CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015 AT 5:30 P.M.

[Gavel]

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Welcome everyone to the City of Riviera Beach. Tonight we have the Utility Special District Board of Director's Meeting. Madam Clerk, roll call please.

ROLL CALL

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chairperson Dawn Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Present.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pro Tem Terence Davis?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Here.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Bruce Guyton? Board Member KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Present.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Cedrick Thomas?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Here.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Mayor Thomas Masters? City Manager Ruth Jones?

CITY MANAGER JONES: Present.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: District City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. District Attorney Pamela Ryan?

DISTRICT ATTORNEY RYAN: Present.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Executive Director Louis Aurigemma?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Here.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. I'd like to invite everyone to stand for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge.

[Moment of silence]

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I Pledge Allegiance

ALL: ...to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: They sent a email about trying to do a special meeting on Wednesday. Alright. Thank you.

AGENDA Approval: Additions, Deletions, Substitutions

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do we have any additions, deletion, or substitutions to the Agenda?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yes, Madam Chair. I'd like to add an Item 8A to discuss the January 2016 Utility Special District Board Meeting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. We'll add that as 8A. Anyone else?

SUBSTITUTIONS DISCLOSURES BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Do we have any disclosures by the Board of Directors or Staff?

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Do we have a motion to accept the Agenda?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: So move.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Madam Clerk.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Miller-Anderson?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Uh, yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Thomas?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

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 BOARD MEMBER 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.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do we have a motion to accept consent?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair?

UNK: [Inaudible].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I'm very aware of that. I know. Did you say something?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: No. I just wanted to pull a Item.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. What do you wanna pull?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: No. 2.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Anyone else? Okay. Madam Clerk.

UNK: [Whisper] We don't have a motion.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY RYAN: No. There's no motion.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: So move.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Was there... Is there a second?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Madam Clerk.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Miller-Anderson?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Thomas?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes. [Pause]. Motion approved. Consent Agenda Item 2. We have one public comment card. Bonnie Larson.

MS. B. LARSON: Bonnie Larson. Little, little, um, disappointed this, this portion was not pulled. I called two Council people and asked for it to be pulled so that there could be a discussion among...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: It has been...

MS. B. LARSON: ...Council people.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...pulled.

MS. B. LARSON: Excuse me?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: It has been pulled.

MS. B. LARSON: Okay. Excuse me. You took a vote and you did all those things, okay. Anyway, I would like a discussion on this because this is.., the way it's written up in the backup it's like it's a little mistake. Like, all these properties were transferred from the City to the Utility Department in 2004. When the Utility Department became a Special District. So that's, that's interesting itself, the timing, 2004, creation of the Special District and all these properties were transferred from the City of Riviera Beach to the Utility Department. Now, there were such things as, there was supposed to.., the

parcels that were transferred were supposed to contain wells or lift stations, which were essential to the operation of the City. Unfortunately, in a few of these cases, large multi-acre parcels were transferred that had nothing to do.., no lift station, no nothing. No utility equipment, nothing on them. There were parks transferred, fire stations, and even this complex, the City Municipal Complex. We've now had to retain a real estate attorney to transfer...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

MS. B. LARSON: What?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Making a comment.

MS. B. LARSON: I'm making a comment. Gosh. Alright. So now it says, the purpose of this Agenda is to transfer those properties back. Now here are the properties that were transferred to the Utility District in 2004, Barracuda Bay, Fire Station No. 2, Fire Station No. 3, the entire Municipal Complex, this complex. Wells Recreation Center, Dan Calloway Park, and Cunningham Park. Have nothing to do with the operation of the Utility Department. So, thinking, how would this happen? This can't.., absolutely cannot be an oversight for all these years and nobody noticed that all these properties were in the name of the Utility Department. So now I'm thinking maybe to become a Utility Depart', or Utility District, perhaps the District had to look like it owned property. Is that legal to do that in order to transfer that property to make it look like it's owned property and for a number of years.

So, now it's fast forward to 2015, now we don't need that because we have the Special Utility District. Now we're gonna transfer the properties back. So this is no little mistake. This is no little mistake. 2004, a lot of you were not on the Council. Somebody voted on this. Somebody has to vote to transfer properties. It can't just happen on its own by somebody in the Utility Department saying, 'Let's do this.' So, what happened? And, is that legal to do that? Is, is.., now I'm thinking, is the Utility District even legal because it doesn't own those properties. It never did. You just transferred it, maybe, to make it look like it did. So, this is looking not so good to me.

Um, and it's just, it's just written up in the backup as just a little housekeeping error. This is no housekeeping error because everybody along the way, since 2004...

[Beep]

MS. B. LARSON: ...everybody on the Council, everybody saw those properties didn't belong to Riviera Beach anymore.

Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Okay. Who's doing the presentation?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Good evening.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Good evening, sir.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Lou Aurigemma, Executive Director of the Utility District. Up on the screen we have, we have the, the City of Riviera Beach and, if you notice those orange parcels, those are the parcels that we're talking about this evening.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And, back in 2004 when the Utility District was created, there were 26 parcels that were deeded from the City to the Utility District. You get two deeds, one was a special warranty deed, one was a quit claim deed. Um, as part of that there were, there were smaller parcels that contain lift station and raw water wells but it also includes some of the larger parcels. And if we take a look at, at these parcels down in the lower left hand corner, you have Dan Calloway Park. Actually, on Dan Calloway Park in the southwest corner of that is one of our raw water wells.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: So, that is our utility structure. There re', remainder of the park, we don't need. We just need that little corner. Um, if you notice also, Barracuda Bay and Fire Station No. 2, we actually have a, a raw water well in between there with a pipe line. So, we're going to keep the raw water well but we're going to give back Barracuda Bay and Fire Station No. 2. Uh, Cunningham Park does not have a, a utility.., any utilities on it so we're giving the entire park back. Uh, with respect, up in the upper right had corner, Fire Station No. 3. We also have a million gallon storage tank and booster station on that property. So what we're doing is, carving out the Utility District infrastructure and we're deeding back the fire station.

And then we have the, uh, the Municipal Complex City Hall as well as Wells Recreation Center just to the south. On City Hall, the City Hall site that we're on, on right now, the western part of the site is the water treatment plan so that stays with the Utility District. City Hall, it comes back to the City. And then on the south side of Blue Heron Boulevard, in the corner, the northwest corner, we have a million gallon storage tank which will stay with the, the City, I mean, will stay with the Utility District and the remainder of Wells Recreation Center will be deeded back to, to the City. Uh, however, we will retain an easement, the utility easement on that because we actually have three water, raw water wells on that property. So, basically, that's the extent of what we're, you know, the.., what happened in 2004, I can't explain what happened but again, we see what happened and we're correcting what happened and, and giving the City back the property that's due to it.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: And I just wanted to see the, see a presentation on it. Kinda see what you're responsibilities went so it's up on the, or up on the purview. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Anyone else? Madam Clerk.

