

**CITY OF PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017, 9:00 A.M.**

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Cummings, Matthews, Prafke, Wein

COUNCILMEMBERS EXCUSED: Keesling

CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Dave Drury, Finance; Rick Keeney, Public Works; Tom Jackson, Utilities; Phil Wickstrom, Human Resources; Teri Tubbs, Urban Design; Jason Ciaschini, Police; Ray Briggs, Fire; City Attorney Levin; City Manager Kunik; City Clerk Smith

Vice Mayor Wein called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Invocation was given by Mr. John Burrage, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATIONS

ARCHway Institute for Mental Health and Addictive Disorders Day

Councilmember Prafke presented the proclamation, which was accepted by Mr. Dan Stuckey.

11th Annual Peace River National Art Festival Weekend

Councilmember Matthews read the proclamation, noting Ms. Janet Watermeier was not present to accept.

Florida Surveyors and Mappers Week

Vice Mayor Wein presented the proclamation, which was accepted by Messrs. Derek Miller and Steven Ford.

10 Year Service Award – Kristin Simeone, Financial Analyst, Finance Department

City Manager Kunik presented the award to Ms. Kristin Simeone, Financial Analyst.

Ms. Sharon Knippenberg, Controller, spoke positively regarding Ms. Simeone's character and dedication to the Finance Department.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

GA-01-17 – An Ordinance relating to the provision of services, facilities, programs and local improvements in the City of Punta Gorda, Florida; authorizing the imposition and collection of assessments against property within the incorporated area of the City of Punta Gorda; providing certain definitions and defining the terms "assessment," "service assessment," and "capital assessment"; providing for the creation of assessment areas; establishing the procedures for imposing assessments; establishing procedures for notice and adoption of assessment rolls; providing that assessments constitute a lien on assessed

property upon adoption of the assessment roll; providing that the lien for an assessment collected pursuant to Sections 197.3632 and 197.3635, Florida Statutes, upon perfection shall attach to the property on the prior January 1, the lien date for ad valorem taxes; providing that a perfected lien shall be equal in rank and dignity with the liens of all state, county, district, or municipal taxes and assessments and superior in dignity to all other prior liens, mortgages, titles, and claims; authorizing exemptions and hardship assistance; providing procedures for collection of assessments; providing a mechanism for the imposition of assessments on government property; authorizing the issuance of obligations secured by assessments and providing for the terms thereof; providing that the City's taxing power shall not be pledged; providing remedies; deeming that pledged revenues shall be considered trust funds; providing for the refunding of obligations; providing for severability; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

FIRST READING

City Attorney Levin read the ordinance by title.

City Manager Kunik explained the law firm of Nabors Giblin & Nickerson had recommended the City adopt a general assessment ordinance for the purpose of establishing procedures and standards for the imposition of assessments, adding it did not affect the City's current imposition of special assessments for either canal maintenance or lot mowing but rather set the stage for any future assessments, such as the additional Harbor access (Alligator Creek cut-through) project.

Vice Mayor Wein called three times for public comment.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** to close the public hearing, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** approval of GA-01-17, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Prafke.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Quasi-Judicial Public Hearings

City Clerk Smith swore in the participants.

CP-01-17 – An Ordinance of the City Council of Punta Gorda, Florida, amending the City of Punta Gorda Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map for property generally described as 321 West Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda, Florida, and more particularly described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto, containing 24,118 square

feet+/-, from Low Density Residential/City (LDR/City) to Urban Village/City (UV/City); providing for conflict and severability; and providing an effective date.

FIRST READING

Z-01-17 - An Ordinance of the City Council of Punta Gorda, Florida, rezoning 24,118 square feet of property, generally described as 321 West Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda, Charlotte County, Florida, and being more particularly described in exhibit "A" attached hereto, from its current zoning classification of Neighborhood Residential (NR-10) to City Center (CC); providing for conflict and severability; and providing an effective date.

FIRST READING

City Attorney Levin stated with respect to CP-01-17 and Z-01-17, staff had received a request for intervenor status and a request for continuance, adding the attorney making the request would explain the necessity for same. He read both ordinances by title, advising if City Council continued the hearings, it would not be necessary to re-advertise them.

Ms. Katie Berkey, Paves Law Firm, stated she represented Mr. Paul Chupka and Ms. Janice Chupka, 401 West Retta Esplanade, adjacent to the subject property, noting they were opposed to the project. She requested City Council consider their request to intervene and to continue the hearing to the next City Council meeting date of April 5, 2017. She stated due to the small size of the community, her clients had difficulty retaining an attorney who had no conflict in this matter, which had caused a slight delay. She stated the applicant had extended an offer to meet outside of the public hearing process to discuss possible compromises which might alleviate her clients' concerns. She stated a continuance would give them an opportunity to meet and hopefully come to terms prior to the next meeting.

