

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
March 7, 2018**

PRESENT AT MEETING<sup>1</sup>:

MAYOR THOMAS MASTERS .....MAYOR MASTERS

CHAIRPERSON KaSHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON ...CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON

CHAIR PRO TEM TONYA DAVIS JOHNSON ..... CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON

COUNCILPERSON LYNNE L. HUBBARD.....COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD

CITY MANAGER KAREN HOSKINS.....CITY MANAGER HOSKINS

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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
MARCH 7, 2018 @ 6:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I'd like to call to order the Riviera Beach City Council meeting, March 7, 2018. 6:35.

**ROLL CALL**

**INVOCATION**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam, roll call.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mayor Thomas Masters?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chairperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pro Tem Tonya Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Lynne Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Dawn Pardo is excused tonight. Councilperson Terence Davis? [Pause]. City Manager Karen Hoskins?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney Andrew Degraffenreidt? Assistant City Attorney Lina Busby is...

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...sitting in with... [Inaudible].

[Chuckles]

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. We'll have a moment of silence followed by the Pledge, led by Mayor Masters.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Shall we stand.

[Inaudible comments]

[Moment of silence]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Father, we ask your blessings upon our meeting tonight. Continue blessings upon our City as we grow, go and glow. In your name we pray. Amen.

Shall we pledge?

**ALL:** I pledge to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHALL BE GIVEN A TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES TO SPEAK ON ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. IN NO EVENT WILL ANYONE BE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT A COMMENT CARD AND SPEAK ON A CONSENT AGENDA ITEM AFTER THE ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.**

## **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I have the.., one revision under community benefits, Item No. 7, The Pink Queen Foundation, \$350, Councilwoman Lynne L. Hubbard for My Pink is Unique Cancer Awareness Event to raise funds for breast cancer survivors currently under treatment. I have the following additions, Item No. 7A, R.J. Hinley Christian Community School, \$600, Councilwoman Lynne L. Hubbard to defray costs of travel for children to attend the Universoul Circus on March 16, 2018. Item No. 7B, Children's Outreach, Inc., \$965, Councilwoman Lynne L. Hubbard to support the springtime activities and other activities for the families in the community. Item No. 7C, Youth Recreation Association of Palm Beach County, \$1,000, Council woman Dawn S. Pardo to de'.., to defray costs of the Unity Day event held on March 3, 2018. Item No. 7D, Palm Beach Lakes Community High School, \$500, Councilwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson to sponsor four students to participate in the 2018 Grad Bash for graduating seniors. And I also have an additional.., information related to that Item, a letter from Palm Beach Lakes Community High School. Item No. 7E, Riviera Beach Parks &

Recreation, \$500, Chairwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson to assist the seniors with the development of a community garden at Lindsey Davis Center. Item No. 7F, R.J. Hinley Christian Community School, \$500, Chairwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson to defray costs of travel for children to attend the Universoul Circus on March 16, 2018. Item No. 7G, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Elementary School, \$850, Chairwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson to defray costs of an end of year trip given to students for improvement in academics and conduct. Item No. 7H, Youth Recreation Association of Palm Beach County, \$750, Councilman Terence D. Davis to defray cost of the Unity Day event held on March 3, 2018. And, under Items tabled, No. 11, I have additional information that was provided regarding the Summer Youth Employment Program. Also, as it relates to Item No. 16, I would like to have that Item moved up. This is related to discussion of the July 4<sup>th</sup> event. There are time-sensitive Items on there that I., that we need to discuss tonight. If we can move that to [pause], further up in the Agenda under., after awards and presentations. [Pause].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Does this need a moiton?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Uh-uh. You...

[Inaudible dais comments]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Can we put that after the awards and presentations? 'Cause we have a lot of people here that are for those two presentation Items, 8 and 9, and just put it right behind that?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes. Please.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. So we're gonna., we're putting No. 16 behind No. 9., between 9 and 10?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I would like add two., \$200 to that., to The Pink., Cancer Awareness event that Councilperson Hubbard is contributing to. From the Office of the Mayor.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, were, were you finished Ms. Hoskins?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes, ma'am.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. So under., So, 7I. From the Mayor. How much you said?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** \$200.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** How much?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Two..., \$200.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** \$200?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes. At least we'll get them the five.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Community benefits to the Pink Queen Foundation. [Pause]. Okay. Any other additions, deletions or substitutions?

[Pause]

### **DISCLOSURES BY COUNCIL**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Do we have any disclosures by Council?

[Pause]

### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Can we have a motion to adopt the Agenda?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Second.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Do we have any Consent Agenda comment cards?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No, we do not, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Do we have any Council Members that would like to pull an Item? [Pause]. Alright. Can we have a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Second.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

## MINUTES

### **1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 7, 2018**

*DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY (561) 845-4090*

## RESOLUTIONS

**2. RESOLUTION NO. 12-18 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT R2013-0611 FOR ACCESS TO THE PALM BEACH COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY TRUNKED RADIO SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO SIGN SAID AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO MAKE AN ANNUAL PAYMENT OF \$118,865.28 PER THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZED TO PROCESS AND APPROVE THE USE OF \$12.50 FUNDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

INTERIM DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: MICHAEL MADDEN (561) 845-4130

**3. RESOLUTION NO. 13-18 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AS PART OF PALM BEACH COUNTY'S MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE RADIO REPAIR SERVICES TO THE CITY FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS, INCLUDING SERVICE FOR THE CITY'S RADIO CONSOLE, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO SIGN SAID AGREEMENT; AND AUTHORIZING FIVE ANNUAL PAYMENTS TOTALING \$176,446.43 FOR SAID AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

INTERIM DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: MICHAEL MADDEN (561) 845-4130

**4. RESOLUTION NO. 14-18 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND TRANSFER OF RETIRED K-9 POLICE DOG "HERKULES" IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

INTERIM DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: MICHAEL MADDEN (561) 845-4130

**5. RESOLUTION NO. 18-18 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT IN THE CLAIM OF MICHELE A. GORDON V. THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, CASE NO.: 502015CA010864XXXXMB; AUTHORIZING GALLAGHER BASSETT TO MAKE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,000 AS COMPLETE SETTLEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

DEPT. DIRECTOR: ANDREW DEGRAFFENREIDT, III (561) 845-4068

**6. RESOLUTION NO. 19-18 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT IN THE CASE OF LINDA CAGLE AND KENNETH CAGLE V. THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH AND ACTIVE INTEREST MEDIA, INC., D/B/A PASSAGE MAKER, CASE NO.: 2015CA011846XXXX MB AO; AUTHORIZING GALLAGHER BASSETT TO MAKE PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 AS COMPLETE SETTLEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

DEPT. DIRECTOR: ANDREW DEGRAFFENREIDT, III (561) 845-4068

**COMMUNITY BENEFITS REQUESTS ON CONSENT**

**THE PINK QUEEN FOUNDATION - \$330 - COUNCILWOMAN LYNNE L. HUBBARD - FOR THE "MY PINK IS UNIQUE CANCER AWARENESS" EVENT.**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

## **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Petitions and communications for filing?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** None.

## **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Awards and presentations.

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**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 8.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES BY CHAIRWOMAN KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON TO THE PARTICIPANTS AND PRESENTERS FOR THE CITIZEN LEADERSHIP ACADEMY.**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening everyone. I won't take up too much time, but I wanted to take this opportunity to just talk a little bit about this Riviera Beach Citizens Leadership Academy that was held this December. [Pause]. Walter, I can't get my... Walter, the mic... I got it. [Pause]. Walter, [pause], you got it.

The Riviera Beach Citizens Academy. This was an academy for citizens as well as any relatives, basically grandchildren, it was open to pub'.., to our employees as well. Back in, I wanna say maybe around September or October, I, I noticed on Facebook there was a, a large number of people that were very inquisitive about how our government worked, and from that particular situation, I decided that we should probably have a Citizens Leadership Academy. I also noticed that when we went to several conferences, that was one of the things that were discussed and I, I know several different cities and municipalities out of state, as well as some here in Palm Beach County, they offer this particular program, and so, I thought it would be a great idea if we could try to engage our, our residents, help develop them, empower them in, in our democracy. And so, from that was born the Citizens Leadership Academy. And, I just want you to take a look at the, the logo and I will say that one of our local residents, Deandre McCray actually designed the logo. I, I pretty much just told him what the vision was behind it and he was able to create that particular logo which signified all hands joining together, which represented our residents, our community, all those stakeholders involved. And so, from that, he created that logo.

And from this particular moment, I decided to put this together. It was a 10-week program from December 12<sup>th</sup> to February 27<sup>th</sup> for the adults, and we also had youth from 7<sup>th</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade. They had a seven-week program and that ran from December 12<sup>th</sup> through February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Just a little bit about the objectives, what was to be accomplished through this was to inform, educate, engage and empower our local citizens, basically, providing them a, a seat to the table of learning how their government works from behind the scenes. It



also provided an opportunity for them to interact with our elected officials that did come out to lend some support or provide some input as to how our government operated. They also had an opportunity to interact with the department heads and Staff to better understand how our City government operates, and the department heads, as well as Ms. Hoskins and.., they would tell you that my main purpose was to make sure these people had fun and did not fall asleep on them. And so, I said it needed to be interactive. And some went above and beyond to make sure that happened. We started out.., our first night, we started out with the City Clerk. We had the students in one room and we also had the adults in another room and our very first class was the City Clerk. And the reason I'm picking on them is because they were the ones that made the most noise that night.

**DEPUTY CITY CLERK BURGESS:** [Chuckle].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And, it was actually very interesting. They played Wheel of Fortune. As I said, I wanted to make sure everything was interactive, keep people's energy up. It was a 3-hour class, every Tuesday from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. And so, bringing people out from work, or whatever duties they have at home, and asking them to sit there for three hours and listen about their government, may not be the most exciting thing. So, what I wanted to do, is make sure that they had fun. And, I tell you, that particular night someone set the bar very high and all of the other presenters that had to come behind, I told them they either had to bring it or we were gonna talk about 'em. And we did. The first one was Ms. Jackie Burgess here. She represented the city Clerk's office and, when I tell you she really put her heart and soul into doing it.., I know it was a little bit uncomfortable, probably for many of the department heads, especially if you're not used to doing lectures or speaking to a crowd, and.., but I, I tell you, she started it off and she set the bar pretty high. And, they tried, Jackie, but I must say you were the top presenter, so let's give Ms. Jackie a hand.

[Applause]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** She did a great job, but that's not to say the others did not do, they just didn't go all out like she did. I mean, she really did. I have a little funny joke, they gave away umbrellas, um...

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And they're laughing because it, it almost got to a point where we were going to have to separate a few people because...

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...you know, you have teams, there was a competition and some people thought they should've won the umbrellas, they didn't have enough for everybody but it, it was all in fun and I told them I would make sure I get everyone an umbrella, so they don't have to worry about that anymore. 'Cause they were still talking about it about a month and a half later.

So, I just wanna go through a little bit. I just have a few pictures of some of the things that they were doing in a very quick video and then I will have everyone come up and receive their certificate and then allow, you know, if they would like to say something very briefly, I will let them do that and then we will be finished with our presentation so that we can get on with our, our meeting, since we started a little late.

So, on the first night, we had introductions in ice.., in the icebreaker. I wanted to make sure that they had an opportunity to speak with the elected officials, so I, I wanna thank Mayor Masters, as well as Councilwoman Tonya Davis for coming out and just doing great introductions, you know, about our government from the very beginning. We started out with a very small group but then, as time went on and people, more people heard about it.., like I said, it was a 10 week commitment, so they knew that they could not miss no more than two days. If they did, like.., as in high school, if you don't meet the requirements, you will leave out with a certificate of completion, not a diploma. So, they knew they could not miss more than two days and everyone really took it seriously and, and made sure that they came every night. We had a couple that did miss a couple days but that was absolutely okay. Again, those are just some pictures from our introductions and icebreaker. We also made sure that they had some dinner that night. Asking people to come out from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., I wanted to make sure that they were fed because sitting there hungry and looking at us as they're.., as we're talking, probably wouldn't've been a great situation. So, we just made sure everyone was comfortable. We did an end of the weekly.., end of the night session recap every night, after the presentations. Typically, there was about two presenters that presented each Tuesday night. We had.., the City Clerk talked about the public records request, they also learned about our City Charter and then how to manipulate our City's website in that particular department.

Community Development participated. One of the activities that they had them do was to make up their own City map. They also talked about the Planning & Zoning and different development projects that are going on. Public Works, in this particular situation they brought out the stormwater VAC and they had the students actually suck up some of the, the debris that was down there and they explained to them what that process was like. So, it was definitely hands-on types activities going on, not so much of lecturer. We did have a few that did lecture but I wa'.., like I said before, I wanted to make sure it was very interactive. A lot of the department heads came with goodies, which are always good. They came with their charts, talking about the stats. We had the Fire Department, City Attorney, Parks & Rec, Youth Empowerment, Code Compliance, HR, IT and CRA also participated. The library came and they provided them with different access points to be able to retrieve books online. They also talked a lot about the programs that they offer as well.

Ms. Hoskins came and gave a, a quick overview of what the City Manager's office does on a daily basis and how they interact with the other departments. And again, that's the Youth Empowerment and that's Public Works demonstrating out there. We had Fire Rescue, they came and gave a demonstration. They showed a video on how to do CPR. And, also I wanna mention that the Police and Fire Department has extended an offer for them to be able to do a ride along and come for a tour. So, I want to encourage them to be able to do that at some point. We were unable to do that during the time in which we

had class because we only had the three hours and we were limited on the amount of days that we did the actual class, so that's something that they needed to do on their own.

Parks & Rec came out, and then we had Finance. Mr. Sherman came and gave an overview of our budget. He also had a very interactive game where the participants had to either be City Council people, or they had to be residents, or they had to be lobbyists and he gave them a set of funny money and they had.., they, they were behaving just like our Council behaves sometimes too...

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...because they, they really got into it and, you know, they had to defend where they were going to spend their money, they had to justify to the residents why they were spending the money in that position.., in that particular section of the budget. So, it was very interactive with the Finance Department as well. And again, that's Public Works. Human Resources came out and gave an overview of all of the, the different types of job positions and, and, and showed them where they could go in order to apply for a job, but also the.., how the function of HR goes. And Procurement came out. That was a pretty intense meeting. They were talking our P Card and our credit card expenses, so one of the things they want to do is basically put the credit card statements online so that everyone is able to view them. And so, that was one of the suggestions. I, I sh'.., I want.., I don't wanna fail to mention, each session, they provided an evaluation, so I will be sending those evaluations to the department heads, just so if we do this going down the line, I do think this is a program that should continue for many, many years. It's about educating the community. So...

[Applause]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...I, I would hope that we continue this. Just I like I said, it was a pilot program pretty much and once it's done, I hope that it definitely can continue.

Again, I explained about the Utility District. They came and did a really nice job. They pretty much turned the room into a lab site. The students had a really great time with that, as well as the adults, when they came to speak with them. They demonstrated how to.., how they test the water, um, the water quality and it was almost like a little chemistry lab. And so, that was a very, very interactive session as well. [Pause]. And that's them again with the, with the lab.

And then Civil Drug Court. They, they really.., they were.., they might've been tied. I said Jackie was good 'cause she set the bar but they came right behind you...

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...and they, they really did an excellent job. They did, I think it was Jeopardy. They had a Jeopardy game and they also brought [stammer], I guess, like, a replica of some of the, the street drugs and so, they talked a lot about that. They talked about the drug court and how we've been pretty successful

in, in helping those not go back out and, and commit crimes or go back on drugs. So, our Civil Drug Court is doing an excellent job over there.

Now, I do have a little, quick little one-and-a-half-minute video. Walter, if you can pull it up, if not, I'll try it. Is that it? [Pause]. It's two minutes, I'm sorry. [Inaudible].

[Video plays]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And that's the end of the video and, like I said before, I really commend the individuals for coming out. It was a 10-week commitment, it wasn't, you know, it was voluntary. I did advertise it, I talked a lot about it during the meetings, I also made sure that I put over, like, 1,000 flyers out at the churches. And, you know, maybe this.., the next time that it's done we'll have more, more individuals participate. Like I said before, it, it was a serious 10-week commitment, it's not something that you could've just attended two classes out of the 10, so I certainly... If we could give those people a, a round of applause for just committing themselves...

[Applause]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...to coming out each, each Tuesday night. Now, what I'll do, is I'll have everyone come up very quickly, will just come up and I'll give you your plaques and then you all can just stand there, and we'll take a quick picture and then we'll be done. Is John from the CRA Ambassadors here? Is John here? [Pause]. I want to thank John as well. John is an Ambassador with our CRA Department, our CRA, and he was there every night. He, he helped out.., whatever we needed, he took care of it and I, I just really wanna thank him for assisting me in just setting up, making sure everything was right and even when we were done at night, he was there to assist me. So, I appreciate John for everything that he did, for helping out during those meetings that we had over there each Tuesday night.

