

City of Port St. Lucie
City Council
Meeting Minutes

121 SW Port St. Lucie
Blvd.
Port St. Lucie, Florida
34984

Monday, November 9, 2020

6:30 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall

Meeting to follow the 6:00 PM Zoning Appeal

1. Meeting Called to Order

A Special Virtual Meeting of the CITY COUNCIL of the City of Port St. Lucie was called to order by Mayor Oravec on November 09, 2020 at 5:02 p.m., at Port St. Lucie City Hall, 121 SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida.

2. Roll Call

Council Members

Present: Mayor Gregory J. Oravec
Vice Mayor Shannon Martin
Councilwoman Jolien Caraballo
Councilman John Carvelli (virtual)
Councilwoman Stephanie Morgan

3. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was said at a prior meeting.

4. Proclamations and Special Presentations

- 4.a** Presentation of the Builders Association of Florida Inspector of the Year - John Wolf

[2020-818](#)

Joel Dramis, Building Official, stated that it was the third year in a row, but the fourth award of excellence in which the Department received recognition from the State. He stated that Mr. Wolf had been an employee for 18 years and had helped to execute the Public Provider Program.

5. Public to be Heard

There was nothing heard under this item.

6. Additions or Deletions to Agenda and Approval of Agenda

There being no discussion, Councilwoman Caraballo moved to approve the Agenda. Vice Mayor Martin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

7. Approval of Consent Agenda

Councilwoman Morgan moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Mayor Martin seconded the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

- 7.a** Award Contract #20200095 for Citywide Curb & Gutter, ADA Ramps and Miscellaneous Sidewalk Replacement Projects. [2020-855](#)

This Consent item was Approved the Consent Agenda.

- 7.b** Approve the Purchase of 6 Ford Fusions for the Police Department from Sunrise Ford Company. [2020-882](#)

This Consent item was Approved the Consent Agenda.

- 7.c** Amend Services Contract between City of Port St. Lucie and the Humane Society of St. Lucie County [2020-889](#)

This Consent item was Approved the Consent Agenda.

- 7.d** Approve the Renewal & Continue to Participate in the State of Florida Contract #02-25100000-19-1 for the Purchase of Motor Vehicles with all Approved Vendors. [2020-888](#)

This Consent item was Approved the Consent Agenda.

- 7.e** Approve Declaration of Surplus and Trade-In of Departmental Fixed Asset Item. [2020-891](#)

This Consent item was Approved the Consent Agenda.

- 7.f** Approve 2020 Festival of Lights Event License Agreement [2020-870](#)

This Consent item was Approved the Consent Agenda.

- 7.g** Approve Major Site Plan Amendment for Med Florida Professional Center f.k.a. Fidelity Federal (P03-064-A1) [2020-895](#)

This Consent item was Approved the Consent Agenda.

- 7.h** Approval to Dispose of Surplus City-Owned Property as per City Policy #18-01ccd. [2020-883](#)

The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

8. Second Reading, Public Hearing of Ordinances

- 8.a** Ordinance 20-60, Public Hearing, Abandoning a Portion of a Twenty (20) foot Utility and Drainage Easement affecting Lot 32, Block 1758, Port St. Lucie Section Thirty-Five, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 15, Page(s) 10, 10A to 10P, of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida. [2020-803](#)

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-60 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone who wished to speak on the item, to which there was no one. There being no discussion, the Public Hearing was closed, and Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Ordinance 20-60. Councilwoman Caraballo seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-60. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 8.b** Ordinance 20-61, Public Hearing, Abandoning a Portion of a [2020-805](#)
Twenty (20) foot Utility and Drainage Easement affecting Lot
21, Block 2637, Port St. Lucie Section Thirty-Nine, recorded in
Plat Book 15, Page(s) 30, 30A to 30NN, of the Public Records
of St. Lucie County, Florida.

