

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	Cory Nichols (late)	Chet Stokes

Also present were City Manager Mike Staffopoulos, City Attorney Sandra Robinson, Director of Public Works Dennis Barron, and Director of Beaches Energy Services Allen Putnam.

Purpose of Briefing

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

City Manager

Alternative Bidding for Phase 3C Projects 4&5 (Downtown Infrastructure Improvements)

City Manager Mike Staffopoulos explained the City Council previously indicated the desire to explore options to accelerate construction schedules on upcoming projects, minimizing impacts on residents. The City's Public Works Department worked with GAI Consultants to identify alternative bidding options for upcoming City projects.

Director of Public Works Dennis Barron stated projects 4 & 5 of Phase 3C Downtown Infrastructure Improvements (the City's next large construction projects) were in the final design phases. Mr. Barron stated the Council's input was being sought on three bidding alternatives for consideration. Mr. Barron reviewed the details of the three bidding alternatives.

It was the consensus of the Council to use bidding alternative option #2: A+B Bidding (Cost plus Time) Project Award with an incentive for early completion.

Miscellaneous City Manager's Items

Mr. Staffopoulos stated last week he emailed the Council a copy of the Interim Agreement [on file] from the City of Jacksonville (COJ) regarding the pier operations. A conversation ensued regarding the suggested terms of the agreement and the realistic resources the City of Jacksonville Beach (COJB) could provide at this time.

It was the consensus of the Council to contact COJ and discuss the minimum requirements to open the pier within the next 1-2 weeks and then discuss plans regarding long-term pier operations.

Beaches Energy Services Energy Update

Director of Beaches Energy Services Allen Putnam provided a presentation [on file] regarding the recent global, national, and state changes and how they impact local energy delivery and resale.

Mr. Putnam informed the Council he would keep them informed of any upcoming changes and reminded everyone of the free energy audit service offered by Beaches Energy Services.

Committee Assignment Report

None

Future Briefing Topics

Council Member Meza suggested the Police Department attend Career Days to assist with recruitment. Mr. Staffopoulos stated new recruiting efforts are being discussed with the recent staffing change within the Police Department. It was the consensus of the Council not to add this topic to a future briefing but to offer their support in any way necessary to the Police Department.

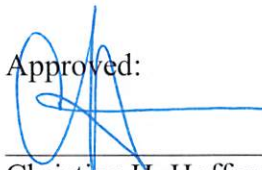
Council Member Dumont asked for a Short Term Vacation Rental update. It was the consensus of the Council to have the Planning and Development Department provide an update at an upcoming Council Briefing.

Council Member Stokes reminded everyone the fireworks display would return to the pier for the Fourth of July celebration this year.

The Briefing adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

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Approved:



Christine H. Hoffman, MAYOR

Date: _____

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