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Meeting Minutes Regular City Commission Meeting

Mayor Antonio V. Arserio
Vice Mayor Anthony N. Caggiano
Commissioners:
Tommy Ruzzano, Arlene R. Schwartz, Joanne Simone

City Manager Cale Curtis
Interim City Attorney Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman
City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

19:00

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CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE - INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

1) PRESENTATION(S)

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

A. [ID 2022-034](#) ADAM M. SITMAN, FIRE CAPTAIN - FIRE DEPARTMENT - 25 YEARS

THEOPHEN ESTREVOL, UTILITY MECHANIC - ENVIRONMENTAL AND
ENGINEERING SERVICES - 15 YEARS

GECARRI NAKKNI FREEMAN, FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC - FIRE
DEPARTMENT - 5 YEARS

CHARLES GANDIA, FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC - FIRE DEPARTMENT - 5
YEARS

NIKOLAS C. VASSIL, FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC - FIRE DEPARTMENT - 5
YEARS

2) PUBLIC DISCUSSION

MAYOR ANTONIO V. ARSERIO explained the protocols for submitting a Public Discussion.

RONALD J. CATRONIO, 1625 NW 69TH AVENUE provided his analogy on Margate's slogan, "Together We Make It Great" and provided literature to City Clerk Joseph Kavanagh.

MICHAEL A. SIRJUE, 6811 NW 4TH STREET requested an update on the bench project initiative that he submitted.

VICE MAYOR ANTHONY N. CAGGIANO suggested that Mr. Sirjue should contact the City Manager's office tomorrow.

MR. SIRJUE discussed his non-profit with the possibility of obtaining a grant to develop projects for the City.

MARILYN A. KNEELAND, 7955 NW 5TH COURT provided an update on Keep Margate Green and advised that they received over 3,300 signatures on their Do Not Develop petition.

ROB REINER, 110 EAST PALM DRIVE explained his decision to resign from the Planning & Zoning (P & Z) Board. He discussed the appointment of new members for the P & Z Board, referenced comments made on Facebook and requested that a Board member should be removed.

INTERN WITH FLORIDA STATE REPRESENTATIVE CHRISTINE HUNSCHOFSKY'S OFFICE, RAJ SELVARAJ provided updates including:

- House Bill 963 – Funding for Sheriffs;
- House Bill 1077 – Public Financing of Potentially At-risk Structures and Infrastructure.

MAYOR ARSERIO thanked Intern Selvaraj and requested the City Clerk to have further updates from Florida State Representative Christine Hunschofsky's Office as an Agenda Item rather than through Public Discussion.

TRACY VAN WINKLE was sorry to hear of City Clerk Kavanagh's pending departure. She discussed emergency activity in Margate and asked drivers to slow down. She advised that crosswalk sign on Southgate Boulevard and 441 was not working properly for people to cross. She questioned permit times for processing and referenced silicone roofs saving millions of dollars. She referenced complaints made against the garbage company and explained her issue with bulk waste. She became aware that Eastern Waste System was a franchise from Republic Services.

JULI VAN DER MEULEN, 2913 NW 68 LANE read a statement and explained that it was very sad that she had to come before the City Commission and defend herself.

DONNA L. FELLOWS, 6108 NW 9TH COURT questioned if Republic Services would not collect waste if the lids of garbage cans were open.

MAYOR ARSERIO said that they would still collect their garbage.

ROSIE MALONE advised that Republic Services was not collecting any garbage if the lid was opened in any capacity.

MAYOR ARSERIO repeated that they would make Republic Services collect the garbage.

Discussion ensued.

ELSA J. SANCHEZ, 6930 NW 15 STREET paid tribute to City Clerk Kavanagh. She read a statement supporting Board Member, Juli Van Der Meulen.

RICH ALIANIELLO, 7631 NW 23RD STREET, congratulated City Clerk Kavanagh and said that they would miss him. He thanked Development Services Senior Planner Andrew Pinney pertaining to a vacant business. He spoke on Republic Services

RICHARD ZUCCHINI, 380 LAKEWOOD CIRCLE E, discussed Mr. Reiner's public discussion and referenced Facebook postings.

MAYOR ARSERIO spoke further on this matter.

JULIE JONES said that she was heartbroken that City Clerk Kavanagh was leaving. She raised questions about the City's Facebook page. She thanked Interim Chief of Police Galaska and Police Officer Horne.