RESOLUTIONS

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: 2. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT RECONVEYING CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND TO THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE BOARD CHAIRPERSON AND DISTRICT CLERK TO EXECUTE THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS; FINDING THE PROPERTIES BEING RECONVEYED TO THE CITY ARE NOT NECESSARY TO THE OPERATION OF THE UTILITY DISTRICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Is there a motion?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: So move.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Second?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Madam Clerk.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Thomas?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Miller-Anderson?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. That's the end of the Consent Agenda.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Awards and Presentations. None tonight.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Public Hearings. None.

REGULAR AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Regular Agenda. Item 3.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: **3. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT AND CHEN MOORE AND ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BOULEVARD PHASE C IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY $81,486 FROM ACCOUNT NO. 413-1438-535-0-6558; AND AUTHORIZING THE UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRPERSON AND DISTRICT CLERK TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NUMBER ONE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a motion?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: So move.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Mr. Aurigemma.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Thank you. Um, in 2013, the City issued an RFQ 8380-13 for engineering services on the FDOT project which was, MLK Boulevard Phase C which ran from, which runs from Australian Boulevard to Old Dixie Highway. As a matter of fact, at the last City Council meeting you received a presentation from the FDOT kind of explaining that whole thing. So, back in 2013, uh, Chen Moore was selected through the CCNA process, the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act process and they were selected as the most qualified engineer to do the water and sewer work for MLK, the MLK Boulevard Project.

So, with that, they went through the design, the project was bid and back a few months ago, the Utility District Board authorized approximately $1.4 million for that project. I th', I believe that was the number. And so, now we're at a point where construction is about

ready to start. It'll start in January of 2016 and, uh, the first part of the contract was for the design. And so now we need some construction administration for this project. This is for our water and sewer lines and since Chen Moore is the engineer of record, they need to provide that, those services to us. So, that, that is what is before you and Utility District's Staff recommends approval.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Any comments?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, ma'am.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Just thinking back, if my memory serves me correct, they were not ranked No. 1, correct?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: No. This is, this was a separate RFQ. That had noth'.., that, that was a continuing contract. That was separate. We went out with a different RFQ...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...and actually Chen Moore was ranked No. 1 on this particular RFQ.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: For this particular [inaudible].

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah. This, this was for this project only. They, they were not doing any other projects. They were just focused on MLK Phase C.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Alright. Thanks.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Anyone else? Alright. Madam Clerk.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Thomas?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Miller-Anderson?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Item 4.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: 4. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH P.J.'S LAND CLEARING & EXCAVATING, INC. OF LAKE WORTH, FL BY PIGGY-BACKING ON THEIR CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $49,500 FOR LIME SLUDGE HAULING SERVICES AT THE UTILITY DISTRICT'S WATER TREATMENT PLANT; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON AND DISTRICT CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY THIS AMOUNT FROM ACCOUNT NO. 411-1437-533-0-5208; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Is there a motion?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: So move.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Mr. Aurigemma.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay. Thank you. The Utility District is in need of a contractor to remove a byproduct of the water treatment process which is lime sludge and it piles up occasionally in the back. And, with our previous contract, which has expired, we were able to remove all the lime sludge that was in the back and that was.., we, we had some lime sludge there that was hanging around for about 20 years, believe it or not. And it was, it was a mountain. We finally got rid of that, we cleared the whole back out and we been, you know, we been, been able to manage stuff for the last six (6) months or so but now it's come to a point where we need to have some of that lime sludge removed approximately, ten thousand cubic yards and we were able to find a contract with the City of Lake Worth that that they had properly bid. And basically it was for.., the, the amount is not to exceed $49,500 and we've gone through all, all our due diligence for that and so Utility District Staff recommend approval of this contract.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Are there any comments? [Pause]. Okay. Madam Clerk.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Thomas?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Miller-Anderson?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Davis?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Item 5.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: 5. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE ITEMS FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLAN AIR STRIPPING TOWERS UTILITY THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH SOLE SOURCE/EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE FROM JACOBS AIR WATER SYSTEMS; AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON AND DISTRICT CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT FINANCE DIRECTOR TO PAY THIS AMOUNT FROM ACCOUNT NO. 411-1437-533-0-5208; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Do we have a motion?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: So move.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Sir.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Thank you. At the water treatment plant, we have four towers and those four towers are air stripping towers and basically, the reason they were built is that back in the late 1990's, the EPA, the Environmental Protection Agency, identified a super fund site. It was for Trans Circuits also known as Solitron. And it actually affected the, the City's water supply and they had to abandon a raw water well and they built a new raw water well in 2004. But also, as part of this

process, they built these air stripper towers which were to take the contaminants out of the water. And what happens is, the, the stuff inside that removes the contamination, after a while, it gets clogged up with the minerals from the water et cetera and it has to be changed out. And it probably shoulda been changed out about a year or so ago. It doesn't adversely affect the quality of the water but it just needs to.., it, it, it just.., the process of water going through.., it just goes through a little bit slower.

So, we want to clean up those water towers. The EPA is still monitoring everything at the Solitron site which is on the.., their, their monitoring stations is on the south side of Blue Heron near.., just south of, I believe, it's Avenue O. And they're continuing with that. They, they give us a report every six (6) months. That report.., I receive the reports but it's also in the library. And as part of that, they probably will monitor at least for another five (5) years because they wanna make sure that there are no contaminants in the water. But, in the meantime, we need to change out the, the packing inside these air stripper towers. And, and it's a pretty expensive proposition. It'll be about, I believe it's $478,000. I, I don't remember the exact number but it's, it's the backup.

And so, it is a sole source because there are not many firms that do this type of stuff. There are not very many water plants that have this type of equipment at their water plants. So, that's, that's what we're recommending this evening and if there's any questions, be willing to answer them.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Any'...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...thing from the Board?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Ma'am.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Madam Chair. One.., in the No. 5 for the Resolution, it doesn't have that amount listed on the Agenda but on the backup it is in the Resolution.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Oh, there it is [inaudible]...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: The $428,000.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: [Inaudible].

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: It is not listed in that.., on the Agenda part of it for the Resolution.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY RYAN: Oh yeah. The title of the Resolution. It should be.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Huh.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY RYAN: In the title...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY RYAN: ...of the Resolution.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Right.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. It's under whereas.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: So, it doesn't say what that...

DISTRICT ATTORNEY RYAN: Oh, no. It's in the title.

CITY MANAGER JONES: It's in the title.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Where?

CITY MANAGER JONES: It doesn't appear on the Agenda...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: I'm talking about the Agenda.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: The Agenda.

CITY MANAGER JONES: But it's on the Resolution.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: It just says to, pay this amount.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah? It's gonna stay like that?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well on the back...

CITY MANAGER JONES: [Inaudible] paper...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: On the paper...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: The Resolution's in.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah. I see it on the Resolution. I see it...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: That's the only...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...thing it really goes on.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. That's [inaudible].

