



# City of North Port

4970 CITY HALL BLVD  
NORTH PORT, FL 34286

## Meeting Minutes City Commission Regular Meeting

### *CITY COMMISSIONERS*

*Jill Luke, Mayor*

*Pete Emrich, Vice Mayor*

*Barbara Langdon, Commissioner*

*Debbie McDowell, Commissioner*

### *APPOINTED OFFICIALS*

*Jason Yarborough, Interim City Manager*

*Amber L. Slayton, City Attorney*

*Heather Taylor, City Clerk*

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Tuesday, February 9, 2021

10:00 AM

City Commission Chambers

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### CALL TO ORDER

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

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 4 - Mayor Jill Luke, Vice Mayor Pete Emrich, Commissioner Barbara Langdon and Commissioner Debbie McDowell

### Also Present:

Interim City Manager Jason Yarborough, Assistant City Manager Cari Branco, City Attorney Amber Slayton, Assistant City Attorney Michael Golen, City Clerk Heather Taylor, City Grant Writer Valerie Malingowski, Finance Director Kimberly Ferrell, Fire Chief Scott Titus, IT Director Eric Ryan, Planning Division Manager Nicole Galehouse, Planner III Alison Christie, Parks and Recreation Director Sandy Pfundheller, Police Chief Todd Garrison, Deputy Police Chief Chris Morales, Public Utilities Director Rick Newkirk, Public Works Director Julie Bellia, Communications Manager Josh Taylor

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Malingowski.

### 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Langdon, to approve the agenda moving Item No. CC CIP-20-158 to be heard prior to Item No. CC DMP-19-233. The motion carried by the following vote:*

**Yes:** 4 - Mayor Luke, Vice Mayor Emrich, Commissioner Langdon and Commissioner McDowell

Ms. Slayton introduced the item noting revisions since first reading.

Mr. Golen responded to questions regarding licensing and insurance being added into the whereas clause and/or definitions, and expanding on what is already stated in Florida Statutes.

Ms. Slayton spoke to reasons for not duplicating what is in Florida Statute.

Deputy Chief Morales recommended adding the language to the end of the definition.

***There was consensus to add language relative to licensed drivers, insured drivers and registered vehicle to the definition of Low Speed Vehicles (LSV).***

Chief Garrison responded to questions regarding the addition of Cedar Grove 1A, subdivisions within the Woodlands Community Development District (CDD), and Cedar Grove 1A traffic agreement.

Discussion ensued regarding responsibility for signage in Cedar Grove 1A, signs in Plantation and Holiday Park, West Villages Improvement District, and striking number 5 completely.

***There was consensus to strike Section 74-151(b)(5) completely.***

Discussion continued regarding LSV's crossing at intersections, LSV crossing over U.S. 41 in West Villages, state statute prohibiting LSV's and golf carts on sidewalks, bike lanes, and multi-modal paths, and conducting an educational campaign.

Deputy Chief Morales spoke to gated communities operating golf carts within the community relative to traffic agreements.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Luke closed the public hearing.

***A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Vice Mayor Emrich, to approve Ordinance No. 2020-44 with the following changes:***

***1. Adding language relative to drivers licensed, insured drivers and registered to definition of Low Speed Vehicles (LSV)***

***2. Striking Section 74-151(b)(5) completely***

***The motion carried by the following vote:***

**Yes:** 4 - Mayor Luke, Vice Mayor Emrich, Commissioner Langdon and Commissioner McDowell

**D.** ORD. NO.  
2021-09

An Ordinance of the City of North Port, Florida, Amending Section 34-55 of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, Relating to Mobile Food Vendors and Ice Cream Trucks; Amending Appendix A - City Fee Structure; Providing for Findings; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing for Codification; and Providing and Effective Date

Mayor Luke announced the item.

Ms. Taylor read the ordinance by title only.

Mr. Yarborough introduced the item and noted revisions since reading.

Discussion took place regarding food trucks at Warm Mineral Springs, activity centers, adding language under hours of operation regarding prohibiting overnight parking, and City Center Green maximum amended from 4 to 6.

***There was consensus to increase City Center Green from 4 to 6.***

Discussion continued regarding McKibben Park.

***There was consensus to clarify language under hours of operation regarding prohibiting overnight parking.***

***A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Vice Mayor Emrich, to approve Ordinance No. 2021-09 with the following changes:***

***1. Sec. 34-1(c)(1)a.4. to read City Center Green, a maximum of six designated spaces***

***2. Sec. 34-1(d) add clarifying language under hours of operation regarding prohibiting overnight parking***

***The motion carried by the following vote:***

**Yes:** 4 - Mayor Luke, Vice Mayor Emrich, Commissioner Langdon and Commissioner McDowell

**E. [ORD. NO  
2021-01](#)**

An Ordinance of The City of North Port, Florida, Prohibiting Certain Conduct at City Facilities and City Parks by Amending the Code of The City of North Port, Florida, to Create Section 46-1- City Facilities Rules and to Repeal Section 50-2- Park Property; Providing for Conflicts: Providing for Severability: Providing for Codification; and Providing an Effective Date.

Mayor Luke announced the item.

Ms. Taylor read the ordinance by title only.

Ms. Slayton introduced the item and noting revisions since first reading.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Luke closed the public hearing.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Langdon, seconded by Vice Mayor Emrich, to approve Ordinance No. 2021-01 as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:***

**Yes:** 4 - Mayor Luke, Vice Mayor Emrich, Commissioner Langdon and Commissioner McDowell

**F. [ORD NO  
2021-02](#)**

An Ordinance of The City of North Port, Florida, Amending the Code of the City of North Port, Florida to Establish a Process and Authorize City Law Enforcement Officers to Trespass an Individual from Public Property, by Creating Section 46-2 - Trespass Warnings on Public Property; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing for Codification ; and