

**REGULAR MEETING  
DESTIN CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 7, 2023  
CITY HALL ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
5:30 PM**

The Council of the City of Destin met in regular session with the following members and staff present:

**Destin City Council**

Mayor Bobby Wagner

Councilmember Torey Geile

Councilmember Terésa Hebert

Councilmember Jim Bagby

Councilmember Dewey Destin

Councilmember Kevin Schmidt

Councilmember Matthew Sweetser

**Destin City Staff**

City Manager Lance Johnson

Parks/Rec Director Lisa Firth

IT Director Andy Peters

Finance Director Krystal Strickland

Library Director Wen Livingston

City Attorney Kimberly Kopp

City Clerk Rey Bailey

Public Works Director Michael Burgess

Community Development Director Louis Zunguze

Grants/Project Manager Jeffrey Cozadd

Public Information Director Tamara Young

Code Compliance Director Troy Williams

**CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Bobby Wagner called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. The mayor called for a moment of silence, which was then followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

Councilmember Bagby requests Consent Agenda item 3A be pulled for discussion.

Councilmember Schmidt requests Consent Agenda item 3B be pulled for discussion.

Councilmember Destin requests Consent Agenda item 3C be pulled for discussion.

Councilmember Sweetser requests item 6A(2) – *Destin History and Fishing Museum 5K Run* be added under his name on the agenda.

**Motion by Councilmember Schmidt, seconded by Councilmember Geile, to approve the agenda, as amended, passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

**1. PROCLAMATIONS / RECOGNITIONS / SPECIAL / PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Several business owners and vendors on Crab Island expressed their gratitude to Mayor Wagner and Congressman Matt Gaetz for their expressed support in promoting the local economy and opposing the blanket approach by the National Park Service (NPS) to control local vending on Crab Island. It was noted that Crab Island has become a highly popular recreational site, drawing thousands of visitors and increasing diversity as well as local economic growth. The NPS is proposing to implement a commercial service strategy which is supposed to better manage commercial operations in the Crab Island area. They urged the council to support Congressman Gaetz' position that improving safety and responsible commerce on Crab Island is best done in partnership with local communities, not as a federal mandate.

Mr. Mike Abadie, a Destin resident and livery vessel operator, noted that the city opened a new park on Calhoun Avenue and on the harbor, and is considering opening a new park by the Destin Bridge, all of which are potential locations for illegal charters to pick up and drop off passengers. He pointed out that this illegal operation is happening all year long, but he has a copy of the report showing that the city's Code Compliance Department issues no written citations in May, June, and July this year; just warning citations. He urged the council to consider approving the hiring of additional code enforcement officers at their upcoming budget meeting to help control this situation.

Mr. Timothy Singleton, a Destin resident, stated there has been no traffic enforcement on Holiday Isle. He stated that he personally spent a half hour at noon time and another half hour late afternoon for a total of one hour counting cars at the intersection in front of Destin Point on the way to Norriego. There were 289 cars that passed through that intersection during that one-hour period. Out of the 289 cars, only 30 came to a complete stop at the stop sign, 227 cars rolled through it, and 32 blew by the sign at a high rate of speed, which is a danger to people riding their bikes or crossing the street with their dogs. He urged the council to consider increasing the number of officers available per shift as they are not nearly enough to control traffic at that very busy intersection.

Ms. Sabina Zunguze, speaking on behalf of the Okaloosa County Commission on the status of women (OCCSW). The OCCSW was established by the Board of County Commission in 1995. Its purpose is to eliminate barriers to achievement for women through research, education, and communications, and to recognize and honor women who have made significant contributions toward improving women with made such great stride for their country. The OCCSW has 15 members. Each County Commissioner elects two women into this organization, and the other members come from the women's organization in the commission. In 2019, they formed a fiduciary part of the commission which they use to raise funds for the county and enhance community outreach. Ms. Zunguze stated that as the 2023 Chair of OCCSW, her primary goal is to raise awareness of this organization and gain the support of the City of Destin for the work that they are doing. This organization meets the last Monday of each month. Each year they honor a woman who have made significant contribution to the county. She also noted that this organization is currently working on two projects, one of which is to fight human trafficking. They have created some signs urging the public to report any suspicious activity, and they are asking the City of Destin to place them on their website and at every public facility. She further stated that the organization is working on mental health issues which is a serious

issue in the community. They are raising awareness for people with mental health problems where they could go to seek help.

