Council took the liberty of taking the fifteen year job qualifications and reducing it to five. This City has been suffering ever since. I'm not here to bash Mrs. Ryan but, Mrs. Ryan is not doing a decent job in this City. If her contract is so important to this Board, let's put it on the backs of people who are responsible and make sure that they get it where it needs to go. You have a Risk Manager. That's an important piece of paper. It's a, it's a risk. So why don't we have the Risk Manager be responsible for lettin' this body know when it's time for these contracts to come up. You only have two contracts, Mrs. Ryan and Mrs. Jones. So, let's give that responsibility to somebody that, because when you go into your negotiations as a Risk Manager, seem to me that would be very important. So, let's, let's give that job and that...

WILLIS WILLIAMS: ...opportunity cause Ms. Ryan not gonna let ya know.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. No, and just for the record, you'll see Ms. Ryan's contract on the next Agenda.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Hold on. Rodney Roberts and the Barbara Watson. Go head, Ms. Ryan.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Just to clarify some of the statements. As you know, my contract was listed on the Agenda...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Of course.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...for three straight Council meetings. And that has come up every time for the last few contracts. I just spoke with the City Clerk, she said that she absolutely has a copy of my contract and I don't know why she would not. My contract has been on the Agenda before. My contract is in Human Resources. I sent my contract to the City Council and it will be on the next Agenda. I have spoken with every Councilperson on this dais, except for Ms. Miller, about my evaluation and you can have copies of those evaluations if you want. But, I will not let you make the public think that I have been remiss in my duties or that the City Council has been remiss in its duties. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, Mr. Roberts.

MR. ROBERTS: Good evening, Ms. Pardo. Rodney Roberts, 1581 West 14th Street, Riviera Beach, Federal Gardens. Um, my understanding's that, uh, Ms. Miller, you're from Riviera Beach?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes.

MR. ROBERTS: And, Mr. Guyton, you're from Riviera Beach?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Very proudly.

MR. ROBERTS: And, Mr. Thomas, you're from Riviera Beach?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Mhmm.

MR. ROBERTS: And, Mr. Davis, you're from Riviera Beach?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes, sir.

MR. ROBERTS: And, Ms. Pardo, you've..., not from Riviera Beach, but...?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: But I've, right. I'm from New York City and I moved here from New York City twenty-one years ago.

MR. ROBERTS: Not ev..., don't even worry about it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: This is my daughter's hometown.

MR. ROBERTS: I'm witcha. Don't even worry about it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. I'm just sayin'.

MR. ROBERTS: We, we, we good

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Gotta give me credit.

MR. ROBERTS: What, what...

[Laughing].

MR. ROBERTS: You got it, Ms...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: My daughter's a homegrown.

MR. ROBERTS: I gotcha. Alright, alright. Beautiful. Uh, my thing is, that, uh, all you all are in the range of my age, with the exception of maybe Mr. Guyton, that are from Riviera Beach and, I expect, myself personally, somebody said you shouldn't have expectations but I expect for you all to, um, move with power and if you were brought up in the church, I expect for you to move on let's say, righteous terms, concerning the people. And, if you look at Proverbs, if you're brought up in church, you always hear [inaudible] Proverbs talkin' bout the poor and how you should be on the side of the poor. And on the side of the poor and on the side of the poor and how it would benefit you to be on the side of the poor. And, again, I just ask that you all would be homegrown in your, uh, in, in, in your doings and whatever that is on your desk that is not what Riviera Beach should be. I ask you to clear your desk of that and move in the direction of what Riviera Beach should be and I'm not talkin' bout buildings or anything that's superficial. I'm talkin' bout the people, I'm talkin' about building the people that are here in Riviera Beach that were blessed to, whether, if they lived here, if they moved here recently, or if they've been here all they life but to liv, to move in the direction of those people. Um, did you play football here in Riviera Beach, brother? Okay. Well, I did. For one year, one season.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I couldn't [inaudible] it.

MR. ROBERTS: I was on the Raiders and we won the Super bowl that year.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I was watching it.

MR. ROBERTS: Alright. We won the Super bowl that year.

PRO TEM DAVIS: On the sideline.

MR. ROBERTS: Um, I'm asking you to take Riviera Beach's Parks and Recreation Department Football League back to City wide, uh, City wide unlimited football. And, I'm asking you also, and this will make the devil mad but I don't care about making the devil mad cause I wanna make God happy.

CITY MANAGER JONES: Amen.

MR. ROBERTS: I'm asking you to forgive all Code Violations...

[Beep]

MR. ROBERTS: ... that are on the books right now.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

MR. ROBERTS: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you very much.

MR. ROBERTS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Barbara Watson.

MS. WATSON: Good evening, Ch'.., CHAIRPERSON PARDO and all the other...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, ma'am.

MS. WATSON: ...Councilpersons.

MAYOR MASTERS: Good evening.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Good evening.

MS. WATSON: Um, my name is Barbara Watson. I am the representative for SEIU, FPSU, Florida. Um, I'm here, um, on behalf of Alfonso Mayfield. Um, we have heard our workers also. Um, we are the legal bargaining agent. Um, when the contract is done we are the one that sits at the table. Uh, Riviera got one of the highest paid rates, um, I think last year with their 633, um, across the, across the, across the State of Florida. So., but I'm here because, you know, we're sayin' that, um, we're not hearing the employees. We hear the employees. I spent a lot of time in Riviera. I spent a lot of time here. So, we have talked and we have finally gotten to point where, Ms. Jones mentioned a, uh, report that is issued that was released today. We actually did an investigation of the Utility's Building, uh, Utility's District. Uh, we understand that people feel like they're being threatened, they're, they're in hostile environments. It is a complete investigation. Now we met yesterday. We made it clear to Ms. Jones that this is not the only department that we're gonna look at. They have to, they have to come up to par. We cannot continue to have people call us, continue to run over here saying that somebody's talkin' to them, or talking down to them. Um, it, it was really hardening for me to be in the tonight and kind of see some stuff and go, 'Okay.' So, so you guys know. Alright? So, you know.

So, we just wanna be heads up to say that we're, we're here, we're supporting the workers, we've been here, we were established since 1974. Um, Alfonso has done an amazing job. I don't know what folks did before we got here. I've been in the state, I've been here in West Palm Beach for five years, that I have been working for, uh, Florida Public Service Union. We have moved a lot of things, a lot of cities in a lot of different directions. Um, we are well known in West Palm Beach. We have our first CRA in

Delray. We're hoping to do the same thing for Riviera. We're hoping to come over here and actually work with the community. And, we appreciate the community listening to our workers and voicing their opinion. We don't have a problem with that. But we, we're, we're saying that we have to take care of stuff legally and so, for us to partnership with the City to say you have to move on this and you have to show our workers that.

And, I believe that the report that was released to you guys and I hope you have it, and I don't know if you had a chance to read it, will vindicate a lot of things that were done wrong over here and clear up some things. So, we will move forward, forward. I will be here in the morning to meet all of your department heads here in the City to say to them, that we will not tolerate that type of behavior. We're not going for that anymore. They have to clean their acts up and we will be on the, on the floor. My political directors here, most people know him. Um, my comp'.., my communications persons were here earlier. I have some of my Admin staff in the, in the room. So we will be present. So you may not see us all the time in the...

MS. WATSON: ...Council meetings but we're doing what we're supposed to do as the legal bargaining agent. So, I'm asking, I explained to the employees when I met them over a month ago, please allow us to do our job cause we want black and white, we, we're, we don't need conversation.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mm.

MS. WATSON: ...So, I'm here just to say that tonight. I thank Ms. Jones for actually working with us and moving through a process that's gonna be transparent where you guys can see what we're doing, what we're looking at and how we can justify some of the behavior here in Riviera. And, I, I just tell ya the truth, when I first came here.., yeah, everybody need to grow up. Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you very much for that.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright, Mayor. And then we're gonna continue.

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes. Barb, was it Ms. Barbara?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes. Ms. Watson.

MAYOR MASTERS: Please come back. Cause this is a, as, very serious. The investigation that was done, did you say you've done your own investigation or you, were you referring to that investigation or to.., is it one or two?

MS. WATSON: It is, it is one investigation that we agreed to that we sat down, we set the perimeters. Um, and we asked for certain information to come back to us. I believe some of the employees were interviewed. Not all of them. Um, but some were, some were key, key employees who had major issues. Um, so we have all that

information and it, and it, what it is, is a climate report which means it shows the mood of the City and how people are feeling.

So again, I have heard from other departments to say, because, this is going on, other departments are saying, "Okay, Barbara, this is happening here too." So, we promised them that we will look into...

MAYOR MASTERS: And that's whe'...

MS. WATSON: ...all of that.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...and that's where I was going because...

MS. WATSON: Yes, sir.

MAYOR MASTERS: ...as you were into that you, you found out that there were a whole lot of problems in other departments.

MS. WATSON: Other areas.

MAYOR MASTERS: And employee morale is all time low.

MS. WATSON: Well folks wanna keep their job so a lot of times...

MAYOR MASTERS: That's right.

MS. WATSON: ...people will not...

MAYOR MASTERS: It's, it's...

MS. WATSON: They will not complain.

MAYOR MASTERS: It's amazing. It's amazing. Thank you.

MS. WATSON: They will not complain.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

MS. WATSON: Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: This is...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: ... horrible.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Ms. City Manager, the report. I don't believe I received it by email. You said it was sent out by email today?

CITY MANAGER JONES: It was hard copy.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Hard copy?

MAYOR MASTERS: Today.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Today?

CITY MANAGER JONES: Today. .

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay. Around what time was that? do you know?

CITY MANAGER JONES: [Inaudible]. Staff did it, I don't...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay.

