

**REGULAR MEETING
DESTIN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 6, 2024
CITY HALL ANNEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS
6:00 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 Johnny King
Councilmember Terésa Hebert

Councilmember John Stephens
Councilmember Jim Bagby
Councilmember Dewey Destin

Destin City Staff

City Manager Louis Zunguze
IT Director Andy Peters
Principal Planner Steve O'Connor
Code Compliance Director Troy Williams
Parks & Recreation Director Lisa Firth
Projects/Grants/Contract Manager Jeffrey Cozadd

City Clerk Rey Bailey
City Engineer Ryan Scott
Building Official Noell Bell
Public Works Director Michael Burgess
Finance Director Krystal Strickland
City Attorney Kimberly Kopp

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Bobby Wagner called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Pastor David J. Butler of the Faith Assembly Christian Church gave the invocation, which was then followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Councilmember Hebert, seconded by Councilmember Stephens, to approve the agenda passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted "yes"; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

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

A. Proclamation - National Safe Boating Week

Mayor Wagner read the proclamation designating May 18-24, 2024, as *National Safe Boating Week*, and then presented it to Senior Chief Joshua Menges with the US Coast Guard Station Destin, and Lieutenant Jarrod Molnar with the Division of Law Enforcement from the Division of Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Don Dallas, 442 Snapper Drive, expressed concern over the water drainage issues on his property and neighborhood properties. He thanked the city for their initial efforts but requested more permanent solutions. He stated that the city has been responsive by taking pictures during rainstorms, but more action is needed to install proper drainage systems. He requests installation of a sewer system or drainage at the T-junction of Juanita and Snapper Drive.

Mr. Gary Pavo, Laguna Point, expressed that Laguna Point residents were not properly notified about the April 15th meeting regarding the public parking spaces at Dolphin Point. He stressed that the residents did care about the parking spaces contrary to what was stated at that meeting, and that the council's decision will have a direct impact to their community. He urged the council to reinstate the parking spaces and address the community's needs adequately.

Ms. Janice Nicole Moran, 208 Snapper Drive, echoed the previous speaker's concerns about the removal of the parking spaces, highlighting the inconvenience and potential impact on local events and medical access. She requested reconsideration of parking space removal and exploration of alternative solutions such as paid parking or resident-only parking with stickers.

Mr. James Dexter, 28 Moreno Point Road, raised concerns about the one-way in and out access at Point South Townhomes. He mentioned safety issues due to limited parking and potential access problems for emergency services. He asked the council to consider the community's needs and the practicality of maintaining the parking spaces. He also submitted additional written comments from another neighbor.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Flood Protection/Mitigation Report for 2023-2024, CRS requirement
- B. Continuing Service Provider – Architectural RFQ 23-09-ENG
- C. Resolution 24-07, Adoption of Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement
- D. 510 Vera Cruz Drive, Residential Marine Construction, HWB-001361-2024
- E. Approval of minutes of April 1, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting
- F. Approval of minutes of March 18, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting

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

4. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

- A. Dolphin Point- Hold Harmless and Maintenance Agreement

The City Engineer presented their findings on the hold harmless and maintenance agreement requested by the council at the April 15, 2024, council meeting.

Some members of the council raised concerns about the public notification process and asked for clarifications.

The City Engineer detailed the notifications sent out to residents within 300 feet of the Destin Point project area, explaining that notices were sent on February 26th for the April 15th meeting and on April 25th for tonight's meeting. He added that despite these efforts, there were complaints from residents about not being notified in advance.

Capt. Jason Fulghum, from the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office, provided data on calls for service in the Dolphin Point area, stating that there were 115 calls for service in the past year, but only 36 of those were related to potential criminal activity. Of those, only 6 resulted in reports. He emphasized that the area is not crime-ridden and that many calls were for non-criminal issues like medical emergencies and welfare checks.

Councilmember Hebert moved for approval of the Hold Harmless and Maintenance Agreement with the Dolphin Point Homeowners Association, as presented; seconded by Councilmember Stephens.

