



# City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

## Meeting Minutes City Commission Special Meeting

### **CITY COMMISSIONERS**

*Alice White, Mayor*  
*Phil Stokes, Vice Mayor*  
*Pete Emrich, Commissioner*  
*Barbara Langdon, Commissioner*  
*Debbie McDowell, Commissioner*

### **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

*Jerome Fletcher, City Manager*  
*Michael Golen, Interim City Attorney*  
*Heather Faust, City Clerk*

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Monday, November 4, 2024

9:00 AM

City Commission Chambers

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

### **ROLL CALL**

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

### **Also Present:**

City Manager Fletcher, Interim City Attorney Golen, Assistant City Clerk Powell, Board Specialist Bodmer, Deputy Police Chief Morales, Fire Chief Titus, Assistant Finance Director Kukharenko, and Assistant Public Works Director Wisner

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tricia Wisner.

### **1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor White requested a motion.

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

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

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

### **3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**RESOLUTION:**

- A. [RES. NO. 2024-R-57](#) A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, Adopting City Commission Policy No. 2024-01 Related to the Debt Management Policy; Providing for Incorporation of Recitals; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

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

Mr. Powell read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding additions, dependence on referendum, debt affordability measures, resolution's effective date, impact fees, West Village agreement, election results, policy language, and debt management policy.

There was no public comment.

Mayor White closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

***A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Vice Mayor Stokes, to adopt Resolution No. 2024-R-57 as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:***

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

**ORDINANCE - Second Reading:**

- B. [ORD. NO. 2024-37](#) An Ordinance of the City of North Port, Florida, Establishing the Debt Management Advisory Committee; Amending the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, Chapter 4 - Boards and Committees, to Create Article XI - Debt Management Advisory Committee; Providing for Findings; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing for Codification; and Providing an Effective Date.

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

Mr. Powell read the Ordinance by title only.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

There were no Commission questions or discussion.

There was no public comment.

Mayor White closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

***A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Langdon, to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-37 changing section 6 to have it be effective***

*immediately. The motion carried on the following vote:*

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

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

**5. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 9:19 a.m.

City of North Port, Florida

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alice White, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Heather Faust, City Clerk