

**MINUTES — AUGUST 10, 2021
CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

The Indian Rocks Beach Regular City Commission Meeting was held on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2021**, in the City Commission Chambers, 1507 Bay Palm Boulevard, Indian Rocks Beach, Florida.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

PRESENT: Mayor-Commissioner Joanne Moston Kennedy, Vice Mayor-Commissioner Joe McCall, Commissioner Philip J. Hanna, Commissioner Denise Houseberg, and City Manager Brently Gregg Mims.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Randy D. Mora and City Clerk Deanne B. O'Reilly, MMC.

ABSENT: Commissioner Edward G. Hoofnagle.

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

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

The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office submitted a written report crime analysis report for the month of June 2021.

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

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

1C. PRESENTATION BY MAYOR-COMMISSIONER KENNEDY:

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy stated she wanted to recognize the residents of the La Hacienda neighborhood for beautifying the entrance of La Hacienda Drive and East Gulf Boulevard.

Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy presented frame pictures of the event to: Maria Heshmati, 315 La Hacienda Drive and Shawn and Debbie Stover, 361 La Hacienda Drive, and also thanked Ron and Rebecca Sacra, 368 La Hacienda Drive, and Patricia Priest, 341 La Hacienda Drive, Ira Hestmati, 315 La Hacienda Drive, and anyone else who helped or

donated money for this beautification project.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Anna Paulina Luna, 3475 6th Avenue North, St. Petersburg, introduced herself and gave a brief background about herself. She stated she ran for Congress in 2020 and would like to represent this community in Washington, D.C., in 2022. She knows she looks relatively young, but she has a ton of life experience. She is not afraid of using her voice, especially when it comes to getting behind things that she is very passionate about. One of them being local community issues. She would like to have the City's support for 2022.

3A. REPORTS OF the City Attorney: No Report.

3B. REPORTS OF the City Manager:

- *City Manager Mims presented the 3rd Quarter Financial Reports.*
- *Code Enforcement Report for July 2021:*
 - 68 Citations Written (Does not include citations written by the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.)
 - 18 Notice of Violations Written
 - On the September 14, 2021 City Commission Agenda, there will be a Notice of Hearing for Condemnation Proceedings for 2004 Gulf Boulevard, for a garage structure that has been declared unsafe and a nuisance.
- *Budget Public Hearing Dates:*
 - Wednesday, September 8, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M.
 - Wednesday, September 22, 2021 @ 6:00 P.M.
 - Tentative FY2022 Budget is posted on the City's Website.
- *IRB 5th Avenue Pocket Park Sculpture Unveiling:*
 - Wednesday, August 18, 2021 @ 9:00 A.M.
 - Donated/sponsored by Crabby's Bills.
- *October 12, 2021 City Commission Work Session*
 - FEMA/Pinellas County Map.
- *NPDES: City Manager Mims stated the City is under State and Federal mandates for stormwater. The City gets credit for sweeping its streets, which keeps debris from going out into the waterways. Every two years, the City goes through an evaluation by the State to ensure that the City is not only in compliance with State standard but Federal standards. He is happy to report that the City had no write ups.*
- *Cyclone Six/Tropical Storm Fred. The City staff continues to monitor Cyclone Six/Tropical Storm Fred.*
- *City Manager Mims stated last week was his eighth anniversary with the City, and he thanked the City Commission and previous City Commissions, his wife, for making his job enjoyable. He stated he enjoys working with the*

people he works with.

3C. REPORTS OF the City Commission:

COMMISSIONER HOUSEBERG:

- Stated she spoke with Glenn Sutch, Coco's Orange Crush, who advised that they have received the demolition permit.

MAYOR-COMMISSIONER KENNEDY:

- **BEACH RENOURISHMENT:** Mayor-Commissioner Kennedy provided the City Commission a timeline of what the City and Pinellas County have been doing with the Army Corps of Engineering, the State and Federal Governments regarding beach renourishment, and the beach easements. Also, attached are two articles regarding Congressman Crist's efforts in securing funding for beach renourishment and language directing the Army Corps to provide flexibility to Pinellas County in obtaining these easements.
- City Manager Mims stated Senator Rubio included the following language in the report to accompany the bill, stating the House and the Senate are both expressing concern about the Army Corps' easement policies: *Shore Protection Easement*. The Committee notes the importance of periodic restoration of the Shore Protection Projects and their significance for the protection of public safety, public infrastructure, native vegetation, and wildlife, as well as economic stability in oceanfront communities. The Committee understands the challenges facing local governments in obtaining the necessary approvals for required easement when no work will be performed on the property for which the easement is being required. The Committee encourages the Army Corps to work with local governments to incorporate flexibility to project agreement language that allows for incremental acquisition of easements necessary for scheduled nourishments.

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS. None.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. APPROVAL OF July 13, 2021 Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes.**
- B. APPROVAL OF July 20, 2021 Special City Commission Meeting Minutes.**
- C. CONFIRMING ACTION taken during the July 20, 2021 Special City Commission Meeting.**
- D. REAPPOINTING Regular Board Member Adrienne Dauses and Regular Board Member Frederick "Rick" McFall and appointing Scott A. Holmes as a Regular Board Member to serve on the Planning and Zoning Board/Local Planning Agenda for two year terms expiring on May 31, 2023.**
- E. APPROVAL OF the FY2022 Law Enforcement Contract with the Pinellas**

- County Sheriff's Office.**
- F. AUTHORIZING the City Manager to negotiate a Professional Services Contract with Utility Consultants of Florida for the City of Indian Rocks Beach Undergrounding Utilities Along Gulf Boulevard Project – Phase II.**
 - G. APPROVAL of July 13, 2021 City Commission Budget Work Session Minutes.**

City Attorney Mora read the Consent Agenda, consisting of Agenda Items 5A through 5G, by title only.

MOTION MADE BY VICE MAYOR-COMMISSION MCCALL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOUSEBERG, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, CONSISTING OF AGENDA ITEM NOS. 5A THROUGH 5G, AS SUBMITTED. UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

- 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None.
- 7. OTHER LEGISLATIVE MATTERS:** None.
- 8. WORK SESSION ITEMS [DISCUSSION ONLY]:** None.
- 9. OTHER BUSINESS.** None.
- 10. ADJOURNMENT.**

MOTION MADE BY VICE MAYOR-COMMISSIONER MCCALL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOUSEBERG, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:25 P.M. UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

September 14, 2021
Date Approved

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