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MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CAPE CORAL CITY COUNCIL

January 20, 2021

Council Chambers 4:30 p.m.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Gunter at 4:30 p.m.

INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE – Mayor Pro Tem Gunter

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mayor Pro Tem Gunter

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter dedicated this meeting to the late Mayor Coviello.

Roll Call: Mayor Pro Tem Gunter, Councilmembers Cosden, Hayden, Nelson, Sheppard, Welsh, and Williams were present.

CHANGES TO AGENDA/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter announced that Board of County Commissioner Kevin Ruane was present at this meeting to speak about COVID-19 vaccination efforts after the approval of the Changes to Agenda. He requested to place Item 12 C – Filling Mayoral Vacancy after Citizens Input as Supervisor of Elections Tommy Doyle was present at today's meeting. He requested to move Item 12 A - Youth Council presentation after 12 C. He asked if anyone else had any other changes to the agenda or objections to the requested changes. There were no objections and no additions.

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Hayden, to adopt the agenda, as amended. Voice Poll: All "ayes." Motion carried.

Board of County Commissioner and Chairman Kevin Ruane reported on COVID-19 vaccination efforts. He discussed the following:

- Previously were told there would be no County role and the medical system would deal with the rollout, but they did not have the resources necessary.
- County now responsible for logistics: site plan, working with various agencies
- · Distribution through the Department of Health
- Florida received most vaccines of any State and vaccinated the most people
- Lee County vaccinated 20,000 people; 35,000 with Lee Health involved
- Lee County is the 3rd of 67 Counties with most vaccinations administered
- · What do we need? More vaccines
- 300,000 seniors in Lee County needing vaccines
- Federal Program cannot turn away anyone
- Lee County received and administered more vaccines than other counties
- Average 5,000 dosages being received weekly
- State reservation system to be utilized; Hybrid (online) system available next week
- Second shot administration and appointment scheduling
- Unable to mix and match vaccines or pharmaceuticals
- Continuing to distribute the Moderna vaccine
- Ability to vaccinate 10,000 to 12,000 daily if we were to receive the vaccines
- Publix Pharmacies are only receiving 200 doses at every location
- Collaborating with Lee Health with support from Lee County and Tallahassee
- Working on making performance better

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> inquired about the next age group that would be administered the vaccine.

Commissioner Ruane responded that it would be based on the Executive Order and at this time the 65 and older age group is receiving the vaccination.

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<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> appreciated how they were handling public concerns. A different online system next week will help move this more efficiently.

<u>Mayor Pro Tem Gunter</u> thanked Commissioner Ruane for the update. He stated that he would be participating in meetings with updates from Commissioner Ruane, and he would distribute the information.

Commissioner Ruane stated that they would do their best to solve any issues and to continue to provide information as it comes in.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter suggested adding an update on COVID-19 vaccination as a standing Agenda item if there is new information for the public.

RECOGNITIONS/ACHIEVEMENTS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Special Meeting (Attorney-Client Session) - January 6, 2021

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Cosden, to approve the minutes for the January 6, 2021 Special Meeting (Attorney Client Session), as presented. Voice Poll: All "ayes." Motion carried.

Regular Meeting - January 6, 2021

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Hayden, to approve the minutes for the January 6, 2021 Regular Meeting, as presented. Voice Poll: All "ayes." Motion carried.

CITIZENS INPUT TIME

Richard Osman appeared to discuss the importance of blood donation. He provided information for the Blood Drive scheduled for Saturday, January 23, 2021 at American Legion Post 90 on SE 47th Street.

Steve Crane appeared to discuss the Chiquita Lock permitting process and requested an update on the progress.

<u>Councilmember Williams</u> stated that a Committee was being appointed at tonight's meeting to address the Chiquita Lock item and other waterway issues.

<u>Councilmember Cosden</u> inquired about the estimated timeframe for submission of the new permit for the Chiquita Lock.

City Manager Hernandez responded that the City was in the process of preparing to submit for the new permit. There was no timeline at the moment. The team assisting the law firm is being assembled, and they are actively working on this item with Staff.

<u>Councilmember Cosden</u> stated that the overall outcome would be for the application to succeed, and if time was being taken to ensure this, then she was content with the process.

<u>Councilmember Sheppard</u> reported that the issue was being addressed and moving forward. He will stay on top of it and encouraged that he be contacted with any questions.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter reminded that this was a legal matter and that the City Attorney has been working with the other attorneys. The City Attorney updates Council as information becomes available.

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Filling Mayoral Vacancy - (moved to after Citizens Input)

City Attorney Menendez explained two options for Council to follow in filling the Mayoral vacancy based on the Charter. She outlined the procedures and qualifications of applicants for appointment to the Mayoral vacancy.

Supervisor of Elections Tommy Doyle stated Chief Deputy of Administration Bernie Feliciano was also present for any questions. He explained the process of filling the Mayoral vacancy, dates and schedules, and costs associated with the Special Election. He noted it would be close to \$500,000 if there is a primary and general election. If there are only two candidates, the cost would be approximately \$250,000.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> inquired about absentee and vote by mail ballots if there was a Special Election.

Supervisor of Elections Doyle responded that this would also be included in the cost and process.

Councilmember Welsh inquired if every precinct would be open or would it be limited.

Supervisor of Elections Doyle stated it would be County-wide, so every precinct would be open. He noted the recruitment involved as well as ballot layout. Military ballots are sent out 45 days before the election.

Councilmember Hayden inquired about the cost breakdown of the \$500,000.

Supervisor of Elections Doyle responded that there were about 134,000 registered voters in the City of Cape Coral. If 50% of those request a vote by mail which would be about 70,000, each package is about \$3.00 plus postage of 60 cents out and 85 cents return. He stated that the timeline will not fit into the Charter.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> stated that there were qualified members within Council and did not agree with the costly process of the Special Election. She liked the idea of having continuity.

