

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
DESTIN CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 1, 2018
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 Gary Jarvis
Councilmember Chatham Morgan
Councilmember Parker Destin
Councilmember Cyron Marler

Councilmember Tuffy Dixon
Councilmember Rodney Braden
Councilmember Prebble Ramswell
Councilmember Skip Overdier

Destin City Staff

Interim City Manager Lance Johnson
Acting Parks & Recreation Director Lisa Firth
Acting Community Dev Director Steve Schmidt
City Engineer David Campbell
Public Information Manager Doug Rainer
City Land Use Attorney Kimberly Kopp

City Clerk Rey Bailey
HR Manager Karen Jankowski
Finance Director Bragg Farmer
IT Manager Webb Warren
City Attorney Kyle Bauman

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gary Jarvis called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Pastor Steve Farris of First Baptist Church gave the invocation; which was then followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Braden moved that agenda item #2A be pulled; seconded by Councilmember Ramswell.

Councilmember Braden noted that background materials for this agenda item were provided to the Council just before the Mayor convened this meeting and the Council did not have time to review the materials.

The Land Use Attorney explained that the backup materials the applicant's consultant submitted contained some errors, and that the City just received the corrected version today. However, the applicant is prepared to provide some explanations regarding this matter if the Council allows it to be heard tonight.

Motion failed 3-4 (Council members Morgan, Ramswell and Braden voted "yes"; Council members Destin, Marler, Overdier, and Dixon voted "no").

Motion by Councilmember Destin, seconded by Councilmember Overdier, to pull agenda items #4C and #4E and move them to the October 22nd Parking and Traffic Concurrency Workshop agenda, passed 7-0 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted “yes”).

Motion by Councilmember Destin, seconded by Councilmember Overdier, to approve the agenda, as amended, passed 7-0 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted “yes”).

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of minutes of June 4, 2018 regular city council meeting

Councilmember Destin moved to approve minutes of June 4, 2018 regular city council meeting; seconded by Councilmember Marler. Motion passed 7-0 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted “yes”).

- B. Approval of minutes of May 21, 2018 regular city council meeting

Councilmember Destin moved to approve minutes of May 21, 2018 regular city council meeting; seconded by Councilmember Marler. Motion passed 7-0 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted “yes”).

2. PROCLAMATIONS / RECOGNITIONS / **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Request by Mr. David Krebs for Letter of Concurrence for 25Foot Setback Waiver to Riparian Line

The applicant, Mr. David Krebs, explained that the Letter of Concurrence for Setback Waiver that was previously provided to the Council contained the wrong address, and the corrected version arrived late and was given to the Council just before the meeting. He stated that he is a commercial fisherman. They are running out of dock slips as Destin continues to grow. He bought the property to have some future for his commercial boats, and for his boats to remain in the harbor and not have to be moved elsewhere. This request is not to do any commercial activity; but, just to be able to have a place to moor these boats when they are not being used. He would like to extend his existing dock further seaward. The proposed extension would encroach upon the 25 foot setback from his riparian rights lines, unless he obtains a waiver of such setback requirement from FDEP. Because the City of Destin is the adjacent property owner to his property, he is requesting approval from the City to this request.

Councilmember Dixon wants to make sure any action the Council takes tonight does not bypass any of the other adjoining property owners or infringe upon their ability to address this issue.

According to the Land Use Attorney, Mr. Krebs is looking for a Letter of Concurrence from the City because the City owns the adjacent land; and that FDEP requires this Letter of Concurrence before they would approve the dock extension because it encroaches into the City’s FDEP-required

setback. She added there is no public hearing requirements or notification requirements regarding this issue.

Mr. Kreb reiterated that they would not be conducting any commercial activity in that area.

Councilmember Destin moved to issue a Letter of Concurrency for the applicant, Mr. David Krebs, to waive the 25-foot setback to the riparian line, and direct the City Manager to execute the Letter of Concurrency; seconded by Councilmember Morgan.

Councilmember Braden stated there were several people that have asked him what this issue was about; to which he could not respond because not all the information were available until just before this meeting started. At least one of those people expressed the desire to speak on the subject; but, none of them is present tonight. He added he is not in favor of giving away more of the City's land, waterfront access or riparian rights.