CITY MANAGER JONES: I don't know what time it was.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Ordinances on first reading, Item 21.

MAYOR MASTERS: Sent out before the meeting tonight. Shameful.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No, no, no, no, no. Hold on a second. That's not true because I came up to the City today around, maybe 2:40, 2:45 and it was in my mailbox.

MAYOR MASTERS: So it was sent today? [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Ordinance. Alright. Item 21.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, amending Chapter 10, Article 6, entitled Telecommunications Regulations of the code of ordinances by renaming the Article to Placement and Maintenance of Facilities for Communication Services and right of ways updating definitions and conformance with State law providing for wireless communications facilities, updating and revising the registration and permitting process, requiring design features for certain above ground facilities, providing placement parameters for wireless telecommunications facilities and residential right of way, revising administration and enforcement procedures, providing regulations for pass-thru providers in accordance with State law, providing for conflict, severability, and codification, and provide an Effective Date.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So move.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Mary McKinney.

MARY MCKINNEY: I'm gonna give you some background on the, this ordinance because it has a little bit of history, so I would like to put it on the record. At the December 3, 2014 City Council meeting, the Council approved the Telecommunication Facility Ordinance on first reading with a 3-1 vote. At the December 17, 2014 City Council Meeting, the City Council unanimously voted to table the second reading of the ordinance until the next meeting to allow Staff to incorporate additional changes and to address the concerns of the Council. At the January 7, 2015 City Council meeting, the second reading of the ordinance was denied by a 1-4 vote. And on January 15, 2015, City Staff met with the Crown Castle, which was the antenna applicant to address additional language that Council and Staff was requesting in the ordinance. And at the January 21, 2015 City Council meeting, Council Member Thomas requested the Council to reconsider the ordinance and the Council unanimously approved the motion to reconsider the Telecommunications Ordinance.

This ordinance has now returning to the Council with the revised changes that were agreed upon by Staff and the Crown Castle applicant. The changes that have been incorporated into the ordinance are highlighted in yellow in the document and in general, the language, additional language to the proposed ordinance is as follows. It defines the term "notification area", defines the term "stealth design", requires the City Manager to notify the City Council of the proposed wireless facilities, establishes a deadline for the applicant to meet with City Staff to resolve all negative comments or issues raised at the public information meeting, allows the applicant the capacity to permit multiple users when feasible, requires the City Manager to notify the City Council if an applicant is proposing more than six communication utility poles on one linear mile of a City block, prohibits the installation of new wood poles for any communication facilities and wireless communication facilities in the City, requires the wireless communication facility in the City to be graffiti and sticker free and requires the poles associated with the wireless communication facilities to be decorative.

The proposed wireless communication regular... are presented as consistent with federal and state regulations and, additionally, the wireless communication facility regulation this ordinance as consistent with being compatible with City's Comprehensive Plan and Code of Ordinances. And Staff recommends Council approve the included language as the ordinance.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: **MARY MCKINNEY,** I have a question before we go to public comment. You mentioned a couple of times that the Council would be notified.

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. So, the Council would just be notified but can we turn around then and say no? You know, are you just notifying us to notify us that five poles are going in on one street?

MARY MCKINNEY: And give the Council the opportunity to ask for any kind of additional information they may want before they proceed.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Proceed with Staff?

MARY MCKINNEY: To proc'...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Or...

MARY MCKINNEY: Right. Because, what it is, it's an actually...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, it's, it's in front of you though.

MARY MCKINNEY: Right.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Before it comes to us.

MARY MCKINNEY: It's an application similar for a building permit. Is what it is. It's a..., similar to that.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mhmm.

MARY MCKINNEY: It's not a Site Plan approval...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: So, every time they wanna come in and, you know, put this stuff on poles, they would have to come to us if there's more than five...

MARY MCKINNEY: No. They...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...on one street.

MARY MCKINNEY: ...have, well, they have to notify the City Manager of any wireless facilities and then the City Manager would notify the Council.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah. So, what good does that do? You know, you're just notifying us. So...

MARY MCKINNEY: Well...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...it, it's really, you know, well, here it is. We're putting it up and, you know, good luck to ya.

MARY MCKINNEY: Well, the Council could ask for any kind of additional information that they wanted.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Well...

MARY MCKINNEY: We're trying to comply with...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We beat this dog...

MARY MCKINNEY: ...with the federal...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...before and...

MARY MCKINNEY: Right.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...you know, this is one vote that I'm standing by. Okay. So, at this point, we have some public comments. Bonnie Larson. What number is this? 21? Oh really. We only have one comment.

BONNIE LARSON: I'm the only one? How special am I? Alright. Um, the thing I haven't seen when this has come in front of Council, I have never seen a picture of these poles or boxes. There's all kinds of devices they could have in here, not just poles and not just antennas but all kinds of things and it says it's gonna go in the right-o'-way on residential districts. Okay, here's a [sic]. Oh, look at those things. How would you like to have one of those in your front yard? A lot of people have their right-of ways, or the utility easements and stuff in the front of their house. A lot of people have that. Imagine having one of those things in the front of your house. Um, and it says it's gonna be stealth design. How in the world are you gonna hide something like that? That's gonna de..., that's gonna decrease the value of everybody's home, it's gonna decrease the value of the City. I understand this is Comcast that we're dealing with and so...

UNK: [Inaudible].

BONNIE LARSON: Pardon me?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: It's not Comcast. But continue.

BONNIE LARSON: Who is it?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

BONNIE LARSON: Oh, you're not gonna tell me. Okay. Well, whoever it is...

UNK: Who is it?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We will tell you...

BONNIE LARSON: They're gonna come in...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...after your comment.

BONNIE LARSON: ...then someone else will come in and wanna put up their poles and, and I asked..., this is interesting. I wanna know if you've read this because this is a fifty page document. I started to read it. There's a lot of interesting items in here. Are they gonna pay the City an annual fee? Well, that doesn't help us any. Stealth design? What the heck? How can you, how can you, how can you hide one of those things? It's gonna notify the City Manager to notify the City Council. Okay, like you said Ms. Pa..., Pardo, with the..., you know, you're just gonna tell you, you have no say, yes, no or whatever and they can put multiple ones in a City block. Um, you really, really need to read this fifty pages. I know it's a lot but you gotta do it. And, it cannot only be..., oh, here. On Page, um, Section 10, 172 it says by adopting and administering responsible rules and regulations, not inconsistent with state and federal law but to make that consistent with state and federal law. Don't say, "not inconsistent." Now, the wording is very, very important. Um, now, they say here if they're gonna abandon something, it said, cessation of all, by way of example and not limitation, cessation of all use of a cable within a conduit, where the conduit continues to be used shall not be abandonment. Well, if you're not using the cable within the condiment..., eh, within the conduit, they're still gonna leave it there, uh, at, in the customer's pre..., premises. I notice that it has eliminated City properties from these poles. Well, how come the City doesn't want any of these in front of their, their building? We certainly don't want any in front of our bu..., our homes. And, it can be as much as a person..., there's pass-thrus, they can sell..., person..., let's see, pass-thru provider shall meet any person who, upon registering with the City... Okay, person, means an individuals, when an individual can do this. I gotta hurry up here. But anyway, I asked the lady tonight who was here to talk about this, show us some other cities that have this. And she said, 'Well, I really don't know.' Well, if she doesn't know, maybe...

BONNIE LARSON: ...she's been on her, her phone so maybe she called to get some exam'..., I'd like to see these things and what other cities or is it just Riviera Beach who's gonna get this?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair?

BONNIE LARSON: I'd like to know that. Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. First of all, Mary McKinney, can you address...

MARY MCKINNEY: I'll try.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: The...

MARY MCKINNEY: I'll try.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...name of the company. It's not Comcast.

MARY MCKINNEY: It's Crown Castle.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Crown Castle.

MARY MCKINNEY: Crown Castle. And, there are federal regulations that allow for these type of facilities that we can't say no to. Whether...

UNK: Why?

MARY MCKINNEY: ...you know, we..., what we're doing is adopting a regulation to try to put standards in place above and beyond that we can apply to these types of facilities. And we have had numerous discussions with the Crown Castle and the public service type people and we came up with these which were..., they could agree with what we had put in there and we got to be able to put requirements in there that are beyond what federal requirements are. Such as, one of the things are, we say we want decorative poles which is in there. So, you'll see, like, our City decorative pole will have the antenna on it.

So, the, but it complies with the federal regulations and it gives us a little more of a safeguard for our City. There are other cities that already have these, that got them before they even knew they were getting them. They issued the building permits for them and the put them up and then they were horrified. So, at least, we put standards in so that it would be decorative poles, it wouldn't be the old wood poles. And we've even had other cities ask us for our ordinance so they could use it as a template for them.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes. Mr...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I was the person that was dead set again this from the very beginning. I can say that I think that we have gotten a whole lot..., my, my preference will be not to have 'em period. But, since we're going to have to have them, I think that we have, we have gotten a whole lot out of it. I think Staff has worked hard on it. You know? I recommend, you know, especially if you have the City's coverage. If you wanna stop some of these dropped calls that we have with T-Mobile, you, you might wanna get some of these..., and that's Metro and all of these other ones too, you're getting these dropped calls because of that.

