MINUTES OF
SPECIAL-CALLED COUNCIL MEETING
ORANGE BEACH CITY COUNCIL
MAY 25, 2022 – 11:00 A.M.
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

I. CALL TO ORDER Mayor Tony Kennon called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

II. INVOCATION Councilmember Jerry Johnson

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmember Jeff Silvers
Councilmember Jerry Johnson
Councilmember Annette Mitchell
Councilmember Jeff Boyd
Mayor Tony Kennon

Absent: Councilmember Joni Blalock

There being a quorum present, the meeting was opened for the transaction of business.

V. CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA: Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to add one item to the agenda to allow the Mayor to interview and hire a consultant to assist with impact fee review. Vote unanimous in favor. **Motion made (Silvers/Mitchell) to approve the agenda with one additional item to allow the Mayor to interview and hire a consultant to assist with impact fee review.** Vote unanimous in favor.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Resolutions

1. Resolution authorizing execution of a task order with Watermark Design Group, LLC, to provide design and bid specifications for Community Development Building roof replacement following the April 10, 2021, hailstorm in an amount not to exceed $18,400. **Motion made (Silvers/Johnson) to adopt the resolution.** Vote unanimous in favor.

Executive Session

1. Executive session to discuss pending litigation. **Motion made (Mitchell/Johnson) to enter executive session to discuss pending litigation.** Andy Rutens, Attorney, advised the Council that a declaration was required by the Open Meetings Act for an Executive Session; therefore, he stated for the record that he was duly qualified and had the personal knowledge to provide the requisite declaration for the stated purposes of the Executive Session authorized by the Act. Vote unanimous in favor. Mayor Kennon stated that Council would reconvene after executive session, and that the executive session would last approximately 30 minutes.

   Time in: 11:05 A.M.

   Time out: 11:43 A.M.

   Motion made (Johnson/Silvers) to adopt a resolution approving a settlement by and between Destin Williams, et al., and the City of Orange Beach and authorizing the Mayor to undertake all actions necessary to effectuate said settlement. Roll call vote revealed: Silvers, aye; Johnson, aye; Mitchell, aye; Boyd, aye; Kennon, aye. **Passed. (5-0).**

Motion made (Boyd/Silvers) to adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to interview and hire an appropriate urban planner consultant to assist with development of a revised impact fee proposal. Vote unanimous in favor.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Councilmember Mitchell asked that school security be reviewed following the Texas school shooting yesterday. Mayor Kennon explained the steps already being taken.
2. Councilmember Boyd asked that increased warnings about rip currents be distributed to visitors staying on the beach following the two drownings that have already occurred this year. Mayor Kennon directed the Police Chief to begin writing tickets to individuals who refuse to leave the water when double red flags are flying. Council discussed the flag warning system.

VIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the council, motion made (Boyd/Silvers) to adjourn. Vote unanimous in favor.

Time: 12:04 P.M.

APPROVED this the 21st day of June, 2022.

Renee Eberly
City Clerk

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