CITY MANAGER CALE CURTIS responded to Ms. Jones' questions pertaining to Facebook comments.

Discussion ensued.

3) COMMISSION COMMENTS

COMMISSIONER JOANNE SIMONE thanked Public Works for working on the school zones and provided updates on the installation of signs. She attended the drive-thru with Coral Springs and Margate Police Department to deliver a new bicycle for Mason, the five year old who was hit on his way to school. She explained that more was needed to be done at Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs pertaining to children's safety on the roads and referenced Margate collaborating with the City of Coral Springs to make school zones safer for children. She thanked Police Sergeant Frankenhauser and referenced a Pet ID program. She spoke with Republic Services, Inc., Municipal Sales Manager Stanley, pertaining to numerous resident concerns and provided their contact telephone number. She received a request for the City to publish a crime watch report and reminded the residents that the Police Department had an interactive community crime map. She thanked the Public Works Director Batista's team for getting resident concerns addressed so quickly.

COMMISSIONER ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ referenced Mr. Alianiello and explained that WasteManagement was here for 30 years. She discussed voting and providing opinions on Agenda Items. She also provided her opinion on the City's Facebook page and referenced reviewing comments before they were posted. She said that she had received approximately 81 text messages relating to City business and other matters since October 2021. She discussed City Clerk Kavanagh's pending departure.

COMMISSIONER TOMMY RUZZANO wished City Clerk Kavanagh all the best in his new job. He highlighted the forthcoming Workshop and suggested adding to that Agenda, a replacement for both the City Clerk and Chief of Police respective positions with time permitting.

MAYOR ARSERIO confirmed that those two Items were on the end of the Agenda subject to time.

COMMISSIONER RUZZANO referred to the last City Commission meeting pertaining to Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs and indicated that although some matters were addressed, more could be done. He discussed his conversation today with Coral Bay resident, John Hall, but would be grateful if a member of staff from the City Manager's office could make contact.

Discussion ensued on Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs and the roads surrounding that site.

COMMISSIONER RUZZANO referenced a forthcoming meeting at Calypso Cove and recommended that the City Commissioners walk around the vicinity and to ensure that it was going to be in pristine condition and operating correctly for the new season. He highlighted the Springtime Egg Hunt at the Sports Complex and asked for CONSENSUS for an ice cream truck to be at this event.

Discussion ensued which included separating the egg hunt by age group and sponsorship.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission directing the City Manager to provide an ice cream truck and/or snow cone truck and/or a bounce house for the April 9th, 2022, Springtime Egg Hunt event.

COMMISSIONER RUZZANO informed that Vinson Park was almost completed. He referenced Board appointments and asked for the process to be respectable and that the members should represent the City the best they could.

COMMISSIONER SIMONE was informed by a Police Officer at the drive-thru event who said that he had tried to work with Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs and that one of the problems was that it was double the capacity. She was also advised that they were prohibited from placing cones on the street to help with traffic or crossing.

MAYOR ARSERIO said that in the past, they had asked for CONSENSUS to have a letter written to Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs.

Discussion ensued.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission directing the City Manager to draft a letter to Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs, copying the Broward County School Board, to address the traffic problems.

COMMISSIONER SCHWARTZ advised that tomorrow in the House, they would be voting on a proposition to allow the cities to regulate prohibition of smoking in public places.

Discussion ensued.

VICE MAYOR CAGGIANO discussed past and present problems pertaining to traffic and safety issues near Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs and referenced Coral Bay resident, John Hall. He discussed changes to the scheduling of Republic Services. He referenced bullying and inequalities that was discussed by the United Nations Association (UNA) Group at Rise Academy which both he and Commissioner Schwartz attended.

MAYOR ARSERIO referenced four or five City sidewalks locations for repair and thanked Public Works Director Batista and his staff. He inquired whether the City was still moving

forward with Strategic Planning.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS explained that once they got beyond their Workshop next week, then they would shift focus on Strategic Planning.

MAYOR ARSERIO said that he would like to have monthly Workshops with some substance but it should coincide with Strategic Planning. He invited the City Commission to send two or three Items that they would like to see future Workshops to the City Clerk. He said that they were receiving a lot of positive attention on the Sports Complex and received a request from a City Commissioner from Cooper City who wanted to facilitate a tour. He spoke of his recent tour of Station 58 and said that he was incredibly excited of its progress.

VICE MAYOR CAGGIANO advised that Station 58 was rated as a Category 5 (CAT-5) building which should be able to sustain a hurricane.