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Williams, for discussion purpose to appoint from within our current Council.

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> stated that his preference would be to open the vacancy to the public and take applications.

<u>Councilmember Williams</u> stated that the vacancy was mid-term and the knowledge base could be lost.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> inquired if the Special Election would be to only fill the unexpired term.

City Attorney Menendez confirmed that it would only be to fill the unexpired term.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> believed Council has the experience and knowledge to appoint from within. Appointment is a better choice over a Special Election due to the time constraints and to keep the City moving forward.

<u>Councilmember Sheppard</u> stated that the better choice would be to select from within Council to be able to move forward and avoid a costly expenditure.

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> was not in favor of a Special Election. He provided past history with the process of taking applications for Mayoral vacancies. He inquired if the motion maker was nominating any Councilmember.

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<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> clarified that step one was to have a clear path. Step two would come later.

<u>Councilmember Cosden</u> agreed with Councilmember Welsh's and Hayden's suggestions to seek applications and to avoid huge costs.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter stated that the decision should be based on the citizens' best interests. He opined that the Special Election was not the best economical decision. He agreed with selecting within Council as there was experience and a knowledge base to hit the ground running. There were sufficient qualified candidates within Council, and he would support the motion.

<u>Councilmember Sheppard</u> stated that it would be challenging to seek fulfilling the vacancy for the term allotted. He opined that it would be the best decision to appoint from within.

City Attorney Menendez suggested that the motion on the floor was a compound motion to appoint and to appoint from within the current composition of the Council. She clarified this to ensure that everyone understood the motion. She suggested to start with a motion to appoint rather than have a Special Election and then conversation on how to proceed with the appointment process. Do you want to take applications? Do you want to appoint from within? What timeframe would you set for applications to be received? This was a suggestion as it would be a cleaner way to proceed.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> stated she would not have an issue with that if she needed to change her motion. She noted the following: 1) do the appointment versus the Special Election, 2) appoint from within, and 3) nominate the individuals from the current Council to take the role.

City Attorney Menendez suggested that the first step would be to decide if the Special Election would be eliminated as an option. Then discuss the appointment process. With a compound motion, you can get a no to one part and a yes to the other which could be confusing for some.

Motion maker amended her motion to rule out the Special Election and support an appointment for the remainder of Mayor Coviello's term. Second agreed.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter stated that Citizen's Input was closed, and there would not be any further public input.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> stated that she did not want to waste time in opening the process for applications. She reiterated that there was a great amount of talent on the Council.

<u>Councilmember Sheppard</u> stated that the Citizens elected the current Council, and if the Council was to pick someone from outside the Council, then this could be an issue as the Citizens did not elect the official.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> voiced his concern about eliminating the process of seeking applications as the interest has been made by past officials.

<u>Mayor Pro Tem Gunter</u> stated that the consensus was leaning towards an appointment. He requested that Council vote on the motion on the floor.

City Clerk Bruns restated the motion: *Motion to rule out the Special Election option* and fill the vacancy by appointment.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Williams, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Seven "ayes." Motion carried 7-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter stated the next discussion should be whether we will have a closed appointment within Councilmembers or will it be opened up to the public to accept applications.

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Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Williams, to appoint from within and not open up the applications.

City Attorney Menendez clarified her memo and provided past history process.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Williams, Gunter, and Nelson voted "aye." Welsh, Cosden, and Hayden voted "nay." Four "ayes." Three "nays." Motion carried 4-3.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter asked Council if there should be a nomination tonight, noting the 30-day window opportunity to do so.

Councilmember Cosden stated that the nomination should not be conducted tonight.

<u>Councilmember Sheppard</u> stated that the nomination should be conducted tonight as the Strategic Planning was postponed, and there are other pending issues.

City Attorney Menendez stated that Council could hear from the members of the public to speak even though the Filling Mayoral Vacancy item was accelerated on the agenda.

Council polled on whether or not to open up Citizens Input only for this topic:

Councilmember Welsh – yes Councilmember Nelson – yes Councilmember Hayden – yes Mayor Pro Tem Gunter – yes Councilmember Williams – no Councilmember Cosden – no for voting tonight

Councilmember Sheppard – yes

Consensus agreed to open Citizens Input.

John Tilowski appeared in favor of appointing a Mayor within Council if that person accepts the nomination.

Gary Eidson appeared in favor of appointing within Council and advocated for the appointment of John Gunter. He noted Mr. Gunter's experience as Council Liaison on the Budget Review Committee, as well as his business expertise.

Shawn Hartman appeared in favor of postponing the appointment by one week to allow the Citizens to provide input.

Bryan DeLaHunt appeared in favor of appointing within Council and advocated for the appointment of John Gunter.

Anne McCormick appeared in favor of appointing within Council, and it was time to make a decision today.

Citizens Input closed at 5:44 p.m.

Councilmember Nelson inquired about the next step for nominations.

City Attorney Menendez stated it would be time to take nominations from among the incumbent Councilmembers. Nominations do not need to have a second, and Councilmembers can nominate themselves.

Councilmember Williams stated he would not support the nomination for Mr. Gunter.

Councilmember Sheppard inquired if anyone was interested in the position.

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Council polled if there was any interest in the position:
Councilmember Sheppard – no
Councilmember Welsh – no
Councilmember Nelson – no
Councilmember Hayden – no
Mayor Pro Tem Gunter – yes
Councilmember Williams – yes
Councilmember Cosden – no

Councilmember Sheppard nominated John Gunter (as Mayor).

There were no other nominations.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> advocated for a two-week period to open the process of applications to the public. He supported the nomination of John Gunter. He would like to revisit the assignment of Boards at a future meeting.

Councilmember Nelson supported the nomination of John Gunter as Mayor.

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> stated that John Gunter was his choice for the Mayor nomination and would have his support.

