

CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2004 AT 7:30 P.M.

I. **CITY CLERK CALLS TO ORDER:**

Roll Call

Chairperson David G. Schnyer was present and presided. Upon a roll call by City Clerk Ward, the following were present: Mayor Michael D. Brown, Chair Pro Tern Ann lies, Councilperson Donald R. Wilson, Councilperson Judy L. Davis, and Councilperson Elizabeth "Liz" Wade. Also present were City Manager William E. Wilkins, City Clerk Carrie E. Ward, Master Municipal Clerk, and City Attorney Pamala Hanna Ryan.

Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

Bishop Thomas Masters provided the invocation.

Everyone stood for the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS**

Councilperson Wilson expressed words of gratitude to everyone that gave support to him and his family during their time of bereavement.

City Manager Wilkins made the following revisions to the agenda: added a request for a Special City Council Meeting to be held September 17th regarding the capital projects list and status report on hurricane recovery activities.

1) Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Councilperson Wade and seconded by Councilperson Wilson to approve the agenda as amended.

III. **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

NONE

IV. **STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (TWO MINUTES LIMITATION):**

Margaret Shepherd, 2003 17th Ct #104, expressed words of appreciation to Councilperson Wade for her experience at the Florida League of Cities

Conference. She then expressed words of gratitude to the Mayor, City Council and the Staff for the continued efforts put forth during Hurricane Frances.

Bishop Thomas Masters, 748 9th Street, provided information on services available for those in need of assistance as a result of Hurricane Frances.

Larry Woods, Riviera Beach resident, made comments regarding hurricane relief efforts.

V. CONSENT AGENDA:



1) MINUTES:

NONE

RESOLUTIONS:

NONE

1) PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING:

NONE

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

NO ITEMS WERE LISTED THEREFORE A MOTION WAS NOT IN ORDER.

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

ITEM NO.1

ORDINANCE NO. 2979 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, FIXING THE ADJUSTED TAX VALUATION OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY: LEVYING A TAX ON REAL PROPERTY AND TANGIBLE BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CORPORATED LIMITS OF THE CITY, FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2004 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 FIXING THE MILLAGE RATE OF 9.50 MILLS THERON FOR SAID YEAR; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Clerk Ward announced that the public hearing was re-advertised in the September 12th edition of the Palm Beach Post and read the aforementioned Ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by Councilperson Wilson and seconded by Councilperson Wade to approve Ordinance No. 2979 on first reading.

MOTION

City Manager Wilkins stated that the advertisement for final adoption would appear in the September 24th edition of the Palm Beach Post and that a special meeting was scheduled for September 29th at 7:00 for final adoption. He also announced that the proposed millage rate was 9.50 mills and the millage rate was an 11.96% increase over the roll back rate of 8.4852 mills. He stated that the reason for the increase was as follows: revenue shortfall in the amount of \$10,400,000; funding of salary increases for all current and new positions -- \$710,845; and increase in pension cost -- \$790,790.

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

MOTION APPROVED

ITEM NO.2

ORDINANCE NO. 2980 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS AND ESTABLISHING A BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Clerk Ward announced that the public hearing was re-advertised in the September 12th edition of the Palm Beach Post and read the aforementioned Ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by Councilperson Wilson and seconded by Councilperson Wade to approve Ordinance No. 2980 on first reading.

MOTION

A lengthy discussion ensued amongst the Mayor and City Council.

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was 4-1 with Councilperson Schnyer dissenting.

MOTION APPROVED

There was a consensus of the City Council to schedule a budget workshop on September 21st at 7:00 p.m.

VI. REGULAR:

ITEM NO.3

RESOLUTION NO. **180-04** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL AUDIT SERVICES TO NOWLEN, HOLT, & MINER, P.A. FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$276,000 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2004-2008 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAME; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Clerk Ward read the aforementioned Resolution into the record.

A motion was made by Councilperson Wilson and seconded by Councilperson Davis to approve Resolution No. 180-04.

MOTION

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

MOTION APPROVED

ITEM NO.4

RESOLUTION NO. **181-04** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN WORKFORCE ALLIANCE PROGRAM AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH TO ASSIST THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH TO ASSIST THE COMMUNITY WITH HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS.

City Clerk Ward read the aforementioned Resolution into the record.

A motion was made by Councilperson Wilson and seconded by Councilperson Davis to approve Resolution No. 181-04.

MOTION

Doretha Perry, Human Resources Director, provided an overview of the operational functions of the proposed program.

A discussion ensued amongst the Mayor, City Council, and representatives from workforce alliance.

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

MOTION APPROVED.

UPDATE ON HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS

City Manager Wilkins gave a report on the hurricane relief and cleanup efforts.

BOARD APPOINTMENT:

NONE

VIII. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

NONE

IX. RECOMMENDATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:

The Mayor and City Council made comments. However no directives were noted.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

