



City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes City Commission Regular Meeting

CITY COMMISSIONERS

Barbara Langdon, Mayor

Alice White, Vice Mayor

Pete Emrich, Commissioner

Debbie McDowell, Commissioner

Phil Stokes, Commissioner

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Jerome Fletcher, City Manager

Amber L. Slayton, City Attorney

Heather Faust, City Clerk

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

10:00 AM

City Commission Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Langdon called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Barbara Langdon, Vice Mayor Alice White, Commissioner Pete Emrich, Commissioner Debbie McDowell and Commissioner Philip Stokes

ALSO PRESENT:

City Manager Jerome Fletcher, Deputy City Attorney Michael Golen, City Clerk Heather Faust, Recording Secretary Matthew Powell, Acting Fire Chief Nick Herlihy, Police Chief Todd Garrison, Planner III Carl Bengel, Planning Manager Lori Barnes, Finance Director Kimberly Williams, Budget Administrator Lisa Herrmann, Parks and Recreation Director Sandy Pfundheller, Public Utilities Assistant Director Jennifer Desrosiers, Public Works Director Chuck Speake, and Development Services Director Alaina Ray

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Development Services Director Alaina Ray.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Langdon requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Emrich, seconded by Commissioner Stokes, to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Faust read the following public eComments into the record:

Peter Bartolotta: spoke to citizen representation.

Barbara Lockhart: expressed support for a natural resources department, changing the

tree fund name, and permitting sabal palmettos.
Karen Dill: spoke to teamwork and moving forward.

In person public comment:
Carmine Miranda: expressed support for City policy and actions.
Mark Frandsen: spoke to citizen representation and conflict resolution.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. [23-0440](#) Current Vacancies and Upcoming Expirations for Advisory Boards and Committees

Mayor Langdon announced the item and called on the City Clerk to read the announcements.

Ms. Faust read the announcements into the record.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Langdon announced the item and queried the City Manager regarding items pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Mr. Fletcher noted items pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item No. 23-0826 being pulled for discussion. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

A. [23-0750](#) Approve the Application to the U.S. Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Program Grant for the Hiring of Ten (10) New Sworn Police Officers in the Amount of \$1,250,000, and Authorizing the City Manager or the Mayor, as Applicable Under the City Charter, to Execute all Funding Documents After Legal Review, Should the Grant be Awarded to the City.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

B. [23-0752](#) Approve the Interlocal Agreement Regarding Distribution Formula for Allocation of Revenue From Local Option Fuel Tax Levied Pursuant to Section 336.025(1)(a), Florida Statutes, Among Sarasota County and Municipalities Within Sarasota County for the 6 Cent Local Option Gas Tax.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

C. [23-0753](#) Approve the Interlocal Agreement Regarding Distribution Formula for Allocation of Revenue From Local Option Fuel Tax Levied Pursuant to

Section 336.025(1)(b), Florida Statutes, Among Sarasota County and Municipalities Within Sarasota County for the 5 Cent Local Option Gas Tax.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- D. [23-0756](#) Approve Amendment No. 4 to Construction Contract No. 2022-26 – Water Pipeline Bridge Replacements- Haberland/Woodhaven/N. Toledo Blade with Spectrum Underground, Inc., for an Additional Amount of \$33,335.00, for a Total Contract Price of \$821,211.35.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- E. [23-0765](#) Approve Disposition of Surplus Fleet Assets in an Appropriate Fashion Pursuant to Chapter 2 Administration, Article VIII Procurement, Section 2-419, Disposition of City Assets and Property (d), (1) of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- F. [23-0826](#) Approve Template for a Connection Payment Agreement Relating to Utility Line Extension Charges, Ratify Connection Payment Agreements Entered with Customers Using the Prior Template Beginning on September 22, 2014, through June 12, 2023, and Authorize the City Manager or Designee to Sign Future Agreements Using the Approved Template.

Mayor Langdon introduced the item.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding residential versus non-residential relating to property owner installment payments, commencement date section reference error, removal of service charge, missing interest rate, dedicated fee section, and service versus City charges.

Mr. Golen noted he will investigate the dedicated fee section relating to the missing fees.