Mr. Robert McPherson, a Destin resident, stated that he wishes to file a formal complaint against a city council member. He stated that he has been living in his home on Main Street for over 23 years and has not had any complaint or any problems with his neighbors; but in recent months, there have been several complaints about the appearance of his front yard and the several vehicles park in front of his yard instead of the driveway. He has also received a citation from the city's Code Compliance Department. He stated that these complaints have been spearheaded by a council member.

The City Attorney noted that these complaints will be addressed properly at a Special Magistrate Hearing.

### **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Quarterly Investment Report
- B. Resolution 23-14, Maintenance Agreement for US98 Median Improvements, East Pass Bridge to Airport Road
- C. RFB 23-05-PW Replacement of Carpet - Destin Public Library
- D. Destin Rodeo Run
- E. 701 Sixth Street, Residential Marine Construction, HWB-001093-2023
- F. Approval of minutes of July 11, 2023, City Council Budget Workshop
- G. Approval of minutes of May 15, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting
- H. Minutes of Boards and Committees

**Councilmember Schmidt moved to approve Consent Agenda items 3D through 3H was seconded by Councilmember Bagby and passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted "yes"; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

Referencing Consent Agenda item 3A, Finance Director Krystal Strickland noted that the current quarterly investment report with schedules showing the status of the city's investment accounts with Raymond James. This includes a listing of investments by type with their book and market values. She stated there is over \$7 million available to be invested.

Councilmember Bagby pointed out there is an unrestricted cash at Trustmark for \$7,328,970 in Table 1 of the report. He stated that staff is trying to figure out how to find the money to purchase the 1 Harbor parcel. However, even if they take the money from the Harbor CRA and add it to this amount, it still would not be enough to finance the harbor parcel. He continued that there is also \$5 million in cash at Trustmark which is the minus 3 months of General Fund operating. There is a total of over \$12 million that is earning 0.1% interest for the city.

**Councilmember Bagby moved to direct staff to invest the unrestricted money that is in Trustmark into Raymond James Money Market account immediately, seconded by Councilmember Hebert.**

The Finance Director explained that when the council first requested staff to start negotiating for the property, the hope was they could get a better price for the property if they could promise quick closing. She stated they currently do not have a money market account with Raymond James, but they will open one up tomorrow to have a safe place to keep the money for now; adding that they could still request a transfer to the escrow account on the day of closing.

**Motion passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

**Motion by Councilmember Bagby, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to approve Consent Agenda item 3A passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

Next, the City Attorney stated that she has requested Consent Agenda item 3B be pulled so that the motion could include a condition that there could be a legal review involved in the maintenance agreement.

**Motion by Councilmember Schmidt, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to authorize the City Manager to execute the Maintenance Agreement for the medians in US98 from the East Pass Bridge to Airport Road starting in February 2025, pending legal review, passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

Next, Councilmember Destin addressed Consent Agenda item 3C. He stated that since they only had one bidder for the project, and that he feels the bid amount of \$98,039.68 is way too high, he would prefer they rebid this project.