Alright. So, I won't hold you up too long. I will go ahead and start calling out.., they're in no particular order. They are just, basically how they're sitting here. And basically, what it says is:

Riviera Beach Citizens Leadership Academy. This certifies that the individual has successfully completed the required course of study, approved by the City of Riviera Beach, in the State of Florida and is therefore awarded this diploma. Given this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018.

And it has the Citizen Leadership Academy logo on here, which has the City of Riviera Beach logo in the middle and it's signed by the Mayor and Councilwoman Miller-Anderson. So, our first person is Ms. Gisele Lowe. Come one up. [Applause]. [Pause]. Francesca Woodard. [Applause]. If you all wanna hold your applause 'til the end and then that way, we can get on through and you can give them one great big applause at the end. Just go stand right up there and face forward. Yep. Ms. Eunice Terrell. [Clap]. We're gonna clap at the end. I know, I do these with our honor roll and we have to say it, like, five times before everyone really catches on that we're gonna hold the applause. [Chuckle]. Eric Flint. [Pause]. Erica Davis. [Pause]. Doretta Paulk.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Erica's here. [Inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Pause]. **Amari** White. [Clap]. [Pause]. Deandre Flint. [Pause]. Margaret Shepherd. [Pause]. Madison **Suddick**. [Pause]. Robert Miller, III. [Pause]. Now, some of these people, they, they had no choice but to come because they were my family and if my family couldn't represent me or assist me, then we [stammer] couldn't., that wouldn't look good, so. Thank you for coming, Mr. Miller. Shirley Madison Brooks. [Pause]. Steven Powell. [Pause]. Trenton Campbell. [Pause]. Tara Kennedy. [Pause]. Debbie Isaacs. And, Ms. Isaacs was there, she represented the Mayor each week.

[Inaudible comments]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...And she is a very enthusiastic student. I can only imagine how she was in school.

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Williams Wiley. I'm sorry [inaudible]. [Pause]. **Tyee** Spence. [Pause]. Dr. Julie Botel. [Pause]. Jan Powell. [Pause]. Jacqueline Woodard. My mother, now you know she would be there for sure.

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** J.B. Dixon. [Pause]. **Kagia** Cherry. [Pause]. **Moete Encube**. [Pause]. And my father-in-law but he wasn't feeling well, so he didn't make it tonight. Let's give everybody a round of applause, please.

[Applause]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. We're gonna take one quick picture but we're gonna make, like, two rows, so put the people on., the shorter people in the front and then we'll take a quick picture and then we will be done.

Again everybody, I just wanna thank you all for taking a moment to...

[Inaudible audience chatter.]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh Lord, they're like little kids. Taking a moment to allow me to do the presentations for the group and to show you all what we did during that time. Again, I do believe this is something that should be carried on for the next 20, 30, 50 years. It's all about empowering our citizens and making sure that they're able to be empowered and be community leaders. One of the other things I forgot is that, they also left with about seven different books. They were leadership books, as well as community leader starter books, so that they're able to provide their, their community., or start a neighborhood association, or just a neighborhood watch group. So, I want to make sure that you all knew that they were provided with materials as well. As an

educator, you know, I wanna make sure that we always have books on hand and they had plenty of them, so I hope they put them to, to good work there.

[Posing for picture]

[Applause and inaudible comments]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And I appreciate all of the department heads for coming out. I know they had very long days and nights because they were there, along with us, until 9:00 o'clock, and so, I appreciate it. I will get with Ms. Hoskins. I will have something for you all as a token of my appreciation for you all committing yourselves to getting prepared and doing your homework so that you could come out and do the presentations.

Thank you so much.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

[Clapping]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** On behalf of the Office of the Mayor, we'd like to thank you for birthing this idea and concept into our City government and certainly there was a need to have a citizen's orientation, as we have as elected officials. And, the word is that, those that were in attendance, benefitted from your leadership and I wanna thank you personally for the leadership and your persistence. One of the things that I, I want everybody to know that, KaShamba was so dedicated to this, that even in her sickness she came and was so sick, that she couldn't even get out of the car and I just happened to pull up and I said, 'Well, why are you here?' She said, 'I just thought I could make it.' But she was in the car and someone else was carrying on and she finally had to go back home and in the midst of, of a campaign, she stopped her campaign, that night, every week in order to accommodate the citizens of Riviera Beach and I think that's commendable. Let's give the Chair another hand, please.

[Applause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you, Mayor.

9.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 9.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RETIREMENT OF POLICE OFFICER CEDRICK EDWARDS WITH OVER 24 YEARS OF SERVICE AND HIS K-9 PARTNER, HERKULES.**

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam Chair, we do have one public comment card on this Item.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And acceptance of public comment cards for...

[Inaudible comment]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...this Item is no' closed..., now closed.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Alright. Ms. Hoskins.

[Inaudible comment]

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Madam Chair, Interim Assistant Police Chief Madden is here to do a presentation to Police Officer Edwards.

**INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN:** Good evening, Mayor and Council. Mike Madden, Interim Police Chief. Tonight, we're here to recognize two retirements, the first being Officer Cedrick Edwards who has served our community for nearly 25 years.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Wow.

[Applause and cheers]

[Dog barking and chuckles]

**INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN:** The last nine and a half years, he has served within our K-9 unit. Officer Edwards is set to retire on March 16<sup>th</sup> and we would like to publicly thank him for his dedicated service to [dog barking] the citizens of Riviera Beach. At this time I'd like Sergeant Foster, who is going to give you a little background on the career of Officer Edwards, as well as the second retirement which is his partner, K-9 Herkules. They will be retiring together on March 16<sup>th</sup>.

[Applause, cheers and dog barking and inaudible comments]

**SERGEANT FOSTER:** Good afternoon, family, friends, loved ones, visitors. I'm gonna make this real brief. I've gotten the pleasure to know Officer Edwards for the past 10 – 11 years. I'm gonna refer to him through my speech as Ced, 'cause that's what I call him. He's a good friend of mines, as well as one of my subordinates. We've known each other before I was promoted and once I was promoted, I had the pleasure of being his supervisor and it has been a real enjoyment. So, as I read:

As a supervisor in training of the K-9 unit, I got to know Officer Edwards and K-9 Herkules quite well. K-9 Herkules is an imported German Shepard who had began his tenure with the City of Riviera Beach back in February 2012. As K-9 Herl'..., Herkules got acclimated, it didn't take long for them both to create great memories. K-9 Herkules has a great

temperament, which made training him fun and exciting. It was exciting because, as much as K-9 Herkules liked me, he, he greeted..., he, he treated me like a boxing sparring partner. [Chuckles]. It was a quick greet and meet with hugs and kisses, but when the bell rung he was all business.

**UNK.:** Right.

K-9 Herkules has a high drive and he displays it every time he exited the vehicle. He walked with authority looking for some action. His statue is low and when he walked, he would drop even lower giving him a strong center of gravity, so at times, I would see Ced holding on as if Herkules was dragging him. [Chuckles]. Periodically, I would ask Ced, 'You alright?' In typical fashion, Ced would reply, 'I got him, boss.' [Laughter]. So, during the K-9 school back in 2012, Ced and, and, and K-9 Herkules were learning how to conduct a building search. Basically, the, the building search format is, we're sending the dog in to find anyone that's hiding within a building that refuse to come out. So, I played the role as the bad guy and I was hiding underneath a desk. The, the, the object of the exercise was for Herkules to locate me and apprehend me. I've done this exercise numerous of times with various dogs, but when K-9 Herkules located me, he made his presence known. [Chuckles]. K-9 Herkules apprehended me and began to literally drag me from underneath the desk [chuckles], with pure strength. I then realized how he earned his name, Herkules. [Chuckles]. While being drug under'..., from underneath the desk, I told Ced, 'Make sure you hold him. [Chuckles]. Ced replied, 'I got him, boss.' [Laughter]. But, from my angle, it didn't look so promising. [Chuckles].

Nonetheless, K-9 Herkules continued to give Ced plenty of workout days with his natural brute strength, whether it was during a building search, area search, tracking or narcotics search, you'll see Ced holdin' on. K-9 Herkules went on to perform numerous K-9 demonstrations and he aided in countless arrests, both criminally and narcotic related. K-9 Herkules is most known for his exceptional tracking ability after responding to a burglary that just occurred. K-9 Herkules tracked to a nearby resident. [Stammer]. Based on the confidence that Ced has with Herkules' ability, he replied..., he, he relayed this information to the patrol officers. Shortly after obtaining a search warrant, property from the burglarized residence was located within the property that K-9 Herkules tracked to.

In addition, K-9 Herkules assisted U.S. Custom officers by conducting a narcotics search of the passenger's luggage at the Port of Palm Beach from a trip from the Bahamas. K-9 Herkules gave a positive alert that..., which revealed a large amount of cocaine inside of a suitcase. K-9 Herkules gave the citizens of Riviera Beach his all, day in and day out and he didn't leave anything on the table. Although I have a special bond with all the K-9s in the unit, K-9 Herkules and I have a unique bond because he was the first K-9 I trained solo.

As I say, or as they say, 'All good things must come to an and,' and it gives me great pleasure to present K-9 Herkules and Officer Cedrick Edwards, a/k/a my buddy Ced, this token of appreciation and say thank you for everything you've done throughout your years.



[Applause]

[Presenting Officer Edwards]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** On behalf [stammer] on behalf of the Office of the Mayor, we are very grateful, we are very thankful for our Police Department and the K-9 Department within the Police Department for their protection, the security and the safety of our citizens. And this probably a, a good spot to just say publicly that we are very proud of the Riviera Beach Police Department and we ain't lookin' for no other department to come in our City. No sheriff, nobody else, Riviera Beach Police Department only.

Thank you, and that's for all of us.

[Applause]

**INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN:** I would just like to also thank the law enforcement K-9 units that came to support Officer Edwards and Herkules tonight.

Thank you.

[Applause]

**INTERIM POLICE CHIEF MADDEN:** I'd shake your hand if you don't have a dog.

[Laughter and applause and inaudible comments]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Let's give Herkules another hand.

[Applause]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The comment card.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Comment card, go ahead.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Norma Duncombe.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Norma Duncombe.

I really wanted to talk to the officer. Many times, police departments don't get the credit that they deserve and I've been here all of my adult life and I have to say that any occasion that I have come in contact with the Police Department of this City, it has always been a good experience, even when I was stopped for speeding, 'cause they probably saved my life. So, I would like to give that extra shout out to our Police Department to let

you know that we appreciate all of you and I hope that the dog, Herkules, will continue to perform in different situations here in the City. And, I wanna make sure it's clear to everybody that, under no circumstances as long as I'm breathing, that anybody will take this Police Department to the sheriff department.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** We're just not going to stand for it.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you. That's the end of public comment for that?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yes, ma'am.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. I just want to insert right quick, I, I., I don't know what happened, I have one participant, and nobody, none of your classmates said that I left you out so get on them please. I want to just bring up quickly Ms. April Bullard. She was one of our committed Citizen Leadership Academy's participants and I don't know how we left out her certificate, but she gets to stand up here and her own handclap because I left her out.

[Applause and cheers]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you, Ms. Bullard and I will make sure that certificate gets to you tomorrow. I will not leave here before it's done. Thanks again. I, I, I totally apologize for leaving you out but get on your classmates 'cause they said nothing. [Chuckles]. Alright.

16.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 16.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: DISCUSSION OF THE PLANNING AND LOGISTICS FOR 2018 JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION.**

**DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: RICHARD BLANKENSHIP (561) 845-4070**

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Good evening, Mayor, Council...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening, sir.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** ...City Manager. Richard Blankenship, your Parks & Recreation Director.

I wanted to bring this discussion to you tonight because we need to get some consensus on some planning so that we can move forward with putting together the best

July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration that the City has ever experienced. We put together a planning group that has meeting every Wednesday for about a month. That group includes Parks & Recreation, Riviera Beach P.D., Riviera Beach Fire Rescue, the CRA, who is co-sponsoring this event, Palm Beach County Parks & Recreation, Palm Beach County Marine Patrol, Palm Beach Shores Police, Palm Beach Shores Fire Rescue and Pyrotecnico, which is the contractor that will actually providing the fireworks show.

Now, as you can imagine, this event has as many moving parts as like a., the MLK Parade or some of the large events, so we wanna stay on top of the planning. The preliminary plan is for the onshore activities, like the entertainment, food, all that kind of stuff, will be at Bicentennial Park from approximately noon to 9:00 p.m.

[Inaudible audience comments]

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Again, this will include food, entertainment, amusements. The firework show begins at 9:00 and will be over by 9:20. A parking and shuttle plan is being prepared right now, so that we can have off'.., offsite parking, folks will be shuttled to the viewing area and try to cut down on traffic in the, in the general area.

This is the launch site. Now, we're focused on number one. Number two is no longer on the table. The contractor [stammer] even is not comfortable with number two, and nobody else on the planning committee was comfortable with it, so site number one is what we're focusing on. It requires a 600-foot safe radius because we'll be shooting six inch shells, so with a 600 foot radius, the six inch shells reach a capacity of 600 feet in the air, so it'll be easily seen from, from many places in that general area.

We will start notifications.., or, I'm sorry, I've already met with Viking, I've already met with Rybovich, and I've notified and provided Lockheed Martin with the, with the site plan so that they're in the loop and if they have any concerns, they can bring them to the table now. They don't.., they haven't. Rybovich and, and Viking were happy with the site. It was far enough away from their operation.

Beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>, we will start putting notices at all the marinas, Peanut Island, the marinas on the, on, on Singer Island and also posting them. There are anchored tikis, there's anchored vessels out there that we will post the notices on as well that this even is gonna occur.

So, the status, we are waiting for the barge contractor to survey our, our location, to guarantee that he can set there because the show will go off right as high, uh, low tide is, is ending, so we wanna make sure that the area that, that the contractors identified, that the barge contractor can get in there and get out and, and be safe. The permit filing is on schedule. A parking plan and shuttle plan are in development and the on-land activities are under development as well.

So, the purpose for giving you this update is just to get some consensus that the site is where Council wants to see it, because last year we had the conversation about

not doing it on land, you really wanted it in the water. And, as, as long as we can get that consensus we'll move forward and continue to plan a great event for, for the City.

If there's any questions, I'll entertain any questions you have.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** So, consensus on site one, for me.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Site one is good.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** No problem. Site one is good.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Any other questions?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes, Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** The.., would you, when you get an opportunity, would you reach out to the Mayor of Lake Park, 'cause they also had reached out to me about doing something together, and maybe just the fact that they would invite some of the Lake Park residents and you know one street separates both those, on one side of the street, so kind of reach out to them for us, please.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Sure.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Any other questions?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you. [Pause]. It's 7:26, so what I'll do is just go ahead into the public comment section before we get started on the other part of the business.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON: ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM, PLEASE FILL OUT A PINK PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THEN GIVE IT TO THE STAFF PRIOR TO THE ITEM BEING PRESENTED TO CITY COUNCIL FOR DISCUSSION.**

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN THREE MINUTES TO SPEAK ON EACH REGULAR AGENDA ITEM. IN NO EVENT WILL ANYONE BE ALLOWED TO SUBMIT A COMMENT CARD AND SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM AFTER THE RESOLUTION IS READ OR ITEM CONSIDERED.**

**THE PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD BE RESTRICTED TO ISSUES, MATTERS OR TOPICS PERTINENT TO THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH. PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED RULES OF DECORUM GOVERNING PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING OFFICIAL MEETINGS, WHICH HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS. IN AN EFFORT TO PRESERVE ORDER, IF ANY RULES ARE NOT ADHERED TO, THE COUNCIL CHAIR MAY HAVE ANY DISRUPTIVE SPEAKER OR ATTENDEE REMOVED FROM THE PODIUM, FROM THE MEETING AND/OR THE BUILDING, IF NECESSARY. PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELVES ACCORDINGLY.**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Fane Lozman, Bonnie Larson, J.B. Dixon.

[Inaudible dais comments]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comment cards are closed, is closed.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. We'll take that one and then we're closed at this point.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman, Singer Island.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening. [Pause]. Oh, I'm sorry. Mr. Lozman, we're here now.

[Pause]

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman, Singer Island.

I was gonna say you did a nice place, redesigning this facility here, but the population of the City has grown substantially since this building was constructed. When you have contentious items, I think you should still hold the meetings over at the Event Center because the Sunshine Law requires that when you have an overflow crowd, you have to have a facility to accommodate them, and having people wait outside and look on TV is inappropriate. So, you did a wonderful job here. And maybe for Utility Board meetings or whatever, but when you have a major event...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** [Inaudible].

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...the law really requires you hold it in a facility to allow the maximum participation.