The Land Use Attorney explained that the setback requirement is from the riparian line in the water. If Mr. Krebs extends his deck out, it would fall within 25 feet of that line. Since the City of Destin owns the adjoining property, it has to concur with the dock extension.

Councilmember Ramswell asked if the dock is encroaching upon the City's riparian rights the way it is currently situated; to which Mr. Krebs replied affirmatively. He added they are extending the existing dock and following the same riparian rights that existing dock already encroached on.

Councilmember Ramswell asked if this encroachment would preclude the City from putting in a dock at the Harbor View Park if they decide to do so in the future.

According to the City Attorney, the City's Harbor and Waterways Board has some guidelines that they follow and they make an advisory decision for the City Council, and that the City Council makes the final decision.

Councilmember Marler noted there is nothing the City could legally do to add anything to what is already in existence in that area. They would not be able to build a dock because it is a wetland and it is protected. There is a mini-park and a road entrance to the Grand Harbor Condominium.

Councilmember Ramswell asked if a water taxi stop or a kayak launch has different setback requirements in terms of space.

The Land Use Attorney stated it would have the same setback requirements.

The Mayor announced he will allow public comments regarding this issue at this time. Having none the Mayor asked the Council to vote on the motion.

Motion passed 6-1 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon and Ramswell voted "yes"; Councilmember Braden voted "no").

B. Update on recent Harbor and Waterways Board discussions regarding observed waterway issues and potential solutions – Mr. Matthew Trammell, Harbor and Waterways Board Chairman

Mr. Matthew Trammell, Harbor and Waterways Board Chairman, provided a brief overview of the Board's recent activities. He stated that the Board has been proactive in trying to get more involved in other aspects of their mission rather than just a permitting authority on development projects in the harbor and other Destin waterways. He stated their true mission included reviewing plans for future growth and development, conducting inventory of potential or existing sources of pollution and try to come up with potential solutions, monitoring the overall condition of the Destin Harbor, protecting coastal resources and reducing adverse impacts and protecting and enhancing coastal shorelines. He then discussed the Boards efforts in terms of water quality in the harbor.

Potential Issues	Potential Solutions
Sewage Pollution	• Education/Outreach/Signage/Flyers ○ Signage along harbor waterfront, signs at storm drains, flyers/pamphlets throughout the harbor ○ “No Discharge Zone” signage within Destin Harbor • Increased enforcement/Stiffer fines ○ Increased city code enforcement ○ Possible code revisions • Increased public sewage pumpout facilities ○ Incentive for private marinas to provide public facilities/use ○ Large-scale public facilities at City parks ○ Research funding for pumpout facilities at public or private marinas/docks • Tracking commercial vessel pump outs • Additional public restroom facilities along harbor waterfront
Dissolved Oxygen	• Pump station improvements / reconstruction • Pump station fixed budget for operation & maintenance • Oxygen treatment, aeration, etc.

Nutrients/Turbidity	• Enhanced storm water treatment ○ Work with DWU to identify potential problem areas ○ Reduce/Minimize direct outfalls ○ Enhanced treatment within upland areas • Living shoreline projects within watershed (Marsh Grass/Oyster beds, etc.) ○ Work with CBA and HIIA to identify willing property owners and potential target areas • Regulations on fertilizer use along upland properties • Regulations on gravel lots within watershed area • Education/Outreach within local watershed ○ Flyers/Pamphlets to waterfront owners, etc. • Possible code revisions to encourage natural/living shorelines and/or limit hard structures
Trash (cigarette butts, bottles/cans, plastic bags, fish carcasses, etc.)	• Education / Outreach / Signage ○ Signage along harbor waterfront, signs at storm drains, flyers / pamphlets throughout harbor ○ “Keep Destin Harbor Clean” banners, etc. • Additional trash receptacles ○ Fixed trash receptacles along harbor waterfront (possibly including local arts) ○ Floating trash receptacles in problem areas ○ Recycling containers along harbor waterfront • Increased enforcement/Stiffer fines ○ Increased City code enforcement ○ Possible code revisions • Organized clean-up efforts (volunteer or funded) ○ Parks Dept. or TDC funded ○ Purchasing additional cleaning equipment