There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Vice Mayor White, to approve Item No. 23-0826 as amended to include Section 5 from the previous agreement, adding a section relating to interest, and correcting the scrivener's error in Section 8. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

No: 1 - Mayor Langdon

Mayor Langdon dissented due to payment specific information being included in the agreement, with a preference to include it in the dedicated fee section.

- G. [23-0854](#) Approve the ProPhoenix MunicIPAY Interface Agreement Authorizing ProPhoenix to Install, Configure and Implement the MunicIPAY Interface Software Module Enabling the Acceptance of Customer Payments through the North Port Police Department Citizens Services Portal.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- H. [23-0867](#) Accept the Cash Receipts Summary Report for April 2023.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- I. [23-0870](#) Approve the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Florida Department of Corrections and the City of North Port, Florida with Regard to the Administration of Criminal Justice and Reentry Services in Sarasota County, Florida.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- J. [23-0873](#) Approve the Award of Funds From the Special Event Assistance Program to North Port Young Professionals in Support of the Back to School Bash to be Held July 29, 2023, in an Amount up to, and Not to Exceed, \$1,000 to Cover the Costs of City Fees and Resources.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- K. [23-0895](#) Approval of Minutes for the April 25, 2023 Commission Regular Meeting, May 4, 2023 Commission Regular Meeting, and May 9, 2023 Commission Regular Meeting

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- L. [23-0907](#) Approve the Comcast Business Service Order Agreement and General Terms and Conditions Between Comcast Business and the City of North Port for the Internet Upgrade Service for the Term of 36 Months in the Amount not to Exceed \$7,016.40.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- M. [23-0920](#) Approve the Appointment of Joan Morgan as an Alternate Member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, to Serve a Term from June 13, 2023, to June 13, 2026.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Petition:

- A. [CC](#)
[PLF-23-037](#) Consideration of Petition No. PLF-23-037, Solstice Phase 2 Replat (QUASI-JUDICIAL).

Mayor Langdon announced the item, stated this is a quasi-judicial hearing, and called on the City Clerk to read by title only.

Ms. Faust read the Petition by title only and swore in those wishing to provide testimony.

Mayor Langdon called for disclosure of ex-parte communications.

Commissioner McDowell, Commissioner Stokes, Vice Mayor White, and Commissioner Emrich disclosed no ex-parte communications.

Mayor Langdon disclosed a conversation with staff during the Agenda briefing.

Ms. Faust stated there were no aggrieved parties.

Noah Medeiros, RWA Inc, being duly sworn, provided a presentation including overview, location, current status, recommendations, and requested approval.

Mr. Bengé, being duly sworn, provided a presentation including overview, applicant, property owner, request, location, aerial view, compliance with Florida Statutes, and recommendations.

There were no rebuttals by the Applicant or Staff.

There was no public comment.

There were no Commission questions or discussion.

There were no closing arguments by Staff or the Applicant.

Mayor Langdon closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Emrich, seconded by Commissioner Stokes, to approve Petition No. PLF-23-037 as presented and find that based on the competent substantial evidence, the Solstice Phase 2 Replat complies with the Unified Land Development Code and Florida Statutes Chapter 177. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

Ordinance - Second Reading:

- B.** [ORD. NO. 2023-13](#) An Ordinance of the City of North Port, Florida, Amending the Unified Land Development Code, Chapter 53, Article XVIII. - V Village Section 53-213.A; Adopting and Incorporating the Toledo Village Index Map for ±2,086 Acre Area Generally Located East of Toledo Blade Boulevard and North of Interstate 75; Providing for Findings; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing for Codification; and Providing an Effective Date. (QUASI-JUDICIAL).

Mayor Langdon announced the item, stated this is a quasi-judicial hearing, and called on the City Clerk to read by title only.

Ms. Faust read the Ordinance by title only and swore in those wishing to provide testimony.

Mayor Langdon called for disclosure of ex-parte communications.

Commissioner McDowell disclosed requesting information relating to changes between

first and second reading and receiving an email.

Commissioner Stokes disclosed general discussion with Boone Law Firm regarding the project.

Mayor Langdon disclosed a question with staff during one-on-one session.

Vice Mayor White disclosed a question with staff regarding clarity relating to the first reading.