I think we've, we worked extremely hard to get something that was more than palatable. By, by all means, I'm only one person but, you know, I'm much more comfortable than I was at the onset of this, this particular program. I, I think that we've, we've fought harder than any other City and I think that we've gotten a whole lot more than, than every other City has gotten. I know that they're up in West Palm Beach all over the place. But the main one that you can see, that we won't have, is right there in front of RaceTrac on 45th Street. It's right there, right slap in front of the RaceTrac gas station on 45th Street. We were able to, to get them to agree to a decorative pole that matched the decorative lights that we're puttin..., and a light has to be on it. So we will get a light

as well, a decorative light. So, I mean, I, I think we've gotten as much as, as we could. But, it's, it's fine. Whatever the Board want to, to do.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Bless you.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: But at some point, we're gonna get whatever they decide to put in there if we don't put some regulations. So, I just want the Board to know that I'm okay with it now and I appreciate you allowing, you know, me the time ta, to get comfortable. That's all.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. I was against it in the beginning and I'm still against it. And, you know, I don't wanna see these things popping up everywhere. And, if we stay together on it, there's a good chance it won't come. And, they were here several times? Right? They made presentations and they heard from the residents and we didn't have one resident that was in favor of it. And yeah, so, yeah. We'll hear from the rest of the Board. Anyone else have comments?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, Mr. Guyton.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: My understanding from our legal counsel that we hired, that specialize in this, my understanding was, they have the right to do 'em. So, if they have that right, we need to try to establish some regulations so that the presentation of them won't be so unsightly. From what I understand from our outside counsel, is that whether we want them or not, whether we try to fight them or not, eventually, we're gonna get them. The choice became whether we're gonna spend a lot of money to try to fight it and then end up having them anyway. From what I can gather, the, the regulations are strongly on their side to say that they are entitled to them. And other communication companies as well. So, I don't see a benefit with trying to fight legally when our outside attorney has told us that ultimately we're going to get them. So I'm satisfied that they have been cooperative with the City to put some decorative standards that they may or may not had to agree to and they've been trying to work with us. So., and, we need to be ahead of the technology curve. I'm one of those that have a lot of dropped calls.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: [Chuckle].

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: And I'm telling ya, that is a problem. [Chuckle]. So, I don't know how it is with others but I have dropped calls when I'm around or in my home and I would like some type of technology that would enhance, not just the calls but the internet and all this other technology that, that this generation now has. So, I'm in support of them because we're gonna get 'em one way or the other and I'd rather be ahead of the curve than behind it. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Anyone else?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, Mr. Davis.

PRO TEM DAVIS: My concern, have we reached out to our fellow legislatures to kinda get some support? How this language got started and what was, was there any pushback at all?

MARY MCKINNEY: Well, these are federal regulations and the telecommunication providers have certain rights by the law.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

MARY MCKINNEY: And the City hired Keith Davis, who is an...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: [Inaudible].

MARY MCKINNEY: ...attorney who is an expert, somewhat, on telecommunication regulations.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

MARY MCKINNEY: He's the one who basically helped draft the ordinance and t's in compliance with the federal regulations. They are going to, they do have a right to put antennas in our City. We just need to be able to require them to comply with as much standards...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

MARY MCKINNEY: ...as we can.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mary McKinney, is there a limit on how many they can put in our City?

MARY MCKINNEY: There's not a limit. There's a limit to how many they can put on per street.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mm.

MARY MCKINNEY: You know, allow them to put more than six in one linear mile.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: It's six?

MARY MCKINNEY: And, actually, they probably wouldn't do that because there's not enough need in our City. That's more of a, a urban, like, maybe a downtown West Palm or Fort Lauderdale when they were looking for more coverage. But, there is a limit per mile that they can..., there's not a total limit we can put on the City because we can't really do that.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm. Ha'..., have they applied for any permitting yet?

MARY MCKINNEY: They did apply about a year ago.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

MARY MCKINNEY: I think there were four permits and that's when we stopped, [inaudible] we did the moratorium so that we could do this because they were gonna put those ugly poles and boxes up. And we knew, we didn't wanna do that. So, we were able to do the moratorium and we were fortunate to be able to do that because, I think we coulda got pushback from them for that too. But, we did it. We drafted the regulations. We discussed with them. They made cons., they pushed back to us on a lot but we were able to prevail and now we don't have any more pushback from them.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Co'..., could another company come in and potentially put in poles as well?

MARY MCKINNEY: Yes.

PRO TEM DAVIS: So, which means you have striving competition. Uh, man. Oo. Here, here's my thing...

MARY MCKINNEY: They..., they're required to co-locate.

PRO TEM DAVIS: [Inaudible].

MARY MCKINNEY: The first thing you have to do is demonstrate that you have to co-locate.

PRO TEM DAVIS: And here's my concerns. You know, people, why we do try to be business friendly and we need to do that as, as a local municipality. A lot of people like to come and test drive Riviera Beach. And, I don't feel like it's really fair to the residents for us to not consider lobbying at a federal level to get some support on this because, if they pass West Palm Beach and they pass Lake Worth...

MARY MCKINNEY: No.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...Boynton Beach...

MARY MCKINNEY: They didn't pass West Palm Beach. They applied...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Which county...

MARY MCKINNEY: ...applied to West Palm Beach.

PRO TEM DAVIS: [Inaudible]?

MARY MCKINNEY: Yep.

PRO TEM DAVIS: So, what other cities they're in...

MARY MCKINNEY: And they're in...

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...in Palm Beach...

MARY MCKINNEY: ...West Palm Beach?

PRO TEM DAVIS: County?

MARY MCKINNEY: They're in Greenacres. Do you remember the other cities?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Well, they're in Palm Beach County. They, aren't they in...

MARY MCKINNEY: There are others in Palm Beach County.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And they're...

MARY MCKINNEY: And they were definitely...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Miramar and...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I think those are the only four [inaudible]...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Fort Lauderdale reached out...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Right.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...to us.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Well, last time they came, they stated...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: A few weeks ago.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...but they only stated Miramar. They didn't state any other cities in Palm Beach County when they...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: They stated Greenacres.

MARY MCKINNEY: Right. And they've gone, they've been [sic] Fort Lauderdale or they're applying to Fort Lauderdale now... who has also asked us for our regulations...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right.

MARY MCKINNEY: ...and I think is hiring the attorney that we had help draft our regulations.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I know it's comin' but I still would like to fight, fight a little bit more on a federal level. I mean, I...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Cost us some money?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Well, some things are worth it to my visibility. You're talking about perception of your City, which is a waterfront City. What happens if you got twenty of these down Blue Heron? No one can predict that this won't happen. You get what I'm sayin'? I understand your concern about the financial point but this is one that, you know... They have been friendly. And, like I said, they haven't take..., taken a step out yet. They paused. But, we as a Board, can [pause]. I'd like to put some more restrictions on how many they can put in this City because when one company comes in...

MARY MCKINNEY: Okay.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...the floodgates are gonna open. I would like to...

MARY MCKINNEY: We could try.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...see, see that come back. Ask them to come back.

MARY MCKINNEY: We could try.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes. I don't wanna just open a floodgate so you can just put as many poles...

MARY MCKINNEY: Right.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...as you want.

MARY MCKINNEY: We...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Because it's a business, at the end of the day. I notice that I have dropped calls. But most of my dropped calls didn't start until this process came up.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: [Chuckle].

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: But they're not in yet.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I'm serious. Huh?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: They're not in yet.

PRO TEM DAVIS: I know. But when the conversation came...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: I think when...

PRO TEM DAVIS: That's when I noticed...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...switch to T-Mobile...

MARY MCKINNEY: I think we switched carriers then.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...I dropped calls.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: We switched to T-Mobile.

PRO TEM DAVIS: So, we switched to someone that was...

UNK: [Inaudible].

MARY MCKINNEY: Yeah, yeah.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: That's, that's what I think.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay. So, that didn't, that didn't seem well. So, we need to look into it. I'm not gonna say nothin' about the carrier.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Okay. [Chuckle].

PRO TEM DAVIS: But, I would like to see this Item potentially come back.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: So, is that a motion?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes. I'd like to put a motion for to have this Item come back.

MARY MCKINNEY: Okay.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...being that, we look at putting a restriction on how...

MARY MCKINNEY: Alright.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...many poles we can put in the City.

MARY MCKINNEY: Okay. We'll give it a shot.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a second on that?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: On our...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Question.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...discussion...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go right ahead.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Mary McKinney, is the moratorium still in...

MARY MCKINNEY: No. It expired.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So, I, I want us to make sure because I had a problem grasping this concept as well. They can come apply for a permit that we cannot deny and put a pole up anywhere in the right-of-way that looks like anything they want if we don't adopt these Resolot.., these, these regulations.

MARY MCKINNEY: They can. I think that if we come back to the next meeting, that's only two weeks, that we'll, they're not in here now.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: They here. I seen one of 'em.

MARY MCKINNEY: No. [Chuckle]. They're applications aren't in here.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Oh, you're saying that they're applications...

MARY MCKINNEY: Right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...is not...

MARY MCKINNEY: They don't have an application here yet. So.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

MARY MCKINNEY: They would just have...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: But, I, I wanna, I wanna make sure that if they decide to come here tomorrow and put in a permit for a pole, that they could absolutely do it.

MARY MCKINNEY: No. Because...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: I'm not gonna [inaudible].

MARY MCKINNEY: ...we'd have to approve the permit application.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I get it. But...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...we would have no legal standing to deny them the, the permit.

MARY MCKINNEY: Well, it would have to be a complete application. They'd have to have all the information that's required. So, that would probably take two weeks.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I'm...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: No. It's not just that, Mary.

CITY MANAGER JONES: [Inaudible].

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right.

MARY MCKINNEY: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: If this Council is say that it does not want to draft these regulations and we have nothing in, in place, we would have to say that they don't comply with our current regulations. And that may be the mechanism that pushes a lawsuit.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Exactly.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: If they wanna file one. And, and that's...

PRO TEM DAVIS: [Inaudible].

