



City of Margate

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Meeting Minutes City Commission Budget Hearing

Mayor Arlene R. Schwartz
Vice Mayor Anthony N. Caggiano
Commissioners:
Lesa Peerman, Tommy Ruzzano, Joanne Simone

City Manager Samuel A. May
Interim City Attorney Goren, Cherof, Doody & Ezrol, P.A.
City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh

Friday, September 14, 2018

6:00 PM

Commission Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Present: 5 - Commissioner Lesa Peerman, Commissioner Joanne Simone, Commissioner Tommy Ruzzano, Vice Mayor Anthony N. Caggiano and Mayor Arlene R. Schwartz

In Attendance:

City Manager Samuel A. May
Interim City Attorney James A. Cherof
City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh

1) PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- A.** [ID 2018-398](#) PUBLIC HEARING ON TENTATIVE BUDGET AND PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE.

MAYOR ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ opened the Public Hearing. No comments were presented by the public. Public Hearing was closed.

2) RESOLUTION(S)

- A.** [ID 2018-399](#) APPROVING THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR THE CITY OF MARGATE FISCAL YEAR 2018/2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF 7.0593 MILLS PER THOUSAND DOLLARS OF ASSESSED VALUATION (WHICH INCLUDES .4999 FOR VOTED DEBT SERVICE); THAT THE OPERATING MILLAGE RATE OF 6.5594 IS 8.55% HIGHER THAN THE ROLL-BACK RATE OF 6.0426.

RESOLUTION 18-102

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Caggiano, seconded by Commissioner Simone, that this Resolution, be approved. This carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Peerman, Commissioner Simone, Commissioner Ruzzano, Vice Mayor Caggiano and Mayor Schwartz

- B.** [ID 2018-404](#) ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE 2018/2019 FISCAL YEAR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO OPERATE ON SAID TENTATIVE BUDGET AS AMENDED PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE

UNTIL ADOPTION OF THE FINAL BUDGET FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR.

RESOLUTION 18-103

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Caggiano, seconded by Commissioner Simone, that this Resolution, be approved.

MAYOR SCHWARTZ asked about the reduction of approximately \$95,000 from the Recreation Trust Fund and an increase of \$90,000 on the Capital Projects.

ASSISTANT FINANCE DIRECTOR KELLY SCHWARTZ referenced Page 142 and said that the transfer from the Fund Balance was \$250,000 but that there was a line below that said transfer to fund balance of \$95,000. She said that it was something that they did to balance it at the time which had subsequently been eliminated. She also spoke about a Capital Project.

Discussion ensued which included the Capital Project, the Dog Park, Fire Assessment and Grants.

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER CALE CURTIS explained that he would provide the Commissioners with a copy of a report from the County that showed what funds they had spent on State Housing Initiatives Partnership program (SHIP) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Discussion ensued.

This motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Peerman, Commissioner Simone, Commissioner Ruzzano, Vice Mayor Caggiano and Mayor Schwartz

3) ORDINANCE(S) - FIRST READING

- A. [ID 2018-403](#) ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA, FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019; PROVIDING FOR A BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND, SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS, DEBT SERVICE FUND, CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND, ENTERPRISE FUNDS, AND INTERNAL SERVICE FUND; PROVIDING FOR A MILLAGE RATE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Caggiano, seconded by Commissioner Ruzzano, that this Ordinance, First Reading, be approved.

MAYOR SCHWARTZ spoke about staff using City vehicles.

Discussion ensued on City vehicles including accidents.

ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE JONATHAN SHAW explained that if any incidents occurred when off duty City employees drove their vehicles in the Palm Beach County, they would take any felony action. He also provided different scenarios of possible actions.

MAYOR SCHWARTZ spoke about the wear and tear of vehicles.

This motion approved by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Peerman, Commissioner Simone, Commissioner Ruzzano, Vice Mayor Caggiano and Mayor Schwartz

INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY JAMES A. CHEROF said that the Second and final hearing on the Ordinance adopting the final 2018/19 Budget as well as the Millage for 2018/19 would be conducted in the Commission Chambers on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 6:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:26pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Transcribed by Salene E. Edwards

Joseph J. Kavanagh, City Clerk

Date: _____

PLEASE NOTE:

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, the person will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Anyone desiring a verbatim transcript shall have the responsibility, at his/her own expense, to arrange for the transcript.

[Appendix A – Zoning – Section 3.3] Any representation made before any City Board, any Administrative Board, or the City Commission in the application for a variance, special exception, conditional use or request for any other permit shall be deemed a condition of the granting of the permit. Should any representation be false or should said representation not be continued as represented, same shall be deemed a violation of the permit and a violation of this section.

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