



MINUTES
ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS
REGULAR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING

Founders Park Community Center
87000 Overseas Highway
Islamorada, FL 33036
Thursday, April 21, 2022
5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Mayor Pete Bacheler called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Acting Village Clerk Stephanie Conde called the roll with the following Council members being present on roll call: Mayor Pete Bacheler, Vice Mayor Henry Rosenthal, Councilman Mark Gregg, Councilman Buddy Pinder, and Councilman David Webb.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA: Requests for Deletion / Emergency Additions

Councilman David Webb requested Tab 10 (Village Council, Staff, and Committee Appointee Business Interest Disclosure) to be moved to the beginning of the agenda and Councilman Mark Gregg requested Tab 4 be moved up (Request of CBT Construction & Development Inc. For a 5COP Alcoholic Beverage Use Permit for Property Located at 90184 Overseas Highway) and Tab 11 (Attorney Evaluation) to be removed to the next meeting.

CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATES

Parks and Recreation Citizens' Advisory Committee

Carolyn Wightman provided the update.

Land Acquisition Advisory Committee

John Kocol provided the update and requested Council adopt a resolution urging Governor DeSantis to veto SB 2508, a conforming appropriations bill Environmental Resources, which includes changes to the Rural and Family Lands Protection Program which could weaken the Florida Forever program.

Vice Mayor Henry Rosenthal made a motion to Adopt the resolution. Councilman Mark Gregg seconded the motion. Council voted and the motion passed 5-0.

TAB 10 - Village Council, Staff, and Committee Appointee Business Interest Disclosure

Mayor Pete Bacheler opened public comment. Van Cadenhead, Sue Miller, Phyllis Mitchell, and Martha Edwards offered their opinions on the matter. Mayor Pete Bacheler closed public comment. Council directed staff to develop disclosure recommendations, research the formation of an ethics commission, and requested a charter amendment to be placed on the November 2022 ballot.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Johnson, Van Cadenhead, Joan Scholz, and Sue Miller spoke on items not on the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

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Councilman Mark Gregg made a motion to approve. Mayor Pete Bacheler seconded the motion. Council voted and the motion passed 5-0

QUASI-JUDICIAL

TAB 4 - Resolution Considering the Request of CBT Construction & Development Inc. For a 5COP Alcoholic Beverage Use Permit for Property Located at 90184 Overseas Highway (File No.: PLAB20210152)

At 6:40 p.m. Attorney Roget Bryan introduced the request and Deputy Clerk Stephanie Conde swore in the witnesses and speakers. Council disclosed discussions they'd had on the subject. Assistant Planning Director Hank Flores summarized the proposal and distributed a draft list of proposed conditions to the applicant, administrative staff, and Council members.

Mayor Pete Bacheler opened public comment.

Speakers opposed included Eleanor Quigley, Angie Isalgue, Pascale Schiegel, Elizabeth Jolin, Jim Wycpalek, Jake Quigley, Erik Drayton, Sue Miller, Van Cadenhead, Sharon Fischer, and Georgia Wycpalek.

Speakers in favor included Andreas Hopman, Ash Krumar, Sage Smith, Larissa Base, Crystal Jones, Betty Base, Amy Osteen, Scott Base, Jose Herrera, and Angel Borden.

Mayor Pete Bacheler asked for a show of hands of audience members indicating those in favor and those opposed. The hand raisers in favor outnumbered those opposed.

Staff reviewed the list of conditions that were distributed with the applicant. Discussion ensued. Mayor Pete Bacheler offered the applicant an opportunity to rebut. Councilman David Webb suggested tabling the item. Planning Director Gulizio noted the resolution could be adopted and that staff would arrange a meeting with the applicant and interested parties to determine mutually agreeable conditions based on the list distributed.

Mayor Pete Bacheler moved to adopt the resolution as recommended by the Planning Director. Vice Mayor Henry Rosenthal seconded the motion. Council voted and the motion passed 4-1, with Councilman David Webb voting no.

8:32 p.m. Mayor Pete Bacheler recessed the meeting for a short break.

8:57 p.m. Mayor Pete Bacheler called the meeting back in to order with consideration of Tab 6.

TAB 6 - Resolution Considering the Request of The Moorings Islamorada, Inc., Witness Resources, Inc., and Baldwin Industrial Properties, Inc., to Abandon and Vacate a Portion of Industrial Road (File No.: PLRA20200075)

Mayor Pete Bacheler opened public comment.

Speakers opposed to the request included Geoff Pratt, Joan Scholz, and Van Cadenhead.

Speakers in support of the request included Mike Benninger, Craig McBay, and John Kocol.

Councilman David Webb made a motion to approve. Mayor Pete Bacheler seconded the motion. Council voted and the motion passed 5-0

ORDINANCES

9:40 p.m. TAB 3 - First Reading: Ordinance Amending Chapter 30, Land Development Regulations To Establish Provisions for Operation of Farmers' Markets

9:58 p.m. Mayor Pete Bacheler made a motion to extend the meeting 30 more minutes. Councilman David Webb seconded the motion.

10:29 p.m. Councilman David Webb made a motion to extend the meeting 30 more minutes. Councilman Mark Gregg seconded the motion.

Mayor Pete Bacheler opened public comment.

Speakers included Alison, Andrea, Van Cadenhead, Ty Harris, Jae Jantz, Angel Borden, Darice Hofstein, Nancy Fernandez, Ramiro Rivera, Anita Brooks, Khalid, and Harolyn Keeney.

Mayor Pete Bacheler closed public comment at 10:55 p.m.

10:57 p.m. Mayor Pete Bacheler made a motion to extend the meeting 30 more minutes. Councilman Buddy Pinder seconded the motion.

After extended discussion, the consensus was that more information was needed, and it was suggested to table the item to a future agenda.

Councilman David Webb made a motion to table. Mayor Pete Bacheler seconded the motion. Council voted and the motion passed 5-0

RESOLUTIONS

TAB 5 - Resolution Approving Warranty Deed for the Conveyance of a Land Dedication by Application of Patricia Robertson for Property Located at 213 Pearl Avenue with RE#: 00433500-000000 for Building Permit: #PRSFC202100577

Councilman David Webb made a motion to approve. Mayor Pete Bacheler seconded the motion. Council voted and the motion passed 5-0

MAYOR / COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Request to Move May 12, 2022, RVCM to May 19, 2022 (Councilman Webb) – Councilman Webb withdrew the request.

Due to the late hour the remaining items were tabled to the May 12 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT – 11:16 p.m.

Councilman David Webb made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pete Bacheler seconded the motion.



Marne McGrath, Village Clerk

Video of meeting:

<https://view.earthchannel.com/PlayerController.aspx?&PGD=ismrada&eID=471>