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. I'm just saying, it's, it would be nice to have the amount in there as well. The other thing, I know.., you said that.., so this company is the only company around that...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Well...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: ...you know of? That you've searched for? Or you...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: No. They are the original constructors of this...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...unit.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And, and basically, it's, it's their stuff. No one could really come in and, you know, put in the sa'.., they don't have the same equipment. There are other companies that do it but this is a sole source because of what we have.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: If, if another company came in, they'd wanna knock down all the towers and put up brand new towers.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: This is just to.., it, it's like, uh, looking at a vehicle, taking a, a foreign car and a domestic car and trying to exchange parts. You just can't do it.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Mhmm.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right. Excuse me one second. Let the record reflect that Councilman Guyton is now on the dais. Okay. Continue, sir or whomever. Do you have any more questions, ma'am?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: That's it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Anyone else?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mr. Aurigemma, in your presentation, as I was listening to you speak, I didn't hear where, if I did miss it, please correct me, where this was something that was a must do. It's just a, something that is a typical maintenance issue that you are asking us to do at this time or?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Well, this is just, you know, take your...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Is there a major demand for this at this moment? That's my [inaudible].

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Well, it, it's to err on the side of caution because, again, the EPA is still monitoring the, the raw water in our area.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And, this was all part of it back in the late 1990s when, you know, this Solitron site came through. So, uh, you know, I could flip a coin as to whether we need it or not but I'd rather err on the side of safety and say, 'You know what? This is our water supply. Let.., let's do it now. If at sometime in the future, EPA says, 'Hey, you don't need this anymore,' okay, we'll, we'll make a decision at that particular time but, as of right now, the EPA is still monitoring. Even though the contaminants have leveled off to a, a level that is very difficult to measure, you know, I'm still concerned about that. I, I don't want something slipping through the cracks, so to speak. So, that's why we're doing this.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: So what, in particular, drew a concern to you?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Well, it, it's just that the, the EPA is still monitoring it and, and as long as the EPA says that they're putting money into this site for the testing, I'm concerned about it.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: So, I don't wanna go against anything they say. And, again, it's part of.., because the, you know, there's, there's a lot of water that goes through these air stripper towers and...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...you know, after a while, they, they only have a certain useful life and it's time to change 'em out.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Here's, here's my concern. While I do support the environment and the quality of life in the water supply as we focus on that, it's just that when you're requesting to spend this type of money, um, which I will have no problem supporting, I'd like to hear on, on the other side saying, 'Hey, you know, this, this is the concern.' Cause right now we're just kinda spending almost a half a million dollars on something that we're not sure if we're even gonna need it at this time.

So, I just wanna kinda hear from, from my colleagues on the Board, did.., are you hearing the same thing I'm hearing or?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: I just kinda wanna get, get some feedback form the Board at this time. That's all.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Well, I'll give you my feedback. You know, as someone who lives here and who pays water and relies on the water, um, I wanna make sure that there's, you know, no contaminants in the water and I think we owe it to the residents in the City to make sure that there's no contaminants in the water. So, if EPA is still monitoring us, there's still some kind of concern and I think we owe it to everyone in this City who receives water from us, to make sure that the water that they're receiving is pure of, um, is pure and doesn't have, you know, any contaminants in it.

And, Mr. Aurigemma, is this in the budget?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: It's been budgeted. So, you know, I'm all about safety and if I have to put the water in my body or on my body, I wanna make sure that it's pure, clean water.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Thank you. Mr. Aurigemma?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Anyone else?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yeah. Go ahead.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mr. Aurigemma, while I do feel the same way, I have still yet to hear where the EPA has showed some serious concerns, or any report, any documentation that's being provided before us, to show that we need to be concerned about this matter. That's what I'm stating on, where's the documentation to specify this concern that the EPA has yet to give us? So yes, they're here monitoring it but what exactly is the EPA saying to us?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Well...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Or what do we have in writing?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: The EPA declared the Solitron a super fund site.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Correct.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Which meants, meant that it had contamination. It contaminated the, the ground water.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Correct.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And then as part of that, this is back in the, the late 1990s, what they said is, 'You have raw water well that's contaminated...'

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: 'We gotta get rid of that. We have to abandon it. We will build you another one.'

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And they did build us another one. That's well No. 2004. That was completed in 2005.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: In addition to that, these water towers, these air stripper water towers were, were built.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And basically, all the raw water wells, all the raw water that comes through our system, goes through those air stripper towers first to remove the contaminants that are there. Then it goes into the water treatment process and, you know, then eventually, you know, it, it gets chlorine disinfected and, and it eventually gets into the distribution system.

But the main reason was because the EPA identified an EPA super fund site in Riviera Beach.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Uhuh.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And, when the super fund site is identified, it's serious business. So, they have set up a monitoring system which is just on the south side of, uh, Blue Heron Boulevard and, to this day, they are still monitoring that, that, uh, that, that plume of, of water to make sure that it doesn't spread to our other wells. And, though they have contained it...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...they wanna make sure that they are more than 100% sure that that thing is not going or it's disappeared.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: So that's why they're still... You know, they, they say, 'Yeah. We, we could possibly stop monitoring but, you know what, we wanna be safe and monitor it at least a couple more years.' And, and...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...and that's what I'm expecting. Probably still another five years down the road before they stop. And, I don't want to take the chance and, and do something with our.., or not do something to our water supply...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...uh, as it's coming in.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Thank you. I appreciate that. So, when was the last time the EPA, uh, given us any report sho'.., stating the status of what they've been doing as they've been monitoring our facility?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: They, they give us [stammer], reports twice a year.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: It's in May and November of each year.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: So, we...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: I have not seen the May, I mean the November 2015 report yet. It'll be coming...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...shortly. But the last one was in May. And...

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Could you bring that before this Board for a presentation?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: I can.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Please do.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: I'm done. Thank you.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, sir.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: And, I concur as long as the EPA is monitoring, um, that's an indication to me that they still have some concern.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Mhmm.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: And if they have some concern, I have some concern because it goes to the health and welfare of our residents. If we take that chance and not continue to provide the quality of water and the resources needed to guarantee that, should something happen, it could be a catastrophe. I would rather make sure that the water is of good quality and not contaminated. And the only thing that will make me feel comfortable, is when EPA say, that there's no need to monitor anymore. And until that time, I think that we should do what we need to do to ensure that our residents get the quality, uncontaminated water.

Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you, sir. Anyone else? Okay. Madam Clerk.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Thomas?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Miller-Anderson?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Guyton?

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you.

END OF REGULAR AGENDA

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: That's the end of consent Agenda.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - Non Agenda Item Speakers (Three Minute Limitation)

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CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No public comments.

DISCUSSION BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE UTILITY SPECIAL DISTRICT OR THE CITY MANAGER

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Item 6.

6. SERIES 2016 UTILITY DISTRICT REVENUE BONDS FUNDING FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS AND THE USD PORTION OF CITY STREET PROJECTS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: At the last Utility District Board meeting, you asked me to provide a presentation on our capital improvement program. So, some of these slides you've seen in the past and I'll go through them very quickly and then I'll, I'll concentrate on, uh, basically the, the road work that, that's happening in, in each of your districts.

So, as we talked about, water is our most valuable resource on our planet. Infrastructure, out of sight, out of mind. You know, we had some pipes, we have some, uh...

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Excuse me, Madam Chair. Could you go back to that first... Are, are...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: This one?

