

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2020, AT 6:00 P.M. **NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA 32266**

Pursuant to proper notice, a Special City Council Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held on Monday, September 21, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida, 32266, and by Communications Media Technology, as permitted by Governor Executive Order Number 20-69, as extended by Executive Order Number 20-112, 20-123, 20-139, 20-150, 20-179 and 20-193.

Attendance

IN ATTENDANCE: STAFF:

City Manager Stefen Wynn Mayor Elaine Brown City Attorney Zachary Roth Vice Mayor Fred Jones Chief of Police Richard Pike Councilor Kerry Chin Chief Financial Officer Carl LaFleur Councilor Josh Messinger Councilor Scott Wiley

Public Works Director Leon Smith Community Development Director Kristina Wright

Senior Center Director Leslie Lyne

Grants and Resiliency Coordinator Colin Moore Code Compliance Supervisor Piper Turner Code Enforcement Officer Denzel Dehm

City Clerk Catherine Ponson

Order Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Brown called the Special Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilor Chin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ord. No. 2020-07, ORDINANCE NO. 2020-07, ADOPTING FINAL MILLAGE RATE, SECOND READ AND Final Millage Rate PUBLIC HEARING. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA, ADOPTING FINAL MILLAGE RATE AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; SETTING FORTH CERTAIN INFORMATION REGARDING "ROLLED-BACK RATE"; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADJUST THE ADOPTED MILLAGE RATE IN THE EVENT OF CHANGES IN THE ASSESSMENT ROLL AND TAXABLE VALUE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Public Hearing-Millage Rate

Mayor Brown opened the public hearing. There being no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed.

Councilor Chin commented that the advertisement in the newspaper is required by State law and the millage rate has remained the same.

Made by Messinger, seconded by Wiley.

MOTION:

TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2020-07, ADOPTING FINAL MILLAGE RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5-Chin, Messinger, Wiley, Jones and Brown.

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Ord. No. 2020-08, Final Budget ORDINANCE NO. 2020-08 ADOPTING A FINAL BUDGET, SECOND READ AND PUBLIC HEARING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A FINAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Public Hearing, Budget Mayor Brown opened the public hearing. There being no comments from the public, the public hearing was closed.

Made by Wiley, seconded by Messinger.

MOTION:

TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2020-08, ADOPTING FINAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes:

5- Messinger, Wiley, Chin, Jones, and Brown.

Noes:

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MOTION CARRIED

Parsons Engineering., Task Order # 2 APPROVAL OF PARSONS ENGINEERING TASK ORDER #2 – ASSET INVENTORY PHASE II (SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT 2). This is to accommodate additional surveying and engineering services required to continue the preparation of GIS maps. Also included is the update of the GIS maps for stormwater, wastewater and water. The tentative project schedule is the survey data collection would be completed in five months. The final Geodatabase and maps would be completed in three months.

Made by Messinger, seconded by Chin.

MOTION:

TO APPROVE TASK ORDER #2 - ASSET INVENTORY PHASE II (SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT 2)

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes:

5- Messinger, Wiley, Chin, Jones and Brown

Noes:

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MOTION CARRIED

FDOT Perpetual Easements APPROVAL OF PERPETUAL EASEMENTS TO FDOT. Mayor Brown explained that FDOT is requesting two easements for the Third Street/Bay Street pedestrian improvement project.

FDOT is planning to install a new crosswalk and pedestrian hybrid beacon at the intersection of Third Street and Bay Street in FY 21. FDOT will install blank-out signs restricting vehicles turning into the crosswalk when the beacon is activated. In addition,

FDOT will be constructing a small section of sidewalk within the proposed easement on the west side of Third Street in anticipation of a future path connection to Jarboe Park.

Councilor Messinger commented this is a worthwhile project. His only concern is making sure the design does not conflict with the future Vision Plan for bringing more pedestrian and connectivity to Third Street. He requested that FDOT loop in the overlay from Dover, Kohl & Partners in case the design needs to be tweaked to keep any future bike and pedestrian pathways in the Plan. The date of this project precedes the Vision Plan project.

Councilor Chin stated he looks forward to this as he has had several residents comment regarding the need for something in this area.

Vice Mayor Jones expressed this is a great project. He added that if there is a bike lane, it could be addressed with striping and bicycles could move freely through the intersection.

Grant and Resiliency Coordinator Colin Moore confirmed Councilor Wiley's inquiry that this project and the A1A/Atlantic Boulevard project are separate, but they will be led and mobilized at the same time in the next fiscal year.

Made by Wiley, seconded Messinger.

MOTION:

TO APPROVE THE FDOT PERPETUAL EASEMENTS FOR THE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ALONG A1A

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5-Chin, Messinger, Wiley, Jones and Brown

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment

There being no further business, the special meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Reopening of Special Meeting

Mayor Brown reopened the Special Council meeting at 6:45 p.m.

TRIM Notice

Mayor Brown read into the record: "This is the millage public hearing for the City of Neptune Beach, Florida. The "Rolled-back" rate for the City of Neptune Beach is 3.2058 mills. The rate to be adopted reflects a 4.98% increase over the "Rolled-back" rate. The rate that is to be levied in this ordinance by the City Council is 3.3656. This is the same rate levied by the City last year, not the higher rate proposed on your Notice of Proposed Property Taxes from Duval County."

Motion for Re-Vote

Made by Messinger, seconded by Chin.

MOTION:

TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2020-07, ADOPTING FINAL MILLAGE RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5-Chin, Messinger, Wiley, Jones and Brown

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Elaine Brown, Mayor

Catherine Ponson, CMC

City Clerk

Approved:

