

**TUESDAY,
MARCH 9, 2021**

**REGULAR
CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

@ 7:00 PM



City of Indian Rocks Beach

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AGENDA

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REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M.
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
1507 BAY PALM BOULEVARD
INDIAN ROCKS BEACH, FLORIDA 33785**

(ZOOM participation information on Page 3)

**CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL**

1. PRESENTATIONS.

- A. **REPORT OF Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.**
- B. **REPORT OF Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District.**

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS. [3-minute time limit per speaker.]

(Any member of the audience may come forward, give his/her name and address, and state any comment or concern that he/she may have regarding any matter over which the City Commission has control, **EXCLUDING AGENDA ITEMS**. All statements made to the City Commission shall be made to the City Commission as a whole, not directed to any individual City Commission Member, and no personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks shall be permitted. No speaker shall be interrupted and no debate shall take place between the speaker and the City Commission.)

3. REPORTS OF:

- A. **City Attorney.**
- B. **City Manager.**
- C. **City Commission.**

[3-minute time limit per City Commission Member.]

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - A. **APPROVAL** of the February 9, 2021 Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes.
 - B. **APPROVAL** of the August 11, 2020 City Commission Work Session Minutes.
 6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**
 7. **OTHER LEGISLATIVE MATTERS:**
 - A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03.** A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Indian Rocks Beach, Florida, appointing a member of the City Commission to serve as Vice Mayor-Commissioner; and providing for an effective date.
 - B. **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04.** A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Indian Rocks Beach, Florida, appointing a voting delegate and first and second alternate voting delegates to represent the City of Indian Rocks Beach at the Barrier Islands Governmental Council (BIG-C) Meetings; and providing for an effective date.
 8. **WORK SESSION ITEMS [DISCUSSION ONLY]:** None.
 9. **OTHER BUSINESS.**
 10. **ADJOURNMENT.**
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APPEALS: Any person who decides to appeal any decision made, with respect to any matter considered at such hearing, will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purposes, 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, per s. 286.0105, F.S. Verbatim transcripts are not furnished by the City of Indian Rocks Beach and should one be desired, arrangements should be made in advance by the interested party (i.e. Court Reporter).

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**NEXT REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021**

ZOOM PARTICIPATION INFORMATION

Indian Rocks Beach is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Indian Rocks Beach March 9th, 2021 City Commission Meeting

Time: Mar 9, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 1A

**REPORT OF
Pinellas County Sheriff's Office**



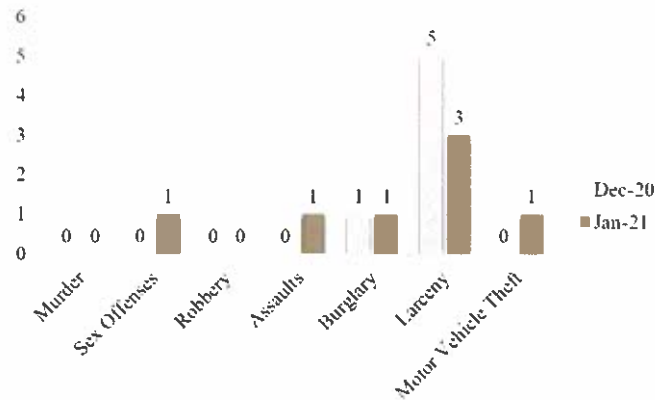
STRATEGIC PLANNING BUREAU

INDIAN ROCKS BEACH ANALYSIS

Select UCR Property & Person Crimes

January 2021

Select UCR Property & Person Crimes	December 2020	January 2021	January 2020 YTD	January 2021 YTD
Murder	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	1	0	1
Robbery	0	0	0	0
Assaults	0	1	1	1
Burglary	1	1	0	1
Larceny	5	3	5	3
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	1	0	1
GRAND TOTAL	6	7	6	7



*Due to changes in UCR reporting taking effect January 1, 2021, there may be an increase in the categories listed.

Arrests

January 2021

There were a total of 7 people arrested in the City of Indian Rocks Beach during the month of January resulting in the following charges:

ARREST TYPE & DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
Felony	1
Petit Theft-Shoplifting	1
Misdemeanor	4
Contribute To Delinquency Of Minor	1
Criminal Mischief	1
Disorderly Intoxication	1
Petit Theft-From Building	1
Warrant	1
Warrant Arrest	1
Traffic Misdemeanor	3
Driving Under The Influence	3
Grand Total	9

*Information provided reflects the number of arrests (persons arrested) as well as the total charges associated with those arrests.

Deputy Activity

There were a total of 717 events in the City of Indian Rocks Beach during the month of January resulting in 990 units responding.

The table below reflects the top twenty-five events to include both self-initiated and dispatched calls in the City of Indian Rocks Beach for the month of January. *CAD data is filtered by problem type.

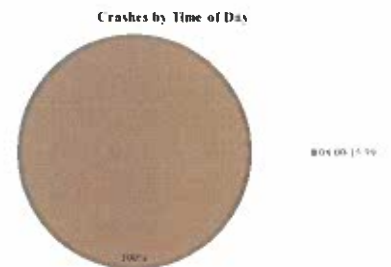
January 2021

DEPUTY ACTIVITY	TOTAL
Traffic Stop	232
Directed Patrol	216
Assist Citizen	24
Suspicious Person	22
Ordinance Violation	17
Information/Other	14
Noise	13
Supplement	13
Building Check Business	10
Contact	9
Lost/Found/Abandoned Property	8
Special Detail	8
Civil Matter	8
Vehicle Abandoned/Illegally Parked	8
Warrant Service/Attempt	7
Animal Call	7
Traffic Control	6
Emotionally Disturbed Person/Baker Act	6
Ambulance/Fire Department Call	5
Fraud/Forgery-Not In Progress	5
911 Hang-up Or Open Line	5
Traffic Violation	5
Surveillance	4
Suspicious Vehicle	4
Alarm	4

Crash & Citation Analysis

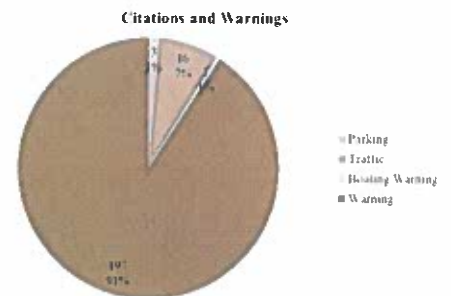
There were 3 crashes in the City of Indian Rocks Beach during January 2021. *Crash data is filtered by disposition type and may include "accident and hit and run" problem types.

CRASH LOCATIONS	TOTAL
2300 Beach Trail	1
350 Gulf Blvd	1
Gulf Blvd/10th Ave	1



There were a total of 217 citations and warnings issued in the City of Indian Rocks Beach during January 2021.

TOP 10 TRAFFIC CITATION LOCATIONS	TOTAL
520 Gulf Blvd	2
17th Ave & Gulf Blvd	2
9th Ave & Gulf Blvd	1
23rd Ave & Gulf Blvd	1
Gulf Blvd & 17th Ave	1
24 Gulf Blvd	1
408 Gulf Blvd	1
Gulf Blvd & 16th Ave	1
410 Gulf Blvd	1
Gulf Blvd & 22nd Ave	1



AGENDA ITEM NO. 1B

**REPORT OF
Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue
District**

February 2021 Report from the Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District

For March 9, 2021 City Commission Meeting

From David Ardman, Vice-Chair/Seat 2 Commissioner

1. COVID-19: Except for open positions, District staffing levels are at full force with zero employees out for COVID-related issues.

2. COVID VACCINES: Staff from with PSFRD have started assisting Pinellas County EMS and the Department of Health with the Central Pinellas Vaccine Site in Largo. Staffing assistance duties include issuing vaccines, vaccine mixing, patient observation, and site coordination. Costs for such additional staffing will be reimbursed.

3. HUMAN RESOURCES: Eleven candidates were interviewed in February for entry level firefighter/EMT or firefighter/paramedic positions in an effort to fill two current vacancies and one pending vacancy. Thanks to IRB for the use of their facility to hold the interviews. Eight internal candidates have started their participation in internal promotional processes for the ranks of lieutenant and district chief.

4. EMS CALL ACTIVITY: February was a slightly busier EMS month in IRB with 38 calls for service through February 26. The EMS calls included:

COVID Related – 6

Unconscious Person – 4

Falls – 3

Cardiac/Stroke – 2

Seizure - 5

Sick Person or Other EMS – 10

Traumatic Injuries – 2

Trauma Alerts (to a trauma center - 3

Motor Vehicle Crash - 2

All EMS emergency responses except two were within our target of 7 min. 30 sec. One instance that was over 7.5 minutes was due to the call being handled by Indian Shores, as our Indian Rocks Beach unit was not available. Average EMS response time for the above was 4 min. 48 sec.

