



City of North Port

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-R-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, ADOPTING CITY COMMISSION POLICY NO. 2020-04 RELATED TO PROCEDURES AND METHODS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT IN CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS; INCORPORATING RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, has public comment procedures codified in Section 2-55(d) of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida (the "Code"), but has no written procedures for other methods of public comment; and

WHEREAS, this new policy supersedes and takes the place of those procedures codified at Section 2-55(d) of the Code, which shall be repealed separately by Ordinance No. 2020-37; and

WHEREAS, it is the City's intent to establish procedures and multiple methods for persons who wish to provide public comment to the City Commission in a public meeting or workshop; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of procedures will ensure uniformity and consistency and will increase public access to provide comment; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida finds that it serves the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City to adopt the policy as presented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1 – INCORPORATION OF RECITALS

1.01 The recitals outlined above are incorporated by reference as findings of fact.

SECTION 2 – RESOLUTION

2.01 The City Commission hereby adopts Policy No. 2020-04 Public Comment, which is attached hereto and incorporated as if set forth herein, as an administrative policy of the City Commission of the City of North Port.

SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS

3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this resolution and any other resolution or portions thereof, the provisions of this resolution shall prevail to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY

4.01 If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution is held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 5 - EFFECTIVE DATE

5.01 This resolution shall take effect immediately after adoption by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida.

PASSED and DULY ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port this 13th day of October 2020.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

DEBBIE MCDOWELL
MAYOR

ATTEST

HEATHER TAYLOR, CMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS

AMBER L. SLAYTON
CITY ATTORNEY