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Were, were those from current removals?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah. The, those pipes.., actually, there was two sets of pipe. One is in the front and one is in the back. That pipe is from Lift Station 50 which is our master lift station that sends our, our sewage to the ECR. And then there was another pipe that, that's in the background.., or actually, it's just below that pipe on the, on the right which was from Lift Station 10 which is the master lift station on the Island that sends the sewage to the mainland.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: So, how long ago were, were those removed?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Those were removed about, uh, roughly two years ago.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: So that's fairly current?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yes, sir.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: And, in my mind, there's a possibility that there could be others in that same condition that we are unaware of.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: That, that is, that is correct. We are currently, uh, a contract has been let for Lift Stations 10 and 50 so I'll give an update in a few minutes on...

BOARD MEMBER GUYTON: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ... on those two lift stations. But...

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Yeah. I just wanted the, the date of those...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Sure.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: ...to see if they were current. Okay. Thank you.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: How old are those pipes? Do you know offhand?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: I'm gonna say they're probably 30 years old. At least 30 years old. Now, what you also have to remember is that what's going through there is, is sewage.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And sewage is very, very corrosive. Uh, develops some, uh, sulfuric acid, gases and, basically, that eats away the pipe and...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...uh...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Go ahead. Thank you.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And, and then we have various raw water wells, pump stations. That's the inside of a lift station. Go through that real quick. This is our, our laterals, our sanitary sewer system. This is what happens to some of our sanitary sewers, where they get roots in it and, and so on. So, that, that's part of our infrastructure. And back in 2013, we went through and we did a very Comprehensive Water, Wastewater Master Plan that identified $215,000,000 worth of improvements to the system over 20 years. And that was in 2013 dollars. Again, the Master Plan is a living document. There will be change to it as we go along. We have a utility that's 58 years old and counting and is in dire need of, of repair, of rehabilitation and modernization. And there are many parts of the infrastructure that are at or near the end of its useful life. And again, this was a 20 year planning item.

At the, at my last time I presented this, I identify some urgent and high priority, uh, needs that we had at the Utility District. And on the, on, on both of the next slides you'll see miscellaneous water main infrastructure and I'll be talking about those projects in a few minutes. We also have a need for new raw water wells A and B and that is for, per our South Florida Water Management District Consumptive Use Permit. We have a couple of lime slackers and lime slurry system replacement. That's part of the water

treatment process. We have a 16" water main crossing the intracoastal and we need to replace our water plan generators. And just those projects alone are $14.6 million.

On the wastewater side, again, we have the Public Works bond projects that I'll talk about in a couple minutes. And then we have Lift Station 47 rehabil'.., actually, it'll be the replacement of and that is the, the master station on the west side of the City that takes wastewater from all the western communities and the VA Hospital and sends it to the ECR for treatment. In addition to that, we also have a, a second force main that we have to put across the intracoastal. That's for redundancy from Lift Station 10 in case something happens we don't need anymore problems, environmental problems. And then we have approximately 40 lift stations throughout the City that will be rehabbed and brought up to date.

So now we'll move into the roadway projects. This is just a map of the City that's identifying the roadways that will be rebuilt with stormwater, water and sewer. And, uh, it is my understanding that Mr. Johnson, Brynt Johnson, our Public Works Director has spoken to each of you and your districts to identify these projects. So this is Phase 1 and this is Phase 2.

So now I'll just go into each district. And so, in District 1, basically it's the Monroe Heights area that is going to be rebuilt. And then there's a little piece over on West 23rd Street. That's west of Avenue S, that's actually being constructed as we speak. We had some funding for that so we're going through with that. In Phase 2, we have Avenue T being rebuilt and then portions of West 31st Street to West 37th Street, west of Avenue S being rebuilt. In addition to that, you also have Avenue H West which is within, uh, within District 1. So that, uh, that's the Phase 2.

Uh, District 2, in Phase 1 you have Avenue H East that's being rebuilt with a couple of small streets down on the south end, uh, just, just south of Blue Heron Boulevard. I believe, it's 20th, 21st and Avenue G down in that area. And then in Phase 2, Avenue H West will be rebuilt as part of that.

When we go to Phase 3, I mean District 3, excuse me, we're, we're handling everything south of Blue Heron along the Avenue S corridor and it expands down into Avenue U and T, all the way down to MLK. So, as you can see, that purple marking on that side. And then in addition to that, there's a, a couple of streets that are south of MLK Boulevard just west of Old Dixie Highway. There's a few in there that needs some drainage water and sewer improvements.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Ms.., Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Yes, sir.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Mr. Aurigemma, I don't, I don't quite have my, my glasses on. The, the, not the purple but the blue, what, what is that that we're looking at. Not the purple. Come over to the left.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: The left.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Right. Not the purple...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Is there...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...but the...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...blue?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...blue.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Where?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. The light blue, water blue, pastel color type. Yeah. Right there.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right there? That's a canal.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. So, all of those are canals? Everything that's in blue is canal?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Uh, yes. All, all those, uh, all these right in here? Yes. These are all canals.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. Right there. Right there.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah. Uhuh.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: That's a canal there?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah. That's a canal.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Is that, is that the one that runs over by Dan Calloway?

UNK: Mm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Uh, yeah. See this, uh, uh.., let's see. Where's my... Okay. This railroad track right here...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Mhmm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Dan Calloway Park is right here.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. So...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right where that arrow...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...that is the canal that runs there and that's the canal that runs...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: There's one that runs right through it. Or just...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Right.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...just to the north of it.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Right.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Dan Calloway Park is right where that arrow is.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. So I wanna come over west. So, come up to Avenue R.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Avenue...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Avenue R.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right here.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. That...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yes.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: So, that, that's all s'.., what is the, uh, what is the road that.., I thought that was Avenue R that runs right along the, uh, the public services building there. What is that road?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Oh. You, you're.., this Avenue R?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: No.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: This...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: I, I'm just trying to make su'...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: The public services building is right where the arrow is right now.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. So, both of those roads are Avenue R?

CITY MANAGER JONES: Yeah.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yep.

[Inaudible comments]

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: How did we do that? [Chuckles]

UNK: [Inaudible] both of 'em.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: I've never heard of that before. So we got two Avenue R's that run adjacent?