5. FIRE CALL ACTIVITY: February was a busier month for fire responses within IRB with a total of 19 incidents through February 26. The incidents included:

Elevator Rescues – 4

Fire Alarm – 5

Electrical Hazards - 4

Smoke Investigation – 2

Outside Fires – 2

Explosion – 1

All FIRE emergency responses with the exception of two were within the 7 min. 30 sec. target. In those instances, the IRB station was not available to respond and other stations covered the call. The average response time was 5 min. 59 sec.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2
PUBLIC COMMENTS.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3A
REPORTS OF City Attorney

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3B
REPORTS OF City Manager

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3C
REPORTS OF City Commission

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4
ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5A
CONSENT AGENDA**

**APPROVAL of the
August 11, 2020
City Commission Work Session
Minutes.**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 5A - CONSENT AGENDA
DATE OF MEETING: MARCH 9, 2021 CCM

MINUTES — AUGUST 11, 2020
CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH
VIRTUAL CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION

The Virtual Indian Rocks Beach Work Session was held on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2020.**

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy welcomed everyone to the August 11, 2020 Virtual Indian Rocks Beach City Commission Work Session on the Gulf Boulevard Visioning Study Plan convening pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-69, issued by the Office of Governor Ron DeSantis on March 20, 2020, and extended by Executive Orders 20-112, 20-114, 20-150, and 20-179, allowing local government bodies to conduct meetings of their governing boards without having a quorum of its members present physically or at any specific location, and utilizing communications media technology such as telephonic or video conferencing, as provided by Section 120.54(5)(b)2, Florida Statutes. Procedures for public comments will be explained by the Technology Moderator shortly.

PRESENT: Mayor-Commissioner Joanne Moston Kennedy, Vice Mayor-Commissioner Phillip J. Hanna, Commissioner Diane Flagg, Commissioner Edward G. Hoofnagle, Commissioner Joe McCall, and City Manager Brently Gregg Mims.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Randy D. Mora, City Clerk Deanne B. O'Reilly, MMC, and Planning Consultant Hetty C. Harmon, AICP.

FORWARD PINELLAS STAFF: Executive Director Whit Blanton, Principal Planner Christina Mendoza, and Technology Moderator Tina Jablon.

Technology Moderator Jablon explained the procedures for public comments.

1. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS.

Forward Pinellas Executive Director Whit Blanton introduced the IRB Gulf Boulevard Visioning Study Project and introduced Principal Planner Mendoza for the presentation.

2. GULF BOULEVARD VISIONING STUDY OVERVIEW.

- **OVERVIEW OF PROJECT PURPOSE AND PROCESS.**

Planner Mendoza stated the purpose of this meeting is to provide a brief overview of the visioning study reviews, the vision statement, the guiding principles, the recommendations developed from the process, and review the public comments that were received.

Today, Forward Pinellas is looking to the City Commission to provide direction to the Forward Pinellas Team to finalize the report based on the received public comments and any final comments received today.

The purpose of the Visioning Study was to develop a comprehensive vision for IRB, focusing on Gulf Boulevard that reflects the residents' goals and priorities. The study guides principles that reflect the input that Forward Pinellas received and the data gathered that the community could use to implement the vision statement they have developed.

The study was developed on a study conducted in 2009 by the University of South Florida entitled *Indian Rocks Beach Special Area Plan: A Vision for Growth and Development*.

When Forward Pinellas reviewed the USF Plan, they knew that they needed to create something a little more actionable grounded in current market reality.

In the beginning, the City approached Forward Pinellas and asked them to work with them to create a growth and redevelopment visioning study plan. They started the process by exploring topics such as thoughtful redevelopment, congestion reduction, and mixed-use development. What Forward Pinellas found from their outreach efforts with the public was more of a desire to preserve community character and form, small-scale redevelopment that fits within the community character and form, resiliency, and walkability are some buzz words they heard throughout the process.

Planner Mendoza stated she wanted to note that she was referring to the fact that the City was essential built-out when she mentioned redevelopment. There is very little vacant land, so that any new development would be redevelopment.

Forward Pinellas also learned that the City has budgetary and staff realities that need to be considered, so what resulted was creating a unique vision that was reflective of what the community desires. Through this process, everyone learned the vision that the community wanted was a little different than what the City initially thought it would be.

Forward Pinellas conducted three public workshops with an average of 30 plus participants, 15 plus stakeholder interviews, and five-plus group meetings. This extensive process was to seek consensus with the community to ensure that the developed vision is something that could be implemented and had support.

What resulted was the development of four key themes that were used to shape the vision for Indian Rocks Beach: economic vitality, community character, transportation and mobility, and quality of life & environmental protection.

ECONOMIC VITALITY — VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The community's economic vitality depends on the strategies that brings new businesses to the community and provide similar programs that support and provide sustainable resources to existing businesses. According to Forward Pinellas' economic research, an estimated 43.3% of local businesses within the City have between one to four employees. Because many local businesses within the community are small, it is important to identify and eliminate any business retention barriers and recruitment.

Creating a business-friendly environment can also be achieved by creating commercial areas to serve as a destination to residents and visitors.

It was important to assess economic vitality to identify what uses the community wanted in IRB. Forward Pinellas identified a desire within the community for a smaller-format grocery store, and the Narrows and Uptown were the highest potential areas for that use. The community also expressed an interest in additional restaurants, and the Narrows could likely support additional restaurant development.

ECONOMIC VITALITY — CONCLUSIONS AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS

NEAR TERM (1-2 YEARS)

- Conduct a future analysis to identify the potential impact of vacation rentals on the local economy. The City is currently inventorying the location of short-term vacation rentals.
- Partner with organizations and develop programs that provide information and professional networking opportunities for small businesses.
- Work to identify potential challenges to the start-up of small businesses.

COMMUNITY CHARACTER: VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The community character of the community is unique and special to its visitors and residents. The City has expressed a desire to explore opportunities to preserve its historic resources and maintain its identity while encouraging small-scale strategic development. Creating a successful small-scale commercial area has various elements that make it a desirable place to be. Many of these elements are regulated within the community's land development plan.

COMMUNITY CHARACTER: CONCLUSIONS AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS

NEAR TERM (1-2 YEARS):

- Work on updating the land development code to provide additional clarity.
- Develop a summary table of zoning districts and work to simplify the shared parking matrix.

- Add elements to the land development code to encourage a pedestrian-scale environment, such as reducing or waiving setback requirements to provide incentives to locate parking to the building's rear or off-site.
- Make parking requirements more flexible by simplifying the shared-parking standards and allow adjacent on-street parking spaces to count toward on-site parking requirements.

MID-TERM (2-4 YEARS)

- Determine if and where the City would like mixed-use development as it would require development incentives and community support.
- Consider the implementation of a historic preservation strategy to preserve the historic resources. As part of this effort, the community should consider a historic preservation strategy.

TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY: VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

It is important to the City that it remains a safe place that can be easily accessed through multiple modes of transportation. The essence of the small-town beach community is one that is walkable and bikeable. Creating a pedestrian-friendly community promotes overall health and well-being and improves connectivity, and can reduce congestion.

There are strategies that the community could consider that would not only potentially reduce congestion but would improve safety overall. It is important to note that incorporating some of these recommendations can be costly; however, it may provide a valuable return on investment by reducing overall congestion and the increase safety. The community has expressed an interest in exploring the option of offering a free circulator service within the City. This option would potentially reduce parking needs and congestion. The community has also identified concern over visibility and safety, notably bicycle and pedestrian safety. There are several strategies to improve visibility, such as reducing the height of vegetation that could impact visibility and the improvement of pedestrian scale and overhead lighting.

To address safety concerns, the community could also increase the enforcement of existing traffic laws and launch an educational campaign to raise the awareness of bicycle and pedestrian safety laws.

Currently, the community is actively taking part in Forward Pinellas Safe Street Pinellas effort, which Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy is currently an Ambassador of the program. The community has also identified a concern that there is insufficient parking within the City. One strategy to determine if parking is needed and where it is needed would be for the community to conduct a parking study. The study would provide the community's information to assess their parking needs better and determine parking demands, inventory, and occupancy at key peak times during the day.

NEAR TERM (1-2 YEARS):

- Issue an RFI from circulator service providers to gauge interest and find out potential costs.
- Incorporate elements to improve pedestrian visibility.
- Conduct a parking study.
- Launch an educational campaign or engage in the Safe Streets Pinellas effort to raise awareness of bicycle and pedestrian safety laws.

MID-TERM (2-4 YEARS):

- Incorporate curb space for rideshare services, which reduces parking needs, and consider creating an e-scooter policy.
- Install bike-friendly city signs to reinforce the lower speed limit on Gulf Boulevard and increase enforcement. The City should also incorporate radar speed feedback signs to track speeding and patterned or textured crosswalks to lower speed. It should also integrate shared lane markings along the Gulf Boulevard corridor or keep the paved shoulder and reinforce signage to increase safety and protect bicyclists.
- Consider incorporating pedestrian enhancements such as sidewalks within the commercial areas as needed to address gaps and provide enhanced multimodal connectivity.
- Incorporate additional bike parking, create bike parking incentives, and consider including a bike valet service at events. The land development codes could be modified to require bike parking as part of the approval process for new projects.

LONG TERM (4+ YEARS):

- Offer incentives, parking in-lieu fees, and parking reductions for developments that include additional bicycle parking or covered trolley/transit stops. The City should also consider providing wayfinding signage to potential shared parking locations and points of interest.