Eight days ago, the U.S. Supreme Court heard my second case against Riviera Beach. It involved an arrest that happened just in this part of the meeting, where they had non-Agenda public comment and I made some comments regarding a local official..., the local County Commissioner who had been arrested and Liz Wade directed the police, the Sergeant-at-Arms to drag me out of the meeting and I was arrested. And at the, at the oral argument eight days ago, the City said, 'Oh well, he went off topic, he wasn't talking about City business.' First of all if you go back in the Minutes of this body, it was only in 2015 that the City officially adopted the policy where non-Agenda public comments has to be limited to City business. Prior to that, it did not. Mayor Michael Brown testified that, when I was arrested, it didn't have to be limited to City business. Terence Davis testified that you can talk about reading a nursery rhyme or the Chinese going to the moon, so it's a little bit disheartening to have the City's Council argue before the U.S. Supreme Court that back in November 2006 you had to talk about City business. The fact that I mentioned the disgraced Commissioner Maziotti was significant 'cause Maziotti was involved in a, in a, in a land deal for the county boat ramp a few blocks north of the Marina that was a shady deal that had some misconduct involved and that's what I was trying to get to. But, the bottom line is that as elected officials, you have to take the heat. A lot of people like you, a lot of people don't like you, a lot of people think you've done things wrong but if you're not gonna take criticism, you should not be sitting up there. Okay? Liz Wade couldn't take criticism, so she played dictator and she went and had me arrested. Liz Wade bragged in an executive session that she was going to intimidate me, that she was gonna make me feel unwarranted heat.

And, this may come up a little bit later, but I think we should go back to a vote of the Council, should public comment be limited to City business, or should it be general, non-Agenda public comment like in most municipalities. And this change that happened at the end of 2014, happened because Ryan made the decision unilaterally. There was never a vote among the five Council persons what should non-Agenda public comment be about. So, I think there should be a vote on that.

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**MR. F. LOZMAN:** There should a..., an Item and a vote on that.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Bonnie Larson, J.B. Dixon, Norma Duncombe.

**MS. B. LARSON:** Bonnie Larson.

I'm gonna talk about this room a little bit since Fane talked about it already and I, I asked at the last meeting or so, why did we close up the alcove that, that was behind that screen because that's where it was always raining in. Is there a reason we closed off that room right now? Also, the clock..., it'd be nice to have our clock back. And our ceiling, this does not look like a new ceiling, it needs to be repaired already or the

contractor who did it needs to be called back here and to fix it. It's coming off there, you look over here, all these panels are coming out. It's brand new, so we need to call those people back and have it fixed but I'm just curious as to why that was the leaky room and now it's been closed off.

Also, we had for a long time, a table set up alongside here where we had the cards for public comments, and other comments and we could see the Agenda and everything. Now, we have to go outside to get it, that's really inconvenient. It was so nice when the directors of each department were sitting on this side here because if we had a question about anything, you'd just call them and then they came up and answered the question because I asked some questions last time and there were no department heads here. Maybe they're off in another room, I heard they watch somewhere else.

I'm gonna encourage you, if you have not done this, to read the P&Z Minutes, especially from the Rybovich situation, they wanna close off 20<sup>th</sup> Street. They had some really good questions, the people on the P&Z, they had some good questions. But this Item came to you before those Minutes were released, so we're getting the cart before the horse a lot of times. So let's ha'.., you need to have all the information in order to make good decisions for the rest of the City. You need to look at that P&Z and also, I still can't find it online. We've been talking about this for years and years, can't get to the P&Z, can't get there online to see the meetings, to see the Minutes, you, you just can't do it and I've said it a million times. So, let's fix that.

I saw in the paper that we're gonna hire a marketing manager for the City. I know they're hiring one for the CRA up to \$100,000. This is what we did last time. They had \$100,000 and we hired the same company for another \$100,000. Can't we have one marketing company? It's, it's only one City. Why are spending all this money? \$100,000 over there and I don't know how much they're gonna spend here but let's just have just one City.

I heard that Elvis, the IT man is no longer here. I heard that.

Also, could we have someone from the Water Department come in here and explain how we're billed for our water? There are different levels. I just.., I can't imagine why we're the same.., we get a bill for the same amount of money every month because we certainly don't use the same amount of water every month but it's billed the same every month. Of course, it always goes up every couple months but, anyway.

The other thing is, why do we have two podiums? I'm tall and it's hard when you're sitting here to see over this podium. Why do we have two? Why do some people talk from over there and some people talk from over here? Just curious how that happens. Let's see.., 'cause it's hard to see over here and then when someone's standing here, it's even worse.

However you vote, however you feel on the 13<sup>th</sup> about whichever candidate you want, get out and vote on the...

[Timer]

**MS. B. LARSON:** ...13<sup>th</sup> of March. We've had a lotta flyers come out, some true and some not so true. If we want a good Council, we have to get out and make that.., and vote.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank...

**MS. B. LARSON:** So, please do that on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** J.B. Dixon, Norma Duncombe, Felicia wilder.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** I'm J.B. Dixon. I live in Riviera Beach on Singer Island.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** And I come before the Council today, tonight and particularly to the citizens of Riviera Beach tonight, to make an attempt to clear the name of someone who's name has been very unfairly besmirched today. You may have gotten in the mail today, a flyer that insinuates that a candidate for this Council was somehow involved in a [chuckle] drug deal when, in fact, that candidate owned an apartment nearly 10 years ago...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** She shouldn't be [inaudible]...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...where she was living elsewhere and working full-time, rented that apartment out, through a licensed realtor, who vetted the tenants and then the tenants...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Point of order...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...[inaudible]...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...Madam Chair.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...by the Tiara...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...Condominiums

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold on, Ms. Dixon.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** And...

[Inaudible comment]

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** No. I, I would like to finish this because...



**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Point of order...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:**

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...there is...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ..., Madam Chair.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...there is no one...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Point of order.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...in this world...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold on...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Point of order.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...that would take up.., who could take up...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Point of order.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...that kind of accusation.

[Gavel]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Walter. We have a point of order. What is sh'...  
Go ahead, Mrs. Hubbard.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** The point of order is that we are not up here on  
campaign issues and TV time for campaign issues is very expensive and that's not the  
service that we provide.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** And I am not here on a campaign issue...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** That's a campaign...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...I am here...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...flyer that...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** I am here on...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...you said that we...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** a slander issue.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...should've received it in the mail today.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** I wish people...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** She said that herself.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...to know that...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...that allegation is...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold on one second...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...absolutely...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...Ms. Dixon.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...untrue.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mr. Degraffenreidt, what is.., what's your thought on this her? Is that a campaign issue or is she just expressing [pause]... [stammer] giving an explanation of a situation?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** To clear her name.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** It's not her name.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible]...

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** It's her opinion about a piece of propaganda that somebody submitted [inaudible]...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** ...that's what I'm understanding it to be.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** And it...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** It's a campaign piece of literature, is what she has in her hand, Mr. Degraffenreidt. Ask her to see it, you'll see it.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No. Let's.., don't [stammer].

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** It is a...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** I...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...campaign piece...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** I'm not showing...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...of literature.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...any...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair...

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** ...campaign [inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...will you rule?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** She doesn't have it up.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** She does. She showed it and she said...

[Inaudible dais comment]

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...we should've gotten it in the mail today.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** That was her own words.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mr. Degraffenreidt.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** It is specifically speaking to a candidate that's, that's in the next election.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** But she didn't call the name. Is she...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** But...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...campaigning for that person or what?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Of course, she is.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** If it relates to the election, not the City business.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** It [stammer]...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Okay. Ms. Dixon, we're gonna keep it with the City business, okay?

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** Okay. I just want everyone to know that it's not true.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** Not true. And not...

**UNK.:** Thank you.

**MS. J.B. DIXON:** fair. And a good indication of the character of the person who said it.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mm.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What's the ne'..., Ms. Claudene?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Norma Duncombe, Felicia Wilder...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Willie Millsap.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** [Inaudible].

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** [Inaudible]. Okay. Norma Duncombe.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** [Stammer] citizen here in the City of Riviera Beach [chuckle].

The first thing I'd like to do is say that the Item that you read prior to public comments, it would be a good idea if we read them at the beginning of the meeting and that all of us learn how to speak our minds, in terms of whatever we think, in terms of the City but we can still do that and respect one another. I appreciated the fact that you allowed the ministers to come in last week, the last meeting I was in attendance, and they spoke in terms of our not allowing our City to be destroyed by people coming in to do things and say things that really sowed discord. And, I was shocked that he had to remind the people sitting up there on the dais that, in other words, when a vote is taken on something, that that vote rules, that the people sitting up there should not campaign against the vote that's taken. And he made that in reference to the former City Manager because somehow or another, people were confused. The City Manager does not make decisions for the City. The City Manager's job is to manage the City departments. That is the total job of the City Manager. And for some reason, everybody is in an uproar over someone who was fired. The City., if you read the Charter, the Charter says that he serves at the pleasure of the Council. And if the Council decides the next minute that they don't want that City Manager, and I've seen them come and go, in the City. So, I think we need to really listen to that.

But, I'm gonna go over to papers that I received in terms of the campaign, in terms of ...

[Chuckles and inaudible audience comments]

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Come on now.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** ...in terms of...

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Come on now.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Point of order.

**UNK.:** Shh.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order [inaudible]...

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** In terms of...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Point of...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...order, please.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** But [stammer]...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I, I raise a point...

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Okay. Is this a...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No, no, no, no, no.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** ...is this a...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I raise a point of order.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** ...non-partisan election?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair?

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** That's why...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I'm raising a point of order.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We have a...

**UNK.:** Are we bringing it up?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** If we are not able to...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Let's... Hold on.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I raised a point of order.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** I'm bringing.., I received a call saying that I should vote for Dr., from the Democratic Party, saying...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Duncombe...

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** ...that I should vote for Dr. Bo'...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Duncombe.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** ...Botox.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

[Gavel]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Listen, listen.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** This is a...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We just...

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** ...non-partisan...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Point of order. Point of order.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We j'...

[Inaudible dais and audience comments]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** If one can't do it, the another one cannot.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Please stop.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Well...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Stop for one minute everybody. We just went through this. Now, if we're going to say we have a point of order for one particular person, that is what it is going forward. We're not going to do any of the other stuff going forward. I am going to ask that if you come up, please do not make any reference about a campaign, in terms of a, an item. We just had Mr. Degraffenreidt speak on that. So, please keep it to the City business.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Okay...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...And that was...

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Is this an...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...why we stopped [inaudible]...

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** I just wanna...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...a few minutes ago.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** ...establish the fact that this is a non-partisan election.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. You said that. Okay.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Okay. Is that, is that what we have?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** You can finish up...

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** Okay. Then...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...your comment.

**MS. N. DUNCOMBE:** ...I should not receive anything from the Democratic Party telling me to vote for Dr. Botox.

[Audience chuckle].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** That... Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Botel.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

[Inaudible audience exclamation]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Dr. Botel, please.

[Inaudible audience comments]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Be respectful.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Next please.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Felecia Wilder...

[Inaudible audience comments]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Willie Millsap...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mis Wilder and then who?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Willie Millsap, Doretta Paulk.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MS. F. WILDER:** Good afternoon.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MS. F. WILDER:** To everybody in their respective places.

I just want a little peace, just peace. Geez. I just... Whew. I have a question for the Council. I wanna know about the stipend, that the Councilpeople receive. The monies that you receive, is it for traveling, or exactly how much is it a month or a year? And, is it for people to go, like, to Tallahassee to a workshop to help enhance them in their job because nobody knows everything. You can go to college and learn all you want, when you get that job, you have to go to workshops. So, do the, do the Council., are they responsible, out of their pockets, to pay to travel, to go to places to represent one of the citizens, some of the citizens in our area, or is it coming out of the City budget? [Pause]. And, that's my question, and, and I'd like the answer in writing.

Okay. And another thing, how can we get the Minutes? I've never seen people have a meeting and you get the Minutes right before the meeting or I have to drive way from wherever I am here to get the Minutes before the meeting. Because, how can I say something on the Agenda when I just read it?

**UNK.:** Call the library.

**MS. F. WILDER:** You, you see? You see what I'm saying?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Please be...

**MS. F. WILDER:** Listen, I live in Delray. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Let's keep the comments...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Please be respectful.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...up this way and everyone in the audience, please...



**MS. F. WILDER:** Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...be sure to...

**MS. F. WILDER:** I just.., that, that's my question. You get my email, but nobody emails me nothin', you get my phone calls, I don't get no answers. So, I'm trying to see what, what kind of communication that you need to have with me in order for me to receive something, because I can't just read this and just say I got a public comment card, and I got to write on it and haven't read it. I just read it when I walked up. You know, sometime' I don't have time to get here during the day to pick this Item up. So, how can we.., so people can be more knowledgeable of what's on this and they can come and present it better to you? You know what I'm saying? With a better understanding, then me just read it, 'Okay. I'm not familiar with it and I can ask questions before I get here.'

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, at the end of all public comments, usually Msf.., we'll have Ms. Hoskins address the questions that are being presented.

**MS. F. WILDER:** Okay. Thank you so much.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Willie Millsap, Doretta Paul, Charlotte Darville.

**MR. W. MILLSAP:** Good evening.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MR. W. MILLSAP:** Mr. Millsap from Riviera Beach, Florida.

When we first opened this hall back up, I had a question and I did not receive the answer, and I haven't seen anything done about it, except for, it's getting worse. I can understand I asked a question several times I come to this podium, why don't we have any activities, or why don't we don't have anything in this City, where the citizens can spend their money here, as far as entertainment, and far as having a place decent to take your family to sit down and eat, or anything within the City of Riviera Beach? We have a waterslide here that's located in the City of Riviera but has an address of West Palm Beach. We have a VA Hospital, which is located in the City of Riviera Beach that has an address of West Palm Beach. Is the City Council afraid to address this issue at any one point in time, to tell me, as well as the rest of the citizens, why do we have to continue to spend our money in small cities as Lake Park has outgrown us, Pleasant City has outgrown us and we have money here that's continuously growing and every time somebody says something, they wanna put it over here in the Marina. The Marina. You got a advertisement sign set out here that 'spent 'x' number of dollars on it and the first thing you see on it, it says, 'Best place...' Water...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MR. W. MILLSAP:** ...the water... To live.., I live west of the tracks and you gotta picture in each department head here that has Palm Beach, North Palm Beach, Lake Park, [inaudible] but you don't have anything west of the railroad tracks and that's where I live. Why is that? Why is my area that cannot be recognized here? Why can't I take my family someplace at one point or another? I realize that somebody in this City's dragging their feet because I asked about this shabby work that you've done here, and you can see it every day, and each one of us have dollars invested in it. So why is done like this? I wouldn't pay an individual working in my house like this, so why should I have to pay an individual that did my City like this?

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MR. W. MILLSAP:** And I've had my opportunity to see each one of ya'll, at one point or another, outside the City sitting with me eating but I cannot understand the only place I got to eat in this City is McDonalds or one of those fat food alcohol places that we got in the City.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MR. W. MILLSAP:** See? Come on, ya'll, let's, let's try to do something. Ya'll got time to venture out in some other city and find out how and what it takes to bring some type of business here. Because, they can skip this City and go to Lake Park and build buildings, as cities, or whatever it takes to make it enhanced. Ya'll are not doing what we need you to do. So if ya'll, please, just start and let us see it done.

Thank ya'll.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

[Applause]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Doretta Paulk...

[Applause]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Doretta Paulk, Charlotte Darville, Lloyd Brown.

**MS. D. PAULK:** Good evening.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MS. D. PAULK:** Mayor and Council.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MS. D. PAULK:** My name is Doretta Paulk. I'm a citizen of Riviera Beach.

I just want to commend KaShamba Miller...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**MS. D. PAULK:** ...for the Academy seminar that she put on. It was very interesting, and I learned so great deal concerning the City and how the City work. And I wanna commend each one of [stammer] Council Member Pardo, Terence Davis, and also you, Ms. Davis Johnson and you, Ms. Hubbard, I wanna commend 'cause you all are doing a fantastic job here, in Riviera Beach. As far as things that's going on in Riviera Beach, my daughter was a recipient for four years and received \$1,000 scholarship. No other city, I don't think, around this area does that. I don't think. And, I think a lotta things are done for the seniors, a lotta things are done for the children, Ms. Pardo does for the children, as long'.., also, as Ms., Dr. Botel has done when she lived upstate and I'm sure if... Well, not to say that but anyway...

[Chuckles]

**MS. D. PAULK:** ...it's a lotta great things are done.

And as far as Channel 5 and Ms. Moore, I commend them for being here and I hope they always come into the City because we have found a lotta things throughout an investigation of her integrity and her honesty, in her journalism and I commend her for being here.

[Inaudible comment]

**MS. D. PAULK:** And also, Mr. Davis is not here, but Channel 5 was. They, they interviewed and was out, uh, he funded for the children going to see The Black Panther and he said they don't do, do good news, anything.., good things coming out of Riviera Beach, but that was. And Riviera Beach does do a lot of things. You Council [stammer] work very hard, very hard. But, there were one thing that was done wrong by three Members, but we go into that.

[Inaudible audience]

**MS. D. PAULK:** We, as citizens of Riviera Beach, will remember March 13<sup>th</sup>. We will remember, and we will remember with our vote. And I thank you so much.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you

[Applause]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Charlotte Darville, Lloyd Brown, Dr. Monique Wellons.

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** Charlotte Darville.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** Good evening, Council, Mayor.