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...not guaranteed. But, you know, anybody can...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: They will.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: You know, I say it all the time, anybody can file a lawsuit. Or, you know, and I think there is something to be said about trying to lobby our state legislature and our federal legislat..., legislators because the federal is more broad and the state is more restrictive and, you know, I th'.., if, if there're enough cities pushing back, we might be able to get some changes. However, the industry is really trying to work with all the cities and counties so that they don't have that litigation posture. They don't wanna be in litigation with cities. They wanna be a cooperative neighbor. And I think that's why they're trying to work with each governmental entity to come up with regulations that, that you're comfortable with. Because, quite frankly, you know, we, we could win or they could win. And I think that they recognize that...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...they might, you know, you might a judge or might get a senator or a representative who says, 'You know what? We have to stop.'

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And, they don't want that.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: They definitely don't want that. So, it's risky. It's risky for us and it's risky for them.

PRO TEM DAVIS: ...for them.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: The risk on our side is we will lose and we will spend a lot of money in litigation.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: The risk on their side is that, if they lose, then that's gonna be...

CITY MANAGER JONES: [Inaudible].

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...a game changer for them and they won't be able to go into the cities...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Nowhere.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: ...and, and do what they're doing right now. So, it's a, it's a risk. It's a risky...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: My concern, and I've had the biggest one. I get it. But, my concern is, I believe at some point, if we do not adopt some form of regulation that it's going to be much worse. If you're sayin', 'Hey look. I wanna fight this.' And you can get fifteen or twenty cities or the League of Cities or the National League..., Florida League of Cities or the National League of Cities to adopt this and, and do something about it, okay. But at this point, from what I understand, not just by our Staff but outside attorneys that say, 'Hey look. You're gonna be facing a lawsuit and you will face one if you deny us a permit when we have the legal right to do it.' And from what I understand, they have the legal right to do it. If I'm wrong, I will stand corrected but, at this point, I think that we ought to, at least, be on the front side of it. So, it's whatever Mary McKinney says. If she says don't, you know, wait, fine. But, you know, I think at this point, you know, I'm, I'm okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Well, there's a motion on the floor.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Wait, wait, Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And a second to postpone this...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...to the next meeting.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Wait, wait, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. One more and...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: One more.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...we're going to the vote.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: One of the things that I would hope that we focus on is the service that it's gonna provide to our residents. We've been focusing on aesthetics. 'It doesn't look good. It doesn't look good. I don't want it near me. I don't...,' but I think that we have an obligation to our residents, if we can provide some level of better service, I think that we have an obligation to do that. I'm looking more at the service that it provides as opposed to aesthetics but that's important and they've worked with us on that. But, is it gonna bring our City to another level as it relates to technology? It is my opinion that it will.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Well, the, the motion on the floor is about the postponement.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: That's what it's about.

PRO TEM DAVIS: [Inaudible] to the next meeting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: To the next meeting. Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON THOMAS?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON GUYTON?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: *PRO TEM DAVIS?*

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: CHAIRPERSON PARDO?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilpersons Thomas and Guyton dis..., dissenting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Now we are finally down to the regular Agenda. Item 22.

REGULAR AGENDA

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida approving an agreement with the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement of the State of Florida enrolling certain general and part-time employees into the Florida Retirement System authorizing [lost my place], into, [yeah. I lost my place]. Okay. Authorizing purchasing of up to five years of service for current general employees opting to enroll into the Florida Retirement System and the purchasing of up to five years of past service for part-time employees authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Agreement, authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to set up a budget in the amount of \$636,500 in account no. 0-0-1-0-2-0-3-5-1-9-0-2-2-1 for the purchase of past service for general employees and part-time employees and provide an Effective Date.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So move.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. **RANDY SHERMAN.**

FINANCE DIRECTOR SHERMAN: Good evening. Randy Sherman. Director of Finance and Administrative Services. And if you don't mind, I'll take 22 and 23 together. They're actually very similar Items. One is just for general employees and the other is for fire fighters. These two Items are, again, very similar to what you adopted back in February for the City Council. These are the agreements that are required to have our employees actually move over into the FRS system. For the general employees, there are twenty-one employees that have elected to leave the current system and join the FRS system and then we have seventy part-time employees, so, local residents who work here, part-time employees who will now be getting pensions. And the total cost of the buyback as the Council approved up to five years is \$636,500. On Item 23, those are the fire fighters. We've had thirty fire fighters opt to leave the current retirement system and go over to FRS and the cost of the buyback for those firefighters, and it's actually nowhere near five years cause they're all one year or less, I believe, or a year and a half, is \$21,700. So, by the approval of these Items, what we've done is we've gone through the, the process. We're currently on the fourth Item up there. We've already gone through the retirement plans, taken the actions that they need to take, Council amending the ordinance allowing us to join the FRS. The current retirement members have made their elections and that's what, you know, I just mentioned. And now we're on the fourth bullet up there which is the Council to actually approve those agreements. So, that's where we are this evening. Just to put things into perspective, when we were go'.., taking about buying back the five years of service, we had done estimates and provided the Council with a worst case scenario of \$1,350,000. We looked at everyone five years and less that, you know, possibly might consider moving. This is the last group that we have at this point, obviously, with, with the police issue

pending but this would put us at a total of \$778,000. So, slightly more than, than half of what we had anticipated. I can answer any questions.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thanks. We'll go to public comment first. Bonnie Larson and then Henry Taylor.

BONNIE LARSON: In reading through the documents today, I wonder if you...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: State...

BONNIE LARSON: ...ever...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: State your name...

BONNIE LARSON: Bonnie Larson...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...for the record.

BONNIE LARSON: I wonder if each one of you on the Council has read through the documents.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I have.

BONNIE LARSON: The backup documents on this. The background information says the City has determined that it is the best interest to join the Florida Retirement System but it doesn't say why is it the best int'.... I've never heard why. Now, it seems like most of the City Council people who are on the pension plan now want to remain 'the pension plan versus going into the retirement plan. It says here, twenty-three general employees. Randy Sherman just said twenty-three, so, it was..., no, he just said twenty-one. Now, when you're making a decision like this, it's imperative that you take all the costs into consideration. It's not just a one-time cost, it's gonna be a forever cost. A retirement plan is a forever charge to the City. Do we.., have we done the due diligence? And, and we like to compare ourselves to other cities. What other cities give retirement benefits to part-time employees? Do you know that? And, if they do, what other cities have authorized retroactive pay for them? This is interesting. I, I put in a request. I asked at the City Council and I put in a request to Ms. Jones and I said to her, 'After you approved yourselves going into the retirement account,' I said to her, 'Now, it was made retroactive to about twenty-five years,' and Ms. Ryan said that was because Mr. Guyton had started, like, twenty-five years ago so he wanted to be retroactive to when he started.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: No, no, no.

BONNIE LARSON: So that's why...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Miss, that wasn't Mr. Guyton's suggestion, no.

BONNIE LARSON: No. I'm just saying Pam Ryan...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: No.

BONNIE LARSON: ...said that.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

BONNIE LARSON: I'm just...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: She's...

BONNIE LARSON: ...don't., let me...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Okay.

BONNIE LARSON: ...just finish. Pam Ryan said...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Don't say that I sa'.., that I requested that. I did not...

BONNIE LARSON: I didn't say you requested it.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Oh, okay.

BONNIE LARSON: Pam Ryan said that it was made retroactive because that's the date that you started. Fine. So, my question to the City was then, what about every other City Council member who has been on the Council for the past twenty-five years? You're gonna have to pay them too. There'll be lawsuits. I know a couple who are all ready to sue, if they have not started already, if they're not also given that retirement benefit. That's a huge, huge cost to Riviera Beach. If you look at our budget payments, um, excuse me, salary benefits and pension plans, huge, huge part of our, our, um, City budget. Um, okay. We have thirty-nine part-time employees to be enrolled in the retirement. Now we said there were seventy-nine. So, mm. Um, anyway, you have to think about it not, not that., what it's gonna today but what it's gonna cost in the future, in the future and doing retroactive, I can't understand that for part-time employees. I don't any other cities which do that. Now it said here it's gonna cost you approximately \$636,000. That would be for the City employees. Staff has projected it, as report to Council, a worst case scenario, \$1.3 million. So, are you approving the \$636,000 or are you approving \$1.3 million? Because, I don't think you have the full cost. I don't think enough due diligence has been done to figure out what this is...

BONNIE LARSON: ...gonna cost the City. And you're being asked to vote on it tonight not knowing a figure. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Henry Taylor.

HENRY TAYLOR: Henry Taylor. Riviera Beach. I'm of the same opinion as Ms. Bonnie Larson. What other cities, counties, anywhere give part-time employees these type of benefits? Next thing is that the City has no business buyin' these employees

back service. If these employees want to go with the state retirement, they can buy their own time. They are the ones to buy the time, not the City. You're gonna use my taxpayer's money to buy their time which is not right. If they wanna buy back time, five years back into the Florida State Retirement System, let them use their own money to buy it. They are already in the City, you know, the employees that's in the City, not the part-time employees. I'm talking about the employees in the City, they're already in your retirement plan. Am I not right?

Or they did, did they buy their time in that or did the City buy their time in that? They have their own time. Let them buy their own time into the Florida State Retirement System and save us taxpayers some money. All that you wanna do is sit up there and spend up our money that we pay taxes for. You need to stop it. Let these employees be responsible for their own. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Randy Sherman. Okay. So tell me why we're buying back the part-time employees.

RANDY SHERMAN: We..., we're treating all employees the same.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Why?

RANDY SHERMAN: Whether they were regular employees. That was a decision that we had brought forth to the Council and that was the Council's recommendation.

HENRY TAYLOR: The question is, why are you doing it?