**QUALITY OF LIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION:
VISION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

The City has a vested interest in preserving open space and green space throughout the community and continues beautification efforts to preserve these natural amenities. Parks and open space contribute to the community's small-town character and form and promotes an active, healthy lifestyle. Park and open space can also play a key role in mitigating the effects of climate change.

Besides preserving open space, the community is concerned with resiliency and adaption to climate change impacts. As a community on a barrier island, the City is particularly susceptible to the impacts of climate change and sea-level rise.

QUALITY OF LIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION: CONCLUSIONS AND PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS.

NEAR TERM (1-2 YEARS):

- To improve resiliency, it is highly recommended that the City update its Stormwater Master Plan to ensure they are providing enhanced stormwater and drainage infrastructure. The City is also in the process of the undergrounding/hardening of infrastructure, and the community should investigate methods of floodproofing underground utilities.
- Encourage the use of floodproofing methods, with techniques such as dry floodproofing and wet floodproofing and the methods must be compliant with FEMA.

MID-TERM (2-4 YEARS):

- To improve resiliency, it is highly recommended that the City model for sea-level rise and storm surge to protect potential impacts in the future. To plan for the projected impacts of climate change countermeasures, it is highly recommended that the community incorporate countermeasures into capital improvement planning.
- There are strategies that the community could incorporate to preserve open space, such as purchase or transfer of development rights. The community should consider the use of green infrastructure planning to identify the community's ecological assets and preserve them. The community should also consider identifying indicators to measure and ensure ecosystem health over a period of time.

Planner Mendoza stated in February 2020, the Gulf Boulevard Visioning Study Plan was posted to the City's website for public comments. Many of the received comments were minor, such as small learning changes and clarification items, which can be easily addressed.

Planner Mendoza reviewed the more significant comments that were reviewed and sought direction from the City Commission regarding how the City and community would like for Forward Pinellas to finalize the report.

- *Further exploration of mixed-use consideration in the Business District Triangle Overlay Zone, particularly regarding mixed-use with residential.*
 - The land development codes currently allows residential but must be combined with commercial.

Planner Mendoza stated that the way it is worded in the City Code is confusing, thus reflecting the need to update the City Code to provide clarity.

- *Further research into the potential incorporation of a unified public art within the community.*

- Forward Pinellas could research other examples within the region, such as the Pinellas County Cultural Affairs Department, Public Art and Design and Art Program.
- *Short-term vacation rental impacts must be included in the visioning study, particularly for the retail market study.*
 - The City is currently inventorying short-term vacation rentals.

Planner Mendoza stated due to data limitations, Forward Pinellas was unable to accurately depict the impact of short-term vacation rentals on the community. However, the City is currently inventorying short-term vacation rentals. Forward Pinellas encourages the City to consider conducting further analysis to assess their local impact.

- *Further exploration of grant opportunities for small businesses.*
 - Business grants are available through the CARES Act for COVID-19 related issues. The Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners has approved additional funding to develop new business assistance programs. Details and the application launch date will be announced once the program is finalized.
- *Need to balance competing desires — growth and development vs. protection and preservation.*
 - The visioning study provides a balance between these interests.

Planner Mendoza stated one of the main goals of the visioning plan was to strike a balance. For example, Forward Pinellas encouraged the incorporation of a pedestrian-friendly environment by incorporating elements in the land development codes, such as reducing setbacks and incorporating public safety enhancements and streetscaping while at the same time keeping the City's height limits the same. This ensures consistency with the surrounding context and maintains the community character and form.

Planner Mendoza stated Forward Pinellas also encouraged consideration of a historic preservation strategy, such as incentives and others, that the City could consider incorporating to preserve better landmark resources.

- *Concern over determining the “market area” for the visioning study.*
 - The consultant has made some edits to the market assessment to address these concerns.

Planner Mendoza stated there was concern over determining the market area for the visioning study. The consultant's analysis considered the existing spatial distribution of grocery stores and nearby competitors. The consultant's analysis indicated that most grocery stores in the area have roughly a three-minute drive time based on the competition distribution.

Due to Indian Rocks Beach's unique geography and its location on a barrier island, it is assumed that the locals would be willing to drive a little bit further to shop locally, and that is why it was determined to use the Indian Rocks Beach boundary.

- *Concern over the viability of economic vitality recommendations due to the pandemic.*
 - The visioning study's recommendations focus on small business support programs and streamlining the permitting process and the application process to make it easier for small businesses to get established.

- *An interest in a landmark preservation board, historic preservation plan, and/or incentive-based strategies.*
 - These recommendations could be included as the community desires. One approach the City could take is to focus on preserving the historic structures outlined in the City's historic walking tour created by the Florida Humanity Council as an initial first step. The visioning study currently includes various incentive programs that the City could explore further in implementation if it chooses to do so.

- *Review existing architectural guidelines and update.*
 - This could be addressed through updates to the land development codes during the implementation phase and could be included as a separate recommendation if the community so desires.

- *Evaluate conflicting recommendations and clarify items as needed.*
 - There will be tradeoffs to each recommendation, and they are not necessarily mutually exclusive and can be subjective.

- *Recommendations need more actionable statements.*
 - Recommendations were written to give the City as much flexibility as possible.

- *Desires to explore a possible circulator service within the City.*
 - Can recommend consideration of smaller, private operator.

- *Questionable community interest in a grocery store.*
 - Based on input received, the community has expressed interest.

- *E-Scooters are most likely not feasible in IRB with the narrow bike lanes.*
 - Given the speed limit and the size of the City, e-scooters could be a consideration. Under State law, they are allowed, and if the City wanted to prohibit e-scooters, they would have to adopt an ordinance banning them.

- *Mixed-use demand and feasibility need more detail to include a specific type of commercial business.*
 - The market assessment examined the market potential for different mixed-use types featuring ground-floor retail with a combination of residential, office, or VRBO uses above. A more in-depth analysis would likely require more specific site-level information to properly depict detailed market and risk factors, realistic estimates of acquisition, construction, and finance costs.

NEXT STEPS:

- The City Commission would be asked to take action on the visioning study providing direction to Forward Pinellas on how to complete the final report.
- Forward Pinellas would then incorporate comments into the final report based on the City Commission's direction.
- The City Commission would then determine the next steps toward implementation of the recommendations.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

John Pfanstiehl, 448 Harbor Drive South, stated would like to see IRB preserve the small-town feel by establishing historic zones, purchasing development rights, encouraging extensive remodeling for single-story homes, or significantly increase the impact fees or provide property tax breaks.

Angela Coccozza, 356 LaHacienda Drive, stated she has been a resident for 30 years. She has seen the storms affect the overhead utility lines, and stated she would like to see all utilities undergrounded.

City Manager Mims stated Phase I of the Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding of Utilities from Indian Shores to the intersection of Gulf Boulevard and Walsingham Road is estimated to be completed by October.

City Manager Mims stated the Board of County Commissioners agreed to allocate up to \$35 Million of its Penny IV funds to complete the undergrounding of utilities along Gulf Boulevard. From October 2020 to October 2025, the City has to be complete with Phase II. The City would start where it left off and go as far north as it can.

Ms. Coccozza asked what could be done with the short-term rentals on her block as they are disturbing the neighborhood.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy advised her to call the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office or the City's Code Enforcement Officer.

City Manager Mims stated the State has prohibited cities from limiting as to where short-term vacation rentals could be located.

Rick McFall, 408 Harbor Drive North, stated a parking study was prepared in conjunction with the USF Study and feels that is something that could be adapted to the current study. He stated e-scooters are an issue if used on the beach and on the sidewalks. Motorists are confused about what goes on up and down Gulf Boulevard as bikers and e-scooters are riding the wrong way, not using the bike lanes, and so forth.

Mr. McFall stated the concept of short-term vacation rentals has had a significant impact on the City.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy stated the City is going to continue to fight for home rule. She encouraged everyone who is having issues with short-term vacation rentals to contact their Florida Legislators.

Executive Director Blanton stated in order to carve out properly designated bike lanes on Gulf Boulevard, mark, and assign them, the City needs to either decide to acquire more right-of-way, which would be extremely expensively, or narrow the width of the existing travel lanes to something like 10 feet. The City has been clear in its unwillingness to do that for various reasons. Their report acknowledges that, and that is a policy decision that the City Commission is making. The City could adopt an ordinance to ban bicycle riding from sidewalks in certain areas. The City is not required to allow bicycles to use sidewalks. They are legally allowed to do unless there is an ordinance contrary. He thinks in a community like Indian Rocks Beach, that is not recommended because so many people are not comfortable riding adjacent to cars moving 30 mph or faster. He thinks the City would want to encourage bike riding. So, Forward Pinellas is recommending the City focus more on improving the messaging about safety. He suggested working on educational efforts and partnering with the sheriff's office to issue some warnings rather than citations reminding people of the laws. He suggested using some creative signage and markings to remind people to go the speed limit and their responsibilities as pedestrians and bicyclists. Motorists often disrespect bicyclists and pedestrians, and bicyclists and pedestrians also do not always follow the law. Unless the City is willing to invest in infrastructure, the City is left with education, encouragement, and enforcement as their best options.

David Ardman, 351 LaHacienda Drive, asked if any other beach communities prohibit bicycles on their sidewalks.