Several council members expressed concerns about the impact of the parking spaces at Dolphin Point on surrounding properties and residents. Discussions included:

- The feasibility of making the parking spots available only to residents with a city parking sticker.
- Suggestions to create a system where only residents of the two affected buildings could park in those spots.
- Potential reconfiguration of the parking spots to parallel parking to ensure compliance with city code.

Councilmember Bagby offered a substitute motion to direct city staff to evaluate the feasibility of parallel parking spaces in the affected area and report back to the council; seconded by Councilmember King.

The motion was discussed, with some council members suggesting further exploration of parallel parking options.

Ms. Alicia Belcher, representing Dolphin Point, expressed frustration with the ongoing issues and detailed the efforts made by the Dolphin Point board to comply with city standards. She also reemphasized the safety concerns and the need for a resolution that would prevent misuse of the parking spaces by non-residents.

The mayor called for a vote on the substitute motion, which passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted "yes"; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

B. Mobility Plan - Project Priority List

The City Engineer and consultant presented the draft Destin Mobility Plan to the city council.

The draft Destin Mobility Plan includes more than 60 distinct transportation improvements that are estimated to cost approximately \$150 million. Each project would bring benefits to people that use the transportation system. The number and cost of the projects exceed the city's capacity to implement them in the near term, making prioritization important.

Public and stakeholder input played an important role in shaping the prioritization process and recommendation described in the report.

- In February 2022, the city held a public meeting to obtain early input for the Mobility Plan. Attendees participated in a series of real-time polling questions. People were asked how they would allocate \$100 towards the city's infrastructure.
- The city held a second public meeting in August 2023 to obtain input on specific projects. Attendees ranked project types in order of priority.
- The city also engaged with the Parks and Recreation Committee, Local Planning Agency, and Public Works/Public Safety Committee in October and November 2023 to obtain input on project prioritization.

Based on the technical analysis, public input, and committee input, staff worked with the city's consulting team to draft a proposed prioritization. The prioritization divides the project into three phases of 8 years each. The projects for each phase are presented in a series of tables as shown in the report.

- Proposed Phase 1 consists of 8 projects that the public, staff, and city officials have consistently highlighted as top priorities. These projects are proposed to advance to construction by 2032.
- Proposed Phase 2 consists of 35 projects proposed to be under construction by 2041. This phase includes more sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and multi-use path projects than any other phase.
- Proposed Phase 3 consists of 22 projects proposed to be under construction by 2050. This phase includes more intersection enhancements than any other phase.

The final step in prioritization is to obtain the input of the city council and make adjustments based on their feedback and direction. The key questions for city council to provide input on are:

- Which projects should be moved up to a higher level of priority?
- Which projects should be moved down to a lower level of priority?

Once priorities are set, the staff and its consulting team will finalize the Mobility Plan and bring it back to the city council to consider for adoption.

During deliberation, council members expressed the need for another public workshop involving the council to gather additional input and detailed criteria for project prioritization.

Councilmember Destin moved to schedule a City Council Workshop on Mobility Plan, preceding the City Council Budget Workshop on May 13th, seconded by Councilmember King. Motion passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted "yes"; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

C. Cross-Town Connector Contract Amendment

According to the City Engineer, the city council approved a motion on April 15, 2024 directing the City Manager to have staff move forward with PD&E reevaluation Option B and bring back proposed funding sources for the \$110,000 change order with Atkins Engineering. Staff recommends using Gas Tax #2 for Amendment #5 to Atkins contract to update the Environmental Impact Report for the Destin Crosstown Connector.

Councilmember Bagby moved to approve Amendment #5 to Atkins contract to update the Environmental Impact Report for the Cross-Town Connector using the funding from Gas Tax #2, seconded by Councilmember Hebert. Motion passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted “yes”; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

D. Quarterly Investment Report - For Informational Only

The council reviewed the current quarterly investment report with schedules showing the current status of the city investment accounts with Raymond James. The council requested staff to explore the possible inclusion of Florida Prime Benchmark in the investment report in future reports.