CITY MANAGER JONES: The other thing is, under FRS, you are required to cover part-time people. That is not our choice. That is state law. So, that's why we have to include part-time people in FRS. The buyback was a local decision.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah. I don't recall that decision. Buying back for part-time. You know, if we're required...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: We are.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...to put them, then fine. I wasn't aware that we were buying back part-time employees. Alright. Anything from Council?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I did meet with the FRS people. Let me say for the record, I've been on my full time job for seventeen years. I have a retirement. I didn't request this but when they did it, they said everybody needs to be included. So, if they didn't do it, I'm okay. But, I did meet with the state retirement people when I was in Tallahassee and they did tell me that it is required, if the City goes to the state plan, that part-time people, it's not an option and there was some...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...legal term that use to.., but I forget what the legal term was but... But, yeah. That is not an option.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. That's what the Manager said. Okay. Anything else from the Board?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes. Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes. Mr....

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I just would like to, you know, to say that, you know, I'm glad we have this opportunity. You have crossing guards that have been here for years. I mean, all type of part-time people that we may not necessarily see every day that work very hard, that are, that are out there doing things for the City. You know, tax dollars are supposed to be used for tax purposes. You know, and I, I thinks it's kinda, you know, difficult to tell, you know, an employee, whether they are part-time or not that come here and labor, you know, that we don't wanna give the best benefits that, you know, we can. We wanna be on the cutting edge of everything and I think that this is one more opportunity besides having the, you know, ability to be compliant with what the state is asking for. You know, that's, that's kind of tough for me to sit back and hear someone say that we don't wanna do the best thing that we can for these employees. I'm glad that we're able to do it. I'm glad that, if the Board votes for this, that it'll, that it'll be done. I think it's well worth it. I just wanna be on record by saying that. That's all.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Ms. Miller.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER I just wanted to get clarification with this Item here. In hearing that we do have to include the part-timers but the local decision was made for the buyback, do we have to take this all as one or we are able to look at maybe separating it, if that is not the way we're choosing to go now.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Do you wanna answer that or do you want me to answer?

RANDY SHERMAN: No. Well, I th'.., I think you, you haven't made the final vote yet. I think it's...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Correct.

RANDY SHERMAN: ...still your decision to make.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Right.

RANDY SHERMAN: Um...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: And what we would have to do is, is let FRS know.

RANDY SHERMAN: Right.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Because one of the ballots in choosing to go to FRS, because each employee, not part-time employees. Part-time employees are not in the pension so they don't, they, they don't get to vote on whether or not to stay in the General Employee's Pension Plan or to move over to FRS. But, all full-time employees had a ballot and they had to vote on whether they wanted to stay with the General Employee's Pension Plan or move over to FRS.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Mhmm.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: So, if we were to take away that buyback provision for the full-time people, then we would do a new ballot. We would get another ballot and bring this, this Item back to you. So, yes. If you vote differently.., if you vote to take this down, then we'd bring, we'd have to bring it back.

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Anything else? Madam Clerk:

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller dissenting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Item 23.

UNK: We did that.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida approving an agreement with the Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement of the State of Florida enrolling new uniform fire personnel authorizing the purchase, purchase up to five years of service for current uniform fire personnel opting to enroll into the Florida Retirement, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to set up a budget in the amount of \$21,700 in account no. 0-0-1-0-2-0-3-5-1-9-0-2-2-1 for the purchase of past service for uniform fire personnel and provide an Effective Date.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So move.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Do you have anything...

RANDY SHERMAN: No. Nothing.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...more to add?

RANDY SHERMAN: Nothing [inaudible] issue.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Any questions? Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: CHAIRPERSON PARDO?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller dissenting.

DISCUSSION OF THE CITY MANAGER'S CONTRACT

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Discussion and Deliberations. Item 24. Discussion of the City Manager's contract. So, before we get into it, let's hear from the public. Bonnie Larson and then Margaret Sheppard.

BONNIE LARSON: Bonnie Larson. I'm wondering why this is on here again. And, this is an Agenda with thirty-five Items on it with.., then, after that, we have, like, comments from the Board and comments by the City Manager and comments by everybody. Why is the City Manager's contract on here as Item No. 35? It should be right up.., and why are we just discussing it again. Let the poor lady know if she's coming or if she's going. The contract that I read said we had to let her a month or so ago, we had to give her ninety (90) days' notice and it said right on Page 1, Mr. Thomas, you questioned that, it's right on Page 1 of her contract that you had to give her ninety (90) days' notice. And I am wondering why is it way past that date and why is it simply on the Agenda again tonight as simply a discussion?

Thank you. Um, and just, I just want you to know that I have put in many public information requests and I get not much back and if I get something back, it's answering a question that I didn't ask. So then I have to, now I have to spend my time putting it in again. It's just ridiculous. We should have, like, this. Get the information out there to people. Why do we have.., I come to the Council, I ask the question. Don't get an answer. Put in a public request, I don't get an answer. It just.., this isn't the way a, a reputable City is run. We need to get on the ball and get answers to people so that there's.., it just, a better way to run the City. And I'm wondering why aren't my ans'.., my questions being answered? I just asked tonight about the eleven acres that we just bought. That's a huge, huge issue. No answer. So, we need to get answers and quit having discussions about her contract. Let's decide, is she coming or going? Let her know. She deserves that. We deserve that. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. And for the record, it's Item 24. Not thirty five. Margaret Sheppard and then Norma Duncombe.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: Really.., Riviera Beach. Uh, I wanted to go back to the IG report. I think that's the most that they're talking about Mrs. Jones. But, when I go back and I look, a lot of that that I read, it was basically before Ms. Jones got here.

I don't understand one thing about the, um, Director who rented a car and it has to go through Finance. Some billing had to take place. Why didn't a red flag go up and they did not alert Mrs., Mrs. Jones? I do, I do have that question. How, how does some of these bills pass through if she's the head? I know she can't be everywhere. You have directors in place. And I think Finance is one of the most important people that I, I think reports to her. I'm kinda like Mrs., Mrs. Larson. We go over this over and over again and, and Mrs., um, um, what's her name? I can't think of her name. She said one thing. What.., the lady, what did you say, call her, Mayor? The Rosa Parks?

MAYOR MASTERS: Mrs. Brabham.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: Mrs. Brabham. That's it. Mary Brabham said she, she, she come looking for a job when she came here and I think she said she'll be lookin' for a job when you leave here. [Chuckle]. I think that's what she said. And that is true. But, I just don't see why we keep badgering people. Um, redevelopment is here and I, I just don't see, really, fooling around with someone right now in the middle of the road. I, I think one of the biggest challenges, they're still talking about Carrie Ward and, I don't think nobody loved Carrie more than I did but I think, I hear Mr. Thomas say all the time, 'It's all about the business of the City.' And I think it's time that we kinda stop. We wanna start with the Attorney's contract, we wanna start with that contract. I think that, if we haven't learned anything, I think that the contracts is bothering people so bad, maybe do it six months in advance.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: Post it on Channel 18. You know, do a flash card. The lawyer's contract, you know. Uh. I, I don't know what they want. All I want to do is see the City move forward. I think that you guys are on the right track. I think you have, the, um, the people here to try to get, uh, your employees together. You have so much. You have so much that's going on. And, Mayor, not trying disillusion you but I think you had a car one time and you went away. And I think it was, like, three or \$4,000. And I wanna know who...

MARGARET SHEPPARD: ...wiped off that bill? And, one more thing, not trying to be funny, but it was a man here in February that had some stuff lined up down there in, in, in the City Hall. Did he pay taxes on that? Was there a contract for that? I didn't see no, no, no label that say...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Margaret Sheppard.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: ...you know, he has a...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We really need to get moving along. It's almost ten o'clock.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And we still have a lot of business.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: Yes, ma'am. Thank, thank you, Mrs., uh...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No. Thank you, Margaret Sheppard.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: I'm just asking a question.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I know. I know. And we'll get that to you. I promise. Norma Duncombe and Mami Kisner.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair. As Norma Duncombe is combing, just real brief. I have, I don't have a clue what Margaret Sheppard's Margaret Sheppard's talking about a car.

MAYOR MASTERS: I have no idea. That musta been a dream you had or something. Thank you.

MARGARET SHEPPARD: I don't think so, Mayor. I remember it.

MAYOR MASTERS: I don't know nuttin' about it. Never heard it in my life.

NORMA DUNCOMBE: Uh, Norma Duncombe.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening again.

NORMA DUNCOMBE: This is serious and so, you know, and, and I take it very seriously. We are, this is, this is complicated in terms of a City and how we have to operate. And I don't know about anybody else but I've been here all of my adult life and I just think we can do better. And I know when you have a job where you're in charge, it is not easy. But, in the meantime, we still have to operate on the basis of how the job is done. Now, I'm gonna use examples of what has happened in here. And I'm not going way back. I'm just going back a few, a little while ago. Some people came in here with a contract to clean boats, the bottom of boats in the marina. And everybody was looking around. The City Manager had no clue as to what was going on. What kind of business can you all run when your City Manager does not know what's going on? How does she give you the information if she does not know? Now, not demogogging anybody or anything like that but I think, at this point in time, it is time for us to move on to a different person. And what I would suggest is don't rush to hire somebody else. Uh, oh, he's not here. He could s'..., do whatever needs to be done in the meantime. Let everybody get involved with getting somebody else. But, at this point in time, when you have a Manager who is not managing, then there's something wrong. Now, and, and this is my, my feelings. When you are not given information and you are doing business for the City, and, just like tonight, I mean, that was another situation where this man, um, came in here and people were asking questions of the Manager and she didn't appear to know what was going on. And then the conduct of this man tonight, with the *pro tem* person on the Council, how in the world does the conduct of employees go on and they are not handled by the Manager. My thing is, it is time for us to move on. We're not..., oh, I'm not gonna say it. I was about to say South Bay and I am not...

