



**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JUNE 21, 1999 AT 7:10 P.M.**  
**CITY HALL, 116 FIRST STREET**  
**NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA**

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Pursuant to proper notice a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held June 21, 1999, at 7:10 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida.

Attendance

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor George F. Vaughn, Jr.  
Vice Mayor Thomas A. Tankersley  
Councilor Edward S. Jones  
Councilor Ronald D. Patronik  
Councilor Robert D. Shimp  
City Attorney Christopher A. White

City Manager Richard A. Linn  
Acting City Clerk Lisa Volpe  
Deputy City Clerk Karla Strait  
Administrative Assistant Piper Turner  
Building Official Dan Arlington

Call to Order/Roll Call

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Comprehensive Plan  
Amendment

City Manager Linn stated that a resolution needed to be adopted in order to make changes to the Comprehensive Plan to apply for a grant package for obtaining parkland.

City Attorney White explained that The Department of Community Affairs might require an Ordinance in order to make the required changes and suggested that a resolution be passed until he can confirm it.

**Resolution 99-16**

**Resolution to amend the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Neptune Beach.**

WHEREAS, The City of Neptune Beach finds it necessary to amend the Comprehensive Plan regarding vegetative communities, wildlife protection and public access.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. The City of Neptune Beach Comprehensive Plan be amended as follows:

**E.01.01.02** In an effort to preserve remaining natural vegetative communities, wildlife habitat, wetlands, and open space, the City of Neptune Beach shall identify and, where feasible, pursue public acquisition (or protective easements) of those properties that will serve to protect such environmentally sensitive resources.

Objective E.02.05

Vegetative Communities

THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH SHALL ATTEMPT TO PRESERVE AT LEAST 25% OF THE REMAINING INTACT NATIVE UPLAND VEGETATIVE COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE ITS BOUNDARIES, AND WHERE FEASIBLE, RESTORE EXISTING DEGRADED FORESTED AREAS.

POLICIES

E.02.05.01 THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH SHALL PRIORITIZE FOR PUBLIC ACQUISITION OR PROTECTIVE EASEMENTS PROPERTIES THAT CONTAIN INTACT NATIVE UPLAND VEGETATIVE COMMUNITIES, OR WHERE SUCH COMMUNITIES SERVE AS A NATURAL BUFFER FOR OTHER ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE RESOURCES.

E.02.05.02 THE CITY SHALL TARGET DEGRADED FORESTED COMMUNITIES FOR RESTORATION ACTIVITIES, PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT OCCUR ON PUBLIC LANDS. REFORESTATION, REMOVAL OF NON-NATIVE AND INVASIVE SPECIES, AND REGRADING THE SURFACE TO PROMOTE NEW NATIVE GROWTH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR RESTORATION ACTIVITIES WHERE APPLIED AS APPROPRIATE.

Objective E.02.06

Wildlife Protection

THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH SHALL IDENTIFY LISTED WILDLIFE SPECIES AND THEIR ASSOCIATED HABITAT, AND ADOPT APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE SUCH WILDLIFE AND HABITAT.

MOVE POLICY E.02.02.07 AND AMEND AS FOLLOWS:

POLICIES

E.02.06.01 THE CITY SHALL ESTABLISH POLICIES THAT WILL PROTECT ANIMAL SPECIES LISTED AS ENDANGERED, THREATENED, AND SPECIAL CONCERN BY THE U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, AND THE FLORIDA GAME AND FRESHWATER FISH COMMISSION. POLICIES FOR THE PROTECTION OF LISTED SPECIES SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ABOVE NAMED AGENCIES' RECOMMENDATIONS AND BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES.

E.02.06.02 THE CITY SHALL ESTABLISH POLICES THAT HELP PRESERVE HABITAT UTILIZED BY LISTED SPECIES TO BE APPLIED TO PROPERTIES THAT CONTAIN, OR WHERE DEVELOPMENT MAY POTENTIALLY ADVERSELY IMPACT SUCH HABITAT. WHERE FEASIBLE, THE CITY SHALL PURSUE PUBLIC ACQUISITION OR PROTECTIVE EASEMENTS OF ALL OR THE APPROPRIATE PORTIONS OF SUCH PROPERTIES.

**E.02.02.10** The City shall establish policies and standards to help protect and preserve the natural habitat and water quality functions of shoreline ecosystems (including wetland/upland interfaces). Where feasible, existing shorelines that are degraded shall be targeted for restoration activities (especially non-native invasive vegetation removal and replanting with native species), particularly those that occur within public parks and preserves.

(or replace with policy 07 which was recommended to be placed under new objective 06)

**F.01.01.02** The City shall take measures to provide additional access points to natural amenities available to the public, especially waterways and beaches.

**F.01.03.04** The City shall provide parks and greenways dedicated for passive recreational opportunities, including but not limited to, boardwalks, nature trails, wildlife observation areas, interpretive displays, and picnic areas.

Moved by Patronik, seconded by Shimp.

Motion: **TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO MOVE CHANGES FORWARD.**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5 – Jones, Patronik, Shimp, Tankersley, Vaughn  
Noes: 0

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Ordinance No. 1999-05 **ORDINANCE NO. 1999-05, FIRST READ: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7 ARTICLE II. BEACH REGULATIONS CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

The Mayor read Ordinance No. 1999-05 by title only.

Moved by Tankersley, seconded by Patronik.

Motion: **TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1999-05.**

Friendly Amendment: **TO CHANGE THE ORDINANCE TITLE TO: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7 ARTICLE II. BEACH REGULATIONS CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH; PROVIDING DESIGNATION OF SAFETY ZONES BY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ESTABLISHING HOURS OF SURFING ETC., LAUNCHING OF SEACRAFT ETC., DELETING PROVISIONS THEREOF; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Friendly Amendment: **TO ADD “OR HIS DESIGNEE” TO SECTION 7-32 (A).**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5 - Jones, Patronik, Shimp, Tankersley, Vaughn  
Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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George F. Vaughn, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Lisa Volpe, Acting City Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_