Mayor Pro Tem Gunter thanked Council for the nomination. He provided his experience as a Councilmember and would use this knowledge to fulfill the role of Mayor.

<u>Councilmember Sheppard</u> stated that this was a team effort and the selection of one of the current Councilmembers would provide strength to move forward.

City Clerk Bruns stated that there was a nomination on the floor, and it was accepted. She asked if there would be a motion and a second.

Councilmember Cosden moved, seconded by Councilmember Hayden, to appoint Mayor Pro Tem (John) Gunter (as the Mayor).

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Williams voted "nay." Six "ayes." One "nay." Motion carried 6-1.

City Clerk Bruns administered the oath to Mayor Pro Tem John Gunter, Mayor of the City of Cape Coral.

Recessed at 5:59 p.m. and reconvened at 6:17 p.m.

City Clerk Bruns stated that the District 1 vacancy would need to be filled and whether a Special Election or Appointment would be the process. She noted that applications could be received as soon as tomorrow, if Council so chooses, from the public for District 1 residents. The cutoff could be a specific date in February for an appointment on February 17th.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> stated the first thing to decide is whether or not to have a Special Election or an Appointment.

Councilmember Welsh moved, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to appoint a District 1 representative.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Williams voted "nay." Six "ayes." One "nay." Motion carried 6-1.

Mayor Gunter stated Council needs to decide on a schedule.

City Clerk Bruns stated she could begin posting the District 1 vacancy tomorrow, Thursday, January 21, 2021. We can accept applications up through February 5, 2021.

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She asked for an exact end time. Should it be the close of business? That would give Council a week to review the applications. The decision could be held on February 17, 2021 or a Special Meeting could be called.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> stated that timeframe worked for him. He inquired if applications would be accepted until the close of business.

City Clerk Bruns confirmed that applications would be received until City Hall closes at 4:30 p.m. on February 5, 2021.

Councilmember Williams temporarily left the dais at 6:21 p.m. and returned at 6:21 p.m.

Councilmember Hayden moved, seconded by Councilmember Welsh, to proceed with the schedule to request applications as the City Clerk stated (to accept District 1 applications from January 21, 2021 through February 5, 2021 at the end of City Hall business at 4:30 p.m.; appointment to be made on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at the regular meeting at the end of the agenda.)

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Williams voted "nay." Six "ayes." One "nay." Motion carried 6-1.

Mayor Gunter stated the Mayor Pro Tem vacancy should be filled tonight.

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> stated he believed in rotating positions and inquired if Councilmember Nelson would be interested in the Mayor Pro Tem vacancy.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> stated that she would be interested if it did not include the position of Office Manager's responsibilities.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> stated he was in the middle of working on Office Policies and Procedures for the Council Office. He requested to continue as Office Manager until November.

Councilmember Cosden moved, seconded by Councilmember Hayden, to appoint Councilmember Nelson as the Mayor Pro Tem only and not the Office Manager.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Williams voted "nay." Six "ayes." One "nay." Motion carried 6-1.

Youth Council Reports (moved to after item 12C)

Youth Council Members Bradish and Roh presented the City of Cape Coral Youth Council Quarterly Report to Council with the following slides:

- Youth Council Quarterly Update
- FLC Trainings
- Adopt-A-Road
- Movie in the Park
- Junior Project-Special POPs
- Spring Gala-Senior Project
- Thank you for your time!

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> thanked the Youth Council for the presentation and would look forward to working with them for the Gala event.

<u>Councilmember Williams</u> thanked the Youth Council for the presentation. He noted how the Fall Gala held in 2019 was an outstanding event.

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> thanked Councilmember Williams for his work with the Youth Council. He encouraged the public to attend the Youth Council meetings.

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Youth Council Chair Ziegler introduced herself and thanked Council for the opportunity to provide an update on the Youth Council's activities.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> thanked the Youth Council for the presentation and for their service to the City.

BUSINESS

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Resolution 265-20 Award ITB #BUT2079MC for Electric Motor Repair to: John Mader Enterprises, Inc. D/B/A Mader Electric Motors, CEC Motor & Utility Services, LLC, and Gemini Enterprises of South Florida, Inc. D/B/A Electro Mechanical South of Sarasota, Inc. at the hourly rates and percentage mark-up stated on the bid, as the lowest responsive, responsible bidders, at an annual estimated cost of \$175,000 not to exceed budgetary limits, and authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the contracts, purchase orders, and any renewal(s); Department: Utilities; Estimated Annual Dollar amount: \$175,000 (Five Year Total Dollar Amount: \$875,000 based on annual budget appropriations Water & Sewer Fund: FY21 FY25)
- 2) Resolution 276-20 Approval of Settlement Agreement for the eminent domain case of City of Cape Coral v. Calixto Blanco, et al., being Case Number 20-CA-002780 to resolve the acquisition of Festival Park Parcel #FP-070 (aka Lots 14 and 15, Block 3003, Cape Coral Unit 43 1014 NW 25th Street) for a total land settlement of \$50,000 plus statutory attorney fees of \$8,580 for a total of \$58,580, exclusive of expert costs. The City previously deposited into the Court Registry \$20,000; remaining funds due is \$38,580. Department: Financial Services / Real Estate Division; Dollar Value: \$38,580; (Parks Capital Project/GO Bond Fund)
- 3) Resolution 277-20 Approval of Settlement Agreement for the eminent domain case of City of Cape Coral v. Calixto Blanco, et al., being Case Number 20-CA-002780 to resolve the acquisition of Festival Park Parcel #FP-196 (aka Lots 39 and 40, Block 3015, Cape Coral Unit 43 2608 NW 9th Place) for a total land settlement of \$45,000 plus statutory attorney fees of \$10,098 for a total of \$55,098, exclusive of expert costs. The City previously deposited into the Court Registry \$12,000; remaining funds due is \$43,098. Department: Financial Services / Real Estate Division; Dollar Value: \$43,098; (Parks Capital Project/GO Bond Fund)
- 4) Resolution 7-21 Approval to renew the Lee County Multi-Jurisdictional Mutual Aid Agreement between Lee County Sheriff's Office, Fort Myers Police Department, Cape Coral Police Department, Sanibel Police Department, Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees on behalf of its Police Department, Florida Southwestern State College Board of Trustees on behalf of Florida Southwestern State College Police Department, and the Lee County Port Authority; and authorizing the Mayor and Chief of Police to execute all necessary documents o/b/o the City of Cape Coral; Department: Police; Dollar Value: N/A; (Fund: N/A)
- 5) Resolution 21-21 Approve the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) for Rescue Services, Between Lee County and the City of Cape Coral; Department: Fire; Dollar Amount: \$500; Fund: General/EMS Various Fees
- 6) Resolution 22-21 Approval of a Right of Entry & Hold Harmless Agreement for the benefit of Lee County Electric Cooperative (LCEC) which authorizes the City to enter the Everest Parkway LCEC Substation site located at 1834 Everest Parkway. Cape Coral, FL to maintain and paint the exterior perimeter wall of the City's Everest Facility; Department: Financial Services / Real Estate Division; Dollar Value: N/A; (Fund: N/A)
- 7) Resolution 23-21 Approve the application for a grant from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Land and Water Conservation Fund Program in the