E. Announcements

1. LDC rewrite update: The fourth chapter for the new LDC has been reviewed by the Local Planning Agency. Articles 1-10 of the LDC are available on the city's website for public review and comments. The city council will start the review of these articles later this month. Kudos to city staff members who have been working very diligently on this very complicated process. It is one of a kind as they are not only doing the LDC rewrite, but they are also updating the Comprehensive Plan and the Future Land Use Map. Once everything is completed, two of the city's most important documents will be “speaking” to each other for the first time in the history of this community.
2. The city's initial budget workshop is scheduled for Monday, May 13th.
3. The SRS Visioning Workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22nd, beginning at 5:30 PM.
4. Turtle nesting season has begun. A reminder to residents and visitors that if they are out in the evenings to carry the special red flashlights that are available for pick up at city hall.
5. The city is working with the US Coast Guard 8th District to hold an Open House on May 20th from 9-11:30 AM. Boating safety will be discussed with a lot of demonstrations available.
6. The IT Department will be conducting a demonstration tomorrow, May 7th, starting at 1:00 PM, on the new online licensing system. The city council has received an invitation to participate.
7. The new voting system will take effect starting on May 7th. The IT Department will be offering individualized training to members of the council.

8. Some new fencing and sea oats have been added in front of Turpin. The work was done throughout the county with Mr. Alex Fogg spearheading the effort.
9. Blessings of the Fleet is scheduled for this Thursday, May 9th, at 3:00 PM.
10. Congratulations to Mayor Wagner for being honored by the Northwest Florida League of Cities with the 2024 Home Rule Hero Award at a board meeting and reception at Panama City Beach this weekend. He has also been selected as the second Vice President for the Northwest Florida League of Cities.
11. The Code Compliance Department and the Public Information Office worked together to create a flyer regarding waste management and trash rules for overgrowth and brush. Code Compliance officers are working diligently to distribute the flyers to as many people as possible.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. First reading of Ordinance 24-01-LC, Amending 8.01.00 of the Land Development Code, "Right of Way Protection."

The City Attorney read Ordinance 24-01-LC by title, and then presented it to the council on first reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DESTIN, FLORIDA; AMENDING SECTION 8.01.00 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE "RIGHT-OF-WAY (ROW) PROTECTION"; 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 discussion and approval consideration.

Motion by Councilmember King, seconded by Councilmember Geile, to approve Ordinance 24-01-LC on first reading and direct the City Clerk to advertise it for second reading passed 5-1 (Council members King, Hebert, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted "yes"; Councilmember Bagby voted "no"; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting).

- B. First reading of Ordinance 24-02-CC creating Section 18-21 of the Code of Ordinances, Protection of Public Right-of-Way During Permitted Construction Activity."

The City Attorney read Ordinance 24-02-CC by title, and then presented it to the council on first reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DESTIN, FLORIDA; CREATING SECTION 18-21 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES "PROTECTION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY DURING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY"; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES; 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 discussion and approval consideration.

Motion by Councilmember Stephens, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to approve Ordinance 24-02-LC on first reading and direct the City Clerk to advertise it for second reading passed 5-1 (Council members King, Hebert, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted “yes”; Councilmember Bagby voted “no”; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting).

6. COMMENTS / PRESENTATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND CITY ATTORNEY

A. Councilmember Stephens

1) Membership Appointment - Local Planning Agency - Larry Cowsert

Motion by Councilmember Stephens, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to appoint Mr. Larry Cowsert to the Local Planning Agency passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted “yes”; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

2) Consensus on the Legislative Sponsor for Livery Ordinance Updates

Motion by Councilmember Bagby, seconded by Councilmember Hebert, to appoint Councilmember Stephens as the legislative sponsor for the Livery Ordinance updates passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted “yes”; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

3) Livery vessel definition/ordinance amendments

Councilmember Stephens will bring proposed modification to livery vessel definition for discussion at the next council meeting.