Mr. Blanton stated the city of St. Petersburg restricts bicycles from the sidewalks in their downtown area. But, he is not aware of any other city that has banned bikes from sidewalks in the Pinellas County area.

City Attorney Mora stated that generally speaking, Chapter 316, Florida Statutes, addresses vehicle traffic and alike states that bikes are to be treated as pedestrians on sidewalks with proper yielding and the alike.

Mr. Blanton stated from their data and research, a sidewalk is the least safe place to ride. A bicyclist will get hit more often on a sidewalk than riding on a bicycle lane or in the street.

Daryl Frahn, 317-10th Avenue, thanked the City Commission for incorporating most of Action 2000, Inc.'s comments and recommendations into the visioning study and thanked the City Commission for including the focus on preservation and updating and clarifying some of the zoning.

Robert Coccozza, 356 LaHacienda Drive, expressed concern with beach parking on 7th Avenue, 8th Avenue, and 9th Avenue.

John Ashby, 513 Hidden Harbour Drive, stated short-term vacation rentals are clearly a challenge that everyone is trying to work through. As the City looks through some of the options for short-term vacation rentals, does the City have the capability of levying some separate excise or value-added tax? If it does, could it be set at a point where it would not encourage short-term vacation rentals?

City Attorney Mora stated he wanted to ensure this dialogue continues that the City Commission and the public focus on proposals at issue. But as it relates to the City starting some kind of tax, the taxing power tied to the constitutional powers that each city has, there is no specific power beyond the ad valorem to have for something like this. This kind of inquiry has come up in the past. The City collects a business tax fee, which is collected for short-term vacation rentals. Some cities have a fee, separate from that business tax fee, that is usually tied to the administrative cost of facilitating some kind of City bureaucracy that involves inspections or special vacation rental certification and alike. This City Commission, for roughly three years, carefully considered several approaches and defined explicitly at that time to go with the business tax receipt only. The City has implemented an ordinance for residents and property owners to register and identify designated responsible parties alike, and Code Enforcement has taken measures to implement that.

Mr. Blanton stated in looking at mixed-use development, some sort of revenue stream is critical to ensure that the City can subsidize the more expensive and less profitable portions of mixed-use development. Their analysis and market study looked at mixed-use in Indian Rocks Beach to have a residential component. It is challenging to do mixed-use that does not have that consistent revenue stream. Certainly, the market is strong for those kinds of rental products. That has presented some concern to them, the community, and the City Commission because the vacation rental industry has affected Indian Rocks Beach and other Pinellas County communities. It is difficult to untangle these issues when the City is thinking about redevelopment and mixed-use. They acknowledged this in the report, and

for that reason, they have provided some guidance on how to consider mixed-use going forward and in what locations to consider mixed-use.

Rachael (LNU), 373 LaHacienda Drive, stated it was mentioned this evening briefly about a grocery store in Indian Rocks Beach and asked about the parking and how the traffic would influence the area.

Mr. Blanton stated the type of grocery store they looked at was not a standard large-scale Publix. It was more of a specialty grocer that provided a smaller footprint in terms of square footage and catered to the local market instead of a draw of, say, three to five miles.

Mr. Blanton stated concerning parking and other congestion producing effects that would depend on the grocery store's scale and size. For instance, if its size, scale, and offerings meet existing demand, it would draw people from a larger market area.

CITY COMMISSION COMMENTS:

COMMISSIONER HOOFNAGLE

- Thanked Forward Pinellas for the work that they did and for getting the community together.
- Thanked Action 2000, Inc., for the assistance with the retail market study that was done.
- He stated when the residents envisioned the City's development, did the residents want more people in cars.
- He asked what the community could do to encourage redevelopment without overloading density in terms of cars and interaction between cars and people.
- He would like to emphasize the extent to which the development efforts encourage pedestrian, bicycle, and other forms of friendly transportation that does not involve cars, and he thinks that is a good thing.
- He stated e-scooters are very dangerous, especially for a community with Indian Rocks Beach's demographic profile, where a slip and fall could become a life-changing event. He would not want the City affiliated in any way with a scooter program. He is not in support of a scooter program.
- He stated the preservation board that was discussed needs to be balanced with the real-life implications of redevelopment and property rights. He supports preservation. He thinks it should be done voluntarily, not involuntarily.
- He believes that the retail market study that was done inaccurately measures the market share potential. He thinks it was unrealistic to use the island municipal boundaries. He understands that was a decision that was taken upon consultation with experts in the field. He had been informed, and he disagreed with them that was probably not the right way to do that. It perhaps gives a misleading picture of a small-scale grocery store's viability, which does not include something that Mr. Blanton mentioned, like the Belleair Market, which is a much smaller format than

what was described in the retail market study. He does believe, and he agrees with Mr. Blanton that something of that scale may be viable. However, the small-format grocery, which was described in the retail study, was unrealistic.

- The City Commission had heard a lot of comments about short-term vacation rentals and parking. He hopes that when the land development codes are redeveloped, the City does their best to encourage parking to be off Gulf Boulevard. He understands now what the front setbacks do by making it a parking lot. He stated having people back onto Gulf Boulevard is not ideal for traffic circulation and pedestrian safety.
- He stated to the extent that mixed-use development encourages additional short-term vacation rentals, he would not support mixed-use and would do his best to stop it. He is hopeful that the City would not generate additional short-term vacation rental activities, except if it is centered in the commercial district, then it is appropriate. However, if it hinges upon residential neighborhoods, then it is inappropriate.

COMMISSIONER FLAGG

- Thanked the citizens and the business owners who came to the work sessions and put together the visioning plan. The City is so fortunate to have so many interested and involved citizens who care about the City. She thanked Forward Pinellas for putting all the comments and ideas together into a visioning plan.
- She stated the resounding response from almost everybody was a desire to preserve and protect the community's small-town values while facing population growth, increased rental properties, and overcrowding of City streets and the beach.
- She is sorry if there was a misunderstanding that the City Commission was doing this to promote growth and development, nothing could be further from the truth. There is nothing in this study that recommends increasing higher, larger or taller building heights.
- She is very much in favor of re-establishing the summary table for zoning districts to include allowable uses, like setbacks, height, parking. It could be a helpful tool to anyone wanting to invest in the City in the future and also easy for residents to understand.
- She recommended the architectural guideline change for future residential and commercial projects to keep more in line with the small-town character. She would defer to the City Manager and the Planning Consultant to determine its feasibility and how the City Commission would recommend updating the land development codes.
- She stated Gulf Boulevard is a major thoroughfare. It will never be congestion-free, but the City has to work on making it safer and more manageable. The City has already established some things, like keeping the speed limit down, changed the pedestrian medians to traffic calming medians, and provided more signage.
- She stated the City is a pedestrian and bicycle-friendly community. Pedestrian and bicycle education is a task and challenge for both the City and the County.

- She stated as the City is in the process of undergrounding utilities on Gulf Boulevard, it would be an excellent opportunity for the City to think about green space.
- She stated for economic vitality, it just makes cents that the City's growth opportunities would be in the Downtown Business District. Of course, the exception would be the one parcel between 23rd and 24th Avenue, which would be a mixed-use project.
- She recommended a review and update of the Business District Triangle Overlay Zone, which should be consistent with the City's small-town character. The study mentioned a small community grocery store, and perhaps it could be a dine-in so that it would appeal to residents and tourists. Instead of driving, they could go by bike or walk, that might be something to consider.
- She stated the City should meet with its downtown business partners to see what planning they think would enhance their businesses and encourage new businesses in that area and ways to manage the parking in the downtown area.
- She stated ideally, the Business District Triangle could become a walkable and bike-friendly thriving downtown that would serve the community well if the City could work more with that area.
- She stated the community character is just sensible growth and development in the downtown area. If the City focuses on small-town characteristics, businesses, maybe B&Bs, highlight the City's museum and Chic-A-Si Park as amenities. The Plein-Aire Cottage Artists have championed the cottages through their documentary and paintings, highlighting the quite feel for Indian Rocks Beach that the community now thinks is so special.
- The City should not pursue a historic preservation committee. Perhaps, if Action 2000, Inc., and the museum wanted to look at incentives, that would be in tandem with what the cottage property owners wish to. It would have to be something that the cottage property owners would feel comfortable with going forward.
- She would like to pursue "branding" because IRB is a quaint coastal community. She stated supposed the City can come up with signage emphasizing that the community is pedestrian and bicycle-friendly. In that case, she thinks that is a theme that she would like to see consistent throughout the community.
- She stated the City might be able to have more frequent stops trolley/bus stops if the City thought it demanded that during peak season and peak times.
- She stated the mention of private transporters interested her, and perhaps the City could pursue that.
- She stated the City does need to consider parking restrictions and noted the City Commission is addressing parking issues at this time.
- She stated she would like to encourage the City to review the Stormwater Master Plan. She said Public Services does an excellent job of handling the storm drain issues. From time to time, the City Commission does receive updates on the improvements and a review of costs as part of the budget process.
- She stated the City probably has more green space with its beach accesses and parks than most beach communities. She would like to take care of what the City

has and suggested not buying any large parcels that would put a demand on taxpayers that the City does not need.