Ms. Hubbard, this is for you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** I have to apologize for our confrontation that we had after the Council meeting in January. I am a much bigger person than what I showed that night. You called me a racist, that I did not want to live in this City with African-Americans. You know nothing about me, my family or the nationalities of all the family members that we have. I have been here since 1973, my husband has lived here all of his life. Our neighbors are 1,000 times better than any Caucasian neighbors that we have had over the years. I would not trade my neighbors for anyone. I have a lot of friends in this City, great friends, great African-American friends, and I would not trade them for anyone. [Pause]. And, by the way, I don't know if you were..., your friend, the former Chief of Police, if you know, he moved out of Riviera Beach, out west of town in a private community, with mainly Caucasians. I guess he didn't wanna stay here...

[Chuckles]

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** ...as you accuse me of.

[Inaudible comments]

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** And, I guess he did very good for himself, being the Chief of Police here, with being able to afford an \$875,000 home.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's a personal attack, it shouldn't [inaudible]...

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** I just want to commend all the people here tonight that got their awards and commend Shamba Miller-Anderson for all of her work that she has done...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**MS. C. DARVILLE:** ...for this City. I commend the, the Officer and his K-9 dog for their tiresome work over all these years. Also, for Chief Madden and getting his position. I had a problem with the Police Department a few years ago, and he was the only one in there that would help me.

Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Madam Chair?

[Applause]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I think that this requires a, a rebuttal.

I did not call you a racist, you stated to me about your not having a desire to live here but you didn't have anywhere to go, and I said that was your concern. You did not want to live here, and I said otherwise you would have left if you could have, because you're the one that stated that you would've gone. So, me [stammer]. Now, hey, I'm not above calling you a racist if I think you are, I'm not gonna hide behind that and everybody in here know' I'm not above that. But, if I felt that you were, I would stand here before you and tell you that you were. That night, I did not call you a racist, you put your hand in my face and there is another member here that can tell that you put., in the audience, that can tell that you did. I asked you to move yourself. You apologize out of one side of your mouth and tell a lie on the other side of your mouth. So...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...if you're going to say... And, and I mean that, and I'm not taking that back because I think it's disingenuous of you to come up here and present half of the truth, or not tell the real story. Your reason wasn't to come here to apologize, it was to attack me and to tell a lie.

And, as far as the Chief goes, former Chief Williams with City of Riviera Beach, yes, he has retired from two agencies, and he has the right to live wherever his money takes him.

[Applause]

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** You live where you wanna live and where your dollars take you, and he has the right to live where he wants to live. There's no more redlining in this country, we can live where'., we can buy homes wherever we want to buy homes. So, if he's done well for himself, it wasn't because anybody gave it to him, he, he worked every day, put on a jacket, a bulletproof vest and went out there and fought for it all the years until time for retirement. And I wanna thank you for acknowledging the fact that he has served this town and he served this town well. There's a lotta things not happening here that was happening, people aren't getting beat up as much as they were before, and snide remark about the Sheriff Department, yes, that was, that was, that was a big talk, that if he was gone, that would happen.

So, ma'am, thank you for your warped apology but I don't accept it.

[Audience exclamation and inaudible comments]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Claudene.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Lloyd Brown, Dr. Monique Wellons...

[Inaudible audience comments]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Madeline Irving.

**MR. L. BROWN:** Lloyd Brown. I just...

**UNK.:** Shh.

**MR. L. BROWN:** I don't know, I might have to get outta here too.

[Chuckles]

**MR. L. BROWN:** Hey, uh, people of Riviera Beach, you see what's going on? You're looking at your TV. You know, I came here, you know, Ms. Lynne Hubbard...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MR. L. BROWN:** ...and asked you about... Oh, I ain't got on nothin' [inaudible] that bad.

Anyway... That shouldn't be on my minutes. But anyway, Lynne Hubbard, I came to you the first time and asked you about something I was having a problem with. A lady came back to me and told me ya'll were trynna make up a decision but when you ya'll got in that thing about firing the City Manager, it look' like you just dropped it. I mean, don't tell me that I'm gonna have to come and take your place in order for me to get some help. I mean, 'cause people have been telling me.., you know, I got the opportunity. I may not have the knowledge, you know, like, what you all think you all got, but I've been in the streets and, you know, I travel through this neighborhood. I was on drugs and now I'm off drugs and I'm gonna tell you like this, I've been in them low-life areas, I know what the black people over there need. They don't...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MR. L. BROWN:** ...need this. I understand what this man over here is talking about, 'cause you come out in your yard, you can't even drink a beer without an open container. I started to sit out there with an open container, 55-gallon drum, to see if I was gonna get stopped 'cause that's what they say, open container. You don't go to these stores.

[Inaudible comment]

**MR. L. BROWN:** ...you don't look to see these items have been in these stores for months and months and months. Ya'll not helping the people. [Stammer], if everything you did for the City was a big cake, all we would get over there is the damn candles.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MR. L. BROWN:** And I'll be honest with you 'cause you're not puttin' nothin' back over here.

And then, when I hear a black guy talking about these young black guys don't wanna work, well, let me say one thing about that, that's the same thing they said about the American soldier, black soldier, he couldn't do this... Maybe everybody couldn't fly the planes but it was a few people who could so I'm saying when you hear a brother out there talking about another brother, talking about he c'.., that these brothers don't wanna work, that's not all of them. You can't put these people in a ball of wax but you can put 'em in a ball of wax when it comes to helping 'cause every district that you people have, and ya'll people are black, I think you're black, but you look black from here, you are black but you're not doing anything for the black people. And I'm not even mad at the people over at Singer Island because you're putting the stuff over there. I wish was living over there, they're getting the benefits because that's where you're puttin' everything. It's like this man say, that's where you're puttin' everything. It's not their fault, I would accept it too. And Ms. Pardo, like I've said, I'm gonna bring that up again, that's only one lady and I'm not trynna be.., I'm not a racist or none of that, look at the argument between you and the lady. I mean, understand, you don't do this on TV. I mean, you don't do this at all. If you wanted to say something to her, maybe you should've went off to the side with her and...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MR. L. BROWN:** ...she shoulda came and done the same thing.

[Clapping]

**MR. L. BROWN:** Okay? I'm not just saying... But, I mean, people are lookin' at you. I mean, I wish I was up there 'cause I'd help myself. I wouldn't mind giving me a brand new car, monthly payments and all that, take trips, buy new boots and all that kind of stuff.

[Chuckles]

**MR. L. BROWN:** That's messed up.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

[Audience chuckles and clapping]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Dr. Monique Wellons...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Madeline Irving, Amon Yisrael.

**DR. M. WELLONS:** Good evening.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**DR. M. WELLONS:** I'm a...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**DR. M. WELLONS:** ...citizen..., I mean, I'm a resident and I'm a business owner of City of Riviera Beach.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** State your name for the record.

**DR. M. WELLONS:** Dr. Monique Wellons.

I just recently opened up a Urgent Care, Riviera Beach Urgent Care. I just need to understand what is the protocol as far as the Business Tax Receipts? I received a Business Tax Receipt last year and then the Building Officials came to me and told me that I needed to install extra work, well, I needed to have, like, sinks and I needed to have..., upgrade my electric but I thought the procedure was that, before I'm issued a Business Tax Receipt, that they're supposed to come out and do an inspection. [Inaudible], you tell me 10 months later when it's time for me to actually to open. And I've been complying, I've done everything that they asked me to do, but the permit is being held up for whatever reason, I don't know. I can never get a call back. Every time I call, they can never tell me anything, and it, it's just..., I, I just don't understand it. Like, what is the actual protocol for the permit department?

That's really it. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

[Applause]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madeline Irving, Amon Yisrael, Elder Lonnie, Lonnie Lovett.

**MS. M. IRVING:** Good evening, Council.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MS. M. IRVING:** I'm coming before you..., I'm coming before this Council to ask questions regarding Councilman Davis' interview he did last Thursday with Kitty Lundan. He made some allegations that concerns me. The question is, where the..., he made an allegation that Mr. Evans failed to provide a Resolution to the Board when, I guess he was asked regarding eliminating jobs. I would li'..., I wanted to ask him where's that proof? Also, where's the proof that Mr. Evans committed misfeasance in governing his job. When he gave..., every time I've come to the meetings, I've seen him give Resolutions. However, I wanna know where's his proof? He said that there's a million dollar library deal, or li'..., library project that our City will experience. Well, that proof hasn't happened because, as I have attended the meetings, I know that the City has asked for three extensions on this money. But I do have the proof knowing that the Librarian, Ms. Cobbs, did not have the proposal not plan to beautify the library. So, what is Mr. Evans to do?

So, Mr. Davis is continuing to slander Mr. Evans as, in his absence. Yeah, Mr. Evans drew up his plan, made the proposal on how to spend the money to benefit the



community. Where's the proof that... Yet, under his leadership, this is happening and, and, and going on. I feel that Mr. Davis has brought shame to our brand with blatant disregard of governance. As a taxpayer, as a citizen, as a young voter, I feel that he doesn't speak for me, and he disregards that governance of City parliamentary. For instance, he's getting into the face, threatening, Ms. Wanda Moore, off camera, stating, 'You need to know when to back off.' Another example, when a citizen comes u to address him, to this mic and he's on the dais, he states to her, 'You weren't saying that when I was taking care of you.' That is totally out of line. Then, he regards a person's freedom of religion, states to him that, 'The man that wears the towel on his head.' What public servant behaves in this manner? I know that he wants., he says that he loves this City but his actions do not show or reflect his love and admiration for this City.

Lastly, his governance is to display aggressive tendency towards Council Member KaShamba Miller-Anderson, former City Attorney Pamala Ryan, former CRA Director, Tony Brown and the former City...

[Timer]

**MS. M. IRVING:** ...Mr. Evans. I wanna say, I want him to make sure that you all address that with him because I want him to provide[stammer] the proof for his actions.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

[Applause]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Amon Yisrael, Elder Lonnie Lovett, Bishop Thomas Masters.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What was the first name?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Amon Yisrael, Elder Lonnie Lovett, Bishop Thomas Masters.

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** Good evening.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** My name is Amon Yisrael, Riviera Beach, Florida. And, in reality, referred to as diadem, it's a biblical term, it is also known as a head [inaudible]. So, that is the proper term.

I also feel that it is inappropriate for elected officials to attempt to censor its citizens and residents because they may not appreciate what the citizens may say. The Supreme Court Justice, John Roberts said it was chilling to watch, to watch Fane Lozman the way he was treated. The Supreme Court may have signaled that they are willing to make sure that Americans rights to speak freely at public meetings is not compromised.

I'm sure everybody heard about recall. When we recall elected officials, it is also most important that we replace them with moral, qualified leadership. If you also have ballots, absentee ballots, you wanna mail them in immediately.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** He's not..., he's just [inaudible].

**MR. A. YISRAEL:** It is good that you mail them in before Tuesday.

Thank you very much.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Elder Lonnie Lovett, Bishop Thomas Masters, Cindy March.

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** Elder Lonnie Lovett.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** Riviera Beach.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** First thing I want ya'll to do, don't listen to how I say it is, but listen to what I say. There is no right way to do wrong.

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** That's right.

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** In obedience to Heaven's commandment and by the power and authority to the great head of the church, I've got one question I wanna ask, how can you walk a straight line wearing crooked shoes?

[Inaudible audience exclamation]

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** No matter what office a man holds in this country, once you have tasted the glory of the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, there is no such thing as switching hats. It is totally unorthodox. If a man or woman can switch a hat, that makes them a double-minded individual, unstable in all their ways. These type individuals is leading the residents of this City astray, and it's tainting the gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Preach.

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** I'm gonna do something that no other minister will do, I'm doing it because I was called out of darkness into his marvelous light, I'm getting ready to put a stop to it. I was told by the Bishop a few days ago that you all voted that he could step off the podium and come down here and put in a public comment card. If you don't respect him enough to speak from up there, he is an unstable individual and you all don't respect him...

[Clapping]

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** ...and the residents of this City should not respect a man that taints the gospel of our Lord and Savior...

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Preach.

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** ...Jesus Christ.

Lastly, I want you all to understand, I'm not mad with him, what I am upset about is the fact that he walked away from his first love, to run around and raw people into this world that's going to be destroyed. I want you to understand, there is no poor people in Riviera Beach and I am sick...

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Thank you.

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** ...and tired of hearing people talking about the poor black people in Riviera Beach.

[Inaudible audience comment and clapping]

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** The only thing about Riviera Beach is poor choices and the black people been makin' in this Cit. It's poor choices and it's time to stop it. 'Oh, if I...

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Hear, hear.

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** ...'I'm gonna put mine in...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**ELDER L. LOVETT:** ...for a stipend to help black people pay their utility bills.' Feed a man a fish, you feed him for a day, teach him how to fish, you'll feed him for a lifetime,' and that's the word.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

[Inaudible audience and clapping]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Bishop...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Bishop Thomas Masters, Cindy March, Margaret Shepherd.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Everybody, let's make sure we please keep it down in the audience.

**BISHOP T. MASTERS:** Bishop Thomas..., Bishop Thomas Masters, Pastor of the New Macedonia Baptist Church. I was given a privilege, an opp'..., a right to speak as a bishop, although I am an elected official, like any other pastor or bishop would speak. Is that not right, Attorney Degraffenreidt? Did not you rule that?

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** Yes, you have a right to...

**BISHOP T. MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** ...exercise your first amendment.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**BISHOP T. MASTERS:** I also to want to say, I am going to take the advice of Michele Obama, I'm going to take the high road and not the low road.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**BISHOP T. MASTERS:** When I pass Elder Lonnie Lovett's home, I see seven signs of Dawn Pardo's. I think that's why he's talking like that. I also believe that if Elder Lovett wants to take personal shots at me, he can do, he can do what he did a few years ago, run for the Office of Mayor and get four or 500 votes again.

[Chuckles]

**BISHOP T. MASTERS:** But I want to thank the Palm Beach Clergy Alliance that represents a lot of clergy and churches of Palm Beach County for inviting myself, Dr. Botel and others to the Alliance. I'd to thank almost 40 pastors for inviting KaShamba Miller-Anderson the Chair, Dr. Botel and myself to visit their churches.

I want to say, as it relates to President Barack Obama Highway, we continue to get calls that people are fearful that the signs are gonna be taken down. Please understand, that is a rumor. It is not going to be taken down, only one person voted against it, that was Councilperson Dawn Pardo. She said because of blight. There's no blight, like that, on President Barack Obama Highway, there's been beautification there, there's been landscaping there, a Brightline [stammer] train is going to come, we're gonna build great facilities adjacent. So, let's not ostracize President Barack Obama Highway. People said the same thing when the 8<sup>th</sup> Street was changed to Martin Luther King, 'Oh, it's a horrible highway, it's a terrible street.' But look at it now. It's going to become one of the, the best boulevards in our City. And so, you know, don't, don't be so judgmental and so quick to criticize President Barack Obama Highway, look, look what it's..., the progress that it's making, as well as Martin Luther..., Dr. Martin Luther King. And in speaking of Dr. Martin Luther King, there was only one person that voted against the funding of the Martin Luther King Parade festivities a few years ago, that was Councilman Dawn Pardo.

Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Cindy March, Margaret Shepherd.

**MS. C. MARCH:** Good evening, everyone.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MS. C. MARCH:** I'm Cindy March from Riviera Beach. I wanna first say God be the glory.

You know, if ya'll had this much energy to help these youth around here with a job, help these mental ill people, help these homeless peoples that's sittin' on the bench, you know what, it'll be a better City to live in. And you know what I'm gonna say? I will never vote for somebody talking about the poor. We have overcome, we are free. I will not let nobody bamboozle who I am, or what I can be because the color of my skin, or because you have a degree because you got to first have a heart. You have to have empathy, you have to show love and, and being a leader of the City of Riviera Beach, the number one leader, I will never again, in my life, vote for Mr. Masters. I can't even call him Rev. I have lost all respect.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MS. C. MARCH:** [Stammer] so what? So let it be. It is what it is. It's my time to speak and you can respond all through...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Focus up this...

**MS. C. MARCH:** ...my speech...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...way, Ms. March.

**MS. C. MARCH:** ...but I'm gonna say what I got to say and mean what I say and I'm gonna take a few more people with me. Ya'll done forgot where ya'll come from. I'm so glad I'm poor because of the love of money make me out like this, I wanna stay poor. I don't wanna forget where I come from. And I'm speaking on me, because I have a niece over here trying to do the right thing, bringing in revenue for the City as a Building Official, a female, 41 years old, going through radiation, a mentally ill son and she has to face all these personal [stammer] from day to day, to do her job because you got a news person in here, you got a person that's running for candidate, gets the Palm Beach Post and early on a Sat'..., or Sunday morning, her daddy crying out to her, 'Baby, are you alright?' Because of what she's going through, because she says she's gonna help the poor when she... You can't help us, we done helped you all get where you all are at, that's what our ancestors did, picked the cotton. What part do you all don't see? Where's the bigger picture? You're not looking at it. Okay? You're not looking at it. They're gonna put these high rise, like I reiterated last week, we're gonna have these high rises around here, nowhere for nobody to go. All of these people over here with these stores with all this dope in it, that's what you need to be concentrating on and a person who's trynna live right, leave them the hell alone.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, I need to ask for a rebuttal like Councilperson Hubbard di.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead, Mayor.