4) Mooring Harbor

Councilmember Stephens provided the following slide presentation in discussing the need for establishing a mooring harbor:

MOORING HARBOR

- ▶ What are mooring fields?
 - ▶ A mooring field is a legally defined area within a body of water.
 - ▶ A mooring field is established by local ordinance, codifying a management plan that regulates activity within the mooring field.
 - ▶ Customers of the field are assigned a mooring and can then secure their boat to the mooring buoy which is attached to permanent anchors.
 - ▶ Mooring Buoys provide an organized & secure way to protect both boats and the environment

MOORING FIELD GOALS

- ▶ Provide public access to Florida waters
- ▶ Be ecologically and habitat friendly
- ▶ Promote tourism and provide economic benefit to merchants with minimal infrastructure requirements
- ▶ Be a self sustaining, user-funded amenity
 - ▶ Fees support Harbormaster, all on-land facilities, mooring maintenance
- ▶ Provide proprietary moorings more secure than normal anchors
- ▶ Enable higher density of vessels for space available
- ▶ Not accommodate or allow derelict or abandoned vessels
- ▶ Enhance oversight of the water resource
- ▶ Enhance real estate values



HOW ARE MOORING FIELDS BENEFICIAL TO DESTIN

- Benefits to safety:
 - Moorings will not attract unlawful tenants, it will actually eliminate them
 - Gain Harbor Master, who has authority on our waterways
 - Harbor Master can ask vessels to leave before a severe storm, such as hurricane approaches
 - Moorings offer greater holding strength than anchors.
 - Allows for fewer break-away vessels, which will protect other vessels & shore-side infrastructure
 - If vessel does break free, Harbor Master will know who to contact
 - Vessels are kept out of illegal or inconvenient places in the waterway
 - At night, vessels are required to display anchor lights
 - Vessels must meet standards:
 - Comply with USCG regulations & safety standards and Chapter 327 of Florida Statutes
 - Must be in good operational condition
 - Capable of maneuvering under their own power
 - Display current registration/documentation
 - Have liability insurance coverage
 - Vessels are able to swing with wind and current without hitting other vessels

HOW ARE MOORING FIELDS BENEFICIAL TO DESTIN

- Benefits to environment:
 - Pump out services required for vessels in mooring field.
 - Illegal discharge of solid or liquid waste into waterway can be controlled
 - Derelict vessels can be identified and removed easier
- Benefits to local economy:
 - No Mooring Fields in panhandle. Could make Destin a destination for boaters
 - Mooring field generates revenues, which go back into operations & maintenance of facility
 - Mooring field patrons use local services & products, such as boat repairs, groceries, shopping, dining, entertainment venues
- Benefits to boating community:
 - there are no available marine slips
 - boaters can stay on their own boat in a mooring field
 - Vessels can be tied up without impacting other vessels
 - Boaters have access to amenities like restrooms, showers, & other land-based activities

WHAT RULES WILL GOVERN TENANTS TO KEEP FIELD CLEAN

Must have **Mooring Field Management Plan**

- ▶ Rules that must be followed by every vessel within mooring field
- ▶ Customers must show proof of pump-out and/or be pumped out every 3 days
 - ▶ Plan stipulates that the discharge of any solid or liquid waste into waters are prohibited
 - ▶ Violators are subject to immediate ejection from facility, loss of security deposit, and will be turned over to law enforcement
- ▶ Harbormaster will create consistent oversight & monitoring to prevent illegal anchoring, dumping, and other undesirable activities
- ▶ No vessel shall occupy any mooring without approval of Harbormaster
- ▶ Only vessels that are authorized to moor at facility:
 - ▶ in compliance with USCG environmental & safety standards and in good operational condition
 - ▶ Capable of maneuvering under their own power
 - ▶ Must have current registration/documentation & insurance
- ▶ Examples of :
 - ▶ Mooring Field Management Plan -
 - ▶ <https://www.fortmyersbeachfl.gov/DocumentCenter/View/21853/Mooring-Field-Map>
 - ▶ <https://www.fortmyersbeachfl.gov/DocumentCenter/View/17791/21-02-Matanzas-Mooring-Field-Management-Plan>
 - ▶ User License Agreement –
 - ▶ https://www.ci.marathon.fl.us/sites/default/files/fileattachments/marina_and_ports/page/30901/marina_user_agreement_4-15-2023_1.pdf