- She would like the City to continue to work with Action 2000, Inc., on street scenes and aesthetics because they have done an excellent job contributing to some excellent street landscaping project. She hopes the City could pursue that in the future with Action 2000, Inc.
- Thanked Action 2000, Inc., for the donation of \$25,000 toward this study and is very grateful for that.

COMMISSIONER MCCALL

- He stated it had been a tough year for IRB businesses as Forward Pinellas mentioned that 50% of IRB businesses employ one to four employees, which is about as small a business a person can have. He would like to discuss what the City can do to help the small businesses survive and anything the City can do to streamline the process to make it a little bit easier to get the doors open and generate revenue. This is a personal investment for them. The community loves its small businesses and local businesses.
- He agrees with Commissioner Flagg regarding preservation. Anything that the City could do to help the community's cottages leads to the community's quaintness, which everyone loves about Indian Rocks Beach.
- He stated the City has been proactive with the short-term vacation rentals by passing an ordinance and enforcing that ordinance.
- He stated Phase I of the Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding of Utilities Project will be completed in October.

COMMISSIONER HANNA

- He thanked Forward Pinellas for a beautiful job and stated a lot of work was done to prepare the visioning study plan.
- He stated people come to Indian Rocks Beach because of the small-town character charm, and a lot of people do not want to see that changed. It does not mean the City cannot augment or enhance it.
- He does not think the City could make a developer follow the City's architectural guidelines but could probably use them as a negotiation tool.
- He stated the more logical place for any new development to create a center of excellence in terms of a destination would be the Business District Triangle. The Business District Triangle has been down there for years, and it is the most likely place to generate businesses, restaurants, bicycling, and all kind of things can happen, and it is just across the bridge from the mainland.
- He stated mixed-use would be perfect in the Business District Triangle.
- He stated if a private company provided the circulator program, would the City have any liability, if any.
- He is all for preservation because that is part of the charm, which is a large part of the community's appeal.

MAYOR-COMMISSIONER KENNEDY

- She agrees with the updates to the land development codes.
- She stated because of the traffic congestion in the Business District Triangle, she would like to see sidewalks for safety concerns.
- She is working with Forward Pinellas Safe Streets on pedestrian safety.
- She stated there are close to 30 businesses in IRB, and because of the pandemic and the effects that this has caused on the businesses, she would like to have an open roundtable with the business community to see where they are at, what and if the City could not help, and if the City cannot help, and how could Pinellas County help through the CARES Act or other funding available through the State or Federal government. She stated most businesses that are open are struggling.
- She would like to resurrect the USF parking study if it can just be updated or if a new study needs to be done.
- She reiterated that the IRB feel of a small town is what the community wants to stay with, and the visioning study does not mention anything about the increase of building height in Indian Rocks Beach.
- She believes in mixed-use if built in the right zoning district, like commercial or business, but not residential.
- She stated the architectural and design guidelines need to be reviewed and applied to the buildings on Gulf Boulevard, not just in the Business District Overlay Zone.

CITY MANAGER MIMS

- Staff requests Forward Pinellas provide a final copy of the visioning plan for staff's review.
- Staff will come back to the City Commission on some plans to implement what staff can out of the study.
- *Preservation.* Since February, it has been made very clear from responses that there are not a majority of people in Indian Rocks Beach that are interested in a preservation ordinance. He stated the Historical Society and Action 2000, independently from the City, could research the options for preservation and then report back to the City Commission on their findings.
- *Parking Study.* Staff did a parking study in 2010, and the recommendations were somewhat vague. Within the last six years, 40 parking spaces were added in the Business District Triangle, 15 parking spaces were added where the new volleyball court is (old Solid Waste Building was located), and 18 parking spaces within the Holiday Inn Harbourside Parking Lot as per their PUD Development Agreement. The study recommended the businesses have shared parking agreements where people can park on other businesses' property.
- *Circulator.* If the City were to get into the circulator bus program, an RFP would be put out.
- *Short-Term Vacation Rentals.* There are 150 short-term vacation rentals in the residential areas that are impacting the residential areas. Staff is tracking short-term vacation rentals.

- *Meeting with Business Owners.* Set up a meeting with business owners to discuss parking issues or any other items they want to discuss. After the meeting, he will report back to the City Commission.
- Thanked Action 2000 for being involved like they always are.
- Thanked Forward Pinellas for their professional and hard work in preparing the Gulf Boulevard Visioning Study Plan.

Commissioner Hoofnagle asked if the City Manager could talk to the post office and explore whether or not there is a possibility to have a private parking facility off-hours.

City Manager Mims stated he would.

CONSENSUS OF THE CITY COMMISSION FOR FORWARD PINELLAS TO FINALIZE THE GULF BOULEVARD VISIONING STUDY PLAN.

10. ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER HOOFNAGLE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR-COMMISSIONER FLAGG, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:40 P.M. UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

March 9, 2021
Date Approved

Joanne Moston Kennedy, Mayor-Commissioner

ATTEST: _____
Deanne B. O'Reilly, MMC, City Clerk

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**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5B
CONSENT AGENDA**

**APPROVAL of the
February 9, 2021 Regular City
Commission Meeting Minutes**

**MINUTES — FEBRUARY 9, 2021
CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

The Indian Rocks Beach Regular City Commission Meeting was held on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021**, in the City Commission Chambers, 1507 Bay Palm Boulevard, Indian Rocks Beach, Florida.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

PRESENT: Mayor-Commissioner Joanne Moston Kennedy, Vice Mayor-Commissioner Philip J. Hanna, Commissioner Diane Flagg, Commissioner Edward G. Hoofnagle (digitally attended), Commissioner Joe McCall, and City Manager Brently Gregg Mims.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Randy D. Mora, City Clerk Deanne B. O'Reilly, MMC, Finance Director Daniel Carpenter, CGFO, and Technology Moderator Consultant Matt Sabella.

(To provide continuity for research, items are listed in agenda order although not necessarily discussed in that order.)

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy and City Manager Mims presented a plaque to outgoing City Commissioner Flagg in recognition of her selfless and dedicated service to the community as City Commissioner from March 2019 through March 2021.

1A. REPORT OF Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

PCSO Sergeant Roy Swiech, Jr., stated his shift deputies are monitoring a vacation rental at 710 1st Street because of noise complaints received and documenting their contacts with the transient occupants. His deputies have also tried to reach out to the property owners to try to resolve the issues.

1B. REPORT OF Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District.

The Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue District submitted a written report for the month of January 2021.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Maria Heshmati, 315 LaHacienda Drive, thanked the City Commission for passing the IRB resident beach parking decals and the temporary parking permits.

Ms. Heshmati stated an incident occurred on Monday at the pickleball courts that the city manager and the code enforcement officer handled between a resident and a nonresident.

She recommended that City Commission members reach out to the elected officials in Seminole and Largo to encourage them to build other pickleball courts for their residents.

Dr. Madgy Abdelhameed, 100 Windrush Boulevard, #3, stated that IRB residents have been suffering from nonresidents crowding the courts. He said he has the following solutions: (a) Reserve courts to IRB residents only; (b) Dedicate times in the a.m. and p.m. for IRB residents only; (3) Convert one of the two tennis courts to three pickleball courts for nonresidents and charge a fee.

Mark Bodine, Vice President, Vacation Property Management, Inc., Resort Manager, Camaron Cove Resort, 2402 Gulf Boulevard, spoke about the beach access parking, specifically the overnight parking. The residents at Camaron Cove Resort are weekly deeded owners. They have been given some beach overnight parking permits for some of their residents over the years when they have guests because their parking is minimal.

Mr. Bodine asked the City Commission to look into the beach access overnight parking for Indian Rocks Beach property owners. The City Commission approved a charge for the overnight parking. He has no issue with the fee, but there is a three-night maximum stay. The ownership at the Resort is for seven days, from Saturday to Saturday. He asked how his residents can obtain a parking permit when City Hall is not opened on the weekends.

Mr. Bodine requested that the temporary parking permits be for seven days and purchased before a weekend through the internet.

Trent Wolfersberger, the property owner at 2 15th Avenue, #403, expressed concern about Ordinance No. 2020-08. He and his wife purchased a condo three months ago, and this ordinance disadvantages them and other non-residential property owners.

Mr. Wolfersberger stated in Section 62-35(e), it states: *Parking at 15th Avenue Boat Ramp, Parking and use of the boat ramp at 15th Avenue shall be limited to City residents or property owners.* However, he cannot obtain a beach parking decal to use the 15th Avenue Boat Ramp unless his vehicle registration and driver's license coincide with his Indian Rocks Beach property address.

Mr. Wolfersberger asked the City Commission to consider an adjustment to the ordinance to allow one residential decal per taxable parcel with additional allowances for the residential property owners.

John Pfanstiehl, 448 Harbor Drive South, spoke about short-term vacation rentals. He stated House Bill 219 is co-sponsored by Representative Jason Fischer, and Senate Bill 522 is sponsored by Manny Diaz, Jr. These bills will cause IRB to lose the ability to license and inspect vacation rentals.

Don House, 2104 Beach Trail, stated there is no problem with overnight parking at the 21st and 22nd Avenue Beach Accesses.