**Motion by Councilmember Destin, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to reject the bid of T.A. Stillinger for RFB 23-05-PW and re-bid the project, passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

#### **4. CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

##### **A. 1 Harbor Blvd Parcel - Purchase Agreement**

**(July 17, 2023: Motion by Councilmember Hebert, seconded by Councilmember King, to approve the \$9 million counteroffer for 1 Harbor Blvd property with the intent for public use of the property at this time, and subject to the purchase agreement staff will bring back at the next council meeting passed 7-0).**

The City Manager noted that the council authorized a purchase price of \$9 million for the 1 Harbor Blvd parcel. The proposed contract is being presented for council consideration.

**Motion by Councilmember Hebert, seconded by Councilmember Schmidt, to approve the contract as presented, and authorize the mayor to sign the contract passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

B. Resolution 23-13 -- Reimbursement Resolution for Harbor Blvd parcel

The City Manager stated that the proposed resolution will allow the city to reimburse itself for expenditures made prior to the issuance of any debt for the 1 Harbor Blvd parcel.

Councilmember Bagby recommends they add the addendum Ms. Sandy Trammell previously suggested that they make clear that the Harbor CRA is reimbursing the city for the expenditures.

The Finance Director noted that the city's special counsel Kyle Bauman assured her that he has already drafted the Memorandum of Understanding that will be between the Harbor CRA and the City of Destin which will be part of the funding package. It will very explicitly states that the harbor district will be the one paying the debt service on their portion of the debt on this property.

**Motion by Councilmember Bagby, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to approve Resolution 23-13 passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted "yes"; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

C. Opposition to speed regulations on fishing vessels - Resolution 23-15  
(July 17, 2023: Councilmember Destin moved to direct staff to bring back a resolution at the next council meeting supporting the county's action to oppose the proposed speed regulation on vessels fishing in the Gulf; seconded by Councilmember Hebert. Motion passed 7-0).

Councilmember Destin recommends the following addendum be added to Resolution 23-15: "Whereas, the City of Destin is home to the largest charter fleet in the State of Florida."

**Motion by Councilmember Destin, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to approve Resolution 23-15, as amended, passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted "yes"; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

D. Stahlman/US Hwy 98 Intersection Status Update

The City Manager noted that in anticipation of the completion of the Crosstown Connector, staff was directed by the city council to assess the effects of the new traffic patterns at the Stahlman Avenue/US Hwy 98 intersection. Pursuant to that directive, staff requested a proposal from Baskerville-Donovan, Inc., the city's continuing service contractor, to study the intersection and to prepare a report of their recommendations for intersection improvements. To complement this effort, the City Engineer has coordinated with FDOT which has agreed to immediately begin a study of the signal timing and traffic counts at this intersection. The anticipated timeline for finalizing their recommendations is 3 months or less. The FDOT recommendations will assist Baskerville-Donovan in their overall assessment of the intersection.

**Motion by Councilmember Destin, seconded by Councilmember Schmidt, to authorize payment of \$75,000 to accomplish the study using Gas Tax #2 funds that are restricted to**

traffic related issues, passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).

#### E. 2nd Draft FY2024-29 Strategic Plan: Council objectives

According to the City Manager, the first draft of the FY 2024-2029 Council Objectives was reviewed and commented on at the July 17<sup>th</sup> council meeting. This second draft takes into consideration those discussions as well as getting the objectives into the correct priority group as those priority groups are currently defined.

Council objectives are prioritized based on Council input and the currently approved definitions for each priority level that follows.

#### **PRIORITY LEVELS DEFINED:**

##### **CRITICAL PRIORITY\***

An objective that must be successfully accomplished within a specified amount of time. [Funding for current project and/or phase has been allocated or will be available by the projected start date.]

##### **IMPORTANT PRIORITY\***

A priority that can have a significant impact on performance. Resources are fixed and the variable is either time or the objective.

##### **DESIRABLE PRIORITY\***

A priority where both resources and time are variables. The organization desires an outcome but cannot absolutely commit specific resources over any specifiable time period.