	• Designated bins for fish carcasses at private and/or public marinas • Designate “No smoking” areas along the harbor or prohibit all smoking along the harbor • Work with DWU to identify potential problem areas and install trash Grafting • Water fountains along the Harbor Boardwalk (to reduce water bottle usage) • Plastic bag ban (?)
Heavy Metals / Oils Grease*	• Increased incentives for boat lifts or non-leaching dock materials • Reporting system for oil spills/slicks • Increased enforcement/Stiffer fines ○ Increased City code enforcement ○ Possible code revisions • Organized battery/trash removal within waterbody • Enhanced testing to identify source pollutants • Hire an environmental intern next summer to compile & Review WQ data • Environmental dredging within “Hot Spots

Mr. Trammell asked the Council to consider hiring a Harbor Master; perhaps an environmental scientist dedicated to all Destin waterways.

Councilmember Dixon noted there are trash in the water that had been there for years, such as traffic cones, tires and batteries. He suggests contacting a dive club and asking if they could possibly send divers out in the water to help remove some of this trash.

Mr. Trammell suggests establishing a website where people could report oil slicks, sewage spills or trash in the water.

Councilmember Dixon stated he does not remember exactly what this Council had decided to do about the harbor pump.

According to the City Engineer, the harbor pump is still vibrating but it is currently running; but, it may need some maintenance. They need to determine how to stop the vibration and still get some useful year out of that pump. He previously stated that a smaller pump would accomplish the same thing; it would just have to run a little longer.

Councilmember Dixon stated he seemed to remember Council approving expenditure for a different type of pump system. He asked the City Engineer to look into the discussion held at a

Council meeting several months ago relative to the harbor pump and provide an update at the next meeting.

Councilmember Marler asked the Harbor and Waterways Board to provide some ideas on the Joe's Bayou expansion; how to make it look more presentable to the public and how to make it more useful besides utilizing it for parking.

The Mayor noted they previously had a presentation for PumpOut USA with regards to the sewage issue. He suggests contacting the previous Destin Mayor Craig Barker and requesting a scaled down version of that presentation, and then bring it back to Council. He also stated that further enforcement with regards to oil spill, pollution and sewage falls under the jurisdiction of the United States Coast Guard and Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission (FFWC). They just need to educate the general public where to report their findings.

Councilmember Ramswell stated she supports the idea of contacting FFWC and seeing about getting an extra officer; adding it could be something that is easily accomplished.

Mr. Trammell stated that they previously looked into this matter and made the recommendation to the City. He continued that for approximately \$50,000, they could have a dedicated FFWC officer patrolling a designed area during the hundred days of summer.

Councilmember Ramswell noted that during a budget meeting back in August 2016, this Council discussed the possibility of hiring a Harbor Master. She asked for an update on this issue.

Councilmember Dixon stated that they made the qualification for a Harbor Master so restrictive that no one has qualified for the position; adding they would need to come up with a better job description for a Harbor Master.

Councilmember Destin noted that the Council discussed four different options during that period, to include hiring a Harbor Master. They decided to fund an extra boat and an extra deputy to patrol the harbor.

Mr. Trammell mentioned that Ms. Dawn McDonald, a City planner, made an excellent suggestion to the Board about bringing in an intern for the summer to help collect water quality data. This intern could be either a high school or college student.

Councilmember Ramswell stated it is a great idea since they are pursuing a Destin High School and focusing on several fields of study including Marine Biology or Marine Science.

Councilmember Ramswell stated that with regards to developing a master plan to beautify the harbor district, back in December 2006, Tetra Tech made a formal announcement they are being hired by the City to do a complete conceptual planning and design for the entire harbor district. It included waterfront boardwalk improvements, parking improvements, pedestrian and water access improvements, roadway and streetscape improvements and storm water improvements. She continued she would like to see any of these plans that may have been developed.

Councilmember Destin asked Mr. Trammell to coordinate with the Interim City Manager about contacting FFWC regarding derelict vessels; and for the City to work hand in hand with FFWC in identifying derelict vessels, contacting the owners, and removing them from their local waterways in accordance with statutory provisions.