Bob Garcia stated he is the property owner of the yellow and teal cottages at 320 1st Street. The cottages are located approximately 10 yards directly behind IRB Cross Fit, 321

Gulf Boulevard. His tenants complain about the loud noise and the floor vibrating from the dropping of heavy weights from IRB Cross Fit in the early morning hours and periodically throughout the day. He has tried to work with the owner of IRB Cross Fit, Mel, originally to no avail. His next step was to the City's Code Enforcement Officer Mike Kelley. The noise and vibration have gotten better, but it still exists.

3A. REPORTS OF THE CITY ATTORNEY.

Short-Term Vacation Rental Bills (HB 219 and SB 522):

City Attorney Mora stated he had drafted a letter to the Governor, the Pinellas County Legislative Delegation, Florida House of Representatives, Regulatory Reform Subcommittee, Senator Manny Diaz, Jr., District 36 (Sponsor of SB 522), Representative Jason Fischer, District 16 (Co-sponsor of HB 219), and Pinellas County Mayors, urging the Florida Legislature and the Governor to take the necessary steps to restore, or at the very least, preserve the current scope of the home rule powers relating to the ability to regulate short-term vacation rentals.

City Attorney Mora stated Senator Diaz filed SB 522 for consideration during the Legislative Session. The bill's plain text seeks to expressly preempt local inspection or licensing of public lodging establishments, including short-term vacation rentals. SB 522 only allows a local jurisdiction to regulate short-term rentals precisely as other residential properties. By legislative mandate, this regulatory framework would expand the imposition upon local jurisdiction to treat a distinctly commercial use as though it is identical to single-family homes' historical use. Like IRB, local jurisdictions are then forced to regulate inherently different uses as though they are uniform. This puts an unnecessarily burdensome restriction on the City's home rule powers.

CONSENSUS FOR STAFF TO FINALIZE AND SEND THE LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR, THE PINELLAS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, SENATOR MANNY DIAZ, JR., (SPONSOR OF SB 522), REPRESENTATIVE JASON FISCHER, (CO-SPONSOR OF HB 219), AND PINELLAS COUNTY MAYORS.

3B. REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER.

City Manager Mims reported on the following items:

- Presented the 1st Quarterly Financial Report.
- ORDINANCE NO. 2020-08 — PARKING. Reported that staff began implementing Ordinance No. 2020-08, the new parking ordinance, which deals with beach parking decals, the increase of parking fines, and temporary parking permits for beach access parking. After that, he briefly reviewed the process of issuing beach parking decals. He stated residents could use those beach parking decals at the 73 resident-only beach parking spaces and the 15th Avenue Boat Ramp.
- Briefly explained the Pinellas County Property Appraiser's TRIM bill and stated the City only receives 11% of that bill. For example, for an average tax bill of \$4,047.38, the City of Indian Rocks Beach gets \$392.55. He stated the IRB millage rate is 1.8326%, which is the fifth-lowest in Pinellas County, and the highest millage rate is St. Petersburg at 6.75%. He stated IRB does not have any utility taxes or

stormwater fee tax. The City has reduced its staff over the years and has outsourced work. He said in return, the City provides law enforcement, code enforcement, streets, drainage, parks, maintenance, the beach, 28 beach accesses, the Nature Preserve, Kolb Park, Brown Park, 10th Avenue Park, 24th Avenue Park, 27th Avenue Park, 12th IRB Pocket Park, Keegan Clair Park, IRB Museum, Chic-A-Si Park, the Business District Boardwalk, holiday decorations, seasonal decorations, special events, and that is just to name a few. So, for 1.8326% vs. St. Petersburg's mill rate of 6.75%, that is a great deal.

- **SOLID WASTE EMPLOYEES.** Throughout the COVID pandemic, the Solid Waste Employees did not take time off or work from home, they were working hard picking up everyone's garbage and making sure the streets were clean. He wanted to recognize them for their hard work publicly.
- **PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE/PINELLAS SUNCOAST FIRE AND RESCUE DISTRICT.** He publicly thanked the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office and the Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue District for all their work during the pandemic.
- **PINELLAS COUNTY CARES ACT.** Pinellas County allocated \$83,890.92 to Indian Rocks Beach for COVID related expenses, and the City thus far has been reimbursed \$32,890.92 for cleaning supplies, face masks, sanitizers, plexiglass in the reception areas, cameras for zoom meetings, etc.
- **CAMPALONG BASEBALL FIELD.** Will be closed during the month of March for renovations — LED Lighting Project and the replacement of a set of two bleachers.
- **GULF BOULEVARD UNDERGROUNDING PROJECT.** The City is waiting on Spectrum and Frontier, and the City was advised they are looking at 45 days.
- **LA HACIENDA STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT.** It will be finished by April 2021.
- **PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIME REPORT.** The Sheriff has provided a summary of reported crime in Indian Rocks Beach over the past ten years, and he advised that crime decreased in Indian Rocks Beach by 42% between 2010 and 2019. City Manager Mims asked this document be attached and made part of the minutes as Attachment "A."
- **CITY OF LARGO LEASE/SOLID WASTE FACILITY.** He advised that the City has requested the City of Largo to extend the lease with the City for another five years as outlined in the lease agreement.
- **DUKE ENERGY FRANCHISE AGREEMENT.** He advised the agreement was approved in 2011, and there was an option in the agreement where the City, by letter, could opt to renew the agreement for an additional ten years. The City has requested the ten-year extension. The City is already charging the maximum percentage rate. This past year, the City received \$447,000 in franchise fees.
- **SPECIAL MAGISTRATE FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT CASES.** The City will be going out for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a Special Magistrate. The City Attorney's Office is handling this process with the final decision/selection being made by the City Commission.
- **CITY ATTORNEY AGREEMENT.** He stated the City still has a couple of years left on the agreement with the City Attorney's firm, but he does not want to lose the firm, so he has begun a dialog with the City Attorney about extending his agreement. His goal is to ask the City Commission to extend the agreement with the City Attorney's firm.

- *COMMISSIONER-ELECT DENISE HOUSEBERG.* He stated he and the City Attorney had an orientation session with Commissioner-elect Houseberg last week.

3C. REPORTS OF THE CITY COMMISSION.

The City Commission wished Commissioner Flagg well and thanked her for her service, dedication, and contributions to the City as a City Commissioner.

COMMISSIONER HOOFNAGLE:

- He looks forward to addressing some of the issues with the pickleball courts.
- He does not think the City Commission intended to prohibit the snowbirds from using the 15th Avenue Boat Ramp.
- He thanked the City Commission for their support on the overnight parking at the beach accesses. A percentage of those parking spaces were being misused all the time and were being occupied as private driveways. It was impossible to enforce a part-time parking situation there because there was no ordinance in effect.

COMMISSIONER FLAGG:

- She thanked the City Commission because it has been a pleasure working with all of them. She has learned so much over the past couple of years. There is so much more that happens than anyone can ever imagine on a day to day basis.

MAYOR-COMMISSIONER KENNEDY:

- She has started to call members of the Pinellas County Legislative Delegation, voicing her opinion and the concerns that IRB and its citizenry have on short-term vacation rentals and the proposed legislation.
- She has been in touch with some of the Largo City Commission Members regarding other pickleball courts. She also suggested that the Largo pickleball players attend a Largo City Commission Meeting and ask them to build more pickleball courts in Largo.
- She spoke with the owner of IRB Cross Fit, who advised that she would try to be a good neighbor and resolve the issues with Mr. Garcia. She noted this is a commercial area, and Mr. Garcia needs to take that into account.
- She would like to present a key to the City to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

4. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS. None.

5A. CONSENT AGENDA — APPROVAL OF the January 12, 2021 City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes.

City Attorney Mora read the Consent Agenda, consisting of Agenda Item No. 5A, by title only.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER FLAGG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MCCALL, TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 12, 2021 CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, AS SUBMITTED.

6A. ABT 14-2021 — QUASI-JUDICIAL PROCEEDING

215 GULF BOULEVARD — RICKDADDY'S EATIN' FRESH

Considering a 2COP Alcoholic Beverage Use Designation (Beer, wine. By the drink or in sealed containers for consumption on or off the premises where sold) to RickDaddy's Foods, LLC, D/B/A RickDaddy's Eatin' Fresh, which establishment is located at 215 Gulf Boulevard, Indian Rocks Beach, Florida, and legally described as Indian Rocks Beach, Block 5, Lots 1 and 2. Parcel No. 12-30-14-42858-005-0010.

[Beginning of Staffing Report]

SUBJECT: ABT CASE NO. 14-2021 — Richard E. Brumfield, the registered agent of RickDaddy's Foods, LLC, requested a 2COP Alcoholic Beverage Use Designation (Beer; wine. By the drink or in sealed containers for consumption on or off premises where sold) for the establishment RickDaddy's Eatin' Fresh, located at 215 Gulf Boulevard, Indian Rocks, Beach, Florida, and legally described as Block 5, Lots 1 and 2. Parcel #12-30-14-42858-005-0010.

BACKGROUND:

Alcoholic Beverage Use Designations are governed by Chapter 6, Alcoholic Beverages.