City Attorney Levin advised granting intervenor status and/or granting the continuance was within City Council's discretion, adding the discretion was usually upheld if challenged. He stated to intervene in a case of this nature, City ordinances required the intervenor show the potential impact to their interests was different in kind than to the public in general, noting the intervenor lived in the immediate proximity of the property; therefore, it would be appropriate to grant the intervenor's status and then determine whether to grant the continuance.

Councilmember Matthews pointed out the request was not filed with seven days, opining the outcome would be no different in three weeks. She stated time was a concern for the applicant who wished to move forward, inquiring if the applicant's attorney objected to a three week delay.

Ms. Geri Waksler, McCrory Law Firm, stated she represented Mr. Bruce Laishley and Ms. Barbara Laishley, applicants, responding they had spoken with Ms. Berkey and had no objection to the intervenor status or to the continuance. She stated although timeframes were a concern, Mr. Laishley felt it was important to work with the community, adding he welcomed the opportunity to meet with Ms. Berkey's client in an effort to resolve their differences outside of the public hearing forum.

Ms. Berkey stated she would be happy to provide the witness list, exhibit list and any written report seven days in advance of the continued hearing date.

Vice Mayor Wein disclosed he spoke with Mr. Laishley who indicated he had time constraints but had been able to work with his suppliers, and thus had no objection to the continuance.

Councilmember Prafke disclosed she also spoke to Mr. Laishley, stating she would prefer to give the parties an opportunity to work out their differences.

Councilmember Cummings disclosed he had a similar conversation with Mr. Laishley. Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** to grant intervenor status for CP-01-17 and Z-01-17, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** to continue CP-01-17 and Z-01-07 to April 5, 2017, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

SV-01-17 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Punta Gorda, Florida, vacating that 15 foot alley lying and being in Block 114, Nail's Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 1 Page 41, of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida, containing 10500.5 square feet more or less, and more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part thereof; and providing an effective date.

City Attorney Levin read the resolution by title.

Ms. Tubbs displayed an aerial view of the subject property, as delineated in the agenda material, stating the subject alley had not been improved, and all property owners on the block had agreed to the vacation via a signed affidavit. She concluded staff and the Planning Commission recommended approval.

City Attorney Levin confirmed the applicant would not be making a presentation.

Vice Mayor Wein called three times for public comment.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** to close the public hearing, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** approval of SV-01-17, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Prafke.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

V-03-17 – Request for a variance by Michael A. and Robin Ambrosino, property owners, for a variance pursuant to Chapter 26, Section 16.10, Punta Gorda Code, to allow the expansion of an existing non-conforming pool deck and addition of a screen enclosure creating a rear yard setback of 15.45 feet on the Northwest side and a rear yard setback of 8.53 feet on the Northeast side, instead of 20 feet as is required by Chapter 26, Section 3.13(d), Punta Gorda Code, for a single-family residence located in a General Single-Family zoning district and constructed in 1978. LEGAL: Punta Gorda Isles, Sec. 14, Blk 169, Lot 36 A/K/A: 1506 San Marino Ct., Punta Gorda, Florida CHARLOTTE COUNTY PARCEL ID: 412213180004

City Attorney Levin read the variance request by title.

Ms. Tubbs displayed an overhead and survey of the subject property, as delineated in the agenda material, explaining the configuration of the existing pool deck as well as the proposed change. She displayed photographs of the pool area and the existing screened lanai, noting the proposed change included removal of two windows in favor of a doorway for ease of access. She reported the Board of Zoning Appeals recommended approval; however, staff recommended denial as the request did not meet the criteria required for a variance.

Mr. Mike Ambrosino, applicant, explained the home was purchased in November 2015, adding he desired an enclosure so his family could enjoy the pool deck. He stated he was willing to forego the 20 foot setback approved by the BZA, adding he proposed to square off the deck in order to remove the windows and install a doorway. He asserted all of the homes in his neighborhood had pool cages, displaying photographs of some which were within the 20 foot setback. He stated four of his neighbors were in attendance this date to support his request, concluding he was willing to do whatever was necessary to obtain approval.

Ms. Kathleen Kingsley stated she had no objection to allowing the pool cage which would enhance Mr. Ambrosino's quality of life as well as her own property values. She noted it would not obstruct her view of the canal.

Ms. Kimberly Hiles stated she had no objection to the request, reiterating every home in the neighborhood had a pool cage. She stated installing the pool cage would improve safety for neighborhood children.