MAYOR ARSERIO wished City Clerk Kavanagh well in his new endeavors. He spoke on his meeting and discussions with Republic Services and complaints received from residents. He highlighted that children were being picked up at the side of the road between Rock Island Road and Pine Walk Drive North and referenced no parking signs and safety. He also referenced safety and spoke of a cellphone application called Pulse Point. He thanked City Manager Curtis for sending out a business interest list and suggested that the City should have a moratorium on pawn shops and thrift stores.

Discussion ensued.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission directing the City Manager to bring back information regarding a moratorium on thrift stores and pawn shops.

4) CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

CITY MANAGER CURTIS discussed the two week transition into Republic Services. He thanked Republic Services, Inc., Municipal Sales Manager Stanley for attending today's City Commission meeting in person. He also expressed his thanks to Public Works Director Batista and Sergeant Frankenhauser for their response and efforts in dealing with the School Zones and the traffic in the City. He referenced the last City Commission meeting where they discussed traffic safety and issues at Rock Island Road and Royal Palm Boulevard and informed that Broward County responded promptly to the City's concerns.

MAYOR ARSERIO asked if Broward County was going to address the lighting issue as two lights were out.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS advised that lighting was not a part of Broward County's scope but saw that Public Works Director Batista was making a note of this.

MAYOR ARSERIO spoke of a lane issue between Royal Palm Boulevard and Rock Island Road.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS said that he would see if they could address that. He advised that Parks & Recreation did have a sponsorship advertising packet and he was pleased to announce that Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) provided a \$10,000 sponsorship for City events.

Discussion ensued on BCBS attending City events.

INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY DAVID N. TOLCES thanked City staff and listed the issues that they were working on.

5) CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under Consent Agenda are viewed to be routine and the recommendation will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired by the Commission, the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately. Anyone wishing to comment on any item on the Consent Agenda should approach the podium now. Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes.

- A. [ID 2022-072](#) MOTION - APPROVAL OF CITY COMMISSION MINUTES: JANUARY 19, 2022, REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING.

APPROVED

- B. [ID 2022-074](#) RESOLUTION - OPPOSING FLORIDA SENATE BILL 620 AND FLORIDA HOUSE BILL 569, ALLOWING BUSINESS DAMAGES TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

APPROVED

- C. [ID 2022-075](#) RESOLUTION - OPPOSING SENATE BILL 974 AND HOUSE BILLS 799 AND 985, INCREASING THE STATUTORY LIMITS ON LIABILITY FOR TORT CLAIMS TO \$1 MILLION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

APPROVED

- D. [ID 2022-080](#) RESOLUTION - OPPOSING SENATE BILL 280 AND HOUSE BILL 403, RELATING TO LOCAL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

APPROVED

- E. [ID 2022-082](#) RESOLUTION - SUPPORTING VOTING RIGHTS FOR ALL FLORIDIANS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

APPROVED

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Schwartz, seconded by Vice Mayor Caggiano, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

MR. ZUCCHINI discussed Agenda Item E., ID 2022-082, referenced the term "Floridians" and highlighted the importance of the wording on Resolutions.

6) RESOLUTION(S)

- A. [ID 2021-499](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR THE UNIFORM METHOD OF LEVYING, COLLECTING AND ENFORCING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 197.3632, F.S. THROUGHOUT THE INCORPORATED AREA OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2022; STATING A NEED FOR SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING FOR THE MAILING AND TRANSMITTAL OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Caggiano, seconded by Commissioner Schwartz, that this Resolution, should be discussed.

COMMISSIONER SCHWARTZ requested the City Attorney or City Manager to explain this Item to the public.

INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY TOLCES advised that the purpose of this Resolution was to allow the City Commission to place on the tax bill, assessments against individual property owners for nuisance abatement.

Discussion ensued.

MS. SANCHEZ inquired on the complaint procedure of this Item.

Discussion ensued.

MR. ZUCCHINI questioned the collection power on this Item and referenced property tax.

Discussion ensued.

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Meeting went into Recess.

Meeting Reconvened.

MAYOR ARSERIO asked for CONSENSUS to move Items 8A. and 7D. before Item 7A.

CONSENSUS was granted.