CITY MANAGER JONES: Yep.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yes.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Wow.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: I'll, I'll show you on the next sketch.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: You're gonna show me more about it cause I, I wanna ask questions about...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Well, wha'.., this is Phase 1 that's being done. In Phase 2, the, the portion of Avenue R by the public services building will be rebuilt.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Right. But I'm more concerned, I'm concerned about that Avenue R but I really wanna talk about the other Avenue R.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay. This one right here?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Right. I'm, I'm really shocked that we have two Avenue R's that run adjacent like that. Okay. Anyhow, let's call this Avenue R West.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay. Fine.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Maybe we should name it Avenue R West. That road there, all the way down that will make it run into.., that's like a.., it's not a point. It's like a curve.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: You know, if you go down the, the West 11th, that whole entire road is.., and that's why I put it on there to, to get done but what I'm, I'm

more concerned about is making sure that that is going to get done in the first phase and that we're gonna do something with the traffic to, you know, to slow the traffic down, coming around that curve.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: The, the resident that lives right where the tip of that 11...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...right at the tip, they have some issues getting in and out of there because it's no stop signs, there's no, um, speed humps or anything like that. So, she is nervous trying to get out of there. I wanna make sure that we...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay. I will, I will talk to Mr. Johnson about that, Mr. Brynt Johnson, about that. I, I'm, I'm dealing with the water and sewer infrastructure but, by the same token, I can pass that on to Mr. Johnson to...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Right.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...let him know...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: So let's get...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...what's ha'...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...to the other part of the other issue that she's having. That water just sits right there in her...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...in her driveway and it tears up the...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right. And that wo'...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ....asphalt.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...and that would be part of the storm drainage...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Right.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...that's being put in with the, the stormwater utility. So...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: We are doing that at this, this...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: That's my understanding.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Got it.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: And, and I'll, I'll touch base with Mr. Johnson just to make sure that.., because these, these projects are under design right now. So I...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Understood.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...I'll just mention the Avenue R West and 11th Street to just tell him that's...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Right. Right...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...in that...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: There's a...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...right in that curve.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: There's a storm drainage problem right there and also with the curve. So...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...uh, we, we can.., I'll, I'll, I'll pass that on to him and let him know.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: And, and I musta missed that street, what is it 18th? Help me figure out the corner, if you come down by where Peter Pumpkin meets that street, it goes.., that Peter Pumpk'.., well, it's not Peter Pumpkin anymore but, when I went to it, it was Peter Pumpkin.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: And it goes right there to Avenue S. It's the street that comes off of [inaudible]...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Oh. This one right here?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Is that the street?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Uh, that is a street and that goes right by the.., I think that was rebuilt. When...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: No. This...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...the schools were, were built...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Yeah. This, is street is not rebui'... That's what I'm.., I, I don't know...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...how I missed that. I thought I put 'em all on but...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: The.., I just wanna make sure, is, is that the.., what is the street that comes.., it's right there at the stop sign. Peter Pumpkin is on it and it meets.., it runs into Avenue S. If you go all the way down, it's gonna dead-end, of course, at the canal but it...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right. Well, right, right at 15th Street, that's where...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Is that 15th?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...the... Yeah. That.., right, right here, where the arrow is, that's where the Avenue S "T"... Oop. Wrong, sorry. That, that's where Avenue S ends. It comes to a "T".

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. So the park, the street is on, I think that's 18th. Obviously I missed that some type of way. Is, was that street already done or?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Uh, I...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Why is it not?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...I don't know but I'll, I'll inquire with Mr. Johnson and...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...and find out.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Alright. No problem.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay? And so, on to Phase 2. We have Avenue R from blue Heron to 13th Street. That adjacent.., the, the public, uh, the new public services building is, is right here. So, that, that street adjacent to it, and then there's some other streets on, uh, off Australian, south of MLK Boulevard, 4th Street, 3rd, 2nd and 1st. They're doing some of those. So that's District 3.

Now, we go to District 4. We have two sets of streets. One in Phase 1, one in Phase 2. So, this entire neighborhood of, of Singer Drive, Powell Drive, Morris Boulevard are all being done in Phase 1. And then Phase 2 includes uh, includes the, the subdivision to the north which is Coral Way, Coral Way, Dolphin Road, Emerald Drive and Fairview Lane.

So, that pretty much handles all the roadway projects in, in each district. Now, if I can go through.., in our backup we also have sheets for all the other smaller projects. I can go through those if you'd like. And if not, for the sake of time, I mean, it is on the website and I'll leave it up to you. I can answer questions. It's your call, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Does anyone have any questions for Mr. Aurigemma? [Pause]. Okay. We're good.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Thank you.

7. EAST CENTRAL REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT (ECR) UPDATE

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Item 7.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Just...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ECR.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ECR. Okay. In front of you, you have an update on ECR. We're approximately 12% through the project. And, it's, it's moving along like gangbusters. It's, it's really exciting to watch this wastewater treatment, the biosolids project being built. So, we had not had our Board meeting yet. It is this Wednesday and I, I believe an Agenda's also been placed on, uh, on, on the dais. And, if you look at the Agenda, there's really not much on it. It's just normal business of the wastewater treatment plan. And, you know, so far there's been just one small change order of about $8,000 and it had to do with the building of a, a temporary road that wasn't part of the original project. So, thus far, out of the $92,000,000, the $8,000 is a very small percentage, under 1%. So, uh, we're doing very well on that and we, we, we keep track of that on a monthly basis and [stammer] that's a project that's going very well.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Any questions? Alright.

8. LIFT STATIONS 10 AND 50 UPDATE

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Item 8.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Lift Station 10 and 50 update. Lift Station 10 was supposed to be the road, uh, Park Avenue was supposed to be closed during the month of December but they ran into some problems with, uh, some of the construction. They have to put in some auger cast piles for the Lift Station. They have to dig.., drill some holes and, and put some piles so that they can hold the... Be'.., because it's all muck land, uh, because the Island has been built on reclaimed, they have to set some piles into the ground to support the weight of the Lift Station and they been ha'.., the contractor's been having some problems getting that done and we told him, 'Until you're ready, we're not shutting the road down.' So, more than likely, the road won't be shut down 'til after the 1st of the year only because with the holidays coming, it doesn't make sense to start and then stop and then start again. So... Yes, ma'am.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. I have a question regarding that. Is that the reason why the generators are in the street and not on the, you know, the grassy part?

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: I, I believe we just moved those generators onto the grassy part.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: No? Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I drove by on my way to the...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...City today.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah. Those are, those are bypass pumps for the, uh, the Lift Station. And, unfortunately, we need those because, I...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No. I...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...understand.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Yeah.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: But I was just wondering if they could just move them because right now they're in the street and that street is narrow to begin with.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Right.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: And it's, it's very difficult for two cars to pass.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: So, you know, if possible, if they could just put it on the little, you know, grass strip. If they can't, that's fine but, uh...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: We'.., we'll look...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I'd like...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: ...in...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...to know, you know, if they can't do it, why they...

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...can't do it.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay. We'll look into that tomorrow and but that's a good suggestion and we'll, we'll get it done.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: I was just curious. Okay.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay? And then, Lift Station 50, progress is moving on the foundations. They're, they're forming up the foundations for the building and the, uh, the pump pad, the emergency generator and we hope that they have some concrete being poured there by the end of the month. So, anyway, things are moving well with that and, again, I'll keep on giving you progress reports on a monthly basis.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Any questions? [Pause]. Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: 8A.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay. Our next Utility District Board meeting is in January, 2016. The third Monday of the month happens to be the MLK

holiday so we can't really meet on that day. And, I was looking for an alternative date. Right now, my Utility District Board meeting for January looks relatively light. I think it could probably be done in a half hour, you know, even though I have a couple of Items but, uh, I, I think I can do it in a half hour. And, uh, it, you know, I'll, I'll leave it up to the Board whether they wanna do it in conjunction with a City Council meeting or if they just wanna pick another date.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Would you like us to poll the Board and find out?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Why don't you poll the Board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AURIGEMMA: Okay. I will do that.