**MS. C. MARCH:** He ain't gotta rebuttal to me 'cause I'm steppin' out. [Inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Le'..., let's...

**MS. C. MARCH:** [Inaudible].

[Chuckles]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, just a second or two. I'm not concerned or worried about people who take potshots at the Mayor. I'll say it again, the Mayor's not running, I'm not a candidate at this particular time. May the work that I've done, as the Mayor of this City, five times that people have respected that, may the work that we have done to move this City forward, job fairs, the veteran affairs, Office of the Mayor, the senior citizens program, you name it, we've done that. So...

[Inaudible comment]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...it is what it is. And I continue to look forward, five times, and we run again, we'll run on the record, not on what others say, that say negative things about the Mayor. I'm not gonna talk about anybody, no one. And as far as Ladi March, she has treated me well. I have no'..., nothing negative to say about how that young lady has done her job.

And that's all I can say. Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Margaret Shepherd. And, Madam Chair, that conclude public comment cards.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** To God be the glory. [Pause]. God be the glory.

**MS. M. SHEPHERD:** Margaret Shepherd, Riviera Beach.

Thank you, Madam Chair, for the Certificate. I want the public to know, I went to talk to Chairwoman Anderson on one occasion and she directed me into the meeting and I wanna say I, I was so enthused about hat meeting and I had two meetings with the Riviera Beach Housing Authority and I stayed 'til one night I had to tell Mr. Hurt I was addicted to that meeting.

[Chuckles]

**MS. M. SHEPHERD:** I, I could not leave, talking about the business of the City. And I'm so ashamed, you're talking about Wanda Moore but it's not Wanda Moore, it's us.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MS. M. SHEPHERD:** To get up here and bamboozle...

[Clapping]

**MS. M. SHEPHERD:** ...our City.

**UNK. AUDIENCE:** Yes.

**MS. M. SHEPHERD:** ...it is very sad, it's very sad. We have so much to offer. But, the one thing I wanna say to the Mayor, I, I just don't like you getting off the da'..., the dais to talk about your constituent t hat's not even here, to defend herself. I'm sad because you said rules of decorum but deep down inside, we have no rules of decorum. We have no respect for one another.

As I was picking up the ballots today, they were just talking about a few things and I thought I would take time with the senior citizens to explain some things. They were talking about Major Freeman. They got on him, I couldn't get away talking about him. They were talking about our interims. People that have given their time to the City, and it seems like they're being looked over, but as I've seen them perform in the meeting, I think these people deserve a A plus. Why would you go outside the City for Community Development? Why would you go out the City for your Purchasing Director, who I, I think I heard him say he worked, uh, he was in the Army or Navy, I can't quite remember. Why would you outside the City? Why would you go outside this City for Human Resources when Eureka was there when Mr. Davis was there, and he sweated his [inaudible] self outta here. Why do we do that? Your interims deserve these jobs. They have to train the ones that come in here. Why? But yet and still, we wanna continue with the foolishness of the City. Let us continue to say Wanda Moore because she's getting the paycheck. I'm not mad, I'm not jealous, but she's doing a job. And I just implore you all, take up for the people in your City, take up for your Councilperson. I don't agree with everything, but the one thing I've always said with the three vote I'm through with it, however it go' because sooner or later, it's gonna pan out.

But once again, Madam Chair, I thank you. My wall is falling all over with certificates and I appreciate it because your job is to give...

[Timer]

**MS. M. SHEPHERD:** ...back to your City, volunteer for your City and I guarantee you will not continue with this foolishness.

Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you. That's the end of public comment.

[Clapping]

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yes, ma'am.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**ITEMS TABLED**

**10.**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 10. Item tabled.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam Chair, this Item needs to be taken off the table before it can be discussed.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** So moved, Madam...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller-Anderson dissenting.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Item No. 10.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 11-18. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CIT OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE CITY'S JOB CLASSIFICATION LIST BY ADDING AND DELETING CERTAIN POSITIONS WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AMENDING THE FISCAL 2018 OPERATING BUDGET EMPLOYEE COMPLEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES T O TRANSFER \$225,000 FROM CONTINGENCY TO VARIOUS ACCOUNTS WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES OPERATING**



**BUDGET, AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO ADVERTISE AND FILL VACANT POSITIONS AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*ACTING DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: JEFF GAGNON (561) 845-4060*

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Second.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam Chair, we do have public comment cards for this Item. The acceptance of public comment cards for this Item is now closed.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Mr. Gagnon.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** While he's setting up, Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** This Item was..., has been on the Agenda for a couple of meetings and during your December City Council meeting, you asked that Staff bring back a plan to add in additional positions to assist the Development Service Division and to reduce our dependency on CAP. So, this is what this Item is doing. For the first, the cost is approximately \$225,000 and the impact to the budget for next year is approximately \$400,000. You asked for additional financial information, which is included in the backup [pause] of the Item. [Pause]. I'm sorry, next year's FY17, yeah, \$450,000.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** FY17?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I mean, '19, I'm sorry.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Chuckle]. '19. So, FY18 is \$225,000?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Cor'..., correct.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And '19 is how much?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Approximately \$450,000.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Have'... Go ahead with your presentation and I hold off.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Yeah.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Then I'll ask...

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** My apologies, I had a login issue, so thank you for your patience and thank you for the opportunity to present

this Item again to Council Members, to our residents, to Staff. For the record, my name is Jeff Gagnon, I'm the Acting Director of Community Development for the City.

As presented previously, as identified in this Fiscal Year's budget, the Community Development Department was renamed the Development Services Department. Within that Department, Code Enforcement was renamed Code Compliance and also added underneath the Department, so Development Services now consists of Planning & Zoning, Building and also Code Compliance. So, currently, we have a few long range tasks that will command a lot of Staff time, as well as day to day, kind of, routine Staff functions as well, that also demand a lot of Staff time. For example, we have Comp Plan updates that are in the works. First and foremost, we wanna be responsive to community needs, and that's really the, the paramount reason for this presentation and for these new positions.

Just for reference, we currently utilize a third-party provider for building inspection services and plan review services. We have not received the invoice for February just quite yet, we're supposed to receive that invoice by Friday. However, for reference, you can see that the average invoice is around \$34,000 and, as shown on the screen, we go back to July of 2017. And, for January of this year, it was just over \$31,000. Within our approved budget there're, in fact, are 25 full-time employees. I think there was an understanding that there were to be 27, however, there were two positions that were unfunded, both the Assistant Building Official position and one of the Code Compliance Technician positions were unfunded in this Fiscal Year's budget, so that's approximately \$110,000 for wages that I believe we anticipated to be in the budget but they were not put in the budget. And with the comprehensive salary study there were certain positions that were incorporated that are also presented within this plan and within the new positions that are being requested tonight.

So, on the screen before you are some of the new position titles that are being proposed. Again, the Assistant Building Official was approved through Resolution, however, it was unfunded, so that's why it's appearing on this list before you. We look to create the Building Inspector 2 position, Code Compliance Administrator position which, again, was one of the positions that may or may not have been funded, either the supervisor or administrator position for Code Compliance. So, we are requesting funding for the administrator position. We look to create Code Compliance Officer 2 position, two Community Inspectors, Development Services Engineer, Development Services Coordinator, and also a Planner.

In order to fund these positions we are requesting \$225,000 from the City's contingency fund. And, in addition to that, we will be reallocating the funding that was previously dedicated to our Building Inspector position, funding for three Code Compliance Officer positions and also, the funding for the Code Compliance Supervisor position, would be put towards the Administrator position. One of the requests following the last meeting was an analysis from our Finance Department as far as budgetary requirements to make this proposal move forward, so this, this diagram and graph is provided by our Finance Department, which indicates an approximation of \$225,000, in order to move this forward. So, that's provided as backup within the material tonight.

So, in summary, we are requesting to have a complement of 30 full-time employees. So, currently the budget identifies 25 versus 27 that were expected or anticipated. And, in order to move forward we would need to move \$225,000 from contingency into our operating funds.

So, I'm here to answer any questions and, again, thank you for this opportunity.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you. Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Mr. Gagnon, you said with the three positions that'll be deleted, will be put towards the administration. Would you elaborate on that...

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...a little more, please?

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Yes, ma'am. So, there..., actually, there's three bullet points on the bottom of slide. Within those three bullet points there's actually five positions.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Right.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** So, the Code Compliance Supervisor position, that funding allotment would go to the administrator position that is being proposed, so the supervisor position would, in essence, be deleted and unfunded and the administrator position would be incorporated into our budget instead.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** So, all five of those salaries would fund an administrator's position?

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Those, those salaries would fund, not only the administrator position, but on the previous slide, those, those funding allotments would go towards all of these positions...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** The total?

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** So. The total.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Okay.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Yes, ma'am. So, in order to bridge that gap we need an additional \$225,000 from contingency.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I got that part but, when you mentioned that, just the deletion of those three positions would be going to the administration, is what was

represented a minute ago, but you were saying the deletion of those three positions inclusive of the need for the \$225,000.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** The other thing, Mr. Gagnon is, we're taking this, you said, from a..., requesting it from a contingency fund as opposed to the monies that were accumulated. The last time that we discussed this, we were talking about the Fiscal Year, how much had been earned in your Department just for..., in that Division, just for that particular Fiscal Year and what you anticipate earning for the rest of the Fiscal Year, why then, if we have that grand amount, would we need to take those funds from contingency? Do you not deposit those in your general operating budget?

**UNK.:** The money goes to the general fund.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** So, I, I think we'll have a pleasant surprise at the end of the year, as far as total revenues generated by the Department, and the Building Department specifically. The recommendation that was provided through Staff discussion following that meeting, was to draw the money from contingency...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Mhmm.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Maybe that's just a, a cleaner way of doing it. I'm not the finance expert but I think we will be able to cover any sort of shortfall and, and, in essence, we're gonna be well beyond what the expectation was for this year's revenue.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Okay. Because, as of today, we know that the Building Division brought in another \$2,000,000. So, just today alone we have [stammer] the Building Official has raised \$3,000,000 and that is a microcosm of what we're taking from this contingency fund and [pause] if we need, or if we have to have the level of Code Compliance Officers and Building Inspectors to make sure that we have the safe building..., safe buildings in our City, and a cleaner City, it sounds to me like we have, we have the money to do so.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** I would agree.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** So, the contingency portion of it is what concerns me because, if we're settling for just the \$225,000, then we're gonna have to have a conversation about the balance of those revenues. You know, or an explanation, if you would.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** I think that this Item has been discussed at, at a few meetings and it's been on a few Agendas. From my perspective, it's definitely something that, as we go through the budget process moving

forward, we're, we're gonna look at it very closely. I think we'll have an opportunity to do so very soon, in that budget process. I think that...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Sure.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** ...this Item would, would really move us in the right direction though. So, it's not, it's not providing everything that we could ever imagine or dream, but it's definitely putting us in the right direction and hopefully, during that budget process, we can continue the conversation.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Surely, we can bring it up again in April when we start the discussion, if you need.., if you find the need to expand.

Thank you.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Any other questions?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** I, I just want to verify. The revenue that's generated goes into the general fund?

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Okay. So, we're taking these dollars from general fund contingency? So, that is where the source of the dollars go and we can offset based on what's coming in?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mr. Sherman?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mr. Sherman?

[Inaudible comment]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam City Manager?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** And, and Jeff, I'm not sure if you have the slide that showed the revenues collected year to date. As Ms., Councilwoman Hubbard mentioned, the Amrit did come in and pay the.., their, their fees based on \$175,000,000 valuation. So, year to date, we have collected for FY18 and that was through February for building permits, a total of \$1.1M. Now, that \$2,000,000 that they came in and paid won't all go into that account.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** It's split out. Some will go to the county, some will go to impact fees. So, I believe that amount that's going to the general fund is roughly what, \$700,000? Or, of that \$2,000,000...

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** It, it will definitely...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** You know?

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** ...cover the \$225,000...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Right.

**ACTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GAGNON:** ...contingency.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Right. It will definitely cover that, so I'm not sure if you all would like to have a mid-year budget presentation where we can make those modifications. That means that we would have to amend the general fund budget, increase it to [pause] absorb that., those additional dollars that are coming in from building permits.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** No further questions for me.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** We can...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** We can discuss it at the, at the, at... But, let, let me ask this question, Madam Chair. The., if., you're saying that when the monies come in, I know we pay the county a part for the, for the impact fee and, and the other fees that have to go to the county, but you're., why would need this special meeting that, that you're referring to now? You said to absorb the \$700,000 that are coming in, you need to exactly what, what were you, what were you...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I was saying when we have our mid-year budget, if you would like to have mid-year budget meeting to make adjustments to the general fund, as it shows right there, the local business tax, the budget is \$1.3M.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** So, if we deposit whatever amount that the Amrit has paid, which would be well over the budgeted amount, we can do pr'., we can [stammer] we can prepare another Resolution to increase the budget...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Line item.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...and., the line item for building permits and not take it from contingency, like what we're doing now, or leave it alone and move forward with this Item.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** We can move forward with this Item but I still think that we need to have a mid-year adjustment in order to make sure that we are staffed pro'.,

properly because that gives us an opportunity to have.., to take another look at it. Now, if we move the con'.., move the \$225,000 that.., which we... It still came from the Building Division, some of it, is what I'm saying.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Right.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Because, if we don't have a [inaudible] account already set up for, for the Building Division, or for Community Development, then some of those funds that are in the general fund, contingency or otherwise, had to come from some of the permits and acq'.., the permitting fees that we talked'.., so, it's not like, you know, that we take \$225,000 out of contingency and replace it with monies from their Department because it's already money that they put in.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** And, just let me make myself clear. The only reason I would do the mid-year, is just to correct the budget on the revenue and expense side, I wouldn't wanna go back and add additional positions because I think it's gonna take a while to hire these positions that you're adding now. The best time to do it would be when we're talking about the budget later on in the Fiscal Year, which would be July/August and you all decide what you would like to add for next Fiscal Year, if there's a need to add additional positions in...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Absolutely. That, that...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...the Building Division.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...that, you know, if that's when we do it, that would be fine but the mid-year I understand clearly, you are saying at the mid-year, we can make this adjustment to whatever we have budgeted for that Department now. So, that's fine by, by me.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Davis Johnson, did you have anything else?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Nothing further, thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Now, I know we have a projected deficit coming up, possibly, with the homestead exemption, if that is passed. How does that factor in?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** For.., I forgot the House bill but that was an impact of approximately five...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** \$700,000.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...hundred... \$500,000.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** It doesn't take effect until January of 2019. Is that correct?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

[Inaudible comment]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And then, what about the.., I know we're in, in the process of getting ready to do the, the pay.., implements some of the pay, pay increases and the new contract for the SEIU and all of those things, how does that factor into...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Now those...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...all of that?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** The pay study was included in the FY18 budget, so those dollars are already included in what you adopted for FY18.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And, do we have any other contracts that we will be negotiating and possibly needing to give some increases to...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Ms. Irvin or Mr. Sherman, I think we still have to negotiate PMSA but they're.., they don't have a big union, approximately 12 to 15 people. The rest of the union contracts are settled, and those items are included in the budget.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And, for the amount of people that we're talking about bringing on, that includes all of the benefits, all of the perks that comes in and the two twen'.., the \$225,000, includes all of that, but, on the, I think, one of the slides with CAP, it pretty much has an annual projection of \$400,000, \$413,000, it said? [Pause]. So, if we were to remain with CAP, and if things continue the way in which they are, we're saying that \$400,000 is.., would be the number that we would be spending versus the \$225,000? Mr. Sherman?

[Inaudible comments]

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Randy Sherman, Director... Is this one on?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No. Go.., step to that one. I guess he cut it off.

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Randy Sherman, Director of Finance and Administrative Services.

No, the \$225,000 is only gonna get you from this point towards the end of the year. That \$413,000 would be for the full 12-month period.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.



**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** So, you have to go and just look at October, November, December, January and that's about \$125,000 or so, that they've already spent with CAP.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Right.

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** I'm sure there'll probably will still be some additional CAP expenses until you get the rest of the positions filled. So, you're gonna be continuing to pay some CAP, the \$225,000 will take care of adding these extra positions.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. So, but w'..., so, it's not just a flat out \$225,000 because we'll still have CAP on?

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** There, there's..., I would assume again, as you're adding bodies, CAP will again start to go down even further. If you remember, last year, we spent almost \$700,000 in CAP. Mr. Gagnon's been able to hire a few people, you know, push that number down and now we're averaging the \$34,000 a month.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And, with that, again, we're talking about adding 20 something people to one Department.

[Inaudible comments]

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** [Inaudible]...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Am I...

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** We're,...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...incorrect?

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...we're adding 10 positions and eliminating five.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Three.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Five.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Stammer], well, five.

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** So..., and that's out to five.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Where am I...

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** It's really only...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What am I...

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** ...three new that we're adding 'cause, as Jeff said, there were two positions that were unfunded this year.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** So, it ends up getting you up to 30 positions.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Up to the 30.

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR SHERMAN:** Right.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Alright. That's it for me. [Pause]. Anyone else? Did we have any public comment cards? Alright. Go ahead.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Julie Botel, Fane Lozman, Bonnie Larson.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Walter, the mics re down. [Pause]. Is it on? Okay, it's on.