Commissioner Emrich disclosed conversations during the Agenda briefing with staff and with Boone Law Firm regarding his vote during first reading.

Ms. Faust stated there were no aggrieved parties.

Jeffery Boone, Boone Law Firm, being duly sworn, provided an overview and requested approval.

Mr. Bengé, being duly sworn, provided a presentation including overview, first reading changes, applicant, property owner, request, location, and recommendations.

There were no rebuttals by the Applicant or Staff.

There was no public comment.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding potential index map changes.

There were no closing arguments by Staff or the Applicant.

Mayor Langdon closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Stokes, to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-13 as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

C. [ORD. NO. 2023-12](#)

An Ordinance of the City of North Port, Florida, Amending the Unified Land Development Code, Chapter 53, Article XVIII. - V Village, Section 53-213.B; Adopting and Incorporating the Toledo Village Village District Pattern Book for a ±2,086 Acre Area Generally Located East of Toledo Blade Boulevard and North of Interstate 75; Providing for Findings; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing for Codification; and Providing for Effective Date. (QUASI-JUDICIAL).

Mayor Langdon announced the item, stated this is a quasi-judicial hearing, and called on the City Clerk to read by title only.

Ms. Faust read the Ordinance by title only and swore in those wishing to provide testimony.

Mayor Langdon called for disclosure of ex-parte communications.

Commissioner Stokes, Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, and Commissioner Emrich disclosed no ex-parte communications.

Commissioner McDowell disclosed requesting information relating to changes between first and second reading and receiving an email.

Ms. Faust stated there were no aggrieved parties.

Jeffery Boone, Boone Law Firm, Rhea Lopes, RVi Planning and Landscape Architecture, Christopher Hatton, Kimley-Horn & Associates, and John Barnott, Forestar Group, all being duly sworn, provided a presentation including overview, first reading changes, proposed village centers, entrance parcel, village park, historic approval, North Port gardens synergy, neighborhood center commercial and vision, housing diversity, housing type examples, site access, improvements regarding Toledo Blade Boulevard and Tropicaire Boulevard, public benefits, employment opportunities, amenity centers, builder interviews, impacted environmental area, conservation efforts, time invested, and requested approval.

Mr. Benge, being duly sworn, provided a presentation including overview, first reading changes, and recommendations.

Mr. Boone provided a rebuttal including commercial and total acreage, conservation efforts, wetlands preserved, amenities provided, facility size, recommendations, and requested approval.

There was no rebuttal by Staff.

There was no public comment.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding maintenance responsibility, tournament certification requirement, open green space for venues, soccer fields, commercial acreage increase, neighborhood center and Toledo Blade Boulevard commercial component, affordable and entry-level housing, wetlands preserved, typographical error, high curving relating to emergency responders and wildlife, amenity and hotel acreage requirement, indoor versus outdoor recreation tax, and golf course component.

There were no closing arguments by Staff or the Applicant.

Mayor Langdon closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Commissioner Emrich, to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-12 as presented.

Commission discussion continued regarding clarity relating to commercial acreage.

Commissioner Emrich withdrew his second.

The motion was restated by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Commissioner Emrich, to adopt Ordinance No. 2023-12 as amended to include 10 acres of commercial property. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Stokes

No: 1 - Commissioner McDowell

Commissioner McDowell dissented due to previous unanimous agreement of requiring 70 commercial acres and a need for a larger commercial component.

Ordinance - First Reading:

- D. [ORD. NO. 2023-17](#) An Ordinance of the City of North Port, Florida; Amending the Code of the City of North Port, Florida Section 4-3(e)(2) Providing for Six (6) Absences for Planning and Zoning Advisory Board Members; Providing for Findings; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing for Codification; and Providing an Effective Date.

Mayor Langdon announced the item and requested a motion to direct the City Clerk to read by title only.

A motion was made by Commissioner Emrich, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, to direct the City Clerk to read the Ordinance by title only. The motion carried on the following vote:

- Yes:** 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

Ms. Faust read the Ordinance by title only and introduced the item.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board request to consider excused versus unexcused absences.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Commissioner Emrich, to continue Ordinance No. 2023-17 to second reading on June 27, 2023. The motion carried on the following vote:

- Yes:** 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

Commission discussion continued regarding memorandum transmission.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Mayor Langdon, to direct the City Clerk to send a memorandum to the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board to acknowledge their memorandum and provide Commission feedback regarding excused absences.