The Mayor asked the Interim City Manager to schedule a workshop to discuss all these issues and obtain public input.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS THAT ARE NOT PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ANY OTHER MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Darryl Shelton, a Destin resident, stated that with regards to the previous discussion, the Ultimate Condo at 280 Gulf Shore Drive has an excellent pump-out facility, and that they welcome anybody to use it. He then moved to discuss issues relating to short-term rentals. He stated that during a Council meeting about a year ago, 6 people stood up and convinced this Council to form a Short-Term Rental Task Force just when they were almost ready to vote on short-term rental regulations; and that all 6 people were non-Destin residents. Most of them lived in Walton County. The Council subsequently formed and appointed 7 members to the task force. These members met weekly for 9 straight weeks. They spent over 200 hours formulating their recommendations to the City Council. He continued that it seemed the process stopped after the recommendations were submitted to the Council. He asked that these recommendations be put back on the agenda for implementation; adding they would need to have something on the books before January 2019 when short-term rental registrations begin.

According to the Mayor, he plans on calling for a Special City Council meeting very soon to discuss and finish the ordinance.

Ms. Patti Brown, a Destin resident and a Short-Term Rental Task Force member, noted that most of their recommendations passed with unanimous votes from the members of the task force. The Council approved some of them for implementation, but they are not being enforced. Trash cans are still being left out for an extended period of time and they still have illegal parking everywhere. She continued that members of the task force spent many hours researching and collecting information state-wide. She urged the Council to put this item back on the agenda sooner rather than later for implementation.

Councilmember Ramswell asked how those recommendations which have already been incorporated into the code are being enforced.

The Interim City Manager stated that he has recently discussed some of these issues with the Code Enforcement Manager; and that they are trying to put a plan in place to be able to do a better job enforcing the code. He explained that at the end of the hundred days of summer, code enforcement staff went to reduced schedule. There was not much coverage on weekends and during evening times. He asked the Code Enforcement Manager to come back with a plan to put back some enhanced coverage even during off season because it is obviously necessary based on some of the email correspondence from the public.

Councilmember Ramswell expressed that when Council approved the hiring of additional code enforcement officers during the last budget cycle, it was her understanding it would extend the hours of coverage to include nights and weekends. However, she had gotten multiple calls from citizens wanting to know where to report the violations because all they get is a voice mail message when they tried to call the City.

According to the Interim City Manager, the Code Enforcement Manager informed him they had code enforcement officers working parts of the weekend and later into the evening during the hundred days of summer. However, they went back to normal business hours after Labor Day. He added they would discuss going back to having some coverage later into the evening when most of these violations are occurring.

Councilmember Ramswell suggests establishing a point of contact for citizens who are encountering such issues.

Councilmember Marler argues that it would be unsafe to send unarmed code enforcement officers to enforce the code by themselves late at night. They should be able to call the Sheriff's Department to send one of their deputies for support.

According to the Interim City Manager, he recently met and discussed this matter with Captain Nix of the Sheriff's Office. He was not sure if the Sheriff wants to get involved with code enforcement business; however, they would absolutely respond immediately if the City's code enforcement officers feel they are in danger.

Capt. Nix noted that they are already providing support to code enforcement officers, and that hiring a deputy for this purpose would just be a waste of money for the City. He continued that if any of the code enforcement officers encounters anybody that is being belligerent, all they have to do is call the Sheriff's Office and a deputy will respond immediately and stand-by them to make sure they are protected while they do their job.

Councilmember Ramswell stated that they hire code enforcement officers to enforce the code; but, if they are unwilling to do so, they should hire somebody else. She continued that the Council needs to know what it needs to do in order to properly empower code enforcement officers so they could do their job.

According to Councilmember Braden, the code enforcement officers need not have to confront anybody. They could simply call the responsible party listed on the signs each short-term rental property is required to have in front of their building.

The Interim City Manager noted that part of their discussion was to make sure these signs are properly posted.

Ms. Patti Brown, a Destin resident, stated that it is difficult to rely on the Sheriff's Department as they are always very busy especially during the height of the season. They are placed at a lower priority when they call in their complaints. She continued that these violations are not happening from midnight to 6:00 a.m.; but, from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. when code enforcement officers should be on duty. She also stated she has had several discussions with the former City

Manager about this issue. There was never a situation when a code enforcement officer's life was threatened. She added that this has become a year-round issue, and there was a plan to raise rental property rates so they could hire more code enforcement officers.

4. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

A. Proposal for the redesign of Captain Royal Melvin Heritage Park & Plaza

The Interim City Manager noted that the City Council previously directed staff to have Tetra Tech, Inc. provide a quote for the recommended design changes to Capt. Royal Melvin Heritage Park. Tetra Tech, Inc. provided a quote in the amount of \$27,790.00. He asked for the Council's direction to approve the quote and allow staff to move forward, or reject it and provide additional directions on how they would like staff to proceed.

Councilmember Braden noted that Tetra Tech Inc. charges \$4250.00 for meetings. He asked what kind of meetings they plan to schedule.

The City Engineer David Campbell explained these meetings would be similar to the meetings held during the initial stages of the plans. Tetra Tech representatives would be attending meetings of the Harbor CRA Advisory Committee, CRA Board and the City Council to do the presentations.

Councilmember Braden stated he was under the impression the City's other consultant, Jenkins Engineering, is capable of completing the plans all the way to 100 percent.

Councilmember Braden moved to reject the quote provided by Tetra Tech, Inc. and direct the City Attorney to look into terminating the City's relationship with Tetra Tech, Inc.; seconded by Councilmember Ramswell.

Councilmember Dixon asked Mr. Campbell if he was capable of completing the design.

Mr. Campbell stated that he could complete the job from the engineering perspective; however, he does not possess the skill of a design landscape architect which is necessary to finish the project.

Councilmember Dixon asked if Mr. Campbell would be capable of completing the design if they bring in a landscape architect to provide some assistance. He stated he previously spoken with the former City Manager who stated that the City Engineer should be able to complete the design if he could clear is calendar for about 30 days.

Mr. Campbell stated that he is capable of engineering this project from a professional standpoint, but it would require him to prioritize his time.

Councilmember Dixon suggests they either consider finishing up the design in-house or assign the job to their other continuing services contractor.

Mr. Campbell stated that completing the project in-house is an option as they have civil engineering design capabilities in their department. However, they would need to sub-contract some of the aspects of the design such as landscape architecture. He continued if it requires any modifications to the building, they would need to hire an architect, a mechanical engineer, an electrical engineer and everything that goes along with building design.

Councilmember Ramswell stated she was under the impression the only thing left to do is computer aided design (CAD) at this point.

Mr. Campbell explained it is a lot more than just modifying an existing set of plans. The engineer who will take over the project would have to obtain permission to use the previous engineer's documents and then take the liability for that design.

According to the City Engineer, he has not had a chance to review the documents the City had executed with Tetra Tech; however, if the Council wants to explore the possibility of terminating their relationship with Tetra Tech, they could provide a legal review of the documents.

There were some discussions relative to the proposed changes to the plans. Mr. Campbell read the following items from the amended scope of work:

- Sidewalk above the bluff grade shall be moved to minimally impact existing trees on the property or adjacent properties as determined by a licensed arborist
- Bluff shall be maintained, and ramp be designed into the project that is ADA-compliant along the west property line from Harbor Boulevard to the harbor boardwalk, allowing for switchbacks running perpendicular to the bluff
- Bathrooms and the resource room included in the previously prepared designs shall remain on the lower southern part of the property and the design revised to incorporate into the bluff
- The bathrooms and bandstand shall be designed to face due south, and there shall not be any shade or canopy structures on either the east or west sides, but only directly over the top of the bandstand
- Incorporate park elements identified by the client previously designed below the bluff to be above the bluff grade

Capt. Jim Green, Vice-Chair of the Harbor CRA Advisory Committee, suggests Council considers other options if they are not happy with the estimate provided by Tetra Tech as City staff is already short-handed and quite overwhelmed at this point. He feels that charging \$5,000 for meetings is quite excessive. He suggests removing the requirement for a licensed arborist as they are already aware of a licensed arborist's opinion about the trees and they are not happy with it.

Councilmember Destin announced he would abstain from voting as he is related to someone who is involved in litigation relating to this matter.

The Mayor called for a vote on the motion; which passes 6-0 (Council member Morgan, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted "yes"; Councilmember Destin abstained from voting).

B. Resolution 18-37 FY 2019 Law Enforcement Agreement

The Interim City Manager explained this is an annual renewal of the contract with the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office for law enforcement services.

Councilmember Overdier moved to adopt Resolution 18-37 accepting the FY 2019 Law Enforcement Service Agreement to provide law enforcement services to the City of Destin by the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019; seconded by Councilmember Dixon. Motion passed 7-0 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted "yes").