8) ORDINANCE(S) - SECOND READING

- A. [ID 2022-067](#) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2021-9, PROVIDING FOR THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT FOR SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES; REMOVING THE THREE (3) CUBIC YARD CAP ON THE COLLECTION OF COMMINGLED WASTE FROM RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE CUSTOMERS; PROVIDING FOR COMMINGLED WASTE COLLECTION ONE (1) TIME PER CALENDAR WEEK ON ONE OF THE CUSTOMER'S SCHEDULED COLLECTION DAYS FOR SOLID WASTE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Item 8A. was heard immediately after Item 6A.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simone, seconded by Vice Mayor Caggiano, that this Ordinance, Second Reading should approved.

MAYOR ARSERIO explained this Item was just to clean-up the language.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS confirmed that this Item specified the days to pick-up from three days to six days per week and then eliminating the cap on bulk. He also clarified that at the last City Commission meeting, the contract specified a maximum weight of 50lb but it was, in fact, 150lb.

This carried by the following vote:

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

7) ORDINANCE(S) - FIRST READING

- D. [ID 2022-084](#) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA, AMENDING APPENDIX-A ZONING; ARTICLE III GENERAL PROVISIONS, ADDING NEW SECTION 3.31; PROVIDING FOR ROOF MATERIALS FOR RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Item 7D. was heard immediately after Item 8A.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Caggiano, seconded by Commissioner Simone, that this Ordinance, First Reading should discussed.

COMMISSIONER SIMONE outlined her opposing reasons for this Item.

Discussion ensued.

MS. FELLOWS questioned the policy if she changed her roof.

MR. ALIANIELLO believed that Margate was not telling the residents what to do but providing opinions of what was right.

Discussion ensued.

MS. SANCHEZ spoke of the importance of installing a safe roof and referenced Code.

MS. MALONE agreed with Commissioner Simone's comments.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Schwartz, Commissioner Ruzzano, Vice Mayor Caggiano and Mayor Arserio

No: 1 - Commissioner Simone

A. [ID 2022-063](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 31 - PLATTING, SUBDIVISION AND OTHER LAND USE REGULATIONS, ARTICLE II - PLATTING REGULATIONS, SECTION 31-18 TO REMOVE REGULATIONS REGARDING THE SKETCH PLAT AND PROVIDE FOR UPDATED PROCESSING PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL TIME FOR PLAT APPROVALS TO REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT PRIOR TO BEING SUSPENDED; PROVIDING FOR SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR FINAL PLAT APPROVAL WITH PROOF OF SUBMITTAL APPLICATION FOR PERMITS FROM ALL APPLICABLE REVIEWING AGENCIES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Item 7A was heard immediately after Item 7D.

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

COMMISSIONER SCHWARTZ referenced reading the legislation under the background for number 5. and questioned if there was a word missing.

INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY TOLCES thought there should be the word "not" inserted after the word "has".

Discussion ensued.

The motion carried as follows:

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

- B.** [ID 2022-064](#) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA, AMENDING APPENDIX-A ZONING; ARTICLE IX - TRANSIT-ORIENTED CORRIDOR-CITY CENTER (TOC-CC) DISTRICT, SECTION 9.10 ALLOCATION OF DWELLING UNITS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

COMMISSIONER SCHWARTZ questioned if this Item was brought before the P & Z Board at one point as she would have liked to have seen the Minutes.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS confirmed that it had.

COMMISSIONER SCHWARTZ said for the record, the P & Z Board originally chose not to take this up which in her mind, meant it died and that they agreed with not doing something and then the P & Z Board was told to take it up and voted 2 - 2. She said that someone may have had to change their vote and voiced her concerns on this Item.

Discussion ensued.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS said for the record with regard to the number of units there were approximately 92 units available on the north side of the city center and there were approximately over 800 units available between the Transit Oriented Corridor (TOC) units and flex units on the south side.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Caggiano to table this Item. The motion died for a lack of second.

MR. ALIANIELLO suggested that as it was in front of the City Commission, they should not table it.

MS. VAN WINKLE spoke of her experience when she attended the P & Z Board meeting where this Item was recently discussed.

MS. VAN DER MEULEN questioned the litigious element of this Item.

INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY TOLCES responded to Mrs. Van Der Meulen's question.

MS. FELLOWS attended the P & Z Board Meeting via Zoom and relayed what she had heard and said that she did not want apartment buildings on their main streets.

Discussion ensued.

MS. SANCHEZ spoke of confusion on this Item.

MAYOR ARSERIO responded to Ms. Sanchez.

A question and answer session ensued between the City Commission, Development Services Senior Planner Pinney and Interim City Attorney Tolces and also whether this Item should be tabled.