All alcoholic beverage licenses are under the control of the State of Florida, Division of Alcohol Beverages and Tobacco. However, municipalities do have the right to enact ordinances regulating the hours of business and location of the place of business and prescribing sanitary regulations thereof, of any license under the State Beverage Law within the county or corporate limits of such municipality. [F.S. 562.45(2)(a)]

On December 15, 2020, RickDaddy's Foods, LLC submitted a 2COP Alcoholic Beverage Designation Application (Beer, wine. By the drink or in sealed containers for consumption on or off premises where sold) for the establishment RickDaddy's Eatin' Fresh, located at 215 Gulf Boulevard, Indian Rocks Beach, Florida, pursuant to Code Section 6-32(e).

RickDaddy's Foods, LLC has entered into a commercial lease with Aqua Prime Real Estate, LLC, to lease the property located at 215 Gulf Boulevard, and received permission from Aqua Prime Real Estate, LLC to serve beer and wine at that location.

Code Section 6-32 Alcoholic Beverage Use Designations are approved for a specific property location and a specific application. Any change in ownership of the establishment will require filing a new application and approval by the City Commission.

ANALYSIS:

The surrounding zoning is B-Business on the east side of Gulf Boulevard with CT-Commercial Tourist on Gulf Boulevard's west side.

There is a single-story commercial building on the property, including an outside patio area. The property is located within the Business District Triangle Overlay Zone (Code Section 110-135).

The Planning Consultant has determined that the Alcoholic Beverage Application for RickDaddy's Eatin' Fresh complies with Chapter 6, Alcoholic Beverages, and Chapter 110, Zoning. The overall commercial uses and parking for the building at 215 Gulf Boulevard were reviewed for compliance with the parking provided for the site. There is adequate parking on-site for this use.

On January 5, 2021, a records check for Richard Eugene Brumfield was conducted by the Records Division of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office. It should be noted this is not a comprehensive background check and only references the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office records management system. The records check did locate one incident for Mr. Brumfield, which was provided to the City Commission for review.

Section 6-33, Authority of City Commission to designate locations, empowers the City Commission to designate the location and classification and to place reasonable restrictions which are deemed appropriate such as: Repeated or intermittent nuisance activity and/or unlawful noise levels originating from the establishment or the parking area may result in the revocation of the alcoholic beverage designation.

Public notification: A public meeting notice was mailed by first-class mail to the property owners within 150 feet in any direction of the subject property and posted on the property on January 25, 2021, per Code Section 2-149.

Legal Advertisement: A legal notice was published in the January 27, 2021-edition, of the St. Pete Times Section of the Tampa Bay Times, for a public hearing that has been scheduled on February 9, 2021, for ABT Case No. 14-2021.0

[End of Staffing Report]

City Attorney Mora read the title on the Agenda Item.

City Attorney Mora inquired if any City Commission Member had done a site visit for the limited purpose of evaluating this case, with all Members responding negatively.

City Attorney Mora inquired if any City Commission Member had any ex-parte communications with the applicants, with all Members responding negatively.

The City Attorney duly swore in all persons planning to give testimony during the quasi-judicial proceeding.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy opened the public hearing.

City Clerk O'Reilly introduced the Agenda Item and reviewed the Staffing Report. She stated staff recommends approval with the following stipulation: Repeated or intermittent nuisance activity and/or unlawful noise levels originating from the establishment or the parking area may result in the revocation of the alcoholic beverage designation.

Rick Brumfield, 435 Gulf Boulevard, the applicant, stated he currently has a lunch café in Clearwater called Eatin' Fresh. This establishment will be very similar, except there

would be a little more seafood, and they will be offering beer and wine table service only. No bar on-site. He does not anticipate live music because it is a small venue, and he wants to keep it quaint.

Mayor-Commission Kennedy seeing and/or hearing no one wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER HOOFNAGLE, SECONDED BY VICE MAYOR-COMMISSIONER HANNA, TO APPROVE A REQUEST FOR AN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE USE DESIGNATION OF 2COP, (BEER, WINE. BY THE DRINK OR IN SEALED CONTAINERS FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR OFF PREMISES WHERE SOLD) TO RICKDADDY'S FOODS, LLC, D/B/A RICKDADDY'S EATIN' FRESH, WHICH ESTABLISHMENT IS LOCATED AT 215 GULF BOULEVARD, INDIAN ROCKS BEACH, FLORIDA, AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS BLOCK 5, LOTS 1 AND 2 WITH THE FOLLOWING STIPULATION: REPEATED OR INTERMITTENT NUISANCE ACTIVITY AND/OR UNLAWFUL NOISE LEVELS ORIGINATING FROM THE ESTABLISHMENT OR THE PARKING AREA MAY RESULT IN THE REVOCATION OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE DESIGNATION.

Commissioner Hoofnagle thanked the applicant for investing in Indian Rocks Beach and looks forward to a successful business launch. He is happy that the City continues to evolve and grow with this kind of investment.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: MCCALL, FLAGG, HANNA, HOOFNAGLE, KENNEDY.

NAYS: NONE.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6B. ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01—SECOND/FINAL READING/PUBLIC READING

An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Indian Rocks Beach, Pinellas County, Florida, amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget; appropriating additional funds for employee wages, including specific charter officers; providing for severability and providing an effective date. BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. FY2021-01

[Beginning of Staffing Report]

SUBJECT: ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01. Appropriating funds for operating expenses and adopting a budget amendment for the City of Indian Rocks Beach, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2020/21.

BACKGROUND:

On September 17, 2020, the City Commission approved Ordinance No. 2020-03 appropriating funds for operating expenses and adopting a budget for the City of Indian Rocks Beach for Fiscal Year 2020/21. The total approved budget for Fiscal Year 2020/21 was \$5,812,540, of which \$3,711,010 was allocated to the City's General Fund and

\$1,354,530 to the Solid Waste Fund. The adopted budget did not include a pay raise. It was the consensus of the City Commission to revisit the pay raise topic after the first quarter.

The budget may be amended in two ways: An informal budget transfer, requested by department heads and approved by the City Manager, that transfers dollars between line items within a department or from one department to another; or a budget amendment which increases expenditures, or the spending level of a fund, as requested by the City Manager and approved by the City Commission.

ANALYSIS:

Currently, there is one budget amendment recommended for FY 2020/21. A three percent (3%) across the board pay raise for all employees, including the charter officers — the City Manager and the City Clerk, is recommended effective February 2021. State revenues that the City receives are performing ahead of the projected amounts in the approved budget, and Pinellas County permitting expenses have dropped substantially.

Legal Advertisement: A legal notice was published in the January 27, 2021-edition, of the St. Pete Times Section of the Tampa Bay Times, for public hearing that has been scheduled on February 9, 2021, for Ordinance No. 2021-01.

[End of Staffing Report]

City Attorney Mora read Ordinance No. 2021-01 in its entirety for the second and final reading.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy opened the public hearing.

City Manager Mims introduced Ordinance No. 2021-01 and reviewed the Staffing Report.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy seeing and/or hearing no one wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

There were no City Commission questions and/or comments.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER FLAGG, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MCCALL, TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01, ON SECOND AND FINAL READING, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET; APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR EMPLOYEE WAGES, INCLUDING SPECIFIC CHARTER OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. FY2021-01

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: HOOFNAGLE, HANNA, MCCALL, FLAGG, KENNEDY.

NAYS: NONE.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. **OTHER LEGISLATIVE MATTERS:** None.

8. **WORK SESSION ITEMS:** None.

9. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

City Manager Mims stated staff has scheduled the discussion of pickleball for the April 13, 2021 Regular City Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Hoofnagle stated since the City approved the alcoholic beverage license for RickDaddy's Eatin' Fresh at 215 Gulf Boulevard, and the City previously approved an alcoholic beverage license for VIP IRB American Cuisine, allocating the parking spaces of Eatin' Fresh toward VIP IRB American Cuisine's parking count; the City Commission should re-evaluate VIP's parking, should they come before the City Commission again.

City Manager Mims stated staff had amended the Alcoholic Beverage License Application by deleting the parking element and the site plan drawing (seating drawing). The Planning Consultant is handling the parking and seating requirement internally.

10. **ADJOURNMENT.**

MOTION MADE BY VICE MAYOR-COMMISSIONER HANNA, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FLAGG, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:11 P.M. UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

March 9, 2021
Date Approved

Joanne Moston Kennedy, Mayor-Commissioner

ATTEST: _____
Deanne B. O'Reilly, MMC, City Clerk

/DOR



Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

Pinellas County Sheriff's Office

"Leading The Way For A Safer Pinellas"

February 1, 2021

The Honorable Cookie Kennedy
Mayor, City of Indian Rocks Beach
1507 Bay Palm Blvd.
Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33785

Dear Mayor Kennedy:

I am writing to provide you a summary of reported crime in Indian Rocks Beach over the past 10 years, and I am pleased to tell you that crime decreased in Indian Rocks Beach by 42% between 2010 and 2019.

Law enforcement agencies in the United States report crime data to the FBI and once the data is verified, the FBI releases an annual report through its Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) program. The most recent UCR report, released in 2020, reflected crime that occurred in 2019. The 2021 report, which will be released later this year, will reflect crime that occurred in 2020.