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amount of \$1,000,000 for park improvements at Gator Circle Neighborhood Park, with matching funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 required by the City; approves the acceptance of any grant funds awarded, and authorizes the City Manager or his designee to execute related documents; Department: Parks and Recreation; Grant Dollar Value \$1,000,000 Grant Match \$1,000,000 (Go Bond)

Mayor Gunter asked if any Councilmember wanted to pull any item. There were none.

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Welsh, to approve items 9(A)(1), 9(A)(2), 9(A)(3), 9(A)(4), 9(A)(5), 9(A)(6), and 9(A)(7), as presented.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Williams, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Seven "ayes." Motion carried 7-0.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Resolution 18-21 A Resolution requesting authorization for the City Manager to establish a rate of pay up to the maximum of the pay range and to extend up to \$5,000 in reimbursable relocation expenses to the selected candidate for the Police Chief position in the Police Department, candidate not yet identified; Department(s): Human Resources and Police

City Manager Hernandez explained what this Resolution would accomplish. Resolution 18-21 authorizes the City Manager to establish a rate of pay up to the maximum of the FY2021 Council approved pay range when negotiating a salary with the selected candidate for the Police Chief in the Police Department, and authorizes payment of any applicable relocation expenses as allowed in Section 2-37.3 and 2-37.4 of the City of Cape Coral Code of Ordinances. Pursuant to Section 2-37.3 of the Code of Ordinances, the City Manager is authorized to pay a newly hired employee a rate of pay up to the midpoint of a pay grade without Council approval, and may pay a newly hired employee a rate of pay over the mid-point of a pay grade up to the maximum of the pay grade upon City Council approval. The City Manager is in the process of hiring the Police Chief and seeking approval to hire within the full range if need be. Candidate not yet identified.

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Sheppard, to approve Resolution 18-21, as presented.

<u>Councilmember Williams</u> stated that the City Attorney's Office was working on an Ordinance to authorize the City Manager to make these types of decision without City Council approval.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Williams, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Seven "ayes." Motion carried 7-0.

PETITIONS TO COUNCIL

None.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS / COMMITTEES / COMMISSIONS

<u>Construction Regulation Board - 1 Vacancy</u> Robert Rinko-not present, re-appointment

City Clerk Bruns stated there was one vacancy on the Board due to a term expiration of 1/9/2021. The new term expiration will occur on 1/20/2023. One application was received from Robert Rinko who is seeking re-appointment. The vacancy was advertised on 12/25/2020 and 1/8/2021 in the Breeze and was posted on the City's website.

Councilmember Welsh moved, seconded by Councilmember Cosden, to re-appoint Robert Rinko (roofing contractor) to the Construction Regulation Board (term expires 1/20/2023).

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Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Williams voted "nay." Six "ayes." One "nay." Motion carried 6-1.

Late Entry Applications for Council Boards

City Clerk Bruns stated that from time to time applications are received after the cutoff time that she sets at noon on various dates from volunteer applicants for all of our boards. She stated that she had been asked to have that process reviewed.

City Manager Hernandez requested guidance from City Council on how to process applications under the following scenarios. First, how to deal with the deadline of applications? Those applications are usually not rejected by Staff, but they are packaged and transmitted to City Council where the final decision lies as to whether or not Council wants to accept those applications. Secondly, guidance is requested on a possible conflict of interest if employees want to serve on certain advisory boards. He opined that certain advisory boards may present a conflict of interest to allow City employees to serve. Thirdly, how the Clerk's Office processes the applications where an individual objects to the Financial Disclosure requirements established by State Law.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> requested past history on how late applications on boards were handled. She agreed that a standard practice needs to be set.

City Manager Hernandez stated that if an application is received after the deadline, the Clerk would include that application and forward it to City Council with a notation that the application was received after the stated deadline. Then it is up to City Council to decide whether or not to consider that application. Typically, a mid-day deadline is set for approximately 30 days. That time could be extended to the close of business. Does Council want Staff to have the ability to disqualify those late applications, or does Council want to continue the process of having Staff transmit those applications with a note that it was submitted late? Do we adhere to the deadline? Or is a deadline established to get the majority of applications processed in time in order to submit to Council?