NORMA DUNCOMBE: ...disparaging them but we're not some little place in the outback somewhere.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Mami Kisner.

MAMI KISNER: Mami Kisner. I've been really praying over this before I came up here, quite frankly. Ms. Jones, I know your job is hard. I know you put in a lot of hours and every city manager does that. And you know what, you inherited a whole lot of issues, to be quite honestly. But, I do think it's important for evaluations to be considered for everybody's job. Not just Ms. Jones, not just the City Attorney but every employee needs a, a fair, and that's the key word, evaluation. And that was one of things I have said about the assessment of the Department and especially the Utility

District. It must be fair. You can't do random samples. Pick seven people and ask them because there may have been issues on and off, to give a fair assessment. So, if there's so many problems with making this decision, let's see what the residents have to say. Let's see what they feel. Let's see what the employees feel. Let's not just put all of that weight on you even though you are representing the people. If it's that much of an issue, let's find out what we can do to fix this. We really wanna work together. This is not about bashing anybody. But, it's about getting the best job for the best City to work, play and live. And, if you don't feel you can live here, you don't feel it's a great place to play, well, how you gonna work here and be comfortable?

So, I don't think we should be bashing anybody. God said love everybody. And I love everybody. But, there's always room for improvement for every human being. And through evaluations and through sitting down and trying to work through the issues and not sugarcoating it because, when you're at the top, you must lead. You must make hard decisions that may not be the kind of decisions that everybody wants. It is not easy.

You may not wanna hear what I have to say but I'm speaking for some owners within this City. They are constantly calling me and that's why I've been here all day and all night. They are hurting. And, if they are hurting, let's find out. Get some task force together. But we've got to evaluate before we move on.

UNK: That's right.

NORMA DUNCOMBE: If we don't evaluate where we are, then we're not gonna know what the vision is and where we need to go. And if Ms. Jones has a vision, we need to hear it. We need to give her an opportunity to, to tell us what the vision is. And if that vision is the vision that will work, then we need to move forward.

I will continue to pray and I will continue to be here and represent the citizens that...

NORMA DUNCOMBE: ...call me and the employees. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Okay. That's the end of the cards. Council. Mayor, do you wanna start?

MAYOR MASTERS: I'm still...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do you have anything?

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes, I do. But I'd rather for the, the ones that a vote to... I don't have a vote. I, I will make a comment but I...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Why don't you, why don't we start with you. We'll just go down the dais.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay. Fine. I'm, I'm really totally frustrated in, in the leadership in the administration of our City government. I'm, I'm almost at the point that

I feel like almost giving up [pause] and just throwing the hat in because, as people said that it seems like, [sigh] somebody's not gettin' it. Seems like that someone doesn't see the handwriting on the wall and I [clears throat] feel like I'm in..., alone trying to speak truth to power and is it worth it? I, I don't know. But I'm not gonna give up because the race is not given to the swift or to the strong but to the person that endures to the end. For me, it doesn't take a rocket science degree to see what is going on at the top level of our administration. Just tonight, just today, we get a report on the same day. Who does that? Two weeks ago, I get, and all the other Council people, get a report two hours into the meeting. Who does that? Employee, in this City, employee morale is at an all-time low. How do I know? Because I have spoken to many, many employees, in several departments and I haven't had one to say, 'I'm satisfied with the City Manager. Keep the City Manager.' Everyone I've, everyone that I've spoken to, has said just the opposite. The fact that we bought this warehouse on a back street to move the police department and the fire department and then even talked about moving City Hall, who does that? Who puts the number one fire station, who, who, who does that? To close the number one fire station, who gets the most claw, calls, who does that?

Four, not one, OIG report, not two, not three but four. Who does that? We've heard this about liens. Some people are saying some of the liens are unjust, not fair, we keep hearing it. Where we going with it? Utility Department, seems to be out of control. Fighting over there. You know, who does that? SEIU spoke tonight and I think the young lady was very modest. But I heard her very clearly. To me, she is saying that our departments are outta, outta hand. That she's getting calls, all kinda allegations. When the SEIU have to come in like that, something's wrong. [Sigh]. When the Manager came, the Manager said that her number one priority would be jobs, putting people back to work. I haven't seen that. I, I just haven't seen it. I just haven't seen any job training program. Nothing about, from the Manager's office about jobs. I went around the City and I close, and I had several pictures that I wa' gon'..., that I was go'..., planning to show tonight but the pictures would have been very embarrassing and I'm not here to embarrass the Manager or department heads but it starts at the top. I went in buildings that we own and saw bathrooms that were just horrible. Who does that? Who allows that? I went in the building and, and the tile, half of the tile looked horrible. Who does that? I looked at stop signs with all kind of black stuff on stop signs, all bent over. Who does that? Street signs, crooked. Who does that? And the list goes on and on and on. And one particular building had, what appeared to be, dry blood on the door. Who does that? So, I'm gonna rest my case and I don't know what my fellow colleagues are going to do but I know what I'm going to do. I'm going to take my issues and concerns to the people and let the people speak. I'm frustrated. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Thank you. Ms. Miller. Do you have any comments?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Well, being the newbie on the block and I've been in office forty-nine days, and counting, I, I would like to hold my comments and, and go down and then come at the end if you all don't mind. Is that okay or no?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No. Because we made the Mayor do his comments. Now, remember, we have about seven minutes and we're gonna have decide what we're gonna do so...

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Okay. Not a problem. Not a problem. My experiences with the, the City Manager, she's, I know that I have been asking several questions in regards to the Agenda and she has really tried to make an effort to get me those answers that I requested. And, but there have been some that I have not received. I don't know if it was just that the timing wasn't, you know, good enough, she wasn't able to get the information. Also, I do know that I've heard a lot from the employees and it does appear that there are issues or morale is low and that some of the department heads are kind of on their own. So, the management, I do have some concerns with it. I did tell her that I would try to complete her evaluation. I know there were several benchmarks that were included in here and I sat down with her the other night, about eight o'clock and we, we were here til probably about 10:00 discussing her accomplishments and, you know, I could totally agree with a lot of it that was there. But, just from my experiences in the past forty-nine days, I would say that I do have some reservations. So, with that being said, I would like to just think about this a little bit but I do know that I do have some concerns and, as I've said before, her getting information to me, being able to manage the directors, just making sure that people are being held accountable, as everyone knows my, my campaign was ran on the accountability piece and that was very important to me and I know, as I was out campaigning, there, that was very important to a lot of the residents.

And just making sure that our monies are being spent the proper way, making sure that all the employees are being respected and a lot of the employees I spoke to did not feel respected in the, in their positions. Just making sure that people are being hired that are qualified for the positions. I heard that a lot. Just being able to make sure that we are doing what's best for the people. We're making sure that people are being held accountable and that, even though the City Manager's position is a tough position to be in, any manager position is tough to be in, but you still have to be able to lead and you still have to be able to manage people and not allow them to go on their own to do things. When they are not operating in a proper manager, it's important that we put some sort of disciplinary processes in place. And we've had many people come up to the podium that expressed that issues were going on and I never heard where we had some sort of disciplinary process put into place. If it was, I just was'..., I just haven't been made aware of it. So, at that, this time, I do have some reservations with the contract going beyond the expiration date.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mr. Guyton.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Thank you, Madam Chair. And I'll try to be quick. We're probably gonna have to extend that. I don't know if you wanna do it now or...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Now.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah. Let's do it now. It's 9:55...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Fifteen?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: For...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Can we...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...thirty-five minutes?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thirty-five minutes to 10:30?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: 10:30. That's [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Is there a motion?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So move.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes. Okay. Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Thank you, Madam Chair. And I'll try to be very quick here.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, sir.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: This is a very, very serious decision and it's one that, that will impact not only Ms. Jones but all of the residents. And, we, we all have our opinion. I don't see the gloom and doom that everyone else does. I see that we have areas that need improvement. That's common throughout any industry. We are only

remembered by our last act. We're remembering some things that might not have turned out well but, let me take you back very quickly to 2009, when the bottom of the economy was falling out, when the value of the land had plummeted. And do you know how we paid our employees? By [inaudible] lowering taxes by what the land value is. You know who came in here and had to deal with that? That would be Ms. Jones. And guess what she did. She made sure that most employees kept their jobs.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Sure did.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: That's what she did. A lot of these people...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: You need to tell...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...who are now complaining, are here because, the employees are here because of Ms. Jones. Ms. Jones recommended to the Council that we're not gonna have a mass firing like some of the other communities. No, no, no, no. The people here are gonna have some level of income. What we're gonna do? We're gonna incorporate a furlough. It wasn't something that everybody wanted but they kept a job.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: We're forgetting how she came in and had to deal with catastrophe. The other thing that Ms. Jones has done, right now we have an orchestrated approach here to make it seem like the City is falling apart. We are doing better now than we've been doing in the last ten years. And I can produce the data to support my position that we have more businesses coming in, we're creating more jobs and guess what, you know what we saw tonight? They're not minimum wage jobs. AUTECH, start off fifty-five grand. You know what I told him? You head me. I want you to look here first. Tell me what requirements they need, if they need special training, do it. I've been wanting development on the west side of our tracks, is very important to me, that development goes west. That parcel right across from the fire station, you see a Taco Bell, you're gonna see an auto parts. We are now getting more applications for businesses coming in than our community development can barely handle. I had Jeff to give me a list of the last two years of people submitting applications trying to get here. I get phone calls all the time. People want to invest here because Riviera Beach is on the move. I'm gonna say this. I'mma, I'mma end it. Everywhere you go, you will find disgruntled employees. Pick your place. I don't care where you go. There're gonna be employees and they talk the loudest too.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Yes.