The motion failed as follows:

Yes: 1 - Vice Mayor Caggiano

No: 4 - Commissioner Simone, Commissioner Schwartz, Commissioner Ruzzano and Mayor Arserio

- C. [ID 2022-065](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR REVISION TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, APPENDIX B, AMENDING ELEMENT I. FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT; AMENDING ELEMENT II. TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT; AMENDING ELEMENT IV. RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT; AMENDING ELEMENT VII. CONSERVATION ELEMENT; CREATING ELEMENT X. PROPERTY RIGHTS ELEMENT; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS ADDRESSING THE PROVISIONAL RECERTIFICATION OF ELEMENT I. FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT BY THE BROWARD COUNTY PLANNING COUNCIL; CLARIFYING POLICIES AND OBJECTIVES CONTAINED IN THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 163.3177(6)(i) BY ADOPTING A PROPERTY RIGHTS ELEMENT INTO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY; PROVIDING FOR RECERTIFICATION OF ELEMENT I. FUTURE LAND USE OF THE MARGATE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WITH THE BROWARD COUNTY PLANNING COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MAYOR ARSERIO asked the City Manager to summarize this Item.

CITY MANAGER said that last year, the City brought a Comprehensive Plan amendment before the Broward County Council and after two attempts, they received provisional recertification from the Council with some conditions and comments from their Board to address certain issues that were not addressed in their original draft. He advised that the majority of this Ordinance addressed all of those comments that were brought before the City Commission, specifically as it related to the changes here and many were edits to the policy numbers, clarification to land use designations and the reintroduction of the term "re-development units" and it further clarified the references to the activity center and the elimination of the TOC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schwartz, seconded by Commissioner Simone, that this Ordinance, First Reading, should be discussed.

COMMISSIONER SIMONE questioned whether this document had been sent to the Broward County Planning Council for review and to ensure that the City had everything that was needed.

JEFF N. KATIMS, MELLGREN responded to Commissioner Simone's query.

MR. ZUCCHINI suggested that the City Commission should create a vision of what they wanted to see in development and referenced having a Workshop.

The motion carried as follows:

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

9) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. [ID 2022-062](#)** DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - FEE WAIVER FOR MARGATE SCHOOLS GRADUATION CELEBRATIONS FOR USE OF THE COVERED SPORTS FIELD, STAGE AND SOUND SYSTEM.

COMMISSIONER SCHWARTZ questioned what type of schools would this Item include.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS said that he would defer that question to the City Commission for direction. He thought that it may have originally been drafted as public schools but the City Commission could include the charter and private schools if they so desired.

Discussion ensued including adding a timeframe, security deposit and insurance.

MR. ALIANIELLO had concerns about waivers and complimentary gifting.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS responded to Mr. Alianiello's comments and referenced the pandemic.

MS. FELLOWS only agreed on implementing this to high schools.

Discussion ensued on waiving fees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schwartz, seconded by Commissioner Ruzzano, to waive the fees for Margate Public and Private School Graduation Celebrations for use of the Covered Sports Field, Stage and Sound System within a certain period of time not to exceed one month of graduation for Pre-K to High School.

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

- B. [ID 2022-073](#) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION - REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR GREEN BICYCLE LANES ON STATE-OWNED ROADWAYS.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Caggiano, seconded by Commissioner Simone, to support this Item.

COMMISSIONER RUZZANO queried whether this was to approve a letter for implementing bicycle lanes on State owned roads. He indicated that Florida Department of Transport (FDOT) was against this proposal to which he concurred.

Discussion ensued.

MS. FELLOWS did not approve of this Item.

MR. ALIANIELLO suggested a "caution bike riding" sign should be installed on streets with bicycle lanes.

MS. VAN WINKLE was against this Item.

MS. VAN DER MEULEN was against this Item but suggested that they should make the bicycle lanes safer.

The motion failed by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Simone and Vice Mayor Caggiano

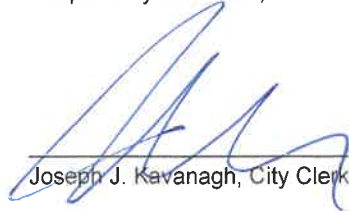
No: 3 - Commissioner Schwartz, Commissioner Ruzzano and Mayor Arserio

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Transcribed by Salene E. Edwards


Joseph J. Kavanagh, City Clerk

Date: 4/7/2022

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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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