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> recommended that moving forward our guidelines and deadlines are final. If someone is unwilling to submit their financial affidavit per State regulations, they should be disqualified. She agreed that there could be a conflict of interest of City Employees being involved on the Waterway Advisory Board.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> suggested that a database be kept of all applicants and a procedure should be established to pull from applications to fill vacancies. He believed that a City Employee serving on the Waterway Advisory Board could be a conflict of interest, depending on their department.

City Attorney Menendez stated that Form 1 is not required to be completed by every board member, there are only certain positions that require it. She stated that the City Manager and City Clerk were looking for a definitive process to have late applications forwarded to Council or excluded. She addressed the inquiry about participation of employees on boards. She noted that certain boards require it such as the Pension Boards.

<u>Councilmember Cosden</u> stated: 1) we should not accept late applications; 2) City employees applying for boards should be handled on a case by case basis; and 3) financial disclosure might need to have two separate applications.

<u>Councilmember Sheppard</u> stated that we should adhere to deadlines and change the time to the end of the business day.

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> did not agree with accepting applications after the deadline which should be the end of the business day at 4:30 p.m. He suggested two separate applications for Form 1 requirement. He agreed with a case by case review on employee appointments to Boards.

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<u>Mayor Gunter</u> agreed with adhering to deadlines and accepting applications by the end of the business day. As to Form 1, if the Committee requires it by State Statute to complete the form, then the applicant should be required to answer yes. A decision needs to be made by Council regarding late applications that were received for tonight's appointments.

City Clerk Bruns announced that another application was received today for the CRA, so there are two late applications for the CRA Board. There was also one application received after the deadline for the Waterway Advisory Board.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> stated Council needs to make a motion on whether or not to accept those particular applications.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> stated that since it is a practice now being discussed, he opined it would not be right to exclude anyone tonight. He requested feedback from the City Manager and Council on having an application database. He agreed the close of business would be fair. He did not want to turn away any late applications.

City Clerk Bruns noted that they had kept a batch of applications that were not accepted when we worked with the Youth Council which went very well. Council had decided in the past that we could use that same group for presenting. She stated the City Clerk's Office could implement having applications on file for those not selected.

Mayor Gunter agreed to keeping applications on file and reach out to those applicants directly. He stated that he would still want the vacancy advertised to the public as usual.

City Attorney Menendez inquired about keeping the applications active for a period of time such as one year or two years. She suggested that a timeframe should be set to reach out to the applicants.

Mayor Gunter questioned what we will do in the future and what will we do tonight.

City Attorney Menendez stated that the late applications would also need to be decided tonight as well as a process of setting a policy regarding late applications in the future. How long do you want to maintain existing applications as active? Or does Council want new applications every time there is an opening?

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> inquired if applications would be kept on file and have City Staff reach out to that particular applicant when an opening becomes available.

Councilmember Welsh stated since they had already applied, he suggested that City Staff reach out to them if they still have an interest in keeping their application active.

<u>Councilmember Sheppard</u> agreed with Councilmember Welsh. He stated that an original signature would be required on the application.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> supported the time to the close of business instead of noon, only qualified applicants at that time is included in the packet and suggested keeping an active database for two years but was open to one year.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> agreed with Councilmember Welsh with the exception about saving the applications. She recommended that it might be a more efficient use of Staff time if they sent an email out to the individual of openings and have them resubmit. She concurred with the close of business and adhering to the deadlines. She noted that employees seeking board positions should be dealt with on a case by case basis.

City Manager Hernandez stated that he would work with the City Attorney's Office to provide a memo informing of any employees' conflict of interest applying for boards.

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<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> stated: 1) no to accepting late applications for this round or moving forward; 2) send email to applicants of open vacancies; 3) authorize City Manager to address conflict of interest decision.

Mayor Gunter stated: 1) no to accepting late applications; 2) hold steady to deadlines and change to end of business day; 3) Boards requiring Form 1 - call to inform applicant that it is a State mandated requirement; 4) authorize City Manager to address conflict of interest decision.

Councilmember Williams stated he was against late applications.

Councilmember Cosden stated she was against late applications today and in the future.

Councilmember Sheppard agreed with Mayor Gunter and Councilmember Hayden.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> stated there were three late applications for today's Board Appointments. Should Council accept the applications that were submitted late after the deadline for consideration?

Councilmember Welsh stated without the precedent being set before this meeting, that Council's votes on appointments could reflect Council's opinion on that matter. He opined that Council did not need to decide on whether to accept these later or not, going forward it will not be presented to us, but he wanted discussion of all the applications being presented tonight and every Councilmember can choose to vote for that person or not based on their application being received late. He supported accepting late applications for tonight.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> agreed with Councilmember Welsh. She stated to accept the late applications today since it was not consistent in the past.

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> stated the system was clear enough that those applications should not have been submitted late.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> agreed with Councilmember Hayden. He had asked the City Clerk's Office to provide the documents that were placed in the paper for advertising. He stated for fairness to the applicants, those that submitted their applications late should not be considered for tonight's vote.

Councilmember Williams stated no to accepting late applications today.

Councilmember Cosden stated no to accepting late applications today.

Councilmember Sheppard stated no to accepting late applications today.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> stated there was clear direction that any of the applicants that submitted their applications late will not be considered in tonight's vote. He stated before moving forward, Council should decide on the time allowed for each interview, whether it be one, two, or three minutes.

Council polled as follows:
Councilmember Welsh – two minutes
Councilmember Nelson – one minute
Councilmember Hayden – two minutes
Mayor Gunter – one minute
Councilmember Williams – two minutes
Councilmember Cosden – one minute
Councilmember Sheppard – two minutes

City Clerk Bruns announced the tally.

Mayor Gunter confirmed allowing two minutes for each applicant.

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Community Redevelopment Agency - 1 Vacancy

City Clerk Bruns stated that Mariann Brasington withdrew her application. Andrew Gray and Brian Smith have also been eliminated due to the late receipt.