**MS. J. BOTEL:** Julie Botel, Riviera Beach.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MS. J. BOTEL:** I have... Good evening. I have six questions. I'll, I'll read them and then I would really like to have an answer tonight, if possible...

[Inaudible comment]

**MS. J. BOTEL:** ...to some of them, to all of them actually. I wanna know if this plan includes any raises or change of positions for current Staff and do current Staff need to have additional qualifications if there are changes in positions? That's the first question. Question two, are the salaries consistent in this plan with the compensation study? Have they been included.., have these salaries taken into consideration the compensation study? The third question is, it appears that you will get through the rest of this year by using \$225,000 out of contingency, how will you provide the funding in next year's budget to support this \$450,000 increase? The fourth question is...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Dr. Botel, can you slow down a little bit...

**MS. J. BOTEL:** I'm sorry.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...'cause the Manager's...

**MS. J. BOTEL:** I, I...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...trying to write

**MS. J. BOTEL:** I can give you a...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** She's trying to write.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** She's just trying to jot it down. Go ahead.

**MS. J. BOTEL:** I, I'd be happy to give you a written copy of these.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**MS. J. BOTEL:** Question five, have you considered using CAP..., no, excuse me, question four, when the building boom on Singer Island is over, will you really need these positions? How will you justify them when there is less work to be done? Do you have a projection about what new buildings are planned so that you will know if you're gonna get..., if you've just gotten \$2,000,000 in, that's lovely, from Amrit, but I think Amrit is probably one of the last developments..., developmental [stammer], developmentable properties on Singer Island. I wonder what the projection is for additional funding to come through impact fees and the like? Question five, have you considered using CAP to supplement the Department Staff during this peak time and then discontinuing the loo'..., the use of an outside consultant when this boom is over and what would it cost to use CAP as a stop gap measure versus hiring new staff? In other words, it seems to me that you're pa'..., we're paying about \$34,000 a month now to use CAP, what's the increase per month so that you can make a comparison with new staff versus using CAP?

And the last question I have relates to unemployment. If we need to layoff these five people when there is no longer a building boom, how much money will it cost us in unemployment compensation? Are they entitled to..., how much are they entitled to under today's formula? How much will that cost the City and not only in the payments themselves for unemployment, but more importantly, the, the impact that layoffs will have on increasing our rate of payment into the unemployment fund going forward? Very few people may know that the unemployment insurance, like any other insurance, goes up if we have more layoffs.

So, those are the questions I have. I'd be happy to provide you with a written copy. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Fane Lozman, Bonnie Larson, Chris Haney.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman. As elected...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Good evening. Singer Island. As...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...elected officials, you're not expected to know it all. You do the best you can, you get your briefing book, you review it, you try to absorb what you can, and then when you come to a meeting, you expect your department head to make an accurate presentation. To be a leader. I wasn't really impressed with Mary McKinney and I made my grievances known at the time, I'm much less impressed with Mr. Gagnon running this Department. The number one position that needs to be filled, and I know some of you up there know it, is where is Mary McKinney's replacement? If you talk to the people that pay your salaries, the people outside in the field, they will tell you the Building Department, not the Building Department, this whole.., what do you call this thing, Department Services or whatever this whole new entity is, the level of service to the citizens has decreased. Mary McKinney wasn't good, it's gone down. We don't have a leader in this job. Before we hire anybody, we need to get a new leader running whatever this amalgamation is of Code Compliance, Building blah, blah, blah. Some cities have code compliance in their police department, they deal with that. They have some leadership... Code [stammer], Code Compliance is kind of like, think about it this way, if you're going onto somebody's property and going snooping around, it's almost like you're doing a search, like police officers do searches when they go on people's property, they get a warrant, you know, they have to do a search. And Code Compliance should really come under the Police Department. Look at North Bay Village, that's how it works out there. But, to do all these things, to bring in 10 new people and it's eight, or whatever the number is, without number one, getting a leader in that job, who the people believe in, who you believe in, that's a mistake. This, this should be tabled. The number one thing and say in the 60 days, we need McKinney's replacement.

You know, I mean, I've told you before, this, you know, putting me aside when this man trespassed on my property, when he called DEP, when he kept harassing me when I wanted to get an address, where Pardo and him were talking all day long about how they could stop me from bringing my floating home up here. He's a political a'.., animal of Pardo, Mr. Gagnon. Mr. Gagnon is not a leader. Before you run off and do this, and I'll sit down with you and give you all the information, emails and whatever you'd like new City Manager, you gotta have a leader. I would table this again and come back 60 days when you have a replacement for him, a permanent head of this Department, or whatever this new name is.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Bonnie Larson, Chris Haney.

**MS. B. LARSON:** I agree with each one of the speakers so far. And for Mr. Lozman, the Code Department used to be under the police. Now, that kinda, to me, makes more sense because, if you have a problem with a Code, somebody with a code problem, the police can come in and step in and help the Code Department. So, how it got put under this Department, what was the rationale for that? Development Service Department, I have to learn that name. How it got put under that and why that is, I'm not quite sure. I don't understand that rationale. And it's hard to follow the figures because the figures.., the money you're gonna need because it was.., on the board there, it said Building Officials, Code Compliance, Development Services Engineer, all those departments were

all intermingled, so it, it would seem to make more sense to say, 'Okay, we need so much more money for the Building Department, we need so much money for Code, and so much for Development Services. If it had been broken down, but it was so comingled, there's no way to figure it out.

So, my question..., another question I have is, okay, so you say you're gonna need \$225,000 this year to finish up this year, and \$450,000 for next year. What kind of..., we did a salary study, what kind of study did we do to determine what type of buildings are gonna go up, what type of development are gonna take place for the next year or so, 'cause we're talking about hiring a lot of new people? And that is the question, we hire these people then we don't have work for them. So, what type of study have we done to determine how many people, and with what skills, we'll need?

[Pause]. Looking over the notes here. Okay. We're adding 10 positions and eliminating five. Okay, so I don't know where those 10 positions came from, are they from the Development Department, are they from Code? There was no explanation of that. It was so comingled, you just couldn't understand it. [Pause]. Where is Mrs. McKinney's replacement? Yes, we do need a, we do need a director in that Department. We only also have one person running the CRA. This makes no, no sense. We're way, way under. You can't have one person doing everything, you need input from more people, more people who have skills. And also, when we go to hire these people, whomever we hire, resolve it. Whoever gets hired will have an education, will have qualifications and will have certifications. None of this learning on the job stuff, we don't deserve that. We need someone who knows what they're doing when they...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**MS. B. LARSON:** ...step the foot in this building. So, no more of that. The reason we had to have CAP was because we didn't have people on Staff who were qualified to do certain things, so we had to hire CAP. We've ha'..., we needed them, we had to hire them, there's no getting around it. So, yeah. There's been a lotta criticism of them but without them, we wouldn't've made it this far.

So, a number of questions there but resolve never to hire someone who's not fully qualified, for whatever position it is in the City, already, before they get here. We have an application which doesn't indicate that...

[Timer]

**MS. B. LARSON:** ...application goes out. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chris Haney.

**MR. C. HANEY:** How are you guys doing tonight?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MR. C. HANEY:** Chris Haney.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MR. C. HANEY:** Chair, Councilpersons and Mayor.

I'm a developer, real estate broker, and mortgage broker as well. I do business here in the City and I have to say, I had a long talk with the people in the Development Services Department and I have to give them credit because before..., I was at a meeting a couple months ago, and I didn't know what the problem was, I just know that everything was focused on the City Manager being fired and I'm trying to get projects through the City and I'm sitting there with nothing being done, so I didn't know who to blame. So, falsely, I'm blaming Jeff, I'm blaming other people in the Department and I really got to go behind the scenes, on the other side of the desk and spent hours behind there and they talked to me, didn't kick me out of the office once, brought my projects up and told me exactly what was going on, what I could expect and they need the help. They need the people, there's no doubt about it, they need the money, they need the funds. I'm not sure how it works after here if you guys approve the budget, how it works, and then Mr. Sherman has to approve it on top of that.

Another item is the technology and the computer system that we don't have, that every other city and municipality has, that's small than us, much less the bigger ones. I was told by the previous Building Official that, 'Oh, my computer system is from 1987, that's why they can't give me a list of what inspections I need on a renovation.' Well, when I call to see what inspection I need, I get the person at the front desk that tells me I don't need a certain inspection. Well, can I go through, I., go to final, and they'll pass it through? And the Official was like, 'I need you to pull all the stuff down, open up the windows so I can look at what you did.' So, I called the front desk. So, there's no system and I can't blame the people that are working in the Department anymore. I, I honestly have to apologize to them because that's what was happening. They need the funds. I'm a developer and I'll speak for all developers, I have 13 acres on the west of the bridge, so after the development on City..., Riviera..., or, Singer Island is done, there's still a lot of development in the City. We have prime real estate on both sides of the bridge. So, right on Broadway, we have the infrastructure to bring in a lot of permit fees and I don't want somebody to tell me I can go build something that I'm not supposed to be building there. If I can go through the right procedures and the zoning needs to be changed and it's supposed to be changed and it fits the City, that's fine but don't just give me a yes, that's not what I'm looking for. I'm looking for somebody just to walk me through the process of when I'm trying to do the right thing and build something that is allowed, just walk me through what I need to do and that, that's all I'm looking for and that's why they need the bodies, because they can't be leaders if there's nobody to lead.

**UNK.:** Exactly.

**MR. C. HANEY:** So, you put something..., somebody in the position...

[Clapping]

**MR. C. HANEY:** ...you have to give them the infrastructure and the help and the support team, and that's what they need behind them.

**UNK.:** That's right.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**MR. C. HANEY:** Thank you.

**UNK.:** Very well said.

[Clapping]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. So, that's the end of public comment for this Item.

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Do... Excuse me, ma'am. Do we have any other questions from the dais? [Pause]. I'm on... What's the matter? Oh.

[Inaudible] dais comment]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh. Alright. Anything from you, Ms. Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** No.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** No.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Madam Clerk?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chairperson Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller-Anderson dissenting.

11.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 11.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM**

*DIRECTOR: VALERIE GRIMSLEY (561) 840-0135*

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Ms. Hoskins.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Madam Chair, the Board has stated...

**UNK.:** It's tabled.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...that they would like to...

**UNK.:** It's tabled.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...have...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold on one minute.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Hold on.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** The Item is tabled?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yes. It look' like it was tabled...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Madam Chair, so we need to take, take it off the table. My apologies.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We need a motion to take this Item off of the table, please.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** So moved.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Second.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.



**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Item No. 11.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Madam Chair, the Board has stated that they would like to have a.., another Summer Youth Employment Program. I believe Ms. Hubbard started the conversation last year and we just wanted to get some direction from you as to how you would like to proceed. I believe there was some concerns about the format and the way we would have the program set up for next summer, well, summer of 2018. I have Ms. Grimsley here to speak about what happened last summer and the budget and the, the pros and cons. Also, you, as a Board, did go to Tallahassee to request funding. At this point, we, we're still waiting on word from Tallahassee to see if those amounts are still.., will be in the budget, signed off by the Governor for funding. So, right now, I believe Ms. Grimsley has provided two budgets to you, one at approximately \$123,000 and then the other budget is approximately \$400,000. That was sent out in additional information to you all. So, I just need to get some guidance. The, the time is drawing near where we need to start sending out letters and doing the advertisement.

So, I believe Ms. Hubbard had some comments or some concerns about the way the camp was ran last year and had some input that she wanted to give.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold on one minute. Ms. Anthony, do.., public comment?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** We don't have any.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The acceptance of [stammer] comment cards for this Item is now closed.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** The... Ms. Grimsley, did you wanna say something first? But.., I didn't, I didn't have any problems with the way that the summer camp was ran last year. Ms. Grimsley did a fantastic job with the program that she ran on, on last year. What my concern was that the program that I was trying to implement last year was totally different from what Mrs. Grimsley was doing. She has run a program, previously. This is someth'.., something totally different. What I, what I am talking about and what Ms. Grimsley does is two different things. Some of the persons more my age or a little

younger, unders'.., know about PIC and SYEP. We had a woman here earlier, Ms. Madison Brooks. She's one of the persons that are quite familiar with the program and is someone that I had solicited input from. We have been working on the criteria to bring to the Council as to what the persons would ha'.., the criteria would be and what the program makeup, um, what the program would look, look like.

Ms. Grimsley can tell you about the program that she did prior to last year and the numbers that that yield. And that was fine. What I am trying to do is something totally different. We have, we have started drafting things in an early enough manner, which we had enough time last year to do so, but be that as it.., be that as it may, I [pause] on the.., at our, at our next meeting, I want to show a PowerPoint presentation of exactly what this program is, so that the community can see and that that this, this Council can see exactly what the Summer Youth Employment Program, from my perspective, is and what I have crafted. Most of the time when we come up with programs and projects, my, my colleagues, I go along with their definition and their description of what they have, and that's what I wanted to show them, my definition and my description. We've asked Ms. Grimsley to come up with something that she thinks that I'm talking about and she is following her directives, but she too understands the type of program that I'm talking about. We've discussed it and, and this is... What she was led to do last year, she was clear it wasn't what I was talking about and what I, what I was trying to do. So, at our next meeting, I will be able to show you from applications to criteria and to funding of this, of this Summer Youth Employment Program that I, that I am talking about, that will yield us close to 500 jobs for our, for our youth.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. So, you, you're wanting to bring this back or what other information are you wanting from us tonight?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** We.., we had money, and this is what I have to ask Ms. Grimsley about, on last year, when we had monies that were left, left over, is this the \$126,000 number that we said we would use for startup? And I had planned to go back and pull all the Minutes but this wasn't the date that I had expected it to come to Council.

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** Valerie Grimsley, Director of Youth Empowerment.

On last year, there was \$300,000 that we talked about initially. We came back in a subsequent Council meeting and we asked for \$188,000 out of the \$300,000. We only used \$126,000 to put a little over 60 kids to work. Out of the \$126,000, well, out of the \$188,000, we only used \$126,000 which left us with \$61,000 of that money.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Of that \$188,000?

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** Yes. So, where the money that was left over went, that would be a.., Mr. Sherman's question.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Okay. So, out of the \$300,000 that, that, that were allotted, it's either replaced or shipped it somewhere, somewhere else.

So, either [pause]. I would like to bring this back on, on the..., at our, at our next meeting so that it can..., so, that the Board..., hopefully, the, the full Board will be able to see the presentation. And, in the interim, the veterans from PIC and SYEP will sit down and will be able to complete, complete the presentation that will take place on next week and that's what I would like to do, bring it back at our next, our next meeting.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** For presentation.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Madam...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Now, are... Now, is it your intent, your intent for you to run the program or do you want Staff to run it? I don't, I don't have...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** No. I have...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I'm not...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...no intent...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** How do we wanna do that?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...to, to run the program.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** But, it would ta'..., it would, it would determine if Valerie..., Mrs. Grimsley has a program that she is already running this summer.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** If she is, then the..., we would need a summer coordinator to run this particular program. My understanding and my hope was, from the, from the last meeting that we would need..., we would..., the left o'..., the funds that we had reserved would be for job developers and, and that p'..., and that coordinator. So, this is, this is what... This is a discussion that I would have to find out what program Ms. Grimsley is going to be running and I definitely..., one thing I do want to be clear on is that I don't have a desire to run the program, nor do I have the time to run the program, but I want to implement the program that I have been working on for the last two years.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. So, you're..., you wanna... Are you clear? On it?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes, ma'am.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Or you wanna hear...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...form us as well? About it?

[Inaudible dais comments]

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** If you all wanna...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** [Inaudible]...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...wait 'til the...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...wait 'til we come back?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...next meeting, I'm not sure...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. That's fine...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** But...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...with me.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, I just...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...have a question for Councilwoman Hubbard. Who.., the.., in addition to Ms. Grimsley, you said there would be a, another person, like a job coordinator...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** [Inaudible]...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...to run the other part of the program?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes. If Ms. Grimsley was running a summer program prior to last year, then I would not want to one, infringe on that, or two, burden her with the definition, or the description, that, that I'm talking about unless it, you know, blends totally in to what she's doing. So, a coordinator and job developer is what we would need to yield a 500 program.., a 500 member program.

I'm going to ask Mrs.., Mrs. Brooks and a couple of the other people that are still here that actually ran those programs, to come and talk to us about them at the next meeting because I'm sure we have people in the audience that benefitted from those programs and that went through them. I can't be the only one that went through PIC or Summer Youth...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle]...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...Employment, here.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, the, the process would be for those two people, it would go through the, the regular hiring process of HR...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...Department? Okay. Thank you, Madam.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Mhmm.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** We'd have a panel to, you know...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Do the same...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...hire, like...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Interview.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** ...[inaudible] people. And we will want to get that out in short order. That's why my timing was backed into next [inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**UNK.:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes. Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Ms. Grimsley?

[Inaudible dais comment]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Excuse me. While she's there...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh, go ahead.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...I just wanna ask one quick question.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** The, the, the program that., excuse me, that you ran this past summer, how many young people were., did you have?