STATEMENTS BY THE DISTRICT BOARD

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay? Alright. Statements.., wait, where are we now? Okay. Statements by the District Board.

9. USD BOARD OF DIRECTOR DISCUSSION OF MONTHLY STIPEND

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Item 9.

UNK: [Inaudible background comment].

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: We don't have any comment cards.

UNK: Great.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. So, Item 9 is the Board of Directors discussion on the monthly stipend. [Pause]. Okay. Someone brought this up. I think you, Ms. Miller-Anderson. Did you wanna [stammer], didn't you ask to put this on the Agenda?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: I thought I remember asking and was told that I couldn't but I was happy to see it was here. Um, well, you know, my concern has been for a while now that our meetings for the Utility District are only averaging about an hour, um, and we know we had the monthly stipend of $1,000 because of the need to possibly discuss items that may make the meetings much longer than we had time for during our regular City meetings.

I wanna know, is this something that we need to continue. I know Aurigemma, Mr. Aurigemma just said a few minutes ago that, for the January meeting, he's thinking it would maybe only take about 30 minutes. So, I mean, I'm seeing a pattern of the meetings being only maybe an hour or 30 minutes to an hour whereas when we, when

this was first brought up, it was because we had so many pressing things that would possibly take a longer amount time that may make our regular meetings start too late. So I'm asking my colleagues, is this something, regarding the stipend, that you all need to continue to receive. And I say you all because, you know, as you know, I don't get it. But, I will like to know, is this still worth us continuing to have when we're not having a very long meeting when it comes to these Utility District meetings?

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible]. Um, yeah. Well, welcome, Mayor.

MAYOR MASTERS: Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you for joining us.

MAYOR MASTERS: Glad to be here. I'm only here for this one Item.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go right ahead, sir.

MAYOR MASTERS: I can tell you, as I move around the City, from the west to the east, midtown. I was in the area behind Publix a couple days ago for three or four days and we're going around this entire City and I have to tell you that I cannot find one person, not one, who supports the $12,000 raise. I believe that if we, as elected officials are representatives of the people and if we believe that we are to represent the people, then we must listen to the voices of the people.

As Abraham Lincoln said, 'Government by the People, of the People, for the People.' And I can tell you, the feeling of a super majority... Well, more than that because I haven't found one that says, 'That's a great thing. Ya'll keep it.' Every single person that I have spoken to, and Councilperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson.., I said it faster tonight, right? Ms. Anderson is totally right and on point.

The other point I wanna makes is this, two points. As you know, Boca Raton tried it, they wanted to triple their, double or triple their salaries [chuckle] and it.., you know how that turned out. It was just.., turned out to be a dis'.., total disaster. They said, 'Well, Riviera Beach raised theirs, we need to do ours,' and it was totally rejected. And I just wanna say to, to the constituents, I did not reject the stipend because I didn't need it, I need it as much as anyone up here. I rejected it because I thought that, based upon the Charter, and I all I know it's just, the Utilities thing doesn't come under the Charter but the principal should remain the same. The Charter should be the guiding light for we, elected officials, whether we're acting as the Utility Board or whether we're acting as a City Council. It is clear.., and it is a salary. You can call it

whatever you want, that we cannot set that ourselves, that it has to be something done by referendum vote of the people. That is why I was out on this, day one, and said that this ought to be rejected, uh, in its totality because it did not rise to the level of the Charter and, if it did, it would be in opposition to the Charter, that I'm governed by and by every elected official.

So, at this time, Madam Chair, I would ask for a motion by someone on this Council, to do away with it, reverse it. It's not what the people want and give the people what they want. And, reject it in its totality.

Thank you, Madam Chair. I am done.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Well, thank you.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you for joining us. Okay.

MAYOR MASTERS: You're welcome.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mr. Guyton.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Thank you. This has been a very delicate issue in the community, and understandably so. There have [sic] those who have tried to make this a political issue which I don't think it should be. We've been compared to communities that do not sit as the CRA, they do not sit as the Utility Board and, in addition, this Board sit as the Council. Notwithstanding that, the Mayor, and I respect his position, does not sit on our CRA.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible].

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: He does not come to these meetings until there's a controversy or issue and our Council meetings sometimes, um, there are times when we're dealing with budgets when the Mayor's not there. My point being, the Mayor's not, in my opinion, giving up much because he doesn't attend these meetings.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible]...

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Anyway.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...[inaudible].

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: So, but let me.., hey, Walt, would you put that form up on the screen for me? There has been this effort to only point out that the Mayor and KaShamba rejected that. You see what they say? Bruce Guyton rejected it when it first came out. I don't try to politicize it. I don't try to throw my colleagues under the

bus because, for me, I think that some of the people up here it's warranted. I mean, some people actually read their materials. They, they do their homework and they come here and they put in a lot of time. Never have I said once, or try to use this as a political issue to gain political favor. Walt, you can take it down.

When it came out, I rejected it. Not because it wasn't warranted. Because, like I said, there are people up here who actually go above and beyond and I think it's warranted for them. Those who do not attend meetings, those who try to politicize these issues, I don't think it's warranted for them. I'm fortunate that, you know, if, if I'm going to take a position, I'm gonna be a man and I'm gonna stand up for it. I'm not gonna try to politicize, I'm not gonna try to make somebody else look bad that the expense of my position and I think that's what's going on here. If somebody didn't want it, all they have to do is reject it. Why do you keep trying to make a political issue out of it? You tell the people, 'I rejected it,' that's my position and keep moving. But to keep bringing it to this Board and I want a motion and I want this and I want.., I, I, I'm, I just don't have time for that politicizing these issues at a political time.

So, it is my hope that people are, are judged based on their performance, cause some do work harder up here than others and, and if they people have a problem, then, then vote your conviction. But, like I said before, one thing that I have noticed is that we're not getting a quality pool of candidates. And we, as a community, have begun to expect that if we serve as a Councilperson or an elected official, there should be no, I guess, monetary compensation. For, for those who feel that way, look at the people who are qualifying to run now. I'm looking at 'em and I haven't seen any that have any municipal government experience. This is a job people.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: [Sigh]. [Inaudible].

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: If we want people who are qualified to step up, at some point it's gonna have to be some level of incentive and it is hurting our community because the people that get elect or elected, get up here and they kow-tow to a few people in the community that they think can help get them elected. I'm not gonna do that. That's not me, never has been me and never will be me. But if we're gonna take our City to another level, this is a job. We need people with experience and hopefully an education. You can.., some people get offended by that, think that people are arrogant or they're this but any job, the first thing that people look at, your experience and your education. This is no different. And if we're gonna get quality people to run, at some point we, as a community, are gonna have to realize that, yeah, there's gonna have to be an incentive.

I didn't take it. But that isn't to say that I don't think others up here shouldn't or should. But, it's my hope that we, as a community, understand that one, for us to get quality candidates, we're gonna have to do more and offer more. People don't want to deal with that. This is not something like a boys and girls club board. This is something where people come and get personally attacked and ridiculed on a regular basis. People who have real jobs don't put themselves out to this type of ridicule, thereby

eliminating that expertise that they can bring to this dais. They're telling me, 'It's not worth it, Bruce.' For what? It's not worth it to them. People don't wanna hear this. People.., sometimes they get a little beside themselves when, when I start telling how I really feel, that's always been me.