Commission discussion continued regarding total absences.

The motion carried on the following vote:

- Yes:** 3 - Mayor Langdon, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner McDowell

- No:** 2 - Vice Mayor White and Commissioner Stokes

Vice Mayor White and Commissioner Stokes dissented due to direction already being provided during the public meeting and setting precedent regarding future memorandums.

Resolution:

- E. [RES. NO. 2023-R-39](#) A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, Accepting an Exclusive Permanent Access and Lift Station Replacement Easement on ±0.0577 Acres in Section 32, Township 39 South, Range 20 East of Sarasota County, Florida Official Records, on Property Bearing Sarasota County Property ID No. 0784091000; Terminating and Releasing Non-Exclusive Lift Station Easement in Section 32, Township 39 South, Range 19 East and Further Described in Instrument No. 2007158246 in the Official Records of Sarasota County; Terminating and Releasing Ingress and Egress Easement in Section 32, Township 39 South, Range 19 East and Further Described in Instrument No. 2007158251 in the Official Records of Sarasota County; Providing for Incorporation of Recitals; Providing for Termination and Release of Easements; Providing for Agreements Accepting Easement; Providing for Recording; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

Mayor Langdon announced the item and called on the City Clerk to read by title only.

Ms. Faust read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

There were no Commission questions or discussion.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Emrich, to adopt Resolution No. 2023-R-39 as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

Recess was taken from 11:39 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

- G. [RES. NO. 2023-R-42](#) A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, Amending the Non-District Budget and Capital Improvement Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for Utilities Costs Due to Hurricane Ian, An Autocar for Solid Waste, Four Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs) and Associated Costs for the New Natural Resources Division, Temporary Space for the Parks Maintenance Division, Land and Design for a Police Headquarters, and Construction, Engineering and Inspection (CEI) Services for Price Widening Phase 1 in the Amount of \$5,347,140; Providing for Findings; Providing for Posting; Providing for Conflicts: Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

Mayor Langdon announced the item and called on the City Clerk to read by title only.

Ms. Faust read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding budget amendment request amount and reasoning, park maintenance offices, timeline requirements, unit location, demolitions, Parks and Recreation versus general fund usage, current general fund balance, tree fund employee positions and full-time salary amount, Police headquarters location relating to design funding request, Capital Improvement Project (CIP) sheet update, and bucket truck usage.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor White, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, to adopt Resolution No. 2023-R-42 as presented.

A motion to amend was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Stokes, to include an additional \$600,000 from the general fund for the parks and maintenance facility to be located at Dallas White Park, bringing the budget amendment total to \$5,947,140. The motion to amend carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

Ms. Herrmann noted the former CIP sheet will be deactivated.

The main motion as amended carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

H. [RES. NO. 2023-R-25](#)

A Resolution of the Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, Establishing the North Port Non-Profits United (NP2) Advisory Committee to Make Recommendations to the City Manager of Those Applicants Under the North Port Non-Profits United Program that Qualify to Receive a Mission Support Item; Providing for Incorporation of Recitals; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

Mayor Langdon announced the item and called on the City Clerk to read by title only.

Ms. Faust read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding permanency.

Ms. Faust and Mr. Golen spoke to ad hoc committee versus advisory board.

Commission questions and discussion continued regarding City Manager versus Commission role relating to appointing board members, and City Charter verbiage.

Mr. Golen spoke to City Charter verbiage relating to City Manager appointment powers.

Commission questions and discussion continued regarding procedure and Commission authorizing the City Manager to appoint board members.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor White, seconded by Commissioner Stokes, to adopt Resolution No. 2023-R-25 as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Stokes

No: 1 - Commissioner McDowell

Commissioner McDowell dissented due to language within the City Charter regarding appointment of board members.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A.** [23-0856](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding a Possible Transfer in the Amount of \$3,000 From Commission Contingency to the Community Assistance/Special Event Assistance Program to Support Fee Assistance Requests Through Fiscal Year 2023.

