



MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022, 6:00 P.M.
NEPTUNE BEACH CITY HALL
116 FIRST STREET
NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA 32266

Pursuant to proper notice, a Special City Council Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held on Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., at Neptune Beach City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida 32266.

Attendance:

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Elaine Brown
 Vice Mayor Kerry Chin
 Councilor Lauren Key
 Councilor Nia Livingston
 Councilor Josh Messinger

STAFF:

City Manager Stefen Wynn
 City Attorney Zachary Roth
 Police Chief Richard Pike
 Senior Activity Center Director Leslie Lyne
 Community Development Director Samantha Brisolara
 Chief Financial Officer Danielle Dyer-Tyler
 Grant and Resiliency Coordinator Colin Moore
 Mobility Management Director Megan Steward
 City Clerk Catherine Ponson

**Call to Order/Roll
 Call/Pledge**

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

**Ord. No. 2022-03,
 LDC Revisions**

Ordinance No. 2022-03, First Read And Public Hearing. An Ordinance of the City of Neptune Beach, Florida Amending and Revising Chapter 4, Alcoholic Beverages; Chapter 8, Buildings and Building Regulations; Article VII, Coastal Construction Code; Chapter 17, Sales; Chapter 18, Streets, Sidewalks, and Other Public Places; of the Code of Ordinances and Further Amending and Revising Chapter 27, Unified Land Development Regulations; Revising the Following Articles: Article I, In General, Article II Administrative and Enforcement Bodies, Article III, Administrative And Enforcement Procedures, Article IV, Land Use, Article V, Accessory Structures and Uses, Article VI, Concurrence, Article VII, Protection of Potable Well Fields, Article IX, Tree Protection and Landscaping, Article X, Streets, Sidewalks, and Rights-of-Way, Article XII, Stormwater and Erosion Control, Article XII, Off-Street Parking and Loading, Article XV, Advertising, and Article XVII, Nonconforming Lots, Structures, Uses and Signs; Providing Severability; Providing for Repeal of Laws In Conflict; and Providing for an Effective Date.

Mayor Brown thanked everyone and City staff who have been participating in this process. She has appreciated meeting with people and getting suggestions as we go move through this. She appreciates that the meetings have been productive.

Mayor Brown recommended that Council defer Ordinance No. 2022-03. She opened Council discussion and asked for a motion.

Vice Mayor Chin thanked City staff for their efforts and fortitude throughout this lengthy process. He thanked the Community Development Board and each department head as both have weighed in at various points along the way.

Vice Mayor Chin wanted to especially thank our new Community Development Director Samantha Brisolara for spending countless hours as well as long nights and weekends corralling all of the different feedback into one coherent document. He is sure it is like herding cats. He stated this because the level of criticism being leveled at her is unfair and undeserved. He thinks it needs to stop. He remarked that she's doing what she's supposed to do, giving us the benefit of her subject matter expertise. It's the Council's job, then, to evaluate everything, all the data that's coming into us, then set the policy goals that will ensure that we can be a vibrant and independent community.

Vice Mayor Chin communicated that we have before us the proposed changes to the Land Development Code. There are many substantial updates that will impact our community for years to come. There have been many valuable insights provided by numerous stakeholders, including Mr. David Blais. He thanked Mr. Blais for his contributions. He feels that to do justice to the time and effort we have all spent putting this together, there should be a meeting scheduled to review and discuss these updates again before moving to a vote. He concurs with the Mayor on the deferral of the ordinance.

Councilor Livingston echoed what Vice Mayor Chin stated. She spoke regarding Ms. Brisolara that this is her job, but she has so much heart and dedication for it and works so many hours outside of the normal business hours. She thinks that we need to show how much she appreciates Ms. Brisolara.

Councilor Livingston continued that Ms. Brisolara answers the phone anytime. Ms. Brisolara tries to answer as many questions as she can with as much detail as she can. That is on top of doing everything else that she does. Ms. Brisolara makes sure all of the input gets put into the draft. We appreciate her and all of the different departments.

Made by Chin, seconded by Key, Livingston and Messinger.

MOTION: **TO DEFER ORDINANCE NO. 2022-03 PENDING A JUNE 29TH SPECIAL MEETING**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5-Key, Livingston, Messinger, Chin and Brown

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Brown announced that the workshop would begin that means if you had signed up and wanted to speak, especially on the public hearing portion, we will have that as soon as we open the workshop meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Special Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.


Elaine Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:



Catherine Ponson, CMC
City Clerk

Approved:

07/05/2022