The enclosed analysis of UCR reports show that there were 129 reported serious crimes in Indian Rocks Beach during 2010 and 75 offenses in 2019. This 42% reduction is significant because it means 42% less crime victims among Indian Rocks Beach's residents and visitors and that Indian Rocks Beach has become a much safer city over the past 10 years. Based on preliminary information, I am confident that the 2021 report will show an even further decline in criminal activity in your city during 2020.

There is no greater service that government provides to its citizens than public safety. We are honored to be your police provider in Indian Rocks Beach and we look forward to our continued partnership so that Indian Rocks Beach remains a safe place for your residents, businesses, and visitors.

If you have any questions about the enclosed report please contact me directly and I am glad to discuss the data with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Gualtieri", written over a horizontal line.

Sheriff Bob Gualtieri
Pinellas County, Florida

BG/kn

cc: Brently Gregg Mims, City Manager

PINELLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

BOB GUALTIERI, SHERIFF



STRATEGIC PLANNING BUREAU

UCR Part I Offenses and Crime Rate City of Indian Rocks Beach Annual Data 2010 – 2019

The tables below represent the UCR Part I offenses for Indian Rocks Beach with a percentage of change comparison in each category on a yearly basis.

OFFENSE CATEGORY	2010	2011	% of Change	2011	2012	% of Change	2012	2013	% of Change	2013	2014	% of Change	2014	2015	% of Change
Homicide Offenses	0	2	Not Calculable	2	0	-100%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	1	Not Calculable
Forcible Sex Offenses	6	1	-83%	1	1	0%	1	1	0%	1	2	100%	2	2	0%
Robbery	1	1	0%	1	1	0%	1	0	-100%	0	1	Not Calculable	1	1	0%
Aggravated Assault	15	7	-53%	7	17	143%	17	9	-47%	9	9	0%	9	4	-56%
Burglary	22	30	36%	30	22	-27%	22	14	-36%	14	15	7%	15	20	33%
Larceny	81	94	16%	94	104	11%	104	79	-24%	79	72	-9%	72	91	26%
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	9	125%	9	8	-11%	8	2	-75%	2	6	200%	6	8	33%
Total Part I Crimes	129	144	11%	144	153	6%	153	105	-30%	105	105	0%	105	127	21%

OFFENSE CATEGORY	2015	2016	% of Change	2016	2017	% of Change	2017	2018	% of Change	2018	2019	% of Change	2019	2020	% of Change
Homicide Offenses	1	0	-100%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
Forcible Sex Offenses	2	0	-100%	0	5	Not Calculable	5	1	-80%	1	2	100%	2	2	0%
Robbery	1	0	-100%	0	1	Not Calculable	1	0	-100%	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
Aggravated Assault	4	6	50%	6	0	-100%	0	5	Not Calculable	5	6	20%	6	6	0%
Burglary	20	12	-40%	12	12	0%	12	10	-17%	10	6	-40%	6	6	0%
Larceny	91	75	-18%	75	75	0%	75	70	-7%	70	55	-21%	55	55	0%
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	7	-13%	7	5	-29%	5	7	40%	7	6	-14%	6	6	0%
Total Part I Crimes	127	109	-14%	109	98	-9%	98	93	-5%	93	75	-19%	75	75	0%

*Calculating percent of change on small numbers yields large percentages

The total number of Part I offenses in Indian Rocks Beach decreased 42% from 129 in 2010 to 75 in 2019.

The chart below represents the crime rate for the City of Indian Rocks Beach between 2010 and 2019.



AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

**PUBLIC HEARINGS
NONE**

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7A

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03
APPOINTMENT OF
VICE MAYOR**

**AGENDA MEMO
INDIAN ROCKS BEACH CITY COMMISSION**

MEETING OF: March 9, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: 7A

SUBMITTED BY: Deanne B. O'Reilly, MMC, City Clerk 

APPROVED BY: Brently Gregg Mims, City Manager 

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03.** Appointment of Vice Mayor-Commissioner

BACKGROUND:

Charter Section 4.4 authorizes the City Commission to appoint a Vice Mayor-Commissioner from among the members of the City Commission at its first regular meeting following certification each year.

The duties of the Vice Mayor-Commissioner shall be to preside over the meetings of the City Commission during the absence of the Mayor-Commissioner, and in general, in the absence or the incapacity of the Mayor-Commissioner, he or she shall do and perform those acts and things provided in the City Charter to be done by the Mayor-Commissioner.

ANALYSIS:

The City Commission should appoint a member of the City Commission to serve as Vice Mayor-Commissioner, which term shall commence on March 9, 2021, and shall expire on the newly elected City Commission's first meeting following certification of the March 15, 2022, Municipal General Election results.

MOTION:

I move to **APPROVE/DENY** to appoint _____ to serve as Vice Mayor-Commissioner effective March 9, 2021, and until the first meeting of the newly elected City Commission following certification of the March 15, 2022 Municipal General Election results.

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CITY COMMISSION OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH, FLORIDA

CITY COMMISSION	MAYOR	COMMISSIONER	COMMISSIONER	COMMISSIONER	COMMISSIONER
03/2021 - 03/2022	Joanne Moston Kennedy	Phillip J. Hanna	Denise Houseberg	Joe McCall	Edward G. Hoofnagle
03/2020 - 03/2021	Joanne Moston Kennedy	Phillip J. Hanna*	Diane Flagg	Joe McCall	Edward G. Hoofnagle
03/2019 - 03/2020	Joanne Moston Kennedy	Phillip J. Hanna	Diane Flagg	Nick Palomba*	Edward G. Hoofnagle
03/2018-03/2019	Joanne Moston Kennedy	Phillip J. Hanna	Philip M. Wrobel	Nick Palomba	Edward G. Hoofnagle*
03/17-03/18	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna	Philip M. Wrobel	Joanne Moston Kennedy*	Edward G. Hoofnagle
03/16-03/17	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna	Terry Hamilton-Wollin*	Joanne Moston Kennedy	Edward G. Hoofnagle
03/15-03/16	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna*	Terry Hamilton-Wollin	Joanne Moston Kennedy	James A. Labadie
03/14-03/15	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna	Terry Hamilton-Wollin	Joanne Moston Kennedy	James A. Labadie*
03/13-03/14	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna	Terry Hamilton-Wollin	Joanne Moston Kennedy*	James A. Labadie
03/12-03/13	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna	Terry Hamilton-Wollin*	Joanne Moston Kennedy <i>Appointed to City Commission after her failed attempt to secure House Seat 66.</i>	James A. Labadie
03/12 - 03/13	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna	Terry Hamilton-Wollin*	Joanne Moston Kennedy <i>Resigned on 11/06/12 to run for House Seat 66.</i>	James A. Labadie
03/11 - 03/12	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna*	Terry Hamilton-Wollin	Joanne Moston Kennedy	Daniel J. Torres
03/10 - 03/11	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna	Terry Hamilton-Wollin	Joanne Moston Kennedy	Daniel J. Torres*
03/09 - 03/10	R.B. Johnson	Phillip J. Hanna	Terry Hamilton-Wollin	Joanne Moston Kennedy*	Daniel J. Torres

*Denotes Vice Mayor

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7B

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04
APPOINTMENT OF BIG-C VOTING
DELEGATES**

AGENDA MEMO
INDIAN ROCKS BEACH CITY COMMISSION

MEETING OF: March 9, 2021 **AGENDA ITEM:** 7B

SUBMITTED BY: Deanne B. O'Reilly, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED BY: Brently Gregg Mims, City Manager 

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04.** Appointing voting delegates to represent the City of Indian Rocks Beach at the Barrier Islands Governmental Council (BIG-C) Meetings.

BACKGROUND: The BIG-C By-Laws, Article III, Section 2, Representation, states that all elected officials of each municipality shall be members of the council, one of whom shall be appointed by the municipality as the voting delegate. Each municipality may appoint other elected officials as alternate voting delegates. Each municipality shall designate their delegates in writing.

Delegate #1 - Name - Voting Delegate.
Delegate #2 - Name - Alternate to Delegate #1.
Delegate #3 - Name - Alternate to Delegate #2.

An alternate voting delegate may vote when the voting delegate is absent. Each city is entitled to one vote.

The object of the BIG-C is to stimulate communications between the barrier island cities to focus on problems common to all, including but not limited to: tourism, recycling, public transportation, beach preservation, renourishment and access, marine environment, air and water quality, public safety, density management, waterway regulation, taxation based on permanent residents and average transient population, to unite and be able to have one voice addressing the county, state, and federal governments while respecting the individuality of each.

April, 2020 - March, 2021 - Voting Delegates
Mayor-Commissioner Joanne Moston Kennedy - Voting Delegate
Commissioner Diane Flagg -1st Alternate
Commissioner Joe McCall - 2nd Alternate

ANALYSIS: The City Commission needs to appoint a voting delegate and two alternate voting delegates to the BIG-C.

The BIG-C meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month at 9 a.m., with the location rotating between the membership cities.

MOTION: I move to **APPROVE/DENY** Resolution No. 2021-04, appointing _____ as the City's voting delegate, at the BIG-C meetings, with _____ as the first alternate voting delegate, and _____ as the second alternate voting delegate.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

WORK SESSION ITEMS:

NONE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

OTHER BUSINESS

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10
ADJOURNMENT.