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-61 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone who wished to speak on the item, to which there was no one. There being no discussion, the Public Hearing was closed, and Councilwoman Morgan moved to approve Ordinance 20-61. Councilwoman Caraballo seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-61. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 8.c** Ordinance 20-62, Public Hearing, Abandoning a Portion of a [2020-830](#)
Twenty (20) foot Utility and Drainage Easement affecting Lot
43, Block 2669, Port St. Lucie Section Thirty-Nine, according
to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 15, Page(s) 30, 30A
to 30NN, of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-62 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone who wished to speak on the item, to which there was no one. There being no discussion, the Public Hearing was closed, and Councilwoman Caraballo moved to approve Ordinance 20-62. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-62. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 8.d** Ordinance 20-63, Public Hearing, Abandoning a Portion of a [2020-831](#)
Twenty (20) foot Utility and Drainage Easement affecting Lot
48, Block 1755, Port St. Lucie Section Thirty-Five, according
to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 15, Page(s) 10, 10A
to 10P, of the Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-63 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone who wished to speak on the item, to which there was no one. There being no discussion, the Public Hearing was closed, and Councilwoman Morgan moved to approve Ordinance 20-63. Vice Mayor Martin seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-63. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 8.e** Ordinance 20-64, Public Hearing, An Ordinance amending the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Port St. Lucie to Include a Small-Scale Amendment to the Future Land Use Map for the Coast To Coast Real Estate Holdings, Inc. (P20-148) to Change the Future Land Use Designation of Approximately 3.28-Acres from I (Institutional) to RL (Residential, Low Density) for a Parcel Legally Described as Tract D, Port St. Lucie Section 11, and Generally Located on the South Side of SW Leafy Road Between SW Tropical Terrace and SW Villanova Road (Its Western Connection to SW Leafy Road).

[2020-811](#)

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-64 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing. (Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Patti Tobin, Long Range Planning Administrator, explained that the item was a small-scale Comprehensive Plan amendment for 3.28 acres from Institutional to Low Density Residential. She stated that the following item was the rezoning to Residential Estate which would allow the applicant to subdivide the property into single-family lots. She explained that it would be turned into three lots to meet the one-acre requirement for rezoning. She stated that the property, which was located on the south side of SW Leafy Road between SW Tropical Terrace and SW Villanova Road, was undeveloped but they were working with the applicant to decide what vegetation needed to remain. She said that it was consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan and was recommended for approval by the Planning & Zoning Board.

Mayor Oravec entered Jennifer Durick's comment from 8 f) into the record for this item. He urged the public to visit www.cityofpsl.com/trafficcalming to submit requests for traffic calming and added that the City Council is working on lowering the speed limits in residential areas. He stated that there would be different kinds of usages if the property was Institutional, and Low Density Residential would provide a better quality of life. (Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Todd Mowery, Red Tail Engineering, stated that he

would be converting the property into three lots to allow for guest homes and added that the southern lots on Villanova would connect. The being no additional comment, the Public Hearing was closed. Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Ordinance 20-64. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-64. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 8.f** Ordinance 20-65, Quasi-Judicial, Public Hearing, An Ordinance Rezoning 3.28 Acres of Property, Located on the South Side of SW Leafy Road Between SW Tropical Terrace and SW Villanova Road (Its Western Connection to SW Leafy Road), from the Institutional (I) Zoning District to the Single Family Residential (RE) Zoning District for Property Legally Described as Tract D, Port St. Lucie Section 11 (P20-149).

[2020-813](#)

The City Attorney read the Quasi-Judicial Procedures into the record for Items 8 f), 8 g), 8h), 8i) and 11 a). The City Clerk administered the Oath of Testimony to staff and other interested parties and read Ordinance 20-65 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and asked if there were any ex-parte communications to disclose, to which there was none. Ms. Tobin stated that the staff report outlined the traffic impacts of the change and it was significantly reduced as a result of moving to Low Density Residential. (Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Ms. Tobin stated that she had been sworn in and the official file was submitted to the City Clerk 5 days prior to the hearing and asked that it be entered into the record. She stated that it was the same property and applicant as the above item, but this request was for the rezoning. She added that the Residential Estate required one-acre lots and would allow for single-family residential. She informed the City Council that the request was consistent with policies in the Zoning code and added that the Planning & Zoning Board had recommended approval. She stated that she did not believe that any other property within the City had this designation. Mr. Mowery stated that he had been sworn in and said that this was a unique request since a church was previously going to use the site which would have disrupted the residential neighborhood. Mayor Oravec entered Jennifer Durick's comment from 8 f) into the record for this item. He inquired if there was any public who wished to speak on the item, there being none the Public Hearing was closed, and Councilwoman Caraballo moved to approve Ordinance 20-65. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-65. The motion

passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 8.g** Ordinance 20-66, Quasi-Judicial, Public Hearing, An Ordinance Rezoning 2.56 Acres of Property Located at the Southwest Corner of the Intersection of SW Gatlin Boulevard and East Calabria Circle from RS-2 (Single Family Residential) to LMD (Limited Mixed-Use Zoning District) for a Project Known as G. Callas Holdings, LLC (P20-138).

[2020-819](#)

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-66 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and inquired if there was any ex-parte communication, to which there was none. (Clerk's Note: Laura Dodd, Planner II, had computer issues at this time.)

A break was called at 7:32 p.m., and the meeting resumed at 7:39 p.m.

(Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Laura Dodd, Planner II, stated that she had been sworn in and the official file was submitted to the City Clerk 5 days prior to the hearing and asked that it be entered into the record. She explained that the applicant was requesting to rezone 2.56 acres from RS-2 to the LMD classification for the purpose of developing a commercial, retail, and personal services development; the project was located on the SW corner of the intersection of Gatlin Boulevard and East Calabria Circle. She stated that it abutted residential properties, but it was in line with other commercial development along Gatlin Boulevard. She explained the current land use, zoning, Concept Plan, elevations and the conversion district. She stated that it was consistent with policy and met the area requirements for the conversion district and added that the Site Plan Review Committee and the Planning & Zoning Board had recommended approval. Councilwoman Caraballo inquired as to why it was not being zoned differently since it was creating more uses, to which Ms. Dodd replied that the surrounding areas were in different classifications, which included General Commercial, mostly located at intersections with higher intensity development. She explained that the applicant's intention was to remove the higher intensity and the LMD Classification would limit the commercial uses; she referred to the LMD Zoning as PUD Light. Jose Chaves, Story Book Holdings, stated that he had been sworn in and was available for questions. Mayor Oravec inquired if there was any public that wished to speak on this item, there being none, the Public Hearing was closed. The Mayor stated that there was a single-family home on the block and in the surrounding areas. Councilwoman Caraballo voiced that she would support the item

since the applicant would not be using a more intense use. Mayor Oravec stated that this was a good example of how the City Council could see the broader picture of how corridors convert, like Becker Road and Port St. Lucie Boulevard. It was the consensus of the City Council to have a discussion at a future Retreat regarding the corridors in the City. Councilwoman Caraballo stated that Special Exception Uses were available and could cause issues in the future. There being no further discussion, Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Ordinance 20-66. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-66. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 8.h** Ordinance 20-67, Quasi-Judicial, Public Hearing, An Ordinance to Rezone 298.37 Acres of Property Located West of Interstate 95, North of Becker Road, East of SW Village Parkway, and South of the Paar Road Right-of-Way from the Zoning Designation of Ag-5 (SLC Agriculture-5) to the City's MPUD (Master Planned Unit Development) Zoning District (P20-158).

[2020-825](#)

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-67 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and inquired if there was any ex-parte communication, to which there was none. (Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Bridget Kean, Senior Planner, stated that she had been sworn in and the official file was submitted to the City Clerk 5 days prior to the hearing and asked that it be entered into the record. She explained that the applicant was requesting to rezone approximately 298.37 acres of land from St. Lucie Agricultural 5 to City of Port St. Lucie MPUD; the property is located within the Southern Grove DRI and is known as the Traditional Regional Business Park MPUD. She stated that the property was west of I-95, north of Becker Road, east of SW Village Parkway and south of the Paar Road right-of-way.; which was located in a designated regional business center subdistrict. She said that it would provide for Tradition Trail as well as 2.6 million of industrial use, 550,000 square feet of mixed retail/office, and 750 residential units; the units would be limited to the mixed commercial land use subarea. She explained that there would be two distinct areas: 144 acres would be a business park along I-95, 68 acres would be mixed commercial development along Becker Road and SW Village Parkway, and the remaining acres would be for road rights-of-way and stormwater. (Clerk's Note: Ms. Kean pointed out the different areas of the property on a map.) She stated that MPUD was consistent with the policies and the Planning & Zoning Board had

