



City of Margate

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Meeting Minutes Special City Commission Meeting

Mayor Tommy Ruzzano

Vice Mayor Arlene R. Schwartz

Commissioners:

Antonio V. Arserio, Anthony N. Caggiano, Joanne Simone

City Manager Cale Curtis

City Attorney Janette M. Smith

City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh

Friday, October 30, 2020

8:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84470584120>

Webinar ID: 844 7058 4120

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

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

Commissioner Caggiano attended via Zoom

Commissioner Simone attended via Zoom

Commissioner Arserio attended via Zoom

Vice Mayor Schwartz attended via Zoom

Mayor Ruzzano attended in person

City Manager Cale Curtis attended via Zoom

City Attorney Janette M. Smith attended via Zoom

City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh attended in person

MOMENT OF SILENCE - INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITY CLERK JOSEPH J. KAVANAGH read a statement pertaining to the City's virtual public meeting pursuant to the Sunshine Law and Governor DeSantis' Executive Order.

MAYOR TOMMY RUZZANO explained the reason for this Special meeting.

1) ORDINANCE(S) - FIRST READING

- A. [ID 2020-397](#) EMERGENCY ORDINANCE - AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE PROVISIONS FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS BY USE OF COMMUNICATION MEDIA TECHNOLOGY AND FOR ATTENDANCE BY USE OF SUCH TECHNOLOGY BY ELECTED, APPOINTED OFFICIALS, OR STAFF DURING PERIODS WHEN THE CITY MANAGER DETERMINES AND DECLARES A LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH THE CITY COMMISSION DETERMINES IT IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF CITY OFFICIALS, CITY STAFF, AND THE PUBLIC, FOR A 60 DAY PERIOD; PROVIDING FOR TWO-THIRDS AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED FOR ADOPTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 3.19 - EMERGENCY ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE 2020-6

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

CITY ATTORNEY JANETTE M. SMITH clarified that as this Item was an Emergency Ordinance, it would only have one Reading pursuant to the City Code and that it would only last the term of 60 days which could be revisited in December if needed.

The motion carried as follows:

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

COMMISSIONER JOANNE SIMONE wished everyone a happy and safe Halloween.

COMMISSIONER ANTONIO V. ARSERIO wished everyone a happy and safe Halloween. He requested those attending the Halloween Carpool Cinema event to follow the instructions of their safety officials. He also spoke about voting.

VICE MAYOR ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ asked attendees to enjoy the Halloween Carpool Cinema event.

CITY MANAGER CALE CURTIS wished everyone a happy and safe Halloween and hoped that the rain stopped for the Halloween Carpool Cinema event.

CITY ATTORNEY JANETTE M. SMITH spoke about today's Agenda Item and thanked the City Commission for attending this meeting.

MAYOR TOMMY RUZZANO wished everyone a happy Halloween and highlighted a sporting event at Margate Sports Complex.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Transcribed by Salene E. Edwards

Joseph J. Kavanagh, City Clerk

Date: _____

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[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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One or more members of the City of Margate advisory boards may be in attendance and may participate at the meeting.

This meeting shall be held in accordance with City of Margate Resolution 20-028.

On September 30, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-246, extending Executive Order 20-69, as extended by Executive Orders 20-112, 20-123, 20-139, 20-150 and amended by Executive Orders 20-179 and 20-193, until 12:01 a.m. November 1, 2020.

Consistent with the authority contained in the Governor's Executive Orders, and in order to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Margate's residents and employees, the City of Margate finds that it is in the best interest of the City of Margate to hold this virtual public meeting.

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