Mr. Carter Melton spoke in support of the request, opining being able to spend time outside on the lanai was a big part of enjoying the lifestyle of Punta Gorda.

Vice Mayor Wein called three times for public comment.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** to close the public hearing, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

City Attorney Levin inquired if the existing pool deck was constructed before the 20 foot setback went into effect.

Ms. Tubbs replied affirmatively.

City Attorney Levin stated because the pool deck was nonconforming, staff could not recommend approval of the pool cage as it would also be nonconforming. He explained the second issue was expansion of the existing nonconforming deck. He advised City Council's options were to approve the entire request, grant the variance with respect to the screen enclosure only or deny both requests.

Councilmember Matthews inquired if the right hand section of the deck could be removed and squared off to bring it more parallel to the seawall.

Ms. Tubbs voiced uncertainty whether same would create a structural issue with the pool, adding an engineering report might be required. She then displayed a rough sketch submitted by the applicant, as delineated in the agenda material, explaining he proposed the addition could be done at an angle.

Councilmember Matthews clarified she was suggesting removing the corner next to the existing screened porch, adding the setback would then be 10 feet for that section, and the deck would be more square.

Vice Mayor Wein inquired as to any structural impact to the seawall.

Ms. Tubbs replied there were none, noting the seawall was recently replaced.

Vice Mayor Wein inquired if an 8.5 foot setback would hinder access to the property in an emergency.

Mr. Ray Briggs, Fire Chief, replied in the negative.

Councilmember Prafke pointed out the house was conforming when originally constructed. She stated she was not inclined to allow an addition but would be amenable to adding a screen. She stated she had no objection to a 5 foot addition on the left but would not agree to extending it out to 20 feet.

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** to reopen the public hearing, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Prafke.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Mr. Ambrosino stated the original intent was to square off the deck; however, he conceded it was not necessary to add concrete, adding it could remain as is to avoid encroaching onto the seawall. He stated if he extended the left side of the deck to 20 feet, he would need only a standard permit to do so. He stated he could then install a cage over the allowable extension and the existing area.

Ms. Tubbs confirmed the applicant could construct the referenced addition out to the 20 feet as it was permitted by current Code, reiterating staff could not allow the nonconformity to be increased by going beyond the 20 foot setback for a pool deck and enclosure.

Councilmember Matthews reiterated the suggestion of removing part of the open deck area on the right to make it parallel with the seawall.

Mr. Ambrosino stated it would be necessary to consult an engineer to ensure it did not compromise the integrity of the pool, pointing out it would create an irregularly shaped screen enclosure.

Councilmember Matthews voiced concern if the seawall failed, it could cause the pool to collapse into the canal.

Mr. Ambrosino reiterated the seawall was newly constructed.

Vice Mayor Wein stressed the concrete was installed in the 1970s, and the soil in that area was likely very stable and should not be disturbed as that might actually cause problems. He suggested addressing only the left side.

Councilmember Cummings stated he was amenable to the pool cage provided the deck extension on the left remained in conformity.

Mr. Ambrosino referred to the rough sketch mentioned previously, stating the proposed increase to the deck depicted in green was to allow for an exit door in place of the existing window; however, he was willing to forego the expansion.

Vice Mayor Wein stated he would be uncomfortable with making changes to the area to the right. He then stated if expanding the deck was no longer an issue, only the pool cage needed to be addressed.

City Attorney Levin agreed.

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** to close the public hearing, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Cummings.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** to deny the request for a variance to expand the existing nonconforming pool deck, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Councilmember Prafke pointed out the home was constructed in the 1970s when a pool cage would have been in conformance.

Vice Mayor Wein stated he was amenable to expanding the lanai area in a conforming manner and to allow the expanded cage to a conforming shape.

City Attorney Levin drew members' attention to the site plan. He confirmed it was not possible to install a pool cage so that the waterward edge met the 20 foot setback, adding the options were to approve the pool cage for the deck as it currently existed, which would require a variance, or to deny the pool cage.

Councilmember Cummings opined quality of life was a consideration, inquiring if members were amenable to allowing a pool cage without any expansion to the deck.

Councilmember Matthews replied adding a pool cage to a deck which was nonconforming was not allowed by City Code, voicing concern regarding the effect on the seawall from these types of additions.

Discussion ensued regarding modification of nonconforming structures.

Councilmember Cummings inquired if it was possible to install a pool cage over the pool area only and not include the right corner of the deck located just outside the existing screened lanai.