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** The program that we ran last summer, it, it was in two parts. One was a., actually, a summer leadership camp, where

we had 14 and 15 year old's that stayed on site and received leadership certifications, so that this year, they would be able to go to work and it would be a lot easier for them to get work because they were certified in certain areas.

Then, there was a second part where we put kids to work, that were 16 to 21. And we, we put them to work inside of City departments, as well as external agencies throughout Riviera Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, West Palm Beach, as well as west of Military, based on whatever their career goals wanted.., were, that's where we placed them, so that they would receive that career mentoring.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, where they were placed...

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** Mm.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...they were being paid a stipend?

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** Yes. They were paid through our Finance Department, an hourly stipend of \$8.05 an hour, and they were paid every two weeks. They were on the City payroll where taxes were taken out, they went through our HR process where they were background screened and they came up under our liability.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And if there are businesses in the community that want to partner with you, in, in this great endeavor that you have embarked upon, that would be welcomed, wouldn't it?

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** Yes. This is not our first year doing this.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No. I'm...

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** We've done this...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...talking about as far as...

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** ...for the past six years.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...as far as contributing...

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...to the program to help with the funding...

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...of hiring these young people?

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** We do also partner with Palm Beach County Youth services...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** ...which offsets some of the funding for...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's what I was...

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT DIRECTOR GRIMSLEY:** ...to put these kids to work.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

[Audience applause]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

[Inaudible audience comment]

### **REGULAR – OLD BUSINESS**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Regular, old business.

12.

### **RULES OF DECORUM.**

**CHAIRWOMAN KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON (561) 845-4095**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 12. That is an Item that I did want to bring forward for rules of decorum. I think it's important that all five of us are here to have this discussion, so I would like to postpone this to the next meeting.

[Inaudible comment]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Now, I did., my intention was to have Ms. Hoskins, and it's always my intention to have Ms., the City Manager answer those questions that were asked during the public comment time and I did not do that. I went passed it, so I do want Ms. Hoskins to take a few moments to address those questions, that were posed during the public comment time.

So, it'll be just a minute, Mr. Blankenship. You might wanna have a seat for a second.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Mr. Fane Lozman spoke about overflow rooms and public comments, I would have to get back with him related to that issue. Ms. Bonnie Larson spoke about a question, why did we close off the room that was leading. That is now a closet, storage closet. And why aren't the, the department directors in the

meetings? They are in the back of the room. You can turn and see them now. Great job [clap] department directors.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

[Audience chuckles]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Stay woke. [Chuckle].

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** The Minutes of the meeting, I would have to.., for Planning & Zoning, defer to Mr. Jeff Gagnon and I'll have to get that answer for her. She asked about the two podiums. The podium over here next to Staff, is the Staff podium. We are.., we do the presentations so we, a lot of times we had issues or interference with both the public and the Staff speaking at the same podium, so we're trying to make it more convenience', convenient for the public to speak at that podium. J.B. Dixon spoke about... Okay. I won't get to.., I won't address that.

[Chuckles]

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Ms. Duncombe, Ms. Wilder...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That slanderous...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...Felicia Wilder...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...news that went out.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...talked about the stipend. The City Council receives \$1,000.., \$1,000 utility stipend.

[Inaudible dais comment]

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Not the entire City Council, and there is a travel budget for the City Council to travel, for their travel expenses. [Pause]. Let's see, what else do I have?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Ms. Hoskins?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes, ma'am.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** While you're looking for what else you have, if you would take a look at the screen, under Agenda Minutes and archives...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...you will see where Mr. Gagnon has a pull down where you can find the Minutes for the Planning & Zoning Board.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** It's there. It's there.



**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Oh, thank you, Claudene.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** [Inaudible].

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Thank you, Mr. Gagnon.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** And, I think that's it. Now, M...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...Dr. Botel did speak during the Community Development Item. She had the seven questions. I can address those now or send a letter. I do have some of the answers now.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Whatever you have the answers to, you can go ahead.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Okay. Does the plan include any raises? The management study did look at all the positions in the City, so what was presented was included in the management study. Are the salaries in this plan consistent with the compensation study? Yes. It appears that we will get through the rest of the year by using \$225,000 out of contingency, how will you provide the funding in the next budget to support this increase? This will be based on projections from building permits and/or overall projections in the general fund. When the building boom on Singer Island is over, will you really need these positions? And, we did think about that and we wanted to take those positions and move them over to Code Enforcement, that way they'll be work'..., they'll be able to work on both sides to help clean up some of the areas in the City. Number five, have you considered using CAP to supplement the Department? That's what we are currently doing. We used CAP last year, spent approximately, what, \$700,000 and that's what we're trying to do with this Item, is to stop using CAP. If we need to layoff five people, this is related to the unemployment compensation question, and I would have to defer to Human Resources. It relates to the unemployment claims. And I believe we can provide something in writing, Ms. Irvin, or do you have that answer now?

**INTERIM HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR IRVIN:** Eureka Irvin, Human Resources Department.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**INTERIM HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR IRVIN:** I know one of the questions was, how would it impact our...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Unemployment.

**INTERIM HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR IRVIN:** ...unemployment. Our unemployment percentage tax is based on the number of claims that are..., that we pay

per quarter, so that would be.., we don't have an exact number on, on how that will, you know.., 'cause we don't know how many claims there will be.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Okay.

**INTERIM HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR IRVIN:** Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Is that it?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes, ma'am.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I know Ms. Wilder came up and, and inquired about not having access to the information prior to coming up to the podium and being able to speak on it. We do keep an Agenda book, with all of the.., every time we post.., whatever we post on there, we also keep a binder with that information in it, correct?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** In the library, yes, ma'am.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** In the library. So, that, that information is available on the website, as well as in a binder in hardcopy in the library, so, and it's put there typically about a week in advance of the meetings?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That's, that's our goal.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Thank you. Alright? Alright.

**13.**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 13.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam Chair, we do not have any public comment cards for this Item.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** So, acceptance of public comment cards for this Item is now, now closed.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 15-18. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS, LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND PROGRAM FOR RENOVATIONS AT DAN CALLOWAY PARK, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE APPLICATION, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: RICHARD BLANKENSHIP (561) 845-4070*

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Second.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Good evening, Mayor, Council...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** ...City Manager....

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Richard Blankenship, Parks & Recreation Director.

This is a.., I do not have a presentation on this Item. This is a.., simply a permission, uh, request for permission to submit a grant application to continue the renovations at Dan Calloway Park. If you'll recall, a couple weeks ago you approved an application to replace the lights, this is just piggybacking on that to, to, hopefully, get the park redone with other people's money.

[Chuckles]

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** I'll answer any questions you may have.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** So moved. [Chuckle].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Any questions, comments? [Pause]. Alright. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR BLANKENSHIP:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

14.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 14.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 16-18. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO AMEND THE FY18 BUDGET AND THE CAPITAL FUND TITLED "PAY AS YOU GO" FOR FIRE STATION #2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$700,000 AND REDUCING THE SAME FY19 TO ADDRESS THE IMMEDIATE NEEDS OF FIRE STATION #2 RELATING TO DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND A TEMPORARY LOCATION FOR STAFF AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*INTERIM DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: TERRENCE BAILEY (561) 845-4080*

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Second.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** And Madam Chair, we do not have any public comment cards. The acceptance of public comment cards for this Item is now closed.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you. Ms. Hoskins.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes, ma'am. This Item is related to Fire Station #2. You approved the reconstruction of Fire Station #2 in the five-year Capital Plan. In the first year of the Plan, which is current year FY18, we budgeted \$100,000 to start the design. However, we spoke at a prior meeting about some issues that they were having at Fire station #2, so what we would like to do is amend the budget for that, for that.., for Fire Station #2 for FY18 to \$700,000 and then on the back end, we'll reduce that amount for same. So, those issues, we talked about earlier as I stated and we would like to get this Item moving faster so we can go ahead with the modular unit, putting in a temporary module unit, all the fixings related to that unit and moving forward with design.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** I would like to take this opportunity to commend Staff for turning this around. When we had our previous discussion at last.., at the last, maybe two meetings ago, we discussed some of the emerging needs of that Fire Station and so, I'm happy to see that we are now going to move forward with the design and the modular units and work towards the replacement of this Fire Station because it is outdated, it needs to be replaced and we have to make sure that we are making provisions

for our first responders, providing safe quarters for them and providing a facility that is safe for them to operate in order to provide safety to us. So, kudos to you and your team.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Hos'.., Hubbard, do you have anything?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** No.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I, I know this particular Fire Station has been in dire need of being replaced.

[Inaudible comment]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What about the...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Blue Heron.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...the one on... I'm sorry, what...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Blue Heron.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I'm sorry. Blue Heron Station. What about the one on Singer Island? I know it's, basically, an identical building to the one on Blue Heron. It hasn't sustained as much damage or deteriorating as fast as the one on Blue Heron?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** That's included in FY19, is that correct? The design? So, we do have the design for that station in FY19 and scheduled for reconstruction in the FY20.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Right. But, what I'm saying, this is not in the same type of emergency condition as the one on Blue Heron...

[Inaudible comment]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...correct?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Uh-uh.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I can call Chief Duren up, but no, I have.., I don't believe so. I can... Chief will come up.

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** Reginald Duren, Fire Chief.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** You're correct, Madam Chair, we do have some concerns about that station on the Island as well, however, the facility that's next to Barracuda Bay is in much more urgent need care to be replaced at this time. We think we've got the timeline drawn out properly. If we can get that next station moving in about two years, we should be in a good place but, you know, just keep in mind, there's, there's a lot more use that comes out of that Fire Station by Barracuda Bay...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm.

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** ...a lot more traffic. There may have been variances in construction at the time but it's showing its age a little more aggressively than the station on the Island but, it too, definitely needs to be replaced, as you've approved previously.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Alright. Thank you. Alright. Anyone else?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yeah, Madam Chair, just for the record, the Fire Station #2 on Blue Heron, is the busiest fire station that we have in the City.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes. Alright. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

15.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Item No. 15.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam Chair, we have one public comment care for this Item. The acceptance of public comment cards for this Item is now closed.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: RESOLUTION NO. 17-18. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE TERMS OF THE AWARDED PUBLIC LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION GRANT AGREEMENT FOR PROJECT 17-PLC-04 TO INCLUDE AN EXTENSION APPROVED BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIVISION OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES,**

**FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY BY DECEMBER 31, 2020 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

*DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR: CYNTHIA COBB (561) 845-4196*

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Second.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Ms. Hoskins.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Madam Chair, this Item we've talked about this before. This is the \$500,000 construction grant for the library. They have extended that grant to December 31, 2020 and I will reiterate that we do need to talk about the facilities, and especially the library, how we gotta move forward [pause] in the fu'.., near future.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Public comment card.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Margaret Shepherd.

[Inaudible dais comments]

**MS. M. SHEPHERD:** Margaret Shepherd, Riviera Beach.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Good evening.

**MS. M. SHEPHERD:** You know we've been talking about this public library for quite some time. If you go over there, it's not senior friendly, and you keep putting this back and putting it back, and a lot of the seniors would like to go over there but it's just not people friendly. And so, this Resolution, I know when Ms. Cynthia Morrow was the president of the library, that was one of the things on her Agenda, was to make the library friendly. And, I'm really tired of going down to the Mandel Library, I spend three days of my week down there. But to keep putting this off, it's just an atrocity to the residents and to the children and, if nothing else, I, I think we should be a little bit more serious about this public library. It's, it's just time for a change, it's just time for a change with this public library. So, I encourage you to take time to really think about it, to really push it. I don't think you should be thinking about nothing right now. The money is there. I am concerned about the property of where it's going. But I do think that you need to move this project, this Resolution forward.

Thank you very much.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Than you. Okay. Any questions, comments from the Board?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Just one comment.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go Ahead.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** The money from the grant is available but we have to identify the funds to complete the...

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...building.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** To complete the building, I think that we discussed several, several meetings ago, the plan for the library and some of the direction that was given as it related to this feel and flow of the library, needed further discussion but we.., I believe in the budget, there are some dollars allocated but not to the tune of what we were anticipating to build the library and we certainly want to give our residents a quality project and something that is useful and beneficial to all participants, but I, I think that it's important for us to make sure that we respond to our fiduciary responsibility and make sure that the dollars are allocated and that we make sure that we provide for the plan as the current Director has, as well as this Board.

So, I would.., my, my motion still stands and I believe that we will fare better with the extension in the plans that we have moving forward.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** You have something?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes. Just for the clarification, for the record, did this Board ever decide where they wanted to put the library? Was that.., did we ever get a decision, a vote on that? Does anybody know because I've heard that we voted, there was a consensus to put it across the street? Is that, is that something that's been fixed?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** That was a part... I'm sorry. Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** That was a part of discussion that was had by this Board about relocating the library across the street but there were also some other discussions that we probably needed to revisit as it related to the layout and plans for the facility across...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...the street.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Ms. Tonya Davis Johnson.



**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Anyone else? Alright. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

### **BOARD APPOINTMENT**

17.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Board appointment. Item., Board appointments, Item No. 17.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY: REAPPOINTMENT OF THREE MEMBERS TO THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD.**

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**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Ms. Hoskins. You wanna just call out the names and then we can... Any public comment cards?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No public comment cards...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Madam Chair and the acceptance of public comment cards for this Item is now closed.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** For District 1, Mrs. Cheryl Moore, for District 3, Ms. Shirley Linear and for District 2, Mr. Monte Green.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Any questions, comments? [Pause]. Okay. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis Johnson?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Hubbard?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Discussion by City Manager.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I have one Item, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** As you know, on.., the next Utility Board meeting is scheduled for March 19<sup>th</sup> and that's the meeting right after the election.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** And I don't know if you wanna move that to maybe the March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting, the following Monday?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. When is the...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I just wanted [inaudible]...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** The 21<sup>st</sup> is...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...[inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...the swearing in?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yes, ma'am.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Alright. Board? Is the 26<sup>th</sup> okay with you all? Moving it to that date? Ms. Hubbard? Mayor?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I have to check.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Did you say yes...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...Mayor? Yes, I think that's fine with me.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** [Inaudible] checking.

[Pause]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Monday...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Monday?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...the fourth Monday. Okay. Alright? So, the 26<sup>th</sup> looks good for everyone.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** 6:00 p.m.?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes. Yes, ma'am.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Anything else?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** No, that's it.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

#### **DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Discussion by City Attorney.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** I have nothing for your consideration this evening.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. City Council...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, I have a question for the City Attorney.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Attorney Degraffenreidt, could you just briefly give us a summation of what happened in the Court today, when the City was a party to the court case.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** Essentially, the Court heard the City of Riviera's Motion to Strike the Recall Petition. The substance of the Judge's directions today were, based upon the unambiguous language of the statute. He appreciated the deficiencies that have been presented, but the form in which they were presented, i.e., the Motion to Strike, was inappropriate procedurally and what he suggested was, that the, the parties come back and the City, in particular, on a Motion for Summary Judgment, which will give him the entitlement to go outside the four corners of the Complaint in terms of making his

decision. He directed both of the parties with the primary concern to be briefed, as to what authority he would possess to fashion a remedy outside that, defined in the statute itself. That was what he wanted to be addressed at the next hearing in order that he may proceed in what he's comfortable with, in terms of his authority to intervene in a way as requested by plaintiffs, or the petitioners, or a remedy not specifically provided in the statute. That's what is to be briefed.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Now I need an interpretation.

[Chuckles]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I was gonna, I was gonna say, 'Whatever that means.'

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I'm surprised you took...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I, I...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...all of that in.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No. I wasn't gonna say it, I was just, 'Whatever it means.'

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Layman's terms....

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I was gonna say...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...Mr. Degraffenreidt.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...'I didn't understand none of that.' [Chuckle]. I let the Chair...

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** A Motion to Strike was the wrong motion for him to render a final decision on, it would have to be a Motion for Summary Judgment. On a Motion to Strike, you would have to deal with matters solely in the Complaint. There were issues outside the Complaint he would have to deal with to finalize the decision and the procedure to do that would be through the Motion for Summary Judgment.

The concern he had, and he wanted both parties to address that, is what is the authority that's provided for him to provide the remedy requested by petitioners, which is not provided for in the statute.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, which basically...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** That was...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...means we gotta come back.., go back again because the Judge did not rule in favor of striking the Motion today?

[Inaudible audience comment]

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** Correct.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** Correct.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Alright.

### **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** City Council Committee Reports.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I have a report. Today, I went down to the FDOT presentation. The work.., the roadwork that will be taking place at Congress, excuse me, S Avenue and Blue Heron amounts to just to taking off the sharp corners, if you will, of the four corners of that intersection, giving the school buses a, a better turn at those particular corners. They have only taken land on, on three parts of it, [stammer], yes, on three, on three corners of that. They got a little piece from the apartments which sit on the west.., the northwest corner, excuse me, the northeast corner, those persons were compensated. Also, at the Kentucky Fried Chicken, they took a very small portion there. The gentleman that sits on the northwest corner, they took a small portion and replaced the fence there for him, so you'll see work begi'.., that's supposed to began on the 12<sup>th</sup> but it's only gonna be minor. They said there was no concern for the election, the stop of traffic or anything like that, they're just gonna be out there more or less doing a little surveying, if you will. And the big work will begin when the kids are out of school for spring, f or spring break. So, we, so we wanted to let the community know what type of work it actually was gonna be taking place on, on S Avenue.