Interviews

James (Jim) F. Brantley – present
Nicholas A. Napolitano, Jr. – not present
Robert "Bob' O'Connor - currently a member on the Planning & Zoning Commission,
approval will require a 2/3rd vote from City Council for appointment – present
William R. Shallis, Jr. – not present
James Forrest Welborn, Jr. – present
Mariann T. Brasington – withdrew
Andrew I. Gray - Application received after deadline – disqualified
Brian Smith - Application received after deadline – disqualified

Council polled for the one CRA member. Majority selected Brantley.

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Cosden, to appoint James F. Brantley to the Community Redevelopment Agency.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Williams, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Seven "ayes." Motion carried 7-0.

Waterway Advisory Board - 9 Vacancies (7 Members and 2 Alternates)

City Clerk Bruns stated there are nine vacancies for seven members and two alternates. The Ordinance states that the membership will have four members for two years and three members for one year. Once the seven members have been selected, the next action item could determine the term. She questioned the time allotted for each interview.

Mayor Gunter stated to stay with the same format.

City Clerk Bruns stated the applicants were broken down by districts to show their geographical location.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> asked that the applicants specify which term they desired, whether it is for one year, two year, or the alternate position.

Interviews

D1 Coln, Tori Laine – present, open for one or two-year term
D1 Cruz, Joseph Juan – present and open for any term
D1 Miller, Christopher – not present
D1 Pim, Jason – present; Council question/comment

D2 Apking, Donald James – present and open for any term D2 Austin, Ronald Joseph – present and open for any term D2 Charvat, Jana T. – present

D2 Collier, James W. – present and open for any term; Council question/comment
D2 Crane, Steve – present and open for Alternate term
D2 DeLaHunt, Bryan Mark – present and open for any term
D2 Gervasoni, Marlissa V. – present and open for any term
D2 Hoffmann, Jim – present and open for any term
D2 Husby, Kenneth C. – present

D2 Martinez, Paula Anne – present and open for any term
D2 McBride, Justin Douglas – present and open for one or two-year term
D2 Quinn, Diana L. – present
D2 Thomas II, James Harold – present

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D3 Dimattia, Anthony Dru – present

D3 Otto, David – present and open for any term

D3 Safranek, Barbara Jean – not accepting application after deadline - disqualified

D4 Flower, Stanley – not present D4 Richards, Timothy Francis – present D4 Smith, Ronald J. – present

D5 Tomczyk Jr., Richard – present and open for any term
D6 Curtis, David E. – present and open for any term
D6 Hecht, Wayne Michael – present and open for any term
D6 Jones, Randall R. – present
D6 Weise, Carolyn J. – not present

Mayor Gunter stated Council should choose the seven members first, then the alternates can be chosen.

<u>Councilmember Cosden</u> asked if the four members with two-year terms should be chosen first, then select the three members for the one-year term.

Mayor Gunter agreed. There were no objections.

<u>Councilmember Welsh</u> questioned if the applicants needed to be chosen from a specific district.

<u>Mayor Gunter</u> confirmed that the selection will be the top seven, first choosing the four applicants for a two-year term, then followed with three members for the one-year term.

City Clerk Bruns read from Ordinance 93-20: "The initial Board will consist of three members who will serve for one year and four members who will serve for two years."

City Attorney Menendez noted there was no requirement that there be one person from each district.

Council began the poll for the four members for a two-year term:

Councilmember Williams moved to table the appointment of members as this is a technical subject. No second, motion failed.

City Attorney Menendez explained the process if Councilmember Williams is unable to name choices now. Council can continue in narrowing it down.

<u>Councilmember Williams</u> inquired about having a separate meeting to discuss the details of the Board selection.

City Attorney Menendez discussed various options of interviewing applicants for this Committee.

Councilmember Nelson called a point of order.

Mayor Gunter asked the City Clerk to continue with the poll.

Council continued the poll for four members with a two-year term. Majority selected Collier, Cruz, and Pim.

Councilmember Cosden moved, seconded by Councilmember Welsh, to appoint the following three members to the two-year terms on the Waterway Advisory Board: Collier, Cruz, and Pim.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Williams voted "nay." Six "ayes." One "nay." Motion carried 6-1.

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Mayor Gunter noted another member needed to be selected for the two-year term.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> explained why Mr. McBride would be a good selection. She asked Mr. McBride to come forward again to review his experience.

Mr. McBride came to the podium and discussed his expertise.

Council polled for the fourth member to a two-year term. Majority selected McBride.

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Hayden, to appoint Mr. McBride to the two-year slot on the Waterway Advisory Board.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Williams voted "nay." Six "ayes." One "nay." Motion carried 6-1.

Mayor Gunter asked for selections for the one-year term.

Council polled for the one-year term. Majority selected DeLaHunt, Hecht, and Jones.

Councilmember Cosden moved, seconded by Councilmember Hayden, to appoint the following three members: Jones, Hecht, and DeLaHunt to the one-year seat on the Waterway Advisory Board.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "ave." Williams voted "nay." Six "ayes." One "nay." Motion carried 6-1.

Councilmember Williams left the dais at 8:34 p.m.

Mayor Gunter stated two alternates need to be selected.

Council polled for the two alternates. Majority selected Austin and Martinez.

Councilmember Welsh moved, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to appoint the following two alternates to serve a two-year term: Austin and Martinez to the Waterway Advisory Board.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Six "ayes." Motion carried 6-0. (Councilmember Williams was not on dais at the time of the vote.)

Recessed at 8:36 p.m. and reconvened at 8:46 p.m.