We need quality people on this dais and we don't always get it. And with deal with complex issues that sometimes it's difficult to navigate through. And that's because of the quality of the experience and education that we, as a community, elect.

So, I'm done, Madam Chair. I did not take it. The Mayor knew I did not take it. KaShamba knew I did not take it. People have done public records requests and found out that I did not take it but that is, that's the silent secret. Let's throw everybody under the bus. I'm not going that route.

Thank you, Madam Chair. I'm done.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Thank you. We have one public comment card. Bonnie Larson.

MS. B. LARSON: Bonnie Larson. Mr. Guyton, just for the record, I did.., I was one of the ones who requested the list of people who denied or rejected the $12,000. I was offered a blank sheet. I was never goffered what I asked for which was the signed sheet from the people who said they didn't want to take it. And you said that we're not gonna get quality peop.., we're not getting quality people because they have to have municipal experience. A lot of the people on the Board right now, and in previous Boards, have never had municipal experience and it's a huge difference between municipalities and working for the private sector. I can tell you that. I was just astounded. I was also astounded the first time that I heard that Riviera Beach was both the CRA and the Council Members, the same people. I was astounded at that because I didn't know. I looked into it and yes, many, many.., most communities have the same Board. That's surprising to me.

I saw that request for Boca Raton. They wanted to triple their, their salary but they were only making $7,000 to begin with so, I don't know what happened there but they were only making $7,000.

You said that, um, some, some people on the Board actually read the backup. I'm kinda hoping that everybody reads the backup. It doesn't always seem that way to me because I can find a lot of things here and I'm like, 'What are these people thinking? Don't they see right here?' I mean, just like we had tonight, how does all that property get transferred and it takes like, 11, 12 years for someone to figure out that, that Riviera Beach property is now in the Utility District and now we're just discovering now, 11, 12 years later that it needs to come back. I mean, those peo'.., they're heads woulda been rolling. The minute they transferred that property, their heads woulda been rolling in the private sector. Not so on the Council.

Okay. The Resolution that's in there now, it doesn't address certain things such as absenteeism, late arrivals or non-participation. Doesn't address those things. So what happens then? So let's say two people are out, do they still get their $1,000? They should not because this is $1,000 for a one hour meeting and I was surprised too, when I read, when I first read about this it was called a stipend and I was saying, 'You know, if you're making $20,000 and you're increasing it by $12,000, that, that's more than a stipend. A stipend is like a little thank.., a little monetary, little monetary thank you, is what a stipend is. It's not $12,000. Palm Beach Post had an article and they answered my question because they said if it's called a raise, it has to go to the people.

MAYOR MASTERS: Mhmm.

MS.B. LARSON: If you call it a stipend, it doesn't have to go to the people. So, as Mr., um, Mayor Masters said, how many people in the City really appreciate the fact that now the salary has gone up...

MAYOR MASTERS: Nobody.

MS.B. LARSON: ...by that much money? And, well, lot more points but, it.., I'm just surprised when you said a lot of people don't read the back but, then again, I'm not surprised. Because that is your job. $20,000 plus 12, that's $32,000 plus the ben'.., best benefits one can imagine. All these things for what is supposed to be a part-time job. Now, you say we're not gonna get the business people. That's right. Meetings start at 5:30. You have maybe an event you need to go to during the day or something or you want to go to during... Business pe'.., you can't take time off and say, 'You know, I gotta go to a Riviera Beach City Council meeting.' You can't do that if you're a business person. You just can't. You, you get up, you get up, you get to work at 7:30, 8:00 in the morning, you work and then you, you come to a meeting here, you... You just can't do it if you're a business person. And business people read their documents, hopefully. And they have good questions and they bring out points which are.., doesn't always happen here.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

MS. B. LARSON: So, I don't think money is going to do it.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Right.

MS.B. LARSON: Money's gonna bring in every kind of person, like you said, everybody...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

MS. B. LARSON: ...is gonna want that money. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Thank you. Alright. Anyone else?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Go ahead, sir.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: I wasn't gonna say a whole lot but, um, just like stated, when this issue came up before the Board, I was willing to take the bare minimum once this Board had, well, Staff recommended, for this Board to take on more responsibility. Then I said at that, at that time, once proven that this issue, um, or the time may not actually match what we're doing, then this Board should bring it back and rectify it.

At no point in that Board discussion and meeting, was a document discussed in that meeting. If that document is, is requesting me to sign it, then it should be brought before this Board for discussion for the people to be notified about it. That document should've been brought before this Board when this Item came before this Board.

I keep everything transparent before the public. I don't play games, I'm committed to the people, committed to this City and I will continue to do so. That document should've been brought before this Board. But at this time, it's not necessarily needed. It's a simple vote on which way this Board wanna go. The people have stated their concerns. Some stated they actually understand looking at the time that we actually put into this Board. You, you get.., you'd be surprised how many ex'... I was surprised. But, if the people want, want that, I'll give 'em just what they want. You know? They will have my vote tonight to, um, rescind or rectify [stammer] for the stipend to stop.

But I'm gonna be clear on the record on that, is that I'm staying to my word that any decision I make, it'll be done in a public meeting. I will not sign a document that was never discussed in a public meeting.

That'll be all.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Hold on, Mayor. Does anyone else have anything before we move... Alright. Madam...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: I mean, I do wanna come back but...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: ...he can go first.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mayor, and then...

MAYOR MASTERS: , I appreciate...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...Ms. Miller.

MAYOR MASTERS: I, I certainly appreciate the wisdom of Councilman Thoma'.., Councilman Terence Davis on, on, on this issue but the previous speaker said that this appears to be a political decision. Every decision we make oughta be based upon the people. Now that's what they want. If that's political, then so be it but I want to remind my fellow colleagues that the person that asked for this to be brought back is not running for office. It was KaShamba Miller-Anderson that asked for this to be brought back. She just got elected and she got elected because she went out and campaigned on a platform.., I know, because I was very much involved in her campaign unlike the others that will come up. Everyone's gonna have to win or lost on their own. I'm focused on the Mayor's campaign.

So, there's nothing political here, for her. You know? It's political for me. You know? Admittedly, because I wanna give the people what they want and what they ask me to do. Now, if that's being political, then I'm, I'm political. I, I'm guilty.

The next thing, the record. I mean, we can say we signed it or didn't sign it. But when it came up, there was a vote. And the vote, if I'm incorrect, the Clerk is here but there was a vote. And the vote, I thought was 4 to 1. I thought that KaShamba, Councilperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson voted no. I don't have a vote. But I certainly spoke against it and now that, um , I've gone out in a champion.., to listen to the people, I think that it is wise for this Council to listen to the people. There's not one entity in the United States of America they get paid $1,000 for a 30 minute meeting. Not one. If so, maybe it's in the White House. Okay? And if we say we, you know, we should get more, then let's not mix apples with oranges. Get paid as he says. I'm not on the CRA so maybe the CRA oughta have a raise. I'm ex-officio member of this Board and Councilman Guyton does not pick and choose what I do, when I do it and where I do it. I'm here because the people put me here and, hopefully, they have the [stammer], will continue to do the same. People put people up here based upon who they feel will best represent the people. Not based upon who has a Ph.D. degree.

Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. And for all of you in the audience that are waiting for the 6:30 meeting, that meeting will start when this meeting is over.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Anyone else?

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: They can go ahead.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Mr. Thomas...

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Cause I [inaudible]...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...go ahead.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: I, I've listened to what the Members of the Board have said on this. I've heard our Mayor say that that's what the people of, have said, um...

MAYOR MASTER: To me.

BOARD MEMBER THOMAS: Right. But, I mean, is there a petition? Is there anything we can see...

MAYOR MASTERS: Just knocking on doors.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: And I'm asking, if, if you have that, I would love to get it and that will show some type of record. But I'm used to either people calling us or people coming to that mic and some have. Some have called and said that they were not in support of that but there's also been there some that said they're okay with it. But if you have an overwhelming majority of people who have.., and I, you are out there. If you have something like that, I would love to see it. Other than that...

MAYOR MASTERS: I do.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...I think... I think that you should, I think that the Board should hear from the actual residents, the actual people. I think that they should. And if the people come and say that, then of course, I think that it should be, um, removed. But, until the people come, I just don't, you know, I don't understand it. I'm not trying to be political with this at all. I just wanna hear from the people via either coming here or contacting us or via being on our ballot or something like that. Other than that, I just think that, that it should actually come from the people.

That's all for me.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Ms. Miller-Anderson.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. I do want to.., the Mayor did say this but I do wanna say it out of my mouth, that I'm not running for office right now. I'm speaking based on the fact that it just doesn't make sense. We are here on an additional day for 30 minutes, maybe an hour, for something we have been doing for many years prior to our regular Board meeting, on our regular City Council meeting. To say that we're gonna get a, a $1,000 monthly for a meeting.., and I, I questioned this at the very beginning, how many times are we gonna meet? Are we gonna meet once a month, are we gonna meet twice a month? Are we gonna be meeting for, you know, 30 minutes, an hour, two hours? We were told that there was a lot of information that needed to be conveyed and that it could possibly, um, run our other meetings very long. That is why it was brought up. At least that's what I was under the impression why it was brought up as to why we had to have our separate meeting day.

Now, as we have done for however many months we've been meeting, we have only been here for 30 minutes or an hour...

MAYOR MASTERS: Shame.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: ...and no one can tell me that getting a $1,000 for coming to a meeting for 30 minutes or an hour makes sense. It makes no sense. Also, the water rate, water bills have gone up.

MAYOR MASTERS: Outrageous.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Now, to do that and then, at the same...

MAYOR MASTERS: Outrageous.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: ...time say, 'Hey, we're getting $1,000 for a one hour meeting,' makes no sense. Your conscious should tell you it makes no sense.

UNK: Right.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Now, I, again, I'm gonna keep saying this, I'm not running for office but it just doesn't make sense. And no one up here can tell me that it does. So I am gonna put a motion out there that we rescind this monthly stipend.

I make a motion that we rescind this monthly stipend.

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: There's a motion, is there a second?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Second.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Any comments?

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: Madam Chair, just one quick comment.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mhmm.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: They, they definitely insist on making this political. That's fine. And, and they, they, they, they, they bring up people. I'm absolutely, um, very disturbed by the fact, one that people who've been following this, as Mr. Thomas said tonight, there's water sitting on people's streets that increase in the water rates gonna be dealing with those drainage and roadway issues. Those are two different issues. We've seen the corroded pipes. We don't ever talk about the purpose of what

the increase is for. We haven't had the courage in the past. Our residents deserve better. We can keep making it political and kicking the can down the street until the sewers start backing up in your homes and then you're gonna look at us then, 'Why didn't you address this before this?'

So, when we start talking about those increases, let's also talk about what it's gonna be used for and how it's gonna better the quality of one's life. And again, if you don't want the stipend, don't take it. You don't have to sit here and parade and politicize and... Fine. I didn't take it, they did, you all deal with them. But to try to force this on people like, 'That's the way I'm feelin' now,' that's, that's ridiculous. I just said, 'I didn't take it.' Fine. I don't need to be putting a motion out there. We're gonna rescind it, we're gonna do this, we're gonna do that and we're gonna'... And to say that I'm not running for office, when people get elected.., let me tell you something, I've been in this game a long time. It's A, B, C. Always be campaigning. So, should you decide to run again, you hopefully have laid that foundation. So, don't play these games with me, 'But I'm not running for office. I'm not.., I'm not up for ele'..,' in case you choose to, A, B, C. Always be campaigning.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. Please, please.

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: And that's what this is about. So, I'm prepared again, like I said, um, my, my.., those colleagues, some I feel it's warranted. I decided not to take it but there are people up here who really work their behinds off. And, and I think they're deserving of it.

Thank you.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Madam Chair?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Alright. There's a motion and a second. Go ahead, Mr. Thomas.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Once again...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: [Inaudible] movin' on.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: I think that, if you'll allow it, it is a motion that we do have a lot of members from the public here tonight.

MAYOR MASTERS: That's right.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: To be able to at least speak on it. I'm not sure if everybody knew that we will speak on it but...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: ...if...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: There's...

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: I...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: ...no cards.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Okay. No problem. I'm just sayin', I would love to hear from 'em but, once again, we're not hearing from the people again so either way, the only way that I'm gonna do this is if we hear from the people. That's all. We have people here tonight. If you choose not to let 'em speak, no problem. I'm okay with that, that's is, you know, your right. But, I just would've like to have heard from 'em.

That's all.

MAYOR MASTERS: Madam Chair, before the motion is...

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No. Hold on a second.

MAYOR MASTERS: Okay.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. So, the Agenda has been sitting out there for two hours. Okay? Over two hours and there was no public comment on this issue, Mr. Thomas.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Got it. No problem.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Mayor, go ahead and then...

MAYOR MASTERS: Yes.

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

MAYOR MASTERS: We'll just make it simple, I think Mr., Mr. Thomas is absolutely correct. Everybody that's opposed to this stipend, raise your hand.

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: Well, that ain't.., I, I'm not...

MAYOR MASTERS: Those are people that are here. That's 95%. Thank you, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Madam Clerk.

AUDIENCE:[Inaudible comments].

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Miller-Anderson.

BOARD MEMEBER MILLER-ANDERSON: Uh, yes. This is to rescind...

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Thomas?

BOARD MEMEBER THOMAS: No.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Board Member Guyton?

BOARD MEMEBER GUYTON: No.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Pro Tem Davis?

CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS: Yes.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: Chair Pardo?

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: No.

DISTRICT CLERK ANTHONY: That motion fails with Board Members Pardo, Guyton and Thomas dissenting.

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: Okay. Anything from the Board? Okay. There is no business.

ADJOURNMENT

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: This meeting is adjourned.

[Gavel]

CHAIRPERSON PARDO: The special meet'...

[End of video/audio]

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Public Comments and Other Speakers

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