*\*Resources are fixed for CRITICAL and IMPORTANT priorities; therefore, it may become necessary to transfer resources from funded DESIRABLE priorities to CRITICAL priorities.*

Below, for the Council's consideration, are proposed Council objectives for FY2024-29. It should be noted that there was discussion at the last Council meeting about moving items 1.3 and 1.6 to a lower priority classification. They are included in the Critical Priorities because they meet the classification's definition. The Council can modify these or any other objectives listed in the draft as they see fit.

#### **2nd DRAFT, PROPOSED COUNCIL OBJECTIVES FY2024(-2029)**

**CRITICAL PRIORITIES** *(All required resources [money, people, equipment] needed to begin and complete the project (or specific phase) by a target date have been approved by the City Council.)*

1.1 Work with stakeholders to pursue the Destin City Center. (Phase 1 Feasibility Study), (II., III.).(OPR: CD) [\$50,000 budgeted for FY23, \$50,000 budgeted for FY24 if not used in FY23]

- 1.2 Public Waterfront acquisition initiative; Acquire property at the foot of the Marler Bridge. (II., IV., V.) (OPR: GPC) [\$9.1 million budgeted for FY24]
- 1.3 Underground Utilities; Begin Phase 1 (II., IV., VI.) (OPR: GPC) [\$20,200,000 budget proposed for FY24]
- 1.4 Stahlman and US 98 pedestrian and vehicle improvement concepts in cooperation with FDOT. (II., V.) (OPR: CD/ENG) [\$75k budgeted for FY23]
- 1.5 Pedestrian access concepts under the Marler Bridge. (II., V.) (OPR: CD/ENG) [\$150k on Current PO]
- 1.6 Two-lane Crosstown Connector (Beach to Benning); Phase 1. (II., V.). (OPR: CD/GPC) [\$6,212,457 proposed for inclusion in the FY24 Budget]
- 1.7 Improve parking, explore options (i.e., parking garage, surface parking), (V.). (OPR: PW) [\$525k proposed for inclusion in the FY24 Budget for Sibert-Zerbe parking lot consolidation.]

IMPORTANT PRIORITIES: A priority that can have a significant impact on performance. Resources are fixed and the variable is either time or the objective.

- 1.8 Annexation of unincorporated enclaves (I.). (OPR: CD/CMO) [\$10k budgeted for FY23 and \$10k budgeted for FY24 if not used in FY23]
- 1.9 Expansion of recreational programming for residents and visitors. (OPR: PR)

DESIRABLE PRIORITIES: A priority where both resources and time are variables. The organization desires an outcome but cannot absolutely commit specific resources over any specifiable time period.

- 1.10 Support for regional Transit and Ferry systems (V.) (OPR: GPC) [\$0 Budgeted for FY24]
- 1.11 City Marina (Phase 1 Feasibility Study), (III, V.). (OPR: CD) [\$0 Budgeted for FY23 and \$50k Budgeted for FY24]
- 1.12 Support Beach Re-nourishment, planning & scheduling in partnership with the County & State. (II., VI.) (OPR: CD/CMO)
- 1.13 Support regional workforce housing initiatives.

**Councilmember Schmidt moved to approve the FY 2024 council objectives with the following modifications:**

- **Move 1.8 – *Annexation of unincorporated enclaves* – up to Critical Priorities.**
- **Change 1.9 – *Expansion of recreational programming for residents and visitors*, to a language that speaks more along the lines of “Morgan Sports Complex and Dalton Threadgill Master Plan Renovation.”**

**Councilmember Hebert provided the second to the motion, which passes 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

#### **F. Announcements**

1. The city has completed its community rating system audit for the 2022/2023 period and that their participation in this program and the activities involved provided Destin properties with flood insurance coverage a 20% discount on their premiums per their status as a Class 6 CRS community.

