



~ Final Minutes ~

City of Fort Walton Beach Regular Meeting of the City Council of Fort Walton Beach

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

6:00 PM

107 Miracle Strip Parkway
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

CALL TO ORDER

6:00 PM Meeting was called to order on May 8, 2018 at Council Chamber, 107 Miracle Strip Parkway SW, Fort Walton Beach, FL.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Dick Rynearson	Mayor	Present	
Nic Allegretto	Council Member	Present	
Mike Holmes	Council Member	Present	
Amy Jamieson	Council Member	Present	
Diane Keller	Council Member	Present	
John Mead	Council Member	Present	
David Schmidt	Council Member	Present	
Scott Smith	Council Member	Present	

INVOCATION

Pastor George W. Shealy, The Rock Ministries of Fort Walton Beach, led in the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The vote on the motion to approve the agenda as presented carried unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Amy Jamieson, Council Member
SECONDER:	Diane Keller, Council Member
AYES:	Allegretto, Holmes, Jamieson, Keller, Mead, Schmidt, Smith

RECOGNITIONS—Student ACE Awards

The Mayor presented the Student ACE Awards to George Hass of Choctawhatchee High School and Orlando Espinoza of Fort Walton Beach High School.

PROCLAMATION

The Mayor read a proclamation for City Clerk's Week from May 6th to May 12th and presented it to City Clerk Kim Barnes.

CONSENT AGENDA

The vote on the motion to approve the Consent Agenda carried unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Amy Jamieson, Council Member
SECONDER:	Diane Keller, Council Member
AYES:	Allegretto, Holmes, Jamieson, Keller, Mead, Schmidt, Smith

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the Special and Regular Council Meeting minutes of April 24, 2018.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Please limit comments to three (3) minutes.)

Mike Anderson, 8 Carlisle Court, praised City Staff for their timely responses and assistance during the recent tornado. He also noted that Construction Junction was a great activity, and that the Police Department is assisting various organizations on the issue of homelessness in the area. He discussed the Strategic Planning Session and urged Council to keep/add new items in the plan such as community policing efforts, excess properties, and expansion of the CRA District.

ORDINANCES-FIRST READING--1989 Ordinance Amending COO Chapter 11 Traffic and Vehicles

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WALTON BEACH, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTION 11.04 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING; PROVIDING FOR CONSISTENCY WITH THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The City Attorney read Ordinance 1989 on first reading.

Police Chief Ed Ryan advised the current procedure for citizens to appeal a parking citation is to request a hearing through the Police Department representative, the Patrol Division Commander, who is in the chain of command of the Police Officer who wrote the citation. This relationship presents the potential for conflicts when considering an appeal. Chief Ryan continued that the Code Enforcement Board is responsible for hearing cases related to violations of the Code of Ordinances and Land Development Code. The Code Enforcement Board's familiarity with the quasi-judicial process makes the Board an appropriate alternative to the current method of appeal.

The proposed amendment to Section 11.04 of the Code of Ordinances is to transfer the parking citation appeals hearings from the "Chief of Police or a designee" to the Code Enforcement Board. Within the proposed process, citizens shall submit a City Parking Appeal Request form within three (3) days of the issuance of the parking citation. Staff will then place the request on the next scheduled Code Enforcement Board meeting agenda in order to appeal the citation.

The vote on the motion to adopt ordinance 1989 on first reading carried unanimously.

RESULT:	FIRST READING [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 5/22/2018 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Amy Jamieson, Council Member	
SECONDER:	Diane Keller, Council Member	
AYES:	Allegretto, Holmes, Jamieson, Keller, Mead, Schmidt, Smith	

APPOINTMENTS—Mayor Pro Tem

The Mayor advised a Mayor Pro Tem needs to be appointed to serve until March 31, 2019. Council Member Jamieson volunteered to serve.

The vote on the motion to appoint Council Member Jamieson to serve as Mayor Pro Tem until March 31, 2019 carried unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Diane Keller, Council Member
SECONDER:	John Mead, Council Member
AYES:	Allegretto, Holmes, Jamieson, Keller, Mead, Schmidt, Smith

Purchase of FY 2017-18 Recreation Jerseys

Jeff Peters, Recreational/Cultural Services Director, informed Council that the City's Recreation Department sends out bid requests for sports uniforms every year. Due to an increase in participation and the selection of a higher quality uniform, the total cost for uniforms for the FY 2017-18 year will exceed the amount required to be submitted to Council for approval. The increase in participation also increased sponsorships and the total cost will be covered by the fees and sponsorships.

The vote on the motion to authorize the purchase of athletic jerseys for the City's athletic programs for FY 2017-18 in a not-to-exceed amount of \$30,000 from Tuck Enterprise carried unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nic Allegretto, Council Member
SECONDER:	David Schmidt, Council Member
AYES:	Allegretto, Holmes, Jamieson, Keller, Mead, Schmidt, Smith

Future City Council Workshops & Special Meetings

The City Manager advised that at the April 6, 2018 Strategic Planning Session, Staff recommended several items for Council's consideration, including continuing the Strategic Planning discussion over the next 6 to 12 months, completing existing projects, conducting workshops for specific topics, and meeting in April 2019 to create a new Strategic Plan.

Staff recommends the following schedule for City Council Workshops: Public Safety- May 15, 2018 at the FWB Library; Annexations/Growth of the City - Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at the FWB Library; Facilities Plan, Field Office Complex (Special Meeting) - June 27, 2018 in the Council Chambers; Golf Club/Recreation - July 10, 2018 at the FWB Recreation Center; Half-Cent Sales Tax Initiative (Special Meeting) - TBD in the Council Chambers; and Beautification/Designation of City Limits - August 21, 2018 at the FWB Library. All meetings will be at 5:30 pm unless noted.

The Workshops will be held in an informal setting (similar to Strategic Planning) and will be a discussion amongst City Council and Staff. However, there may be some topics in which public input will be necessary and invited. The public is invited to attend all meetings.

The vote on the motion to approve the calendar for upcoming City Council Workshops and Special Meetings based on the 2018 Strategic Planning Session carried unanimously.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Amy Jamieson, Council Member
SECONDER:	Diane Keller, Council Member
AYES:	Allegretto, Holmes, Jamieson, Keller, Mead, Schmidt, Smith

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

The City Manager announced the first Council Workshop on Public Safety on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 5:30 pm at the Library; the City Council Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 6:00 pm; the Okaloosa County League of Cities Dinner/Meeting, hosted by Fort Walton Beach, on Thursday, July 19, at 5:30 pm; and the Florida League of Cities Annual Conference August 16-18, 2018 in Hollywood, Florida.

The City Manager noted that bids are being sent out for the Gulfview renovation and work is anticipated to be completed in approximately four months.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

No report.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Mike Holmes

None.

Council Member Amy Jamieson

Council Member Jamieson attended a class in Orlando for the TPO Committee.

Council Member Diane Keller

Council Member Keller thanked Council for allowing her to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the previous year.

Council Member John Mead

None.

Council Member David Schmidt

None.

Council Member Scott Smith

None.

Council Member Nic Allegretto

Council Member Allegretto signed up for the Police Department's HOPE (Honorary Officer Police Experience) Program that will meet once a month for the next 5 months, and that he is thoroughly enjoying it.

Mayor Dick Rynearson

The Mayor announced the Police Memorial Service Friday, May 11, 2018 at 6:50 am at the Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT 6:36 PM