

**City Council Meeting**  
**July 13, 2021, 9:00 a.m.**  
**City Hall – 201 Paradise Path**

**Present**

Mayor, William A Cathey  
Councilman, Bobby Pollock  
Councilman, Jerry Smith  
Councilwoman, Sharon Call  
Councilman, Darrell Key

**Also Present**

City Administrator, Mario Gisbert  
City Clerk, Tammy Brunson  
City Attorney, Nick Beninate

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**Meeting was Called to order at 9 a.m.**

**Meeting Minutes approved by consent.**

Mr. Pollock motioned, and Mr. Key seconded to approve the June 22, 2021 meeting minutes by consent. Motion passed unanimously.

**Citizen Comments**

Open public comments at 9:03 a.m.

Kimberly Shoaf with the CDC thanked everyone who was involved with the 5K Fun Run and fireworks show. They had 251 athletes participate.

Dale Paramore expressed concerned about storm water issues. Mr. Davis with Public Works explained they are working on getting the culverts raised and ditches cleaned out to help alleviate the issues.

Jason Alves wanted an update on the 33<sup>rd</sup> St storm water issues. David with Dewberry will address this in his staff update.

Mike Albert wants information about starting a beach chair and umbrella delivery service. Mr. Gisbert and Mr. Beninate will review how to make this work.

Rock thanked everyone for the fireworks display on and off the beach. He asked if council had thought about contracting out the garbage service since the trucks are aging. Mr. Pollock stated you cannot get the personal service that is provided if it is contracted out. They are working on new trucks.

Michelle Miller asked about debris on 8<sup>th</sup> St between Hwy 98 and Fortner and at Fortner and Oleander. Mr. Gisbert said the debris at Hwy 98 and 8th St should be removed any day and he was not aware of the other location but would investigate it.

Closed public comments at 9:14 a.m.

## **Department Reports**

Fire Chief Walker thanked everyone for their efforts with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July festivities. Public comment was made thanking the firefighters for helping an elderly couple get their chairs to the car from the beach.

The Sheriff's Department gave the department's monthly statistics. He also said there were a string of burglaries that they had a suspect arrested within 48 hours of the reports.

Ms. Johnson said there were 14 new residential and 1 commercial permit issued. That makes 235 residential and 6 commercial permits issued since the storm

Ms. Lyons reported the structure on 14<sup>th</sup> St has been removed. The bids for the Special Master house demolitions are due July 22nd.

Mr. Davis reported on several ongoing projects. The first shipment of street signs is on its way and FDOT will start on the new crosswalks in the next week or so. He also addressed the garbage truck situation.

Mr. Davis updated Council on the Utilities Department monthly duties and statistics.

David with Dewberry reported on several projects including Sunset Park and the 15<sup>th</sup> St Culvert. The grant for Under the Palms Park is approved. He addressed the 33<sup>rd</sup> St drainage issues and everyone agreed to work within the permit to do some excavation to allow the runoff to dissipate.

Atkins updated on several FEMA projects and obligated funds.

## **Alternate Planning and Zoning application was brought to the table.**

Mr. Pollock motioned, and Ms. Call seconded to approve the new Planning & Zoning alternate member Jennifer Ward. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Variance Request – 206 Virginia was brought to the table.**

Property owner is requesting permission to construct a duplex. The lot is in residential general zoning and is not large enough to cover density.

Open public hearing at 9:58 a.m.

No public comment.

Closed public hearing at 9:58 a.m.

Mr. Pollock motioned, and Mr. Key seconded to deny the variance for 206 Virginia. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Preliminary Plat Revision – N. 30<sup>th</sup> St – Sweetwater was brought to the table.**

Open public hearing at 10:00 a.m.

Developers Frank James and Richard Herring updated Council on the changes that they have made to the previously approved plat. Several citizen comments were made concerning traffic flow, location of the boat ramp and canal widths not enough to fit 2 boats at a time.

Closed public hearing at 10:23 a.m.

Mr. Key motioned, and Mr. Smith seconded to approve the preliminary plat revision. Motion passed with a 4 to 1 vote.

**Ordinance 764 – Lot Splits (Second reading) was brought to the table.**

Mr. Smith motioned, and Mr. Key seconded to read Ordinance 764 – (By title only).

Mr. Key motioned, and Mr. Smith seconded to approve Ordinance 764. Motion passed unanimously.

**Ordinance 765 – Accessory Dwelling Units (First reading) was brought to the table.**

Mr. Key motioned, and Ms. Call seconded to read Ordinance 765 – Accessory Dwelling Units (By title only).

**Ordinance 766 – 110 40<sup>th</sup> St (First reading) was brought to the table.**

Mr. Key motioned, and Mr. Pollock seconded to read Ordinance 766 – 110 40<sup>th</sup> St (By title only).

**Resolution 21-28 – Proposal for 15<sup>th</sup> St Box Culvert repairs was brought to the table.**

Mr. Smith motioned, and Mr. Key seconded to read Resolution 21-28 (By title only)

Mr. Smith motioned, and Mr. Key seconded to approve Resolution 21-28. Motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution 21-29 – Proposal for city wide street repairs was brought to the table.**

Mr. Pollock motioned, and Ms. Call seconded to read Resolution 21-29 (By title only)

Mr. Pollock motioned, and Ms. Call seconded to approve Resolution 21-29. Motion passed unanimously.

**City of Mexico Beach Project Worklist**

Mr. Gisbert updated Council on the status of the outstanding projects in the city.

**City Attorney Report**

Mr. Beninate had nothing to report at this time.

**City Administrator Report**

Mr. Gisbert had nothing to report at this time.

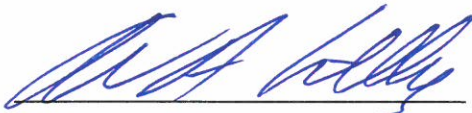
**Council Comments**

Mr. Smith asked if Public Works could install new storm water pipes in Angela Estates and LaSiesta. If money is available in the budget, it was agreed to proceed with the work.

**Mr. Pollock motioned to adjourn the meeting.**

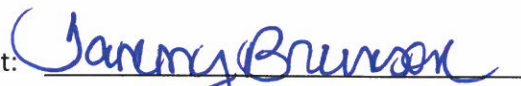
**Meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.**

By:



Mayor William A Cathey

Attest:



Tammy Brunson, City Clerk