Mr. Ambrosino agreed it was an acceptable compromise.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** to approve the request for the addition of a screen enclosure on the existing nonconforming deck, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

City Attorney Levin commented the City required a 6 foot setback to protect the seawall; however, the purpose of the 20 foot setback requirement was primarily to avoid obstructing neighboring property owners' views of the water. He stated there would be no obstruction in this particular setting, adding Council's decision did not set a precedent, and future variances should be considered on their own merits.

Mr. Ambrosino inquired if City Council's decision included the extra piece by the window.

Councilmember Matthews replied affirmatively; however, it could not extend past the red line nor could the deck be extended on the right hand side.

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION

No Public Hearing Required

Citizen Comments – Ordinances/Resolution Items Only

None.

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Punta Gorda, Florida, in support of the widening of Aqui Esta Drive from Bal Harbor Boulevard to US 41 (Tamiami Trail) and requesting that the Punta Gorda MPO place this project on the Long-Range Plan; and providing for an effective date.

City Attorney Levin read the resolution by title.

City Manager Kunik explained City Council had requested the resolution.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** approval, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Prafke pulled Item E1.

A. Citizen Comments - Consent Agenda Items

None.

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** approval of the remainder of the Consent Agenda, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Cummings.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

ITEM E1: Councilmember Prafke suggested a timeframe be assigned for displaying the sign.

City Manager Kunik stated the applicant was testing the market, confirming a year was a typical timeframe.

Councilmember Cummings **MOVED** approval of Item E1 with a timeframe of one year, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Prafke.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

B. City Clerk's Department

1. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of March 1, 2017

C. City Manager's Department

1. Police Benevolent Association (PBA) Collective Bargaining Agreements

D. Legal Department

1. Approval of Settlement Agreement in the matter of City of Punta Gorda v. Western MicroSystems, Inc. d/b/a DesertMicro, Case Number: 2014-CA-002951

2. Invoice of Persson & Cohen, P.A. for services rendered in February 2017

3. Invoices of Icard, Merrill, Cullis, Timm, Furen & Ginsburg, P.A. for services rendered through March 9, 2017.

E. Urban Design Division

1. Request for a temporary pre-development sign at 345 Taylor Street.

Citizen Comments – Regular Agenda Items Only

Mr. Bob Fritz voiced concern one marine contractor bidding on the seawall project constituted a monopoly, suggesting the agreement be awarded for one year. He recommended the Procurement Division rebid the project.

BUDGET

Re-appropriation/Appropriation of funds for replacement of 1997 winch truck at wastewater treatment plant.

City Manager Kunik reported it was necessary to re-appropriate \$115,000 to purchase a winch truck, which had originally been budgeted in Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 but was delayed due to other priorities.

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** to re-appropriate \$115,000 for the purchase of a winch truck, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Cummings.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Consideration of Funds for Construction of Hangar Space for Western Michigan University (WMU) at Punta Gorda Airport.

City Manager Kunik explained the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) entered into a Master Lease with the Punta Gorda Airport Authority to sublease Hangar 115 to Western Michigan University (WMU) School of Aviation, noting the BOCC had budgeted \$500,000 and was requesting the City contribute \$5,700 to cover the cost of impact fees. He stated business development funds would be utilized if Council approved the expenditure, concluding staff recommended approval.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** to authorize expending \$5,700 for impact fees for the Western Michigan University facility, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Cummings.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Agreement award to Marine Contracting Group Inc. of Punta Gorda, Florida for the replacement of seawalls in PGI and BSI.

Ms. Marion Pace, Procurement Manager, stated she had anticipated having three bidders; however, Marine Contracting Group (MCG) was the only bidder for the seawall replacement project, providing a detailed description of staff's efforts to encourage contractors to submit bids as well as the history of various components and cost/price increases for the seawall contract. She explained MCG was awarded the agreement in 2011 and had only requested one increase within a 6 year timeframe, adding based on average quantities purchased over the past three years, the increase in unit rates on the proposed contract was 1.15%. She concluded the City provided the seawall panels; however, a provision for panels was included in the contract in case of an emergency. Discussion ensued regarding contractors bidding on the seawall replacement project.

City Manager Kunik pointed out the City had received a good bid.

Vice Mayor Wein inquired if the contract contained an “out clause”.

Ms. Pace replied affirmatively.

Councilmember Matthews questioned if the City’s requirements were too stringent.

Ms. Pace replied the City could not relax its bonding requirement due to statutory restrictions, acknowledging same might be a hindrance on this particular contract.

Discussion ensued regarding the bidding process.

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** approval of the agreement award to Marine Contracting Group, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Prafke.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

State Revolving Fund Loan Authorization.

City Attorney Levin read the resolution by title.

