

The Council Briefing began at 5:30 P.M. The meeting was held via video conference using the Zoom platform.

The following City Council Members were in attendance:

Mayor: Christine Hoffman

Council Members: Georgette Dumont Sandy Golding Dan Janson
Fernando Meza (late) Cory Nichols (absent) Chet Stokes

Also present were City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, Police Chief Gene Paul Smith, Director of Human Resources Ann Meuse, and City Attorney Chris Ambrosio.

Purpose of Briefing

The purpose of the Briefing was to update the Council members about ongoing items in the City.

City Manager

City Manager's Annual Performance Evaluation

Director of Human Resources Ann Meuse stated evaluations from Department Directors, and Council Members regarding the performance evaluations for City Manager Mike Staffopoulos were summarized and distributed to Council. Ms. Dumont asked about moving the City Manager's evaluation to June to allow new Council members to have more time. However, moving the evaluation would require changing the City Manager's contract and bringing it before the Council for approval.

A conversation ensued regarding the summaries and Mr. Staffopoulos's performance over the past year. The consensus of the Council was to award a 3% pay increase to Mr. Staffopoulos.

A 3% pay increase for Mr. Staffopoulos would be proposed for approval at the February 1, 2021 Council meeting.

Community Visioning and Mission Statement Development

Mr. Staffopoulos stated the objective was to define a community Vision statement, followed by developing a Strategic Plan. The Plan would contain long-term strategies, goals, and objectives to achieve the vision for the community. City Council indicated the current Mission Statement should also be revisited as part of the process.

Mr. Staffopoulos stated he received a scope of work and fee for services from the Florida Institute of Government (FIG) at Florida State University. It was recommended to use their services due to their status as a non-profit, their affiliation with the State's university system, the experience of the facilitators [resumes on file], and the core mission of FIG.

The consensus of the Council was to continue forward with scheduling a date for a Saturday retreat to begin the process.

Micromobility

City Attorney Chris Ambrosio explained City Administration, Legal, Finance, City Clerk, Police, and Planning and Development staff met to discuss the many topics associated with a permanent ordinance concerning the devices. Should Council wish to regulate these devices, it was recommended the Council focus on the following elements:

- Times of use
- Geographic areas of use
- Business registration
- Penalties
- Required notice
- Fees and maximum number of vendors/devices
- Rebalancing and designated parking corrals

The consensus of the Council was to have Mr. Ambrosio continue to draft an ordinance and present the draft to Council for review at an upcoming Council Briefing.

Animal Ordinance

Mr. Ambrosio explained the new Ordinance would create a repealed, replaced, renamed, and revised Chapter 5. Mr. Ambrosio reminded Council the first reading was deferred, so a Council Briefing could provide an opportunity to have a more in-depth conversation on the contents.

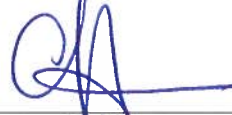
A conversation ensued, including Animal Control Officer Riley Jacobs, Police Chief Gene Paul Smith, Mr. Ambrosio, and the Council reviewing an email of questions [on file] submitted by Ms. Golding on multiple topics.

Mr. Ambrosio explained the changes made to the leash laws regarding the lengths. A discussion ensued regarding the different options on leash length and water provisions. A video [on file] was shown to Council regarding the capabilities of controlling a dog on different leash lengths. The consensus of the Council was to keep the leash length as currently written at eight feet. Edits would be made, and a draft would be presented to Council for review and approval.

The Briefing adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

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Approved: _____



Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR

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