Mayor Langdon announced the item.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

There were no Commission questions or discussion.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Commissioner Emrich, to direct staff to transfer \$3,000 from the Commission Contingency Account to the Community Assistance/Special Events Assistance Account. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

- B.** [23-0866](#) Discussion and Possible Direction Regarding the Prohibition of Smoking in Public Parks and Recreation Areas.

Mayor Langdon announced the item.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Commissioner Stokes spoke to the item regarding House Bill 105, smoking ban, policy of other municipalities, secondhand smoke dangers and statistics, cigarettes versus cigars effects on wildlife, enforcement concerns, and providing direction.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding potential discrimination, designated smoking areas, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board recommendation, cigar exception, effected population, effects on wildlife, state versus municipality role, enforcement concerns, recreational area definition, providing direction, and vaping inclusion.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Vice Mayor White, to prohibit smoking of cigarettes and vapes on City property including parks and recreational areas, and to direct staff to investigate establishing designated smoking areas.

Mr. Golen spoke to House Bill 105 limitations relating to parks and beaches.

Vice Mayor White withdrew her second.

The motion was restated by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Vice Mayor White, to prohibit smoking of cigarettes and vapes in public parks and recreational areas.

Commission questions and discussion continued regarding recreational area definition and designated smoking areas.

Mr. Golen spoke to park definition.

Commission questions and discussion continued regarding park definition and intent relating to future discussion.

Vice Mayor White withdrew her second.

The motion was restated by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Vice Mayor White, to prohibit smoking of cigarettes and vapes in City parks except in designated smoking areas. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Stokes

No: 2 - Mayor Langdon and Commissioner McDowell

Commissioner McDowell dissented due to the motion being incomplete relating to staff bringing back details for future discussion and concerns regarding enforcement.

Mayor Langdon dissented due to lack of designated smoking areas and desire for future discussion.

C. [23-0896](#)

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Approval of the May 1, 2023 Commission Workshop Meeting Minutes

Mayor Langdon announced the item.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding Commission direction relating to the Agricultural (AG) zoning name and future discussion relating to Chapter 3 rezoning.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stokes, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, to approve the May 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes as presented with the

recommended changes. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Langdon, Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

- D.** [23-0916](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Sending a Letter to Sarasota County Requesting Support of Identified Items From the May 18, 2023, Joint Meeting Between Sarasota County Board of Commissioners and the City of North Port Including On Demand Needs, Cost of North Port Aquatic Center Lifeguards, Establishing a Mosquito Management Services Task Force, and Letter of Support for the I-75 Interchange

Mayor Langdon announced the item.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding cost responsibility, transmission medium, and OnDemand fixed route addition.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Langdon requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Vice Mayor White, to direct staff to draft a letter requesting support, financial assistance, and a long-term plan to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the four identified items, provided to all Commissioners and respective staff, and to be signed by the Mayor. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Vice Mayor White, Commissioner Emrich, Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Stokes

No: 1 - Mayor Langdon

Mayor Langdon dissented due to ambiguity of financial support pertaining to only one item and lack of clarity regarding the long-term plan.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Faust read the following public eComment into the record:

Amy Cook: expressed support for rezoning.

In person public comment:

John Rawlings: spoke to public input and expressed support for City policy and actions.

8. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS:

- A.** [23-0421](#) Commissioner Stokes' Communications
Commissioner Stokes reported on important topics.

- B.** [23-0420](#) Commissioner McDowell's Communications
Commissioner McDowell reported on important topics and events attended.

- C. [23-0419](#) Commissioner Emrich's Communications
Commissioner Emrich reported on important topics.
- D. [23-0418](#) Vice Mayor White's Communications
Vice Mayor White reported on important topics and events attended.
- E. [23-0417](#) Mayor Langdon's Communications
Mayor Langdon reported on important topics and events attended.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL REPORTS:

Mr. Fletcher did not provide a report.

Mr. Golen did not provide a report.

Ms. Faust did not provide a report.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Langdon adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

City of North Port, Florida

By: _____
Barbara Langdon, Mayor

Attest: _____
Heather Faust, City Clerk

These minutes were approved on the ____ day of _____, 2023.