The [pause]... I don't know if, if Madam Chair wants me to go into my comments or just Board reports, Madam?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** You can go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Okay. Okay...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Did anybody else have any comment'.., I mean, committee reports? Okay. Go ahead.

### **STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Also, the committee report from the, from the MPO, the TriRail station, we have a subcommittee that puts into.., that's being put in place to talk about each municipalities role or impact if TriRail comes to our particular area. They are

still looking, more or less if it comes to the area of Riviera Beach, it would be 13<sup>th</sup> and the, and the railroad track, that would be where it would be, across from the old drive-in theater. But, that's years away because a lot of that money is being expected to be paid by the municipalities that actually want those stations. So, it's still a long way down the road but the subcommittee is meeting right now.

The other thing that I wanted to say, from my Councilperson not a, not a committee report is this, you know, we are talking next week about having a discussion about decorum and I think one thing is this, and for me, especially for me, pers'..., well, personally for me, I think that goes two ways. I am not a, a person that didn't get into this to fight for all of the residents, for a better quality of life, not just for some people but for all of us to take part in living a better quality of life, economically, socially, the whole gamut. So, to think for one minute that, um, one person came up and made a comment about unqualifica'..., Staff being unqualified and us having people in here..., we're hiring people that are, that are unqualified. We know, we know that, that's..., we know what that is talking about, but it's, but it's something untrue. And for me, I'm not going to sit here and be degraded or demoralized by any person, be they white or be they black, that comes up here and says stuff that's blatantly disrespectful and not true. So, for me to show some kind of decorum, I'm going to do that, but I am not going to let anybody come up here and disrespect me when it has been allowed over and over again and has been done from that microphone. And I think tonight, it just went a little bit too far for my liking and anybody that thinks that, that they deserve that kind of berating, I'm, I'm sorry for them, but I don't think any of us deserve that level of berating and, and I don't think anybody up here should let it go unaddressed.

Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Ms. Davis Johnson.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** I just want to make the residents of the Riviera Beach Heights area aware that we are planning an April meeting with FDOT to talk about the roadwork and I., and the boundaries for the work., roadwork that's currently going on. It is from, it is from Avenue O to the Port, along MLK from 4<sup>th</sup> Street to 13<sup>th</sup> Street along President Barack Obama Highway. There's also some construction that will happen along the northside of MLK to Avenue U, two blocks east and what we wanna talk about it is, we heard that the residents' position and they requested that there not be a wall placed on the northside of, of MLK and we are moving forward with that. You can see that the design has changed somewhat. So, we'll talk about that and, and it is our hope that FDOT will have some photographs of what the expectation for the revisions to the work will be. So, just stayed tuned. Pascale and I will be sending out a letter to the residents in the area that will be affected, so that you can come out here to the Chambers to learn about the revisions to the plan.

Nothing further.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. I have a couple questions. Ms. Hoskins, the..., can you give me an update on the..., there were some questions that were posed to

you about the union. I'm not sure what you can comment on, being that there are some negotiations going on but there were a few questions that were asked, and I don't know if Mr. Sherman or Mr. Degraffenreidt needs to help out in the explanation.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** As it relates to the union, and you're speaking about SEIU?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I believe there is a question regarding why they were not granted the 3% at October 1 and, from what I understand, is that the union decided to forego the 3% at October 1 and to come to wait for the management study to be completed. So, that was..., that's the answer to that question.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** As it relates to the other two items, which was the PTO and the longevity, [pause]... And the, the study was a much better deal for them overall. They'll be receiving a 3%, I mean, 11% increase in pay, versus a two, 2 to 3% increase in pay. The..., and for those employees did not..., that did not receive anything as it relates to the study, they will..., you all approved the..., giving them at least 3% effective April 1<sup>st</sup>. And that brings everyone up to the market rate, based on the study. [Pause]. And I think that's all I have. [Pause].

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** And when...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** The SEIU...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...negotiated and agreed to the PTO, which takes away the sick and vacation time and it makes it PTO, it gives the employees more flexibility, and 100% of the PTO is useable for overtime calculation as compared to now, when an employee takes sick time, that's not calculated when you have over'..., overtime, if you don't make up those eight hours. The accumulation of PTO is not capped, as was sick and vacation time. And, under the sick and vacation leave policy, sick leave cannot be used, as I said, in the calculation of overtime. And now, all PTO time is compens'..., compensatable time, for overtime calculation.

SEIU also agreed to the longevity contract change in 2014. For those employees [pause]... No, that was PM'..., PMSA got rid of their longevity, is that correct, Mr. Sherman? [Pause]. That was PMSA, so we started with PMSA and the plan was to move to the rest of the unions as it relates to longevity. [Pause].

That's all I have.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And then, the other thing is the, the..., what's the status on the Alpha's with the Riviera Beach Marine Academy?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** As, um, our conversation earlier this week, we realized that that Item had been tabled at a previous meeting, so we have to bring that Item back for you all, again, to execute the lease. And I wanted to add it to this Agenda, however, you know, you stated that it was too late for me to add it to the March 21<sup>st</sup> Agenda. I did speak with Mr. Fields today...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** The Agenda for today?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Today's Agenda?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yes.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Not the...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Today's.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...March 21<sup>st</sup>?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I mean, yeah.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** For today's Agenda.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Mhmm.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** [Inaudible].

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Pardon me?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hmm?

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Yeah, you're right. And, I did speak with Mr. Fields today and, as it relates to the water turned on, they wanna get in and finish cleaning up. There is a, a 10-day grace period where they're able to go in and do the cleanup. So, they will be able to get in and turn on the water and do.., finish the cleanup of the building.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** So, for the late addition of it, it was because we were waiting to try to find out more information on something. Correct? 'Cause I know the last thing was for you to check with Mr. Degraffenreidt for a few things that you were trying to ensure were appropriate or has been ironed out and then we could bring it back.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** No. It was just the.., we figured out that the Item was tabled back in, what, January and that we needed to untable it and bring the Resolution and the lease back. And that was, what, Wednesday or Thursday when we spoke and I asked if I could add that Item and you didn't want me to add it because we already had several Items on the Agenda, and you asked that we wait 'til the March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.



**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. Alright. And then also, I don't know, this is for the Council, I know we received the City Manager applications on Monday, I believe, because the window closed on last Thursday, on the 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, is there something [stammer], when are we.., 'cause we don't have.., we haven't discussed a timeline or anything of what, what, what's the next step. We have the applications, but we haven't discussed the next step from there.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** We haven't received the timeline as we did, as we did before. I thought that we would have by now, you know, back into it like we did from the.., with the other one, [inaudible]. But, I guess, I thought, you know, Staff would create that timeline and present it to, to us as it was done before.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** As I stated in a previous meeting, that you just need to give me direction on what date you would like to have the City Manager hired by. And I will back into that timeline. So, if you give me a date of, when you would like to have the City Manager hired by, I will be glad to provide you a timeline backing into that date.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I think that date should be given after the election. We're only a few days out and we don't know what this Board's gonna change or not, but there's no need to give a date now. I think whoever is elected should be a part of that decision. I think that should be a conversation after the election, in all fairness.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Well, I think in all fairness for.., we're.., there's just three of us here, just for us to provide a date. Obviously, the election is on Tuesday, so we won't be able.., we won't be having another meeting before the 21<sup>st</sup>, so, I think at that point, we can have a discussion as to...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Right.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...what our timeline is going to be and then we can figure it out from there.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** I disagree that we can.., we need to wait until after the election to give the timeline because we are saying that we would hire after the

election and they would be able to review, whomever is elected or retained, they would be able to review those applications, so providing Staff with a date so that they can prepare a timeline, I do not believe is.., would cause any hiccup or impediment to the process. And, you know, it's unfortunate that we are the three, but the business of the City continues. And so, I believe that in all fairness, we should be looking to a May date for hiring a City Manager, thereby giving us an opportunity, number one, to review the applications that have been provided to us, and whomever is retained or elected will be able to go through those as well, but having a date.., providing Staff with an opportunity to draft the timeline, is not improper in my mind.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** No. I don't have a problem with them doing.., going ahead and doing that, but do we know... I mean, I just brought it up. I can't really say that I came tonight to prepare with date and ti'.., and you know, not even a, a Item of what ti'.., what date to do. But if we want to sit here and just look at our calendar and just pick a date, then, I mean, we can but that, I mean, I didn't come prepared to do that tonight. I just wanted to bring, bring it up because it had not been brought up and I hadn't heard anything, you know, we hadn't discussed anything about it. So, that was my reason for bringing it up tonight. But, if we have some sort of date in mind, then [pause] we can do that. I, I didn't come prepared to throw a date out there.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Well...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Do you have something? You said May?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** May. Because we still need an opportunity to have those individuals whittled down, that's going to be a process of a week or two and then we've gotta think about.., we have done some preliminary information as it relates to the applications but we need to vet and go through and even extend an invitation for those folks to inter'.., interview. So, I'm just thinking that a period of 60 days, or a little over that, would get us to that May time period.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Ms. Hubbard.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I agree. That's, that, that's an adequate amount of time.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. So, we're talking the [stammer], beginning, middle or end of May?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** [Inaudible] the end.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yeah. I say end too.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Anyone have a suggestion? May 31<sup>st</sup>?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's the end.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** June 1<sup>st</sup>? It's a Friday.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** And you wouldn't have someone start on Friday. We would...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** The 4<sup>th</sup>?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** June 4<sup>th</sup>? May...

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** May thir'...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...28<sup>th</sup>?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Well, May 28<sup>th</sup> is a holiday.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh. That's Memorial Day.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Well, we can decide the...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** We can go with...

[Inaudible dais comment]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...May 18<sup>th</sup> or May tw'..., May..., well, that week?

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** The 21<sup>st</sup>?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Mhmm. Starting on the... Mhmm.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Now, the other que'..., May 21<sup>st</sup> is what Ms. Davis Johnson [inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** That's a Monday.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** It's a Monday. Ms. Hoskins, is hanging in there until then?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Of course.

[Chuckles]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Of course.

**UNK.:** When were you leaving?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** When...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Whenever....

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...when we hired...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...whenever you need...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** ...someone.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** ...me. I'm here to serve you. I'm the.., I'm a public servant, so if you need me 'til May 19<sup>th</sup>, I'd...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** We'll, we'll back that in when we get a Manager, like you're backing everything else in tonight. [Chuckle]. Back that in too, on the timeline.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. So...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh, go ahead.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** I do have a vacation planned for June though, June.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. So, May...

[Inaudible dais comment]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...21<sup>st</sup>...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Start date...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** That's that Friday.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** of May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** May 21<sup>st</sup> is that Monday. So, May 21<sup>st</sup> is what we want to have the timeline set...

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...around?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Tentatively. [Inaudible] tonight, right?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** The 21<sup>st</sup>.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. I said 21<sup>st</sup>. Oh.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** I'm looking down at the Mayor.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay. And those were my only three items. That's it. I just., again, I just wanted to say thank you to all of the Citizen Leadership Academy participants for hanging in there and, and I hope that you all learned a great deal amount of information that would help you in your community, so that you could be the community leaders that you all displayed in the meetings.

I also wanted to make mention that a portion of the Utility stipend, when we did budg'.., when we had our budget meetings, as you all know, I have not ever taken the stipend but this last budget cycle I did ask for the funds to be budgeted so that education.., some sort of education programs could be put into place and so, this was one of the projects that was utilized with the Utility stipend money. It., nowhere near \$12,000 was spent. So, there's act'.., there's still money there if there's to be maybe a, a second or third Citizen Leadership Academy done to run us through FY18's budget. So, just know that that money is still available there but that is what the Utility stipend that I am allotted for was utilized.., that's what it went towards, a portion of it went to that.

I think that's it for me.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** May I circle back?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** I would like to circle back.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** I would like to thank those that participated in the How to Do Business with the City of Riviera Beach workshop on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. It was a wonderfully attended event and, out of that, we heard what the local small businesses need for additional workshops and technical assistance, and so, what we will be doing is offering a series of workshops that will be provided based on the needs and the requests of our local small businesses. So, kudos to you all for coming out and certainly for Staff assisting with it and we are certainly looking forward to moving forward with those workshops.

And then finally, if you ha'.., if you don't know, the Riviera Beach Heights Community Center is out of the ground. It is moving right along, and we anticipate that we will move in right at school time. So, we are excited. We are now in the stages of figuring out what programming is going to look like and how that space will be utilized but it is a fully.., it will be a fully functioning community center, so I am looking forward to the grand opening and certainly, when we get to that point, we will announce what that date will be and it will be our pleasure to have you join us.

Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Go ahead.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I'm gonna try to rush this and I've got about five minutes, probably not that long. 561...

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Seven.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Seven? Okay. 561-247-2713. That's another number giving out. 561-247-2713, as it relates to a ride to the polls, as it relates to people that need to get ballots turned in. 247-2713.

Madam Clerk, how much does it cost the City to hold this election?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mayor, I do not have any figures in front of me regarding the cost of the election. [Inaudible]...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Does the City pay..., we had over 4,500 absentee ballots that were mailed, only about 1,000 have come in so far. Question, does the City have to pay for the, the mailing of those ballots?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yes, we do.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** What happens if someone has a ballot and, and has not turned it in and when election day comes, what should they do? What would your advice be? Do they have to take the ballot to the polling...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mayor, in my position, I cannot give advice on that.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No, what do you mean? You're the City Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I understand my position. However, I cannot give advice..., I cannot advise anyone on what to do with their absentee ballot, on that day.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, if someone brings it to you, to the City Clerk's office, what do you do then?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** If someone comes to the City Clerk's office with their absentee ballot, we direct them to the Supervisor of Elections office.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Is there a number that they can call? Do you know that number?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The, the number for the Supervisor of Elections office is 561-656-6200.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** But hasn't it not been a policy in the past that if someone has a ballot, they haven't mailed it in, they are told to bring it to the polling place, their ballot and then they're allowed to vote? You're, you're not aware of that?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I don't...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...do the poll worker training. That would be the Supervisor of Elections office.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Well, if someone has a ballot, call me, I'll get it in. 247-2713.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I did say it, I've said it again.

The other thing, Madam..., Mr. Attorney, since I've been here tonight, there's been someone outside taking a picture of my private car because I have Dr. Botel signs on my car. Now, is that a problem? [Stammer] is that a legal problem or, is there something that says I shouldn't have anyone's signs on my car, political, when I come to meetings. Is that...

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** Not that I'm aware of.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I'm not aware of that either, that's crazy. So, whoever took that picture, enjoy it. Thank you.

Also, while I have you, we've..., I've gotten a complaint that the Mayor has been out during daytime, putting out hundreds of, of, of signs in yards, of course, with permission, is there [stammer] anything that says that during the daytime, that I have to be at a certain place at a certain time? I have to be at the City by so many hours?

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** Are you asking me?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I'm asking you.

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** I don't know of any policy that describes time...

[Inaudible dais comment]

**CITY ATTORNEY DEGRAFFENREIDT:** ...for any position, to be anywhere.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

[Inaudible dais comment]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** The other thing is, I've heard some people mention about the City, poor City, um, this and, and that. I wanna kinda clarify that. No, Riviera Beach is a City like any other City. We, we have pockets that have unemployment, pockets that could be considered poorer than others, as we have other areas that are richer than others, but when someone, a, um, teacher, or someone elects to teach at a title one school, be it black, be it Hispanic or be it white, it doesn't have anything to do with, with race. The government will give you some type of relief if you had went to college with student loans, they will pay about half of those loans back if you volunteer or if you go into a title one school. And that's not saying the whole is, is poor. So, I, I think that was taken out of context, Dr. Botel.

The other thing I want to say is the...

[Inaudible comment]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...on the last Council meeting, I did ask for an apology for being accused by Councilwoman Pardo of stealing signs in the middle of the night, Singer Island whatever, but I.., and, as we were walking out, I said to her, I said, 'Councilwoman Pardo, I really think you owe me an apology because you ought to know better.' And she said, I wish she was here, but it was picked up by a, a camera, 'Wait on it.' And, she also said, 'Get away from me.' Well, I did receive an apology from a voter, I would take it from Singer Island, who apologized to me for that kind of accusation. They said, 'Mr. Mayor, we know you and we know better, and maybe when Ms. Pardo said, 'Get away from her,' maybe she was talking about hundreds of people, that may need to get away as well.

Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Motion to adjourn.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Hold on, hold on, hold on. Ms. Hoskins wanted to say something.

**CITY MANAGER HOSKINS:** Chair, Councilwoman Pardo, she had a death in the family, so that's why she's not here tonight and Councilperson TD Davis attended the School Board's Superintendent decision meeting tonight. And he stated that, that was one of the most important decisions in the county would be made tonight, so that's why he's not here tonight.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Motion...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS JOHNSON:** Motion to adjourn.

[Inaudible comments]

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second... Do we have a second?



**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Second.

**CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright.

[Gavel] [End of video]

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