MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
August 27, 2024
3000 Bellemead Drive, Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR

Present: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky
Staff: City Manager Kurt Swartzlander, City Clerk Cheri Schwab, City Attorney Paul Waters, Community Services Director Stewart Cruz, Finance Director Lory Irwin, and Public Safety Director Michael Fowler.

2. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK

3. PRAYER

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. CEREMONIAL ITEMS, PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC NOTICES:

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. City Commission Minutes July 23, 2024

VICE MAYOR MICHAEL POLITIS moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER CHRIS CONOMOS to Approve the City Commission Minutes of July 23, 2024.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

B. City Commission Workshop Minutes July 23, 2024

COMMISSIONER CHRIS CONOMOS moved, seconded by VICE MAYOR MICHAEL POLITIS to Approve the City Commission Workshop Minutes of July 23, 2024.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. July Public Safety report

B. Community Services Department Monthly Report - July 2024

C. Approval of Interlocal with County for transportation capacity impacts

D. Seventh Amendment to Agreement Between the City of Daytona Beach Shores and the County of Volusia Regarding the Provision of Fire Suppression Services

E. June and July Executive Financial Report

F. 2616 S. Atlantic Avenue Indemnification Agreement Between 91 ONEIDA, LLC and the City of Daytona Beach Shores

COMMISSIONER STEPHAN DEMBINSKY moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER MARK CARD to Approve the consent agenda.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

8. QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING

A. Regular Site Plan RSP12023048: SHORES DEPOT - ALL ABOARD STORAGE Interior Storage Facility, 2616 S. Atlantic Avenue

Community Services Director Stewart Cruz read the agenda item for the record. He explained that due to a posting issue the item would need to be continued until the next scheduled meeting.
VICE MAYOR MICHAEL POLITIS moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER STEPHAN DEMBINSKY to Continue the Site Plan RSP12023048 until the next regular meeting on September 9, 2024.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

9. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Ordinance 2024-20 Service Use Charge-Lien for Unpaid Bills

The City Attorney read the ordinance by title only. Director Lory Irwin explained this was the second reading and there had been no changes.
COMMISSIONER CHRIS CONOMOS moved, seconded by VICE MAYOR MICHAEL POLITIS to Adopt Ordinance 2024-20 on second reading.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

10. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution 2024-12 Certifying Election Results

The City Attorney read the resolution by title only. It was explained that this was a charter referendum regarding extending term limits that failed.
VICE MAYOR MICHAEL POLITIS moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER CHRIS CONOMOS to

Adopt Resolution 2024-12 on first reading.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

B. Consideration of Employee Raises

This was a discussion item during the last workshop. The consensus was to award every employee with a $1.30 per hour increase on October 1st and again on April 1st. The standard merit increase proposed, based on the employee's evaluation score, would also be awarded effective October 1st. This would be an increase to the budget in the amount of $40,900. The entire city commission stated their appreciation of the employees. They wish to retain the current staff who work hard making the city look beautiful.
COMMISSIONER STEPHAN DEMBINSKY moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER MARK CARD to Approve Consideration of Employee Raises.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

C. Consideration of City Manager Salary Increase

Per the City Manager's contract, the City Manager should receive any increase granted across the board to all salaried city employees. An increase of $1.30 will be awarded on Oct 1st and again on April 1st.
COMMISSIONER MARK CARD moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER CHRIS CONOMOS to Approve the same increase for the City Manager as all other employees per the contract.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

D. Approval of New City Manager Evaluation Form

This evaluation form was thoroughly discussed at the last workshop and given consensus approval. The City Manager has also agreed to this new format beginning in 2025.
COMMISSIONER CHRIS CONOMOS moved, seconded by VICE MAYOR MICHAEL POLITIS to Approve the New City Manager Evaluation Form.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

E. Consideration of moving Alternate Member to Regular status for Planning & Zoning Board

Mayor Miller stated that Jeni Groot-Begnaud had resigned due to out-of-state employment. There are currently two alternates on the board, Guy Desai and Chris Pollard, who both wish to be moved to regular status. The Mayor explained that Mr. Desai had more seniority as an alternate and would like to appoint him.
VICE MAYOR MICHAEL POLITIS moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER CHRIS CONOMOS to Appoint Alternate Member Guy Desai to Regular status on the Planning & Zoning Board.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 5 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Vice Mayor Michael Politis, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

F. Discussion on Andrinopoulos Park naming rights

City Attorney Paul Waters provided background on the naming of Andrinopoulos Park. When the property was purchased in 2005, it included a provision to name the park after his family. Mr. Andrinopoulos would like to sell the naming rights back to the city for $250,000. Vice Mayor Politis suggested advertising it for any business or resident to purchase the rights. They could make an offer to Mr. Andrinopoulos directly. The remaining commissioners felt that would put the city in the middle of negotiations. It was also discussed that a name the city didn't approve of could be chosen by the buyer.

COMMISSIONER STEPHAN DEMBINSKY moved, seconded by COMMISSIONER MARK CARD to Approve Discussion on Andrinopoulos Park naming rights.
Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary**: Yes = 4 No = 0).
Yes: Mayor Nancy Miller, Commissioner Chris Conomos, Commissioner Mark Card, Commissioner Stephan Dembinsky

11. CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS

The City Attorney had no additional comments.

12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

City Manager Kurt Swartzlander thanked the employees for their hard work and was very appreciative of the pay increases. The update for Live Meeting Manager is ready to be utilized. He proposed a training workshop before the next meeting to show everyone how it works. An update on dune walkovers was provided. He was approached by a citizen who would like to hold community condominium meetings at the Community Center to discuss the new state requirements. There was a concern that if a fee wasn't charged, it was not fair to HOA groups that want to meet and are charged. The Mayor would like the citizen to come before the commission with a more formal request. Mr. Swartzlander said he had the privilege and honor of swearing in Nancy Miller as the President of the FL League of Mayors last week. Finally, the County just announced that Peck Park will re-open on Saturday, August 31st.

13. COMMISSION COMMENTS:

Mayor Miller announced the next Coffee with the Mayor would be Sept. 11th. The guest speaker will be Sheriff Mike Chitwood. On Sept. 21st, the County Coastal Cleanup will occur.
Commissioner Dembinsky would like an item on the next agenda regarding condominiums on the oceanside with damage to their seawalls. The county is requiring that vegetation and sand be placed on the eastern side of the new seawall for protection. He is concerned because most tides come up to the seawall and everything will get washed away. This could become very costly to maintain. The other option the county provided was to pay them to handle the situation. City staff have been in touch with both county staff and councilmembers regarding the issue.

14. AUDIENCE REMARKS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ed Offerman stated that he appreciated the employees and the hard work they do. He commended the commission for the extra increase they awarded all employees. He thanked the commission for their discussion regarding Andrinopoulos Park and was appreciative they didn't spend tax dollars on the rights. Mr. Offerman was very concerned about the county requiring most condos to supply sand and plants to rebuild the beach on the eastern side of the seawalls. He has reached out to the

County Council and will continue to do so.

Sandy Cook felt any community condominium meeting should occur at a neutral site like the Drive In Church. She felt that the individual condominiums didnt' have enough parking to hold a gathering in the social room.

15. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR THE NEXT AGENDA:

Discussion on condominium fees to the county for sand and vegetation.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting ended at 7:16 pm .

MAYOR
NANCY MILLER

CITY MANAGER
KURT D. SWARTZLANDER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK, CHERI SCHWAB