2. The western end of the FDOT median project from the Marler Bridge to Airport Road is experiencing some issues with irrigation. They will be working for some solutions with FDOT contractors to fix these issues.
3. There will be two grant applications that will be submitted to FDEP in August totaling approximately \$250,000.
4. About 400 people attended the Big Truck event last Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>.
5. The Public Information Officer is working with the county to create 3 PSAs on Pedestrian Safety for OCHIP in the Health Department. One video was shot in Crestview, one will be shot at Fort Walton Beach, and another one in Destin. The one in Destin will focus on round-about safety.

## 5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. First reading of Ordinance 23-10-LC, amending Article 7 - Zoning and Regulatory Controls of the Land Development code; changing the list of permitted conditional and prohibited uses to include Luxury Motor Home Resorts as a Conditional Use in the Town Center Mixed Use (TCMU) zoning district, amending Table 7-2, Table of Allowable Uses; including conditions and criteria for approval.

The City Attorney read proposed Ordinance 23-10-LC by title, and then presented it to the city council on first reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DESTIN, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE 7, ZONING AND REGULATORY CONTROLS , OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; CHANGING THE LIST OF PERMITTED, CONDITIONAL AND PROHIBITED USES TO INCLUDE LUXURY MOTOR HOME RESORTS AS A CONDITIONAL USE IN THE TOWN CENTER MIXED USE (TCMU) ZONING DISTRICT; AMENDING TABLE 7-2 , TABLE OF ALLOWABLE USES; INCLUDING CONDITIONS AND CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The mayor opened a public hearing to receive comments for or against the proposed ordinance. Having none, the mayor closed the public hearing portion and turned the matter over to the city council for their discussion and consideration.

**Councilmember Hebert moved to approve Ordinance 23-10-LC on first reading and advertise it for second reading on August 21<sup>st</sup>; seconded by Councilmember Schmidt.**

Councilmember Bagby stated that he will not be supporting this ordinance. Firstly, he believes it will impact traffic in probably one of the worst traffic places they have in Destin. Secondly, his personal view with regards to his vision for Destin does not include a luxury RV park located right on US Hwy 98.

According to Councilmember Destin, he drove by a similar park on Okaloosa Island several times during the past month and has yet to see an RV pull in into that park and so he has not seen

any evidence of a problem so far. He believes the design of the Destin RV Park could lend itself to remediating any problems at that location.

Councilmember Geile noted that he interviewed some of the homeowners down the street adjoining Camping on the Gulf. Approximately 80% of the homeowners are supportive of the RV Park.

Councilmember Hebert commented that most of the people she has spoken to are very much supportive of a high-class RV Park in Destin.

**Motion passed 5-1 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember Bagby voted “no”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

## **6. COMMENTS / PRESENTATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, LAND USE ATTORNEY AND CITY ATTORNEY**

### **A. Councilmember Sweetser**

#### **1. Kelly Street Traffic**

Councilmember Sweetser stated that traffic is a huge issue in Destin. They need to find a way to slow it down, especially on Kelly Street where Destin Elementary School, multiple bus stops, and some day care centers are located. They could consider placing either speed bumps or 4-way stop signs at that location.

**Motion by Councilmember Destin, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to direct the Public Works Department to provide a quick preliminary analysis on putting a 4-way stop signs at the intersection of Spring Lake and Kelly Street as well as on Fleshman Drive and bring that information back to the council passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

#### **2. Destin History and Fishing Museum 5K Run**

Councilmember Sweetser requests the council’s approval of the use of the city’s rights-of-way for the Destin History and Fishing Museum 5K Run. All the required paperwork has been submitted to the city and approved by the City Attorney. There just was not enough time to place it on the agenda for council’s approval in time for the event.

**Motion by Councilmember Sweetser, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to approve the Destin History and Fishing Museum 5k Run passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

B. Councilmember Geile

1. Harbor Dredging

According to the City Engineer, he has learned from the Army Corps of Engineers that the city has a dredging maintenance permit that is good until 2030. The next step is to conduct a survey of the channel to determine exactly where and how much dredging needs to be done, which would cost approximately \$15,000 just for the survey.

