



# City of North Port

4970 CITY HALL BLVD  
NORTH PORT, FL 34286

## Meeting Minutes Road and Drainage District Governing Body

### **CITY COMMISSIONERS**

*Pete Emrich, Mayor*  
*Barbara Langdon, Vice Mayor*  
*Jill Luke, Commissioner*  
*Debbie McDowell, Commissioner*  
*Alice White, Commissioner*

### **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

*Jerome Fletcher, City Manager*  
*Amber L. Slayton, City Attorney*  
*Heather Faust, City Clerk*

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Tuesday, June 21, 2022

5:01 PM

City Commission Chambers

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### **Special Meeting Not to Exceed**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Mayor Langdon called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m.

Ms. Faust notified the Commission that Mayor Emrich requested to attend the meeting via Communications Media Technology (CMT).

Vice Mayor Langdon provided required notifications regarding conducting a hybrid meeting.

Mayor Emrich stated he will be attending the hybrid meeting via CMT.

Vice Mayor Langdon requested a motion.

***A motion was made by Commissioner Luke, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, to approve Mayor Emrich's request to attend the Road and Drainage District Governing Body Meeting via Communications Media Technology (CMT). The motion carried on the following vote:***

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

***Abstain: 1 - Mayor Emrich***

#### **ROLL CALL**

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

#### **Also Present**

City Manager Jerome Fletcher, City Attorney Amber Slayton, City Clerk Heather Faust, Recording Secretary Amanda Baker, Fire Chief Scott Titus, Police Commander Joe Fussell, and Public Works Director Chuck Speake

## **1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

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

## **2. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

## **3. PUBLIC HEARING:**

### **RESOLUTION:**

**A. [RES. NO. 2022-R-28](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida as the Governing Body of the Road and Drainage District, Establishing Not-to-Exceed Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Rates for the North Port Road and Drainage District for Fiscal Year 2022-2023; Incorporating Recitals; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.

Vice Mayor Langdon announced the item and directed the City Clerk to read the Resolution by title only.

Ms. Faust read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Mr. Speake spoke to the proposed rate increase of 3% and citizen notification.

Commission questions and discussion took place regarding proposed rates including increased amounts, single-family ¼ acre lot increase, dependency on drainage system usage, and assessments not being tied to property values.

Mayor Emrich expressed his concern with the increase and stated expenditures can be cut elsewhere to lower the increase.

There was no public comment.

Vice Mayor Langdon closed the public hearing and requested a motion.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Luke, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, to approve Resolution No. 2022-R-28 as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:*

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

**No:** 1 - Mayor Emrich

Mayor Emrich dissented for reasons stated.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

**5. ADJOURNMENT:**

Vice Mayor Langdon adjourned the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

City of North Port, Florida

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pete Emrich, Mayor

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

These minutes were approved on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.