CITY MANAGER JONES: Mhmm.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: They can be one, two, three..., they seem like everybody is not happy because they're not. Let me tell you something. We have over four hundred employees. Not a small feat. We have one or two employees in, in every department, who are not happy. That is not to be unexpected. So, the character asstetion..., assassinations, to which I consider on Ms. Jones, are uncalled for. The OIG report, do you know how we get most of our OIG reports? They don't show up here.

You have disgruntled and people with vendettas in the community'll go down there and make a false claim. One of whom, works for us now. [Stammer]. I'm not trying...

UNK: Please.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...to go there now but I'm telling the people how these things come about. And then, they use it for political leverage. 'Look at there. We have four OIG reports.' This person has reported people to the State Attorney's Office with no evidence, none. John Lee Williams, some people might not like him, some people do. For disclosure, John Lee has been a friend of mine since we have been small boys. One thing about Bruce, I'm honest, I'm forthright. He was reported to the State Attorney when we were.., when I wasn't even sitting here. That was a \$60,000 request to keep that program going. Somebody picked the phone up, called the State Attorney and said that John Lee is gonna keep that \$60,000. 'What?' There is no possible way that can happen. We have that employee working here now. That's the problem. So, when you think that all of these little reports that come up are significant and valid, most of them are proven to be unsubstantiated. That case with John Lee, unsubstantiated. They went through that man's bank account. They followed him around. He didn't even know it. That is uncalled for. So, Ms. Jones has been doing an outstanding job with what she has. She has room for improvement. Our City got a \$300,000,000 project going on downtown.., I mean, on, on Broadway. I serve on the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. We have people from Indian River, Martin County, up there in Fort Pierce area but when I go you know what the conversation is? Riviera Beach. 'Riviera Beach, ya'll on the move down there.' You know what they ask me, 'We wanna come down and tour your City now.' People want to come here now because of the leadership. This, I'm done. People wanna separate the accomplishments that we've had from Ms. Jones. That's impossible. Because, even if Ms. Jones didn't come up with the idea, she needs the wherewithal to understand a good project and she's got to sign off on it. And if she doesn't sign of on it, Staff, most of the time it's not gonna happen. So, she has had the ability to identify good projects and businesses that we need and she would sign off on 'em and the result has been progress. We are moving forward but we're in a high political season. I've already been told this group, 'Well, they took Judy out and now, Bruce Guyton, they're comin' at you...' And...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Really?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Let's stay on the topic.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Come on, Mr. Guyton. Come on, man.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Let's stay on the topic.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So, Ms. Jones has my full support and, and it is my hope that we understand that if we get rid of her, there will be a void in leadership then. We have too much on the table right now to talkin' about erasing the top brass because a few people are not happy. We have 30,000 people in this City. And, there are some

that may not be happy but, overall, most people see that this City is moving forward. No matter how negative people try to portray it, Riviera Beach is on the move and this is my home and guess what? We're gonna be respected and I am tired of being sick and tired of every other community moving except Riviera Beach. And when we start erasing people from the equation, people don't wanna come in here and invest cause it's instability at the top. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Mr. Thomas.

UNK: Thank you.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Um...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Oh, come on. Please.

[Inaudible conversations]

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: It's, you know, these are, these are times in which it's easy to, you don't even have to hide your hand, you can just throw the rocks and you can, you can pile on and you can, you know, you can do all of these things. And, you know, at some point, you have to really stand here and discuss what your ultimate thoughts are about an individual that you only see eight hours a day. They're here much longer than that and on weekends, but, eight hours a day and you're not able to go home with the stress of four hundred people plus projects. You're not, you're not decided, or, no one's judging you to make a decision on, not just employee matters but decision that involve the City and the public. And every one of 'em are not going to be right. We have an opportunity and some people think it's a part of our job to get attacked. Some people think it's a part of our job to just sway with whatever way that one group or one or two people may be going. I, I believe much different. I believe that, you know, it's our job to stand with what we know. Sometimes you don't, you don't know everything that goes on and what it takes to make a City run, even if you don't believe it's running on all four cylinders. Well, I believe that we are in much better shape than we're, than we're, we're putting out and maybe if we did have the, the airways and we did have somebody to just put out all the good things that are happening, maybe it would be a little bit better. There was a blistering audit report. There, there's a lot of audit reports that come out. All you do, all you have do is say anything. I have been the victim of audit reports where I wasn't even questioned. They just put it out, put it on the media, just attack you, don't, don't even ask your side of it. Just...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...whatever it is, you know, as a story. You know, thank God I have a, you know, I have a prayin' mother and I believe [chuckle] in...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Amen.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...a Higher Power myself. So, I'm, I'm not gonna do anybody wrong.

UNK: That's right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: You know, if some people want to dislike me for whatever my decisions may be, understand this, I answer to a Higher Power and I must be able to sleep at night.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So, with that being said, I feel that Ms. Jones has some improvement.

UNK: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Ms. Jones has, has made some decisions that I don't necessarily agree with and I think everybody deserves an opportunity to make it right. Every decision that I've made up here, some of the public didn't agree with but they gave me an opportunity...

UNK: To come back.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...to come back and make it right. I don't think that we should deviate from a person who has made this their home, who loves this City, who's here and who's able to take this stuff day in and day out, day in and day out. Any and every decision that's made, it falls on the back of this woman who I think has high integrity. Extremely high integrity and I will stand and tell anybody that.

Whatever decision that the Board makes tonight, my decision will be that we retain Ms. Jones, for whatever process we wanna go through to do that. We may negotiate on what we do with her but I believe that she deserves an opportunity to make things right. That's all.

[Applause]

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mr. Davis.

PRO TEM DAVIS: At this time, I'm not ready to, to give a dis..., a speech. Enough has been said. Whenever you're ready, I'm ready to make a motion.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Well, since the public wants to hear what, I guess, most of us have to say, I sat down with the City Manager and we had a very frank discussion about, you know, how the City's moving forward and how she is doing in her job. And, my issue and, when I have issues I bring them up at the end of the Council meeting. You know, you all heard I had issues with not addressing police. You know, not addressing shootings. And, I can't talk to the Chief about that and I wouldn't talk to the Chief about it because, at the end of the day, Ms. Jones is responsible for that. And Ms. Jones is responsible for all of her, for every employee in the City and she is responsible for the department heads. And I think we can all agree, some of the department heads definitely need improving. And not just the department heads we see here in the meetings all the time, there are other department heads.

NORMA DUNCOMBE made the comment about the boat, the boat wash that none of us knew about. But the, you know, that Staff person decided, you know, well, he works there, it's his marina and he's gonna do what he does. But, at the end of the day, it's all on Ms. Jones. And I said to Ms. Jones what she needs to do is, she needs to get these.., really, it's the department heads, under control and they need to know that Ms. Jones is the boss. They are not the boss. Ms. Jones is the boss. And, at the end of the day, it's her head on the chopping block.

And, I think, I believe Ms. Jones realizes that, you know, she needs to do a better job with that and the IG report showed that, you know, she needs to do a better job with some of that. That entire IG report was not on you. You had employees who should have been doing a better job and they weren't. But, at the end of the day, it all fell on the City Manager. There is definitely room for improvement with the Manger. The other thing that I spoke about, was the warehouse. Alright. We purchased that warehouse several years ago and it's still sitting over there. I haven't seen the plan and I was a little disappointed when the Manager gave us her 2006 plan for what she was looking to accomplish in 2016, there was no mention of the warehouse. So, we need to do.., decide what we are going to do with that and I believe, and I told her this, that needs to be the priority now. We need to get through the budget year. Alright? Because October 1st is gonna be here before you know it and we start our budget meetings in two weeks, we need to get through the budget and we need to figure out what we're going to do with the property that we have over on 15th Street. Either we find the money and do what we need to do so we can get the employees in there or we need to try to sell it. And, you know, I have mentioned that several times, in public meetings. That is my opinion. It's just sitting over there. There's very few vacant parcels available right now in the industrial area and people are still looking for property. There's a pharmaceutical company here in the City and I know Mr., I was at an event with them and I mentioned the, that property and then Mr. Jones took them over to look at it. So, I think our priority right now.., I think Ms. Jones has three priorities. Number one is get us through the budget. Number two is to figure out what you're gonna do with the warehouse and get your employees under control. And it's the department heads. You need to start with the department heads. And I think you've been very liberal with them. Understanding that they are department heads and they should be running their show but not all of the department heads are doing what they should be doing. And, because of that, we have residents come to all of these meetings complaining and, you know, again, it all falls and Ms. Jones and [sigh]. So...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam Chair? I'm ready to put...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And, and everything that I said, I did say to, to Ms. Jones. It was a very frank discussion. And I also, and I'll put this out there. I spoke with quite a number of my constituents in District 4 and I was expecting a different reaction. And, I would say the vast majority said, 'Ms. Pardo, you represent us. You need to decide what to do with Ms.,' seriously, 'With Ms. Jones.' You know, 'We put our faith in you. You work with her on a daily basis. You need to decide what you're gonna do.' So, at that point, at this point, I am ready.., Ms. Jones, do you have anything to say or... And then I heard you Mr...

PRO TEM DAVIS: That was...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Guyton?

PRO TEM DAVIS: That was me.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: About a motion?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I, no. That was Terence.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go ahead, Ms. Jones.

CITY MANAGER JONES: Let me say thank you to each of you. And I did get an opportunity to meet with each of individually in order to go over your expectations, to go over what you feel has been accomplished since I've been here and the things that have not been accomplished. I came here with the sincere desire to make this City better and to improve the environment of the people living in this City. And, in order to do that, we have made some strides. I came at a very difficult time but that didn't scare me away because I came on assignment. And I came on assignment from God.

UNK That's right.

CITY MANAGER JONES: And when you come on assignment from God, you do what you do and you do the best you can do. Now...