C. Memorandum of Understanding - Structured Parking Solutions

Item pulled from the agenda.

D. City Manager Candidates Update

Mr. Buzz Eddy from FCCMA discussed the next steps in the hiring process for a full time City Manager. He stated they have received approximately 55 applications, and that both he and the City's Human Resources Manager have reviewed all of them. There are about 20 applicants that meet the qualifications and job description that they published. He recommends the City Council reviews all 55 applications and by their own opinions develop their list of the best qualified candidates to bring forward to the next step in the process. Both he and the Human Resources Manager will review the list. The applicants that received the most votes from the Council will be included in the short list of finalists that will be provided to the Council. He also suggests the Council schedules a special meeting and interviews all or some of the finalists, possibly via Skype. They could then narrow the list down to 3 or 4 and interview each one in person.

Councilmember Braden stated he would prefer to personally meet with each candidate once they have narrowed the list down to about five finalists.

Councilmember Dixon would like to see the list of finalists as compiled by Mr. Eddy and the Human Resources Manager.

Councilmember Ramswell noted that she is prepared to submit her list of finalists tonight as she was under the impression they were supposed to come up with that list tonight. She asked when they should submit this list.

Mr. Eddy stated if they could get the lists from the Council in time, they could place this item back on the October 15th Council meeting agenda.

The Human Resources Manager asked if the Council would allow the Mayor to submit his own list even though he does not have a vote.

It was the consensus of the Council to allow the Mayor to submit a list.

E. Resolution 1829 Supporting Advanced Funding Agreement with FDOT for the Crosstown Connector

Item was pulled from the agenda

F. 108 Sibert Avenue prospective purchase

The Interim City Manager stated that staff has engaged an appraiser to do an appraisal on this property, as previously directed by the Council, which appraisal concluded a value of \$250,000 for the property. He asked for Council's authorization for staff to enter into negotiations with the property owner, with direct cooperation with the City Attorney, and bring back a proposed contract for Council's approval.

Councilmember Destin moved to authorize City staff, with direct cooperation with the City Attorney, to enter into negotiations with regards to possible acquisition of the property located at 108 Sibert Avenue, and bring back a proposed contract for Council's approval; seconded by Councilmember Overdier. Motion passed 7-0 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted "yes").

G. Announcements & Updates

The Interim City Manager made the following announcements:

- October 25th – City of Destin's Annual Open House at the Destin Community Center
- The County is considering future expansion of parking at James Lee Park
- The Harbor CRA Advisory Committee had made a request to have the City Attorney attend their meetings

The City Attorney noted that both the Harbor CRA Advisory Committee and the Harbor and Waterways Board need the City Attorney's presence at their meetings.

Motion by Councilmember Overdier, seconded by Councilmember Destin, to have the City Attorney attends all meetings of the Harbor CRA Advisory Committee and Harbor and Waterways Board passed 7-0 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted "yes").

- October 29th @ the Destin Community Center – 18th Annual Fall Festival
- November 3rd, 5-8 PM – Annual Pin Fish Classic
- November 16th @ the Destin Community Center – 12-17 Annual Holiday Craft Show

At this time, the Human Resources Manager provided a brief update on the search for a new Community Development Director. She stated the Interim City Manager and certain members of staff have interviewed 5 candidates via Skype. She has requested a background check as well as assessment for each of the candidates. The team will review all the documents and potentially narrow down the list of candidates to 3 or 4. They would also like to schedule the candidates for a "Meet and Greet" session with the Council once they receive an agreed upon date from the Council.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Interlocal Agreement with the Destin Fire Control District for Beach Safety Services and Lifeguard Services; Resolution 1835
- B. Animal Control Services Contracts; Resolutions 1823, 1824, 1825
- C. Request Approval of Bid Number 1813PS, Miscellaneous Mechanical Services Continuing Services Contract; Resolution 1834
- D. Request Approval of Microsoft Office 365 Licensing and Migration Services
- E. Contract Resolution 1833 for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Right-of-Way Landscape Maintenance within the Destin city limits with Ferrovia Infrastructure, Inc. formally known as Broadspectrum Infrastructure, Inc.
- F. Reimbursement to Councilmember Skip Overdier for expenses incurred while attending the Florida League of Cities Legislative Policy Committee meeting at Orlando, Florida, on September 13, 2018
- G. 1838, authorizing the City Clerk to provide notice of proposed ordinance relating to communications facilities in city rights-of-way to the Secretary of State at least ten days prior to October 15, 2018, which is 10 days prior to first reading of ordinance
- H. NW FL Track Club, Inc. Request for use of Right of Way / Destin Rodeo Run 5k
- I. Resolution 1839 Supporting the Destin Water Users, Inc., and their participation in the "Imagine a Day Without Water" campaign