recommended approval. Dennis Murphy, Culpepper & Terpening, stated that it had been a pleasure working with the City Council and staff on the project. Mayor Oravec asked if there was anyone who wished to speak on the item, to which there was no one, therefore the Public Hearing was closed, and Councilwoman Caraballo moved to approve Ordinance 20-67. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-67. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 8.i** Ordinance 20-68, Quasi-Judicial, Public Hearing, An Ordinance Rezoning 1.46-Acres of Property, Located on the South Side of SE Gena Road, from Single Family Residential (RS-1) Zoning District to the Multiple Family Residential (RM-5) Zoning District for Property Legally Described as Lots 1-3, Block 109, South Port St. Lucie Unit 4 (P20-147)

[2020-810](#)

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-68 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and inquired if there was any ex-parte communication, to which there was none. Ms. Tobin stated that she had been sworn in and the official file was submitted to the City Clerk 5 days prior to the hearing and asked that it be entered into the record. She explained that the item was a request to rezone 1.46 acres, 3 lots, to Multiple Family Residential which was consistent with the Future Land Use Designation. She stated that the intent was to subdivide two of the lots into four lots which were located on the south side of SE Gena Road between SE Delano Road and SE Gena Road. She gave a brief history of the property and stated that one lot had a single-family home currently built on it while the other lots were currently vacant. She explained that a change to RM-5 would allow 7,500 square feet lots. She informed the City Council that the request was consistent with policy and the Planning & Zoning Board had recommended approval. (Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Mr. Mowery stated that he had been sworn in and explained that the request was compatible with the neighborhood and consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and would meet all setbacks and City requirements. Mayor Oravec inquired as to what the anticipated development would be on the lots, to which Mr. Mowery replied single-family. He inquired if Mr. Mowery spoke with any opposed public, to which Mr. Mowery replied that he spoke with and answered questions from one member of the public after the Planning & Zoning Board meeting.

Kahart Pinder stated that he had been sworn in and spoke against the

rezoning stating that it was not compatible or consistent and should not be allowed. Mayor Oravec inquired if there was anyone else from the public to be heard, to which there was no one, therefore the Public Hearing was closed. Mayor Oravec stated that they recently had a similar request and denied it, but the difference in this request was a change in land use. Councilwoman Caraballo stated that the City Council did not understand the RM-5 on the denied request but understood it on this item. Councilman Carvelli inquired as to how many units could be built on the property, to which Ms. Tobin replied four 10,000 square foot lots but that did not include Lot 3. Councilman Carvelli stated that it was 1.46 acres and RM-5, therefore 5 units could be built, to which Ms. Tobin replied that Lot 3 would not be included, and Lot 1 had a curve which reduced the potential, therefore only four units could be built. Councilman Carvelli inquired as to what the total development could be on the total acreage, to which Ms. Tobin replied that the Code would allow up to five, but the request would allow four. Councilman Carvelli stated that there was opposition from the residents. Ms. Tobin explained that she spoke with the residents and explained the request to lessen the concerns.

Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Ordinance 20-68. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. Under discussion, Mayor Oravec requested the amount of undeveloped ROI districts in the City. He stated that the current land use was ROI and inquired as to what Zoning Districts were compatible per the Comprehensive Plan, to which Ms. Tobin replied RM-5, Institutional, LMD, and Professional. Mayor Oravec stated that Land Use was more important since it was a legislative act of the City Council and the Comprehensive Plan, by rule, explained which zoning was consistent with the land use. Councilwoman Caraballo voiced that the law required the City Council to move forward despite personal opinion. Mayor Oravec stated that the public could contact him through the City Council office if they had any questions or concerns. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-68. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Mayor Oravec requested that staff and Keep Port St. Lucie Beautiful partner with Mr. Mowery and his client on an entryway into the neighborhood.

- 8.j** Ordinance 20-70, Public Hearing, Approve Budget
Amendment #2 to Fiscal Year (FY) 19/20.