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...I will..., in all of our conversations that we had, we talked about everything that you mentioned here. I can sincerely say that every elected official said exactly to me what they said sitting up here today. And I made the commitment in order to move this City forward. Not move Ruth Jones but to move this City forward to continue to work and improve in those areas. I would like the opportunity to correct the things in the IG report. It's..., a lot of them were not on my watch. But I feel the responsibility to correct them so that whenever you decide to move forward and do something different, that we will be in a better place to do so. I realize you don't always do everything right but I did not intentionally try to do something wrong. I have been able to stay out of the newspaper. You don't see a lot of negative about City of Riviera Beach and the Manager because I try to manage the department. There are things that need to be improved and I'm willing to work on improving those things. Residents come to me, Mr. Willis, you come to me, you ask me for something, there's an issue over in a department, email quickly to the department head, 'I need an answer on this.' I do take those issues very seriously. When they come and meet with me. And when they talk to me. And when he tells me specifically who, what and where, next thing is an email in order to try and adjust that. So, I would just wanna thank you for your consideration. Thank you for your frankness. The City, financially, is a lot better off than we were when I got here. Our bond rating is better, the State feels better about us, the Business Development Board feels better about us, the North Palm Beach Chamber feels better about us and our residents feel better about it. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Mr. Guyton.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Uh, it was Council, Councilman Davis that...

PRO TEM DAVIS: I mean...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Did you wanna...

PRO TEM DAVIS: I have the floor?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...make the motion? Go ahead.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Really brief. Thank you, Ms. Jones. We had our, we spoke today and I told you exactly where I s'..., I'm fixin' to make my motion. I told you exactly where I stand. Where I am now is, I'm very comfortable with staying consistent on every vote I make with following the market. I'm gonna follow the pleasure of the Board but right I wanna make a motion so I can see what the market has to offer to go out for a national search for a City Manager and allow either the assistant City Attorney, I mean, City Manager or the current Manager, you can continue to apply for the position but I would like to see what the market has to offer. That's my motion.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a second?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Moved and second. Any comments? Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Absolutely not.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion fails with Councilpersons Guyton, Thomas and Pardo dissenting.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, Mr. Guyton.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I would like to put a motion on the floor. I'd like to move that we extend the City Manager's contract. This is not a renewal right now. She wanted time to correct some things. We're going into a budget session and we definitely need somebody who's experienced with Riviera Beach right now. It's a very sensitive time and, and we have business eyes on us too, looking at whether we're gonna continue to move or we're gonna start going backward. So, I...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. What's the time frame?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I'm, I move that we extend it six months from her contract end date which is in June. So, I move that we extend it to December, her anniversary date, on December whatever the date...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: 21st.

CITY MANAGER JONES: 21st.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: On December 21st and then, at that time, we can reevaluate whether we wanna keep her or renew or contract.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a second?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I'll second that. A question.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Discussion...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Comments. Yeah. I think that that is, that's fair. That'll give an opportunity for us to see some, some correction. You know, I just would like to ask Ms. Jones, are you okay with taking that and making some corrections or...?

CITY MANAGER JONES: I want to make the corrections. I just wanna make sure that we know what needs to be accomplished in the six months. Cause that's a short period and so it's got to be...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: [Inaudible].

CITY MANAGER JONES: ...very succinct as what needs to be accomplished. And so, that would have to be established.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I, I think it's, I think it's a fair thing we need to get you these benchmarks that needs to be there. I also think it'll give Ms. Miller a chance to further, you know, evaluate you to give her a few more months, at least, to further evaluate you. It also lends itself to you knowing that, hey listen, you know, we're trying to give you that second chance to make it happen. I would also like to say though, we

need to, maybe by October or November, give her another, um, give her the, you know, tell her, hey, whether we're gonna do it or not. So, you know, if the maker of the motion will add maybe October in as we'll give her a final decision, I'll be more comfortable with that.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I'm okay with that. My, I, I would only say that the benchmarks need to be reasonable and can be accomplished within that time frame.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So, so, it, me? Is it okay...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...if I just ask..., are you gonna mend your motion to add...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: I amend it...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...October?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...that we would notify her in October...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. My second...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...of our...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...will remain.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ...intention.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. And let's say it'll be the second meeting in October.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: The second meeting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: The second meeting in October and I agree with that and I would encourage the Council to put your goals together and, you know, meet with the Manager or we can all discuss it at the next Council meeting.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Next meeting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay? Alright. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Miller?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Thomas?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Guyton?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

PRO TEM DAVIS: No.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: That motion is approved with Councilpersons Miller and Davis dissenting.

COMMUNITY BENEFITS REQUESTS

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you. We have community...

CITY MANAGER JONES: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...benefits. Thank you, ma'am. Item 25. Inlet Grove Community High School...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...\$150 bucks.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Madam Chair. Can I ask that we, unless somebody wants to pull one, can I ask that we take all these at one time being that we're about three minutes away.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: You have any public comment?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, hold on. We do have, oh my God. Yeah. Hold on for a second. Yeah. We only have one public comment for Item 32 which is Inlet Grove, um, football.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Can we take the...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: \$500. Ms., Margaret Sheppard, do you wanna still comment on that on that or no?

MARGARET SHEPPARD: Due to the time [inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you.

MAYOR MASTERS: I, I have...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. So, is there a motion to...

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair. I have a question on, on...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go ahead.

MAYOR MASTERS: I need to pull two. Both of them are mine. Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: So, I need to just remove 25, the Inlet Grove because I think the Manager bought a table for, uh... Madam Manager, did we buy...

CITY MANAGER JONES: She said you was gonna do that anyway.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yeah. I said...

MAYOR MASTERS: No. I was gonna, I was gonna do that if we hadn't bought the table.

[Laughter]

MAYOR MASTERS: We bought a table so...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. We have about...

MAYOR MASTERS: ...I'm not, [Inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...four minutes. So, let's go.

MAYOR MASTERS: Take that off and I need to add \$500 more to number 27.

UNK: Oo.

MAYOR MASTERS: [Inaudible] the \$500. I'm gonna give them \$1,000.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Can we do that Ms. Ryan?

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Yes. I mean, the issue is whether or not it meets the standards. So...

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Yes.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Okay. So, I'll, I'll make a motion that we accept 26 add \$500 to 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: So move.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Madam Clerk.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Well, I made the motion. Mr. Guyton...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...second it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. Second it. Madam Clerk.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON GUYTON?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON THOMAS.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: COUNCILPERSON MILLER?

COUNCILPERSON MILLER Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PRO TEM DAVIS?

PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: CHAIRPERSON PARDO?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you. We have three minutes to discuss the Board appointments. Do you guys want to continue...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...or...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: No. I think...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...do you wanna adjourn the meeting and we can bring it back next meeting?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I think so. But, before we adjourn, Madam Chair. I, you know...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go ahead.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Mr., Tradrick McCoy has asked that he be, you know, reappointed and I think he should. I don't have a problem with him being reappointed. I, I he's been up here every...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...every meeting so, obviously, he wants to be there but I do want...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: That's my district.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I don't., right. I know it's your District. I'm just saying, I don't have a problem with him being reappointed.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Me either.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: But I also want somebody in District 3. We do have three applications from District 3 so I will be bringing forth at least one of those to, to get on so that would just be my comment for the next meeting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. Alright.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: So, we'll just bring it back the next meeting? Because I have...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...two people on there too which I would like to keep.

PRO TEM DAVIS: Well, well, I mean, other than, than the Councilman Thomas request, I think the Board has been very stable across the Board and there's no necessary need for change. They have worked very well together with the Community Development Depart., Department.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. But Mr..., right. But, Mr. Thomas said that he wanted to bring it back.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Yeah.

UNK: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: So, what do you guys wanna do?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: Well, I, I mean...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: How about we just bring it back.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: We can...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We can...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: We can bring it back.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...keep it clean.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: I just wanna put out there...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Let's keep it clean.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:that Tradrick McCoy has asked me and has been to mic, so I'm okay with him.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: But, there's four people from District 1...

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: ...and, and I definitely want to see somebody from District 3 get in. So, we can discuss it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. So, we're gonna bring it back at the next meeting.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: Madam, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: If there are two people who wanna speak, I don't, um...

PRO TEM DAVIS: Ms. Brooks.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Then, you know what?

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: If we can [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: You need to extend it...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: But we're not gonna...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...because now...

COUNCILPERSON GUYTON: ... make a decision tonight.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...we're, we're past it.

PRO TEM DAVIS: No. We've got two minutes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No. You don't. I'm not looking at that clock, right? I'm looking here.

PRO TEM DAVIS: That's the one that we go by, right?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: We still have til 10:30.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No. But, I, I went by...

ADJOURNMENT

PRO TEM DAVIS: It's 10:27.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Is there a motion to adjourn?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

CITY ATTORNEY RYAN: Is that what I heard?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: So, anyway. Is there a motion to adjourn?

COUNCILPERSON THOMAS: So move.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Alright. Good night, everyone.

(END OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING)

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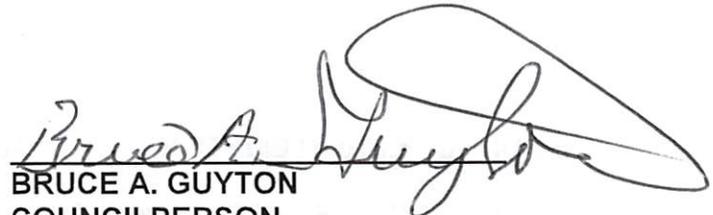
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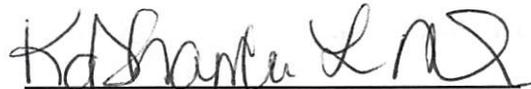


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