Councilmember Williams returned to the dais at 8:46 p.m.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Public Hearings

Ordinance 1-21 (ZA 20-0001*) Public Hearing
*Quasi-Judicial, All Persons Testifying Must Be Sworn In
WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

An ordinance amending the City of Cape Coral Official Zoning District Map of all property within the limits of the City of Cape Coral by rezoning property described as two parcels of land lying in Section 8, Township 44 South, Range 24 East, Lee County, Florida, from Industrial Planned Development (a Lee County designation) to Industrial (I) zone; property is located at 1109-1111 Pondella Road. (Applicant: Honc Docks & Lifts, Inc.) (6.21 acres)

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Hearing Examiner Recommendation: The Hearing Examiner recommends that City Council Grant the Rezoning application.

DCD Department Recommendation: Approval

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance and administered the oath.

Planning Team Coordinator Daltry explained what this Ordinance would accomplish and displayed the following slides:

- Ordinance 1-21/ZA 20-0001 Rezone to Industrial (I)
- Background
- Site (map)
- Aerial Map and Current Zoning Map
- Proposed Zoning Map and Current Future Land Use Map
- Comprehensive Plan/LUDR Analysis
- Conclusion: Staff and HEX recommends approval
- Correspondence: none

Public Hearing Opened.

Brian Smith, EnSite, Inc., applicant's representative, appeared to answer any questions.

Public Hearing Closed.

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Cosden, to adopt Ordinance 1-21, as presented.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Williams, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Seven "ayes." Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 2-21 (ZA 20-0006*) Public Hearing

*Quasi-Judicial, All Persons Testifying Must Be Sworn In

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

An ordinance amending the City of Cape Coral Official Zoning District Map of all property within the limits of the City of Cape Coral by rezoning property described as Tract A, Block 6114, Unit 97, Cape Coral Subdivision, from Single-Family Residential (R-1) to Commercial (C) zone: property is located at 4330 Burnt Store Road North. (Applicant: Durden 28, LLC) (26.19 acres)

Hearing Examiner Recommendation: The Hearing Examiner recommends that City Council APPROVE the rezone to the Commercial Zoning District.

DCD Department Recommendation: Approval

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance and administered the oath.

Principal Planner Boyko explained what this Ordinance would accomplish and displayed the following slides:

- Ordinance 2-21/ZA 20-0006
- Aerial Map
- Current Zoning Map and Proposed Zoning Map
- Analysis Land Development Code (3 slides)
- Analysis Comprehensive Plan
- Recommendation: Staff and HEX recommended approval
- Correspondence: none

Public Hearing Opened.

Linda Miller, Senior Planner, Avalon Engineering, Inc., applicant's representative, appeared to answer any questions.

Public Hearing Closed.

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Councilmember Williams moved, seconded by Councilmember Cosden, to adopt Ordinance 2-21, as presented.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Williams, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Seven "ayes." Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance 3-21 (ZA 20-0010*) Public Hearing

*Quasi-Judicial, All Persons Testifying Must Be Sworn In

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

An ordinance amending the City of Cape Coral Official Zoning District Map of all property within the limits of the City of Cape Coral by rezoning property described as Lots 1 through 28, Block 1048, Cape Coral Subdivision, Unit 24, from Professional (P) to Residential Multi-Family Low (RML) zone; property is located at 1101-1127 SE 5th Court and 1102-1128 SE 6th Avenue. (Applicant: City of Cape Coral) (3.27 acres)

Hearing Examiner Recommendation: The Hearing Examiner recommends that City Council GRANT the Rezoning application.

DCD Department Recommendation: Approval

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance and administered the oath.

Planning Team Coordinator Daltry explained what this Ordinance would accomplish and displayed the following slides:

- Ordinance 3-21 Professional (P) to Residential Multi-Family Low (RML)
- Background
- Site
- Aerial Map and Current Zoning Map
- Proposed Zoning Map and Current Future Land Use Map
- Background
- Comprehensive Plan Analysis
- Conclusion: Staff and Hearing Examiner recommends Approval
- Correspondence: Few phone calls in support

Public Hearing Opened.

No speakers.

Public Hearing Closed.

Councilmember Nelson moved, seconded by Councilmember Cosden, to adopt Ordinance 3-21, as presented.

Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Williams, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Seven "ayes." Motion carried 7-0.

Introductions

Ordinance 4-21 (LU 20-0007) Set Public Hearing for February 3, 2021

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

An ordinance amending the City of Cape Coral Comprehensive Plan by amending the Future Land Use Map from Commercial/Professional (CP) to Single-Family Residential (SF) land use for property described as Block 4276, Lots 1-9 and 50-59, Cape Coral Subdivision, Unit 61; property is located at 3215-3227 Gulfstream Parkway and 3216-3240 NW 16th Terrace. (Applicant: City of Cape Coral) (2.29 acres)

Planning and Zoning Recommendation: Approval

Community Development Department Recommendation: Approval

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance.

The public hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2021 in Council Chambers.

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Ordinance 5-21 (LU 20-0008) Set Public Hearing for February 3, 2021

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

An ordinance amending the City of Cape Coral Comprehensive Plan by amending the Future Land Use Map from Commercial/Professional (CP) to Mixed Use (MX) land use for property described as Lots 35-47, Block 2175, Lots 1-49, Block 2176, and Lots 1-21, Block 2177, all in Unit 32, Cape Coral Subdivision, and a tract or parcel of land lying in Section 30, Township 43 South, Range 24 East, Lee County, Florida; property is located at 1009-1527 Kismet Parkway East and 2500 Del Prado Boulevard North. (Applicant: City of Cape Coral) (182.09 acres)

Planning & Zoning Recommendation: Approval

Department of Community Development Recommendation: Approval

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance.

The public hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2021 in Council Chambers.

Ordinance 8-21 Set Public Hearing for February 3, 2021

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

The ordinance amends the City of Cape Coral Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12, "Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions", by creating Article XIV, "Residential Rental Property", Section 12-129, pertaining to the registration of residential rental property in the City of Cape Coral; provides for purpose and intent; provides for definitions; provides for registration of residential rental property required; and provides for enforcement and penalties. (Applicant: Brought forward by City Management)

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance.