Councilmember Cummings **MOVED** approval of the resolution, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

State Revolving Fund Loan Agreement.

City Manager Kunik explained the loan agreement was for the deep injection well.

Vice Mayor Wein inquired as to the interest rate.

Mr. Dave Drury, Finance Director, replied 1.18%.

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** approval of the Loan Agreement, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Prafke.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Flood Plain Management Variance Request

Mr. Randy Cole, Building Official, explained Gulfview Construction Management was requesting a variance from the required finished floor elevation of 9.25 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD) to 9.1 feet NGVD for a new home currently under construction at 2836 Ryan Boulevard, adding 9.1 feet met the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requirements for Base Flood Elevation (BFE) but did not meet the City’s stricter requirements. He clarified the elevation was 1.8 inches too low; however, there was no detrimental effects to the neighbors or the community, and it would not affect the flood insurance policy, adding staff recommended approval. He confirmed the company would no longer be operating in the City after the project was completed. He stated the Building Division had identified the error, and the contractor had indicated the error would be corrected; however, due a variety of issues, the company had not done so. He stated this was the first occurrence of this

nature, adding the Building Division had implemented a new policy in that if an incorrect survey or elevation certificate was submitted, a Stop Work order would be placed on the project until the error was corrected. He then explained the contractor could cap the slab; however, it would be a \$15,000 expense, reiterating 9.1 feet met FEMA requirements.

Councilmember Matthews stated this was a serious error and she did not support the request.

Vice Mayor Wein stated it was a \$15,000 correction on a home with a typical value in Punta Gorda; thus, he was unsure why Council should be amenable to the variance, adding it was the contractor's error to correct.

City Attorney Levin inquired as to the required FEMA BFE.

Mr. Cole replied 9 feet.

City Attorney Levin inquired as to the City's BFE.

Mr. Cole replied 9.25 feet.

City Attorney Levin stated he was unsure why the City had a .25 foot variation from FEMA's regulations.

Mr. Cole replied same had existed since prior to his employment with the City, opining it dated back to when contractors used to shoot the bottom of a recessed shower for BFE.

City Attorney Levin inquired if the additional .25 inches significantly increased the life safety value of the elevation compared to the FEMA elevation.

Mr. Cole replied in the negative, reiterating this project was compliant with FEMA.

Councilmember Matthews stated this was not the first mistake made in the City by this particular contractor.

Councilmember Prafke questioned whether the Building Division tracked contractor mistakes.

Mr. Cole replied this particular contractor had been on the watch list for some time from a financial standpoint.

City Attorney Levin inquired whether the surveyor could have made an error.

Mr. Cole replied the surveyor had confirmed his calculations, voicing concern regarding an unfinished project due to financial issues. He stated City staff desired to bring this issue to completion in an orderly fashion, as did the contractor, confirming the home was 60% complete.

Councilmember Prafke **MOVED** approval of the variance request, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Matthews.

VOTING AYE: Cummings, Prafke, Matthews.

VOTING NAY: Wein.

MOTION CARRIED.

RECOMMENDATION FROM CITY OFFICERS

CITY CLERK

Southwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board Candidate

City Clerk Smith reported staff advertised the vacancy for a Charlotte/Sarasota representative on the Southwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board in the Weekly Report, announcing Messrs. Thomas Dillon and Jack Pryor had submitted resumes for consideration.

Discussion ensued with consensus for Council to write a letter of support for Mr. Dillon and to encourage Mr. Pryor to also apply.

BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Announcement of Vacancies

Building Board Alternate

Firefighters' Pension Board

Nominations

Board of Zoning Appeals Alternate

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** to nominate and appoint Mr. William Brennan, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Prafke.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

Appointments

Punta Gorda Isles Canal Advisory Committee

Councilmember Matthews **MOVED** to appoint Mr. Robert Knabe, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Prafke.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

POLICY AND LEGISLATION

WEIN: Inquired as to the status of the Pickleball discussions.

Councilmember Prafke replied she was holding regular meetings with the Pickleball players, adding they were working on a project to identify a location for Pickleball courts.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Bob Tally stated as a contractor, he would not be interested in work which required a bond. He voiced support for the request for 321 West Retta Esplanade. He suggested new pilots practicing solo flights prior to obtaining their license should not be allowed to fly over this area.

Mr. Gene Pawlowski commented on V-03-07, opining the house was canted on the lot to ensure it was placed equal distances from adjacent properties. He suggested since it was compromised in the past, it should have been compromised this date.

Ms. Ronna James stated the City should have a process to deal with unscrupulous contractors.

Mr. Gary Skillicorn opined local preference could be limiting competition among contractors.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Mayor

City Clerk