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PROCESS TO ESTABLISH MOORING FIELD

- ▶ **Permit Provisions**
 - ▶ Moorings must be made available to public on first-come-first-serve basis
 - ▶ Commercial activities prohibited
 - ▶ Use of revenue may be restricted
 - ▶ Manatee education plan must be put in effect
- ▶ **Permits applications (May require coastal engineering consultant)**
 - ▶ Navigational
 - ▶ Biological
 - ▶ Water Quality
 - ▶ Hydrology
- ▶ **Signage needs**
 - ▶ Federal permits (Rivers & Harbors Act, Section 10, USACE)
 - ▶ State Permits ("Uniform waterway markers" Florida Statute 327.40)

LEGAL STEPS FOR MOORING FIELD

- ▶ Confirm ownership of submerged lands
- ▶ Confirm relevant jurisdiction
- ▶ Review Destin Comprehensive Plans to determine whether Managed Mooring Field will be consistent with the plan
- ▶ Initiate drafting of Proposed Ordinance or Resolution
 - ▶ see Thomas Ankersen, Christopher H. Pearce, An Annotated Model Municipal Harbor Management Ordinance (Aug. 2001)
- ▶ Obtain authorizations
 - ▶ Submerged lands lease
 - ▶ Environmental Resource Permit - DEP
 - ▶ Boating Restricted area - FWC
 - ▶ Obstructions to Navigation – section 10 – Rivers and Harbor Act (USACE)
 - ▶ Special Anchorage Area Designation – USCG
- ▶ Resource Agency Consultations
 - ▶ Fish & Wildlife Service
 - ▶ Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
 - ▶ Other
- ▶ Destin & County attorney Consultation

FEES THAT CAN BE GENERATED FROM MOORING FIELD

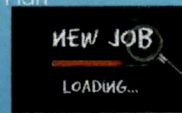
- ▶ Mooring Ball Rental, which include showers, one holding Tank Pump-Out (additional fees apply for holiday day/week)
 - ▶ Daily: \$40 + tax (seen a lot of \$25/day)
 - ▶ Weekly: \$250 + tax
- ▶ 1 Harbor Blvd Dinghy Dock rates (additional fees apply for holiday day/week)
 - ▶ Daily: \$20 + tax
 - ▶ Weekly: \$100 + tax
- ▶ 1 Harbor Blvd Transient Slip rates, which includes showers (additional fees apply for holiday day/week)
 - ▶ Hourly: \$10-20/hour + tax
 - ▶ Daily: \$3.50/ft plus tax
 - ▶ Weekly: \$18/ft plus tax, one holding Tank Pump-Out.
 - ▶ Pump-Out Station
 - ▶ Additional Pump-Outs (& Non-Marina Customers) - \$5 (harborwalk charges \$20)
 - ▶ Laundry Facilities - Card operated. Does not include detergent
 - ▶ Washer: \$3/load. Dryer: \$3/load
 - ▶ Water & Ice
 - ▶ Filtered water (honor system) - \$.20/gallon, Ice: \$3/bag
 - ▶ If we want to offer Shore Power:
 - ▶ 30 Amp Electricity: extra \$4/day. 50 Amp Electricity: extra \$6/day
- ▶ Car parking from Parking Lots that want to utilize marina/mooring balls
 - ▶ \$15/day