[2020-835](#)

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-70 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and asked if there was anyone who wished

to speak on the item, to which there was no one. The Public Hearing was closed, and Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Ordinance 20-70. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Ordinance 20-70. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

9. Other Public Hearings

There was nothing scheduled under this item.

10. First Reading of Ordinances

- 10.a** Ordinance 20-71, An Ordinance of the City of Port St. Lucie, [2020-890](#)
FL Amending Ch. 92, Animals to Amend Sec. 92.01,
Definitions, and to Add Sec. 92.20, Retail Sale of Dogs, Cats
and Rabbits; Providing Codification; Providing for Conflict;
Providing for Severability; Providing for an Effective Date.

(Clerk's Note: This item was heard after Item 11 a.).

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-71 aloud by title only. There being no discussion, Councilwoman Caraballo moved to table Ordinance 20-71 to the December 14, 2020 City Council meeting. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

- 10.b** Ordinance 20-72, Abandoning a Portion of a Twenty (20) foot [2020-868](#)
Utility and Drainage Easement affecting Lot 5, Block 1832,
Port St. Lucie Section Seven, according to the Plat thereof,
recorded in Plat Book 12, Page(s) 37, 37A to 37F, of the
Public Records of St. Lucie County, Florida.

The City Clerk read Ordinance 20-72 aloud by title only. There being no further discussion, Councilwoman Caraballo to approve Ordinance 20-72. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

11. Resolutions

- 11.a** Resolution 20-R115, Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing, A [2020-827](#)
Resolution Approving a Special Exception Use Application
Permitting Retail or Personal Service Uses, Exceeding Fifty
Percent (50%) of the Building's Gross Floor Area, within the
Limited Mixed-Use Zoning District Classification for G. Callas
Holdings, LLC, for Properties Located at the Southwest
Corner of SW Gatlin Boulevard and SW East Calabria Circle

(P20-139).

(Clerk's Note: This item was heard after Item 8 j.).

The City Clerk read Resolution 20-R115 aloud by title only. Mayor Oravec opened the Public Hearing and inquired if there was any ex-parte communication, to which there was none. Ms. Dodd stated that she had been sworn in and the official file was submitted to the City Clerk 5 days prior to the hearing and asked that it be entered into the record. She explained that the item was requesting a Special Exception Use to allow retail or personal services uses exceeding 50% of the building's gross floor area within and LMD District. She explained the location, Land Use, Zoning, Concept Plan, Elevations, and showed an aerial. She added that the Site Plan Review Committee and the Planning & Zoning Board had recommended approval. Mayor Oravec requested that staff and the applicant find an opportunity on the Site Plan for Public Art. Jose Chaves, Story Book Holdings, stated that he had been sworn in and added that the intentions were to present both projects together and not separately. Councilwoman Caraballo stated that in the future, the money a developer pays towards the Public Art Fund should fund art in that project's area, to which Vice Mayor Martin agreed.

Mayor Oravec asked if there was anyone who wished to speak on the item, to which there was no one. The Public Hearing was closed, and Councilwoman Caraballo moved to approve Resolution 20-R115. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Resolution 20-R115. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 11.b** Resolution 20-R119, Authorizing the Acquisition of Real Property located at 595 SE Chapman Avenue in Port St. Lucie for the Floresta Drive Improvement Project.

[2020-857](#)

(Clerk's Note: This item was heard after Item 10 b.).

The City Clerk read Resolution 20-R119 aloud by title only. There being no discussion, Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Resolution 20-R119. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Resolution 20-R119. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 11.c** Resolution 20-R120, Authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to Enter Into and Execute a Construction

[2020-859](#)

Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Transportation for the Purpose of Constructing Sidewalk Improvements within the Limited Access Right-of-Way of Interstate 95.

The City Clerk read Resolution 20-R120 aloud by title only. Councilwoman Caraballo inquired if trees would be removed, if so, would those changes be mitigated, to which Frank Knott, Project Manager, replied that a few trees would be removed, and staff was hoping to have as little vegetation removal as possible. Mayor Oravec requested that if the sidewalk project made the highway visible or audible, staff had to backfill it with native vegetation. The City Council voiced their appreciation of the Florida Department of Transportation partnership.