**Motion by Councilmember Bagby, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to use \$15,000 from the Council Contingency Fund to pay for the survey of the channel passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted "yes"; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

Councilmember Bagby stated that the city needs to budget for the actual dredging which would cost a lot more than \$15,000.

Councilmember Destin asked staff and City Attorney to determine whether it is allowable to use NPEB funds for this purpose since the deeper channel facilitates flow from their pumping mechanism.

Next, Councilmember Geile reported witnessing a lot of illegal activities while spending the weekend at Joe's Bayou. He also witnessed illegal operators threatening and disregarding the directions of Joe's Bayou workers. He asked staff to come back with some security measures or a plan of action that would be feasible to ensure the safety of Joe's Bayou workers and help them perform their job more effectively, possibly sometime in September.

The City Manager noted that they currently have some security measures in place, and that they have plans to add some additional security measures utilizing some AI technology in the near future.

Also, according to Councilmember Geile, several members of the public have questioned him about the city not having its own police department. He discussed this issue with the Finance Director who conducted an in-depth study and concluded that they almost have to double their ad valorem tax rate in order to make it happen.

Councilmember Bagby noted that an actual study was conducted around 2010 or 2011, and it was determined then that the initial cost estimate for establishing Destin's own police force was around \$2.4 million, which did not include paying their salary, insurance, retirement, and so forth. This figure would probably have doubled by now. He added that the cost for establishing the city's own police force is cost prohibitive with a 2-mil cap on ad valorem taxes.

- C. Councilmember Destin
- D. Councilmember Bagby
- E. Councilmember Hebert
- F. Councilmember King

## G. Councilmember Schmidt

### 1. Beach Flag Safety

Councilmember Schmidt would like to volunteer to be the legislative sponsor and continue conversation with the Destin Fire Control District Beach Safety Division Chief D'Agostino and the County in regard to beach safety flags for the City of Destin in collaboration with the county.

**Motion by Councilmember Hebert, seconded by Councilmember Destin, to appoint Councilmember Schmidt as the Legislative Sponsor to continue conversation with Beach Safety Division of the Destin Fire Control District as well as with Okaloosa County regarding beach flag safety passed 6-0 (Council members Schmi dt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted "yes"; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

Councilmember Schmidt would like to support the request made earlier by Ms. Zunguze, the Chair of the Okaloosa County Commission on the Status of Women, in regard to posting on the city's website and on the city facilities, some of the signs the commission created to fight human trafficking urging the public to report any suspicious activity. He would also like the city to be able to support their cause in any way possible.

The City Manager replied affirmatively, stating they could post those signs at the community center, library, and other city facilities.

Councilmember Schmidt requested an update on the status of Clement Taylor Park.

Grants/Program Manager Jeff Cozadd noted they have been working with Mr. Scott Jenkins, the city's Engineering Consultant, and the legal counsel to obtain the needed documentation. They pretty much have all the required documentation to forward to the county who will then upload the information in the portal to the Treasury Department to get the application completely submitted.

## H. Mayor Wagner

### 1. Voting Delegate - Florida League of Cities Annual Conference

**Motion by Councilmember Bagby, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to appoint Mayor Wagner as the city's voting delegate at the Florida League of Cities Annual Conference passed 6-0 (Council members Schmidt, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted "yes"; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).**

### 2. Crab Island Resolution

**Motion by Councilmember Herbert, seconded by Councilmember Schmidt, to direct staff to bring back a resolution supporting the denial of the National Park Service's bid proposal that would limit the number of vendors on Crab Island passed 5-0 (Council**

members Schmidt, Hebert, Destin, Geile, and Sweetser voted “yes”; Councilmember Bagby abstained from voting; Councilmember King was absent from the meeting).

J. City Attorney

## 7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

## ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

 ATTEST:  
  
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Rey Bailey, City Clerk

  
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Bobby Wagner, Mayor