Motion by Councilmember Ramswell, seconded by Councilmember Marler, to approve Consent Agenda items 6A thru 6I, as printed above, passed 7-0 (Council members Morgan, Destin, Marler, Overdier, Dixon, Ramswell and Braden voted "yes").

7. COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL, LAND USE ATTORNEY AND CITY ATTORNEY

- A. Councilmember Braden

Councilmember Braden asked the Interim City Manager to check into the two pontoon boat rental companies that apparently have not submitted their application and have not paid their dues the past two years, since the Livery Vessel Ordinance was adopted. He would also like to know why staff allowed it to happen.

- B. Councilmember Ramswell
- C. Councilmember Dixon

Councilmember Dixon noted that he previously attended a Public Works/Safety Committee meeting and asked the committee to look at ways to expedite the projects that could potentially solve the issues related to the dangerous curve on Airport Road. He also made some recommendations for guardrails and some pavings in the inside and outside lanes.

- D. Councilmember Overdier
- E. Councilmember Marler

- 1) Discussion of the City Charter regarding the process of hiring and terminating the services of the City Manager and City Attorney

Item was pulled from the agenda

- F. Councilmember Destin

- 1) Solutions to private pay-to-park and traffic congestion

Councilmember Destin suggests exploring a requirement of collecting money at the exit rather than at the entrance to the parking lot.

Councilmember Marler noted that his employer, the Emerald Grande, is currently exploring option.

According to the City Engineer, they have been in contact with an FDOT representative and requested that a right-turn lane to the traffic light to the main entrance to the Emerald Grande be included in the 3R project. He continued there is a right-turn lane from the bridge into the secondary entrance to the Emerald Grande already programmed into the 3R project. He added that FDOT scheduled a meeting this week, and so they should get a response from them soon.

Councilmember Dixon wants to make sure they are not singling out the Emerald Grande as there are other properties that are using their parking lots for pay-to-park.

The Mayor requested that this subject be placed on the October 15th meeting agenda under City Manager Report.

Councilmember Ramswell asked if there was a traffic study done on the Emerald Grande development before it was built, and another study done after the completion of the major phases.

According to the City Engineer, a traffic study is conducted for each project which shows the impact on the highway; and that an initial study was conducted for this project. The study showed a peak hour analysis that is currently on the current level of service they have on US Hwy 98; but, the study has not been re-accomplished.

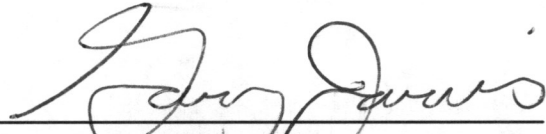
Councilmember Ramswell asked whether the Emerald Grande is due for another study particularly since they have another phase of the project they could potentially develop.

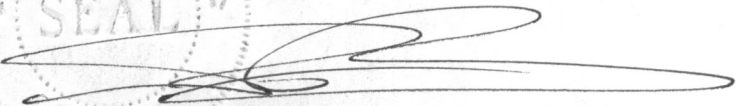
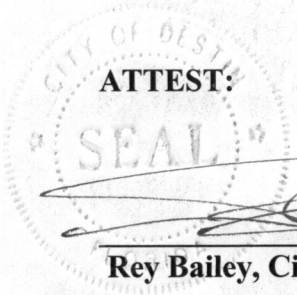
The City Engineer stated he is not sure how the project was initially analyzed; adding that the additional phase may have been analyzed along with the original development. But, they could certainly look at it to determine if the next phase needs another traffic analysis.

According to Councilmember Ramswell, the project has had a tremendous impact on traffic; and that additional development could have a catastrophic impact.

- G. Councilmember Morgan
- H. Mayor Jarvis
- I. Land Use Attorney
- J. City Attorney

Having no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.



Gary Jarvis, Mayor

Rey Bailey, City Clerk