There being no further discussion, Councilwoman Caraballo moved to approve Resolution 20-R120. Vice Mayor Martin seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Resolution 20-R120. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote. Mayor Oravec requested a future conversation regarding the gifting of the land after the cell phone tower installation.

- 11.d** Resolution 20-R121, Approve the execution of the FPL Easement along Midway Road west of I-95 [2020-894](#)

The City Clerk read Resolution 20-R121 aloud by title only. There being no discussion, Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Resolution 20-R121. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Resolution 20-R121. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 11.e** Resolution 20-R122, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, Authorizing the City Manager to execute the State of Florida Department of Transportation Utility Work by Highway Contractor Agreement, necessary to relocate the City's utility facilities for the public purpose of constructing and improving Port St. Lucie Boulevard from Alcantarra Boulevard to Darwin Boulevard; Providing for severability; Providing an effective date. [2020-860](#)

The City Clerk read Resolution 20-R122 aloud by title only. The City Manager informed the City Council that they should receive an update in December from FDOT regarding the funding. There being no discussion, Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Resolution 20-R122.

Councilwoman Caraballo seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Resolution 20-R122. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

- 11.f** Resolution 20-R123, Approve the execution of the FPL Consent Agreement along Midway Road west of I-95

[2020-896](#)

The City Clerk read Resolution 20-R123 aloud by title only. There being no discussion, Councilwoman Caraballo moved to approve Resolution 20-R123. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion. The City Clerk restated the motion as follows: for approval of Resolution 20-R123. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

12. Unfinished Business

There was nothing scheduled under this item.

13. New Business

- 13.a** Request to Reduce Speed Limit on S.W. Becker Road Between Veranda Gardens & Gilson Road to 40 MPH

[2020-844](#)

Chief Bolduc explained that the request was to reduce the speed limit between Veranda Gardens and Gilson Road on Becker Road to be consistent with the other areas of Becker Road and address new issues from the road improvements. There being no further discussion, Vice Mayor Martin moved to approve Item 13 a.) Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

14. City Manager's Report

The City Manager stated that schools were closed due to the storm and the City had allowed liberal leave to employees. He informed the City Council that there had been several small spills from the influx of water in the Utilities system. He stated that one pipe broke in the Northport Plant and an evaluation would be performed. Councilwoman Caraballo inquired if Holiday in Lights and holiday activities would be taking place in the City, to which the City Manager replied that the contest and the Festival of Lights would be taking place. He stated that the holiday lights would be turned on Thanksgiving evening. It was the consensus of the City Council to add more selfie stations at destination spots within each district.

15. Councilmembers Report on Committee Assignments

Councilwoman Morgan- She attended the Best Places to Work luncheon on October 29th. She stated that the paver issues were critical at the MidFlorida Event Center. Mayor Oravec agreed and requested that staff find a cost-effective solution to the issue.

Councilman Carvelli- He requested that staff contact the Port St. Lucie Rotary Club to ensure that the scholarship tournament be held in the City. He thanked Jesus Merejo, Chief Assistant City Manager, and the Utility Systems Department for their hard work and dedication to solve the issues.

Councilwoman Caraballo- She attended the Best Places to Work luncheon on October 29th. She voiced the same concerns as Councilwoman Morgan and requested that the Civic Center improve accessibility. It was the consensus of the City Council to direct staff to create a volunteer program for a courtesy tram system at the MidFlorida Event Center.

Vice Mayor Martin- She assisted with the Canvassing Board for the past two weeks.

Mayor Oravec- He thanked Vice Mayor Martin for her service on the Canvassing Board. He stated that the County and the Nation had exceptional voter turnout. He said that the City was a bipartisan city dedicated to the work of the people and implementing the Strategic Plan. He stated that he was thankful that the voters of Port St. Lucie reelected Councilwoman Caraballo and elected Councilman Elect Pickett.

16. Public to be Heard - (if necessary as determined by City Council at conclusion of public to be heard)

17. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Karen A. Phillips, City Clerk

Shanna Donleavy, Deputy City Clerk