The public hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2021 in Council Chambers.

Ordinance 6-21 Set Public Hearing for February 3, 2021 WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

The Ordinance approves the sale of municipal surplus real property described as Lots 48 and 49, Block 5464, Unit 90, Cape Coral Subdivision, Pursuant to Section 2-155 of the City of Cape Coral Code of Ordinances and authorizes and directs the Mayor and Clerk to execute a deed conveying the aforementioned surplus real property located at 3731 NW 43rd Avenue to TSAVO Group, Inc. (Applicant: Brought forward by City Management) NOTE: The purchase price is \$50,000.00.

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance.

The public hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2021 in Council Chambers.

Ordinance 7-21 Set Public Hearing for February 3, 2021

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

The Ordinance approves the sale of municipal surplus real property described as Lots 50 and 51, Block 5464, Unit 90, Cape Coral Subdivision, Pursuant to Section 2-155 of the City of Cape Coral Code of Ordinances and authorizes and directs the Mayor and Clerk to execute a deed conveying the aforementioned surplus real property located at 3727 NW 43rd Avenue to TSAVO Group, Inc. (Applicant: Brought forward by City Management) NOTE: The purchase price is \$50,000.00.

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance.

The public hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2021 in Council Chambers.

Ordinance 9-21 Set Public Hearing for February 3, 2021

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

The Ordinance approves the sale of municipal surplus real property described as Lots 40 and 41, Block 4226, Unit 60, Cape Coral Subdivision, Pursuant to Section 2-155 of the City of Cape Coral Code of Ordinances and authorizes and directs the Mayor and Clerk to execute a deed conveying the aforementioned surplus real property located at 902 NW

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37th Place to Dennis Dobrunoff and Ekaterina Dobrunoff. (Applicant: Brought forward by City Management) NOTE: The purchase price is \$89,500.00.

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance.

The public hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2021 in Council Chambers.

Ordinance 10-21 Set Public Hearing for February 3, 2021

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

An ordinance approving the sale of municipal surplus real property described as Lots 44 and 45, Block 5464, Unit 90, Cape Coral Subdivision, pursuant to Section 2-155 of the City of Cape Coral Code of Ordinances; authorizing the directing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a deed conveying the aforementioned surplus real property located at 3801 NW 43rd Avenue to TSAVO Group Inc. (Applicant: Brought forward by City Management.) NOTE: The purchase price is \$50,000.00.

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance.

The public hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2021 in Council Chambers.

Ordinance 11-21 Set Public Hearing for February 3, 2021

WHAT THE ORDINANCE ACCOMPLISHES:

An ordinance approving the sale of municipal surplus real property described as Lots 40 and 41, Block 5464, Unit 90, Cape Coral Subdivision, pursuant to Section 2-155 of the City of Cape Coral Code of Ordinances; authorizing and directing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a deed conveying the aforementioned surplus real property located at 3809 NW 43rd Avenue to Tax & Financial Consulting, Inc. (Applicant: Brought forward by City Management.) NOTE: The purchase price is \$50,000.00.

City Clerk Bruns read the title of the Ordinance.

The public hearing was scheduled for February 3, 2021 in Council Chambers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Follow Up Items for Council

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Youth Council Reports (Moved to immediately following Filling Mayoral Vacancy)

Meeting Calendar Addition Request - City Management

City Manager Hernandez stated that due to canceling the Strategic workshop for January 14, 2021, and January 15, 2021, City Management was requesting the addition of a COW meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 in Council Chambers beginning at 4:30 p.m. It will be preceded by a Shade session to prepare for Collective Bargaining Negotiations and to discuss a proposed IT Security policy. He also requested the addition of a COW meeting on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 in Council Chambers beginning at 4:30 p.m. He also requested moving the time of the March 10, 2021 COW meeting from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. due to rescheduling a variety of topics which would be our Strategic Planning session.

Mayor Gunter asked for a motion to approve the items as mentioned by the City Manager.

Councilmember Welsh moved, seconded by Councilmember Nelson, to approve the addition of a COW meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 beginning at 4:30 p.m., Shade meeting to precede the January 27th COW meeting at 3:00 p.m., addition of a COW meeting on Wednesday, March 31, 2021 beginning at 4:30 p.m., and moving the time of the March 10th COW meeting from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 a.m.

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Council polled as follows: Sheppard, Welsh, Williams, Cosden, Gunter, Hayden, and Nelson voted "aye." Seven "ayes." Motion carried 7-0.

Filling Mayoral Vacancy (moved to immediately following Citizens Input)

REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilmember Sheppard - Topics: No Report.

Councilmember Welsh - Topics: Thanked CCPD for their protection during the meeting.

<u>Councilmember Williams</u> – Topics: Attended Coviello Family Celebration of Life and expressed appreciation for City Management response.

Councilmember Cosden - Topics: No Report

<u>Councilmember Hayden</u> – Topics: Attended Mayor Coviello's Funeral. Attended the Groundbreaking for the Vietnam Memorial at Four Mile Cove.

<u>Councilmember Nelson</u> – Topics: Echoed the previous statements, continue to pray for the Coviello Family.

Mayor Gunter - Topics: Requested keeping the Coviello Family in our prayers.

REPORTS OF THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY MANAGER

<u>City Attorney</u>: Topics: No Report.

City Manager: Topics: No Report.

Council discussion held regarding conduct.

TIME AND PLACE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

Executive Sessions (Shade Meeting) of the Cape Coral City Council was scheduled for Wednesday, January 27, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room 220A regarding Collective Bargaining Strategies and I.T. Security. Per Florida Statute 447.605 and 281.301, this will be a closed public meeting.

A Committee of the Whole Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 27, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

A regular meeting of the Cape Coral City Council was scheduled for Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Submitted by.

Kimberly Bruns, CMC

City Clerk