



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

Thursday, October 17, 2024

10:30 AM

City Commission Chambers

Emergency Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 10:32 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, City Clerk Faust, and Police Captain Clark

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Assistant City Manager Julie Bellia.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor White requested a motion to approve the agenda.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Stokes, 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:

[ORD. NO.
2024-42](#)

An Emergency Ordinance of the City of North Port, Florida, Declaring a State of Local Emergency Caused by the Threat Posed by Hurricane Milton, Granting the City Manager or Designee the Authority to take Actions in Accordance with Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(A), and Suspending Standard Procedures and Formalities for those Matters Identified in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(A)5, Including but not Limited to the Procurement of Goods and Services Necessary to Address the Declared Emergency; Providing for Findings; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing an Effective Date; and Providing for Duration.

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

Ms. Faust read 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 Vice Mayor Stokes, seconded by Commissioner Emrich, to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-42 as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

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

[ORD. NO.
2024-43](#)

An Emergency Ordinance of the City of North Port, Florida, Declaring a State of Local Emergency Caused by the Threat Posed by Hurricane Helene, Granting the City Manager or Designee the Authority to Take Actions in Accordance with Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a), and Suspending Standard Procedures and Formalities for Those Matters Identified in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a)5, Including but Not Limited to the Procurement of Goods and Services Necessary to Address the Declared Emergency; Providing for Findings; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing an Effective Date; and Providing for Duration.

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

Ms. Faust read Ordinance by title only.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding Hurricane Milton extension.

There was no public comment.

Mayor White closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Langdon, seconded by Commissioner Emrich, to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-43 as presented. 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 10:39 a.m.

City of North Port, Florida

By: _____
Alice White, Mayor

Attest: _____
Heather Faust, City Clerk