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CREATE/UPDATE HARBOR MASTER JOB DESCRIPTION

- ▶ Position could be joint Harbor Master/Code Compliance
 - ▶ Budget in next year. Note that this position is not fully complete, as they are will be assigned with helping with plans, until Mooring Harbor Plan is into effect & then can have jurisdiction
- ▶ Create & uphold Strategic Action Plan
- ▶ Responsible for development, coordination, & implementation of Mooring Field Management Plan
- ▶ Plan, develop, & manage capital improvement projects as directed.
- ▶ Responsible for ensuring property maintenance & improvements in all Harbor areas
- ▶ Assist in water sampling with CBA & Analytical Services, then provide updates
- ▶ Inspection of BTR's on all businesses on Harbor, Inspection of livery medallions, find illegal charters
- ▶ Enforcement of ordinances, harbor upland parking restrictions, & all other city marine codes
- ▶ Patrol of Destin Harbor & all City adjacent waterways that we are able to get jurisdiction to with the Mooring Harbor
 - ▶ Joe's Bayou, Indian Bayou, Marler Bayou
- ▶ Marine permitting and inspection
 - ▶ Reviews application for marine construction for code compliance as well as site construction
- ▶ Respond to complaints from citizens and businesses & Emergency situation response within Harbor District
- ▶ Harbor & Waterways Board & Harbor CRA Committee involvement - attend meetings & provide Monthly reports?
- ▶ Responsible for annual budget



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Councilmember Stephens moved to direct the City Manager to have city staff explore the feasibility of the potential mooring harbor plan, present the result of their review to the Harbor CRA Advisory Committee for their input, and then bring back recommendations to the city council; seconded by Councilmember King. Motion passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted "yes"; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

Councilmember Stephens moved to direct the Parks and Recreation Department explore the feasibility of offering an after-school art program or summer art program for the Destin Elementary School children; seconded by Councilmember King.

Councilmember Bagby offered a substitute motion to table this item to the next council meeting to obtain more information about the status of the Arts Education Program at the Destin Elementary School; seconded by Councilmember Hebert. Motion passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted “yes”; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

- B. Councilmember Geile
 - 1) Project updates/status
- C. Councilmember Destin
- D. Councilmember Bagby
- E. Councilmember Hebert
- F. Councilmember King

1) Membership Appointment - Town Center CRA Advisory Committee - Marlaine Scanlan

Motion by Councilmember King, seconded by Councilmember Stephens, to appoint Ms. Marlaine Scanlan to the Town Center CRA Advisory Committee passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted “yes”; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

- G. Councilmember Schmidt
- H. Mayor Wagner
- I. City Attorney
 - 1) Waiver for any potential conflict of interest.

Councilmember Bagby moved to direct Mayor Wagner to execute the Waiver of Any Potential Conflict of Interest with the White Hat Productions for the purpose of conducting a Mayor’s Ball, seconded by Councilmember Hebert. Motion passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted “yes”; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

2) A call for an executive session to be held on May 20, 2024, at 5:30 PM, in the City Hall Annex Council Chamber:

The City Attorney announced an executive session to be conducted on May 20th, at 5:30 PM, with regards to the following case.

Enclave Community Property Association, Inc. vs. City of Destin, Case Number 2023-CA- 003150, in the First Judicial Circuit, in and for Okaloosa, County, Florida.

There we no objections from the council.

3) City Manager Contract

The City Attorney presented the proposed City Manager contract to the city council.

Motion by Councilmember Hebert, seconded by Councilmember Stephens, to approve the City Manager contract as written passed 6-0 (Council members King, Hebert, Bagby, Destin, Geile, and Stephens voted "yes"; Councilmember Schmidt was absent from the meeting)

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Matt Condon discussed the administrative change affecting yacht charters and suggested a carve-out for yacht certified vessels over 32 feet.

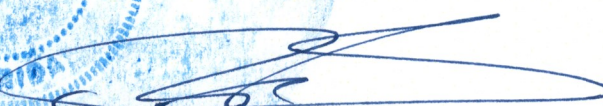
Mr. Ryan Holloway supported the comments made by the previous speaker and emphasized the controlled and regulated nature of yacht charters.

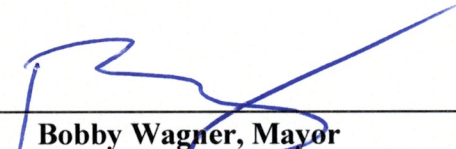
Mr. Gary Troop highlighted the economic contribution and responsible operation of yacht charters in Destin.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.

ATTEST:


Rey Bailey, City Clerk


Bobby Wagner, Mayor