



# City of North Port

4970 City Hall Blvd  
North Port, FL 34286

## Meeting Minutes City Commission Joint Meeting

### *CITY COMMISSIONERS*

*Pete Emrich, Mayor*  
*Barbara Langdon, Vice Mayor*  
*Phil Stokes, Commissioner*  
*David Duval, Commissioner*  
*Demetrius Petrow, Commissioner*

### *APPOINTED OFFICIALS*

*Jerome Fletcher, City Manager*  
*Michael Fuino, City Attorney*  
*Heather Faust, City Clerk*

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Tuesday, June 2, 2026

3:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

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### **W/ Environmental Advisory Board**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Emrich called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Pete Emrich, Vice Mayor Barbara Langdon, Commissioner Philip Stokes, Commissioner Demetrius Petrow and Commissioner David Duval

#### **ALSO PRESENT**

City Manager Fletcher, City Attorney Fuino, City Clerk Faust, Board Specialist Lindner, Police Captain Fussell, Natural Resources Manager Kalev, and Development Services Deputy Director Barnes.

Environmental Advisory Board Members Drumm, San Vicente, German, and McGowan.

Mayor Emrich read statement regarding rules of decorum.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tim Drumm.

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

Mayor Emrich requested a motion to approve the agenda.

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

**Yes:** 5 - Mayor Emrich, Vice Mayor Langdon, Commissioner Stokes, Commissioner Petrow and Commissioner Duval

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

There was no public comment.

**3. GENERAL BUSINESS:**

**A. [26-0777](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Environmental Advisory Board 2025 Annual Report**

Mayor Emrich announced the item.

Ms. Faust introduced the item.

Mr. Kalev spoke to the item.

Advisory Board Members provided an annual report regarding 2025 accomplishments, 2026 goals, Florida Sunshine Law Training, duties and effectiveness, environmental scorecard enhancements, environmental funding expenditures, process for making recommendations to the Commission, environmental education and outreach, public awareness initiatives, City Code and Comprehensive Plan review, economic impacts of environmental initiatives, and protected species impacts.

Commission and Advisory Board Member questions and discussion took place regarding tree planting metrics, locations, incentives, irrigation expenses, private giveaways, environmental projects, water testing, future budget planning, coordination with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and Natural Resources Division, People for Trees and North Port Land Conservancy partnerships, landscaping compliance, parcel clearing limitations and homeowner education, residential and commercial tree allocations, Warm Mineral Springs, wetland criteria, and community engagement.

Public Comment:

In Person:

Elaine Emrich: Spoke to various topics regarding the item.

Commission and Advisory Board Member questions and discussion continued regarding North Port Land Conservancy and Ecofest.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

In Person:

Chuck English: Expressed support of Item No. 26-0777 and spoke to various topics.

**5. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Emrich adjourned the meeting at 3:59 p.m.

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

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