

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 15th, 2024
6:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

John Vogel II, Mayor	Gerald T. Buhr, City Attorney
Randy Huckabee, Mayor Pro Tem	Marissa Morales, City Clerk
Caitlin Bolender, Building & Zoning Commissioner	Adam Ray, Public Works Director
Kevin Damic, Water Commissioner	Will Plazewski, Water Clerk
Blaze Drinkwine, Parks Commissioner	Julia Fresne-Sandifer, Assistant City Clerk

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Julia Fresne-Sandifer

OPENING CEREMONIES: Mayor Vogel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Minutes for the September 5th First Budget Hearing, September 19th Final Budget Hearing, September 19th Commission Meeting, General Fund and Water Fund disbursements and deposits for September 2024.

MOTION: ACCEPT THE CONSENT AGENDA

MADE BY: Commissioner Drinkwine

SECOND: Commissioner Bolender

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- A. Don Kandalec of Dunne Road asked to consider a temporary burn ban during extended power outages to prevent smoke from entering homes.
- B. Janice Davis of Palm Street thanked staff for keeping the water on despite power outages.

3. **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- A. Mayor Vogel thanked staff for the hurricane relief effort. Few customers were affected by water shutoffs. Mayor Vogel was grateful for the community coming together and received messages of support from Senator Rick Scott and Representative Gus Bilirakis in the aftermath of the storm. The city was working on finding contractor to pick up debris.
- B. Herrmann Schrader passed away. He was a lifelong member of the community, having spent his entire life on Pompano Street.
- C. Mayor Vogel read a proclamation recognizing the week of October 20-26, 2024, as Florida Forests Week.

4. **ATTORNEY'S REPORT: NONE**

5. **Trash Bid Opening (Exhibit 1 – Waste & Recycling Bids Cost Breakdown)**

- A. The Commission scheduled a special meeting, October 21st at 5 PM, to have time to individually review each bid and give the public time to voice their opinions.

MOTION: POSTPONE TO A DEFINITE DATE

MADE BY: Commissioner Huckabee

SECOND: Commissioner Drinkwine

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

- a. Kim Bradford of Vestavia Street voiced concerns with the current contractor and hoped for a change. Mrs. Bradford asked whether residents could use their

current receptacle or had to purchase a new one. All contractors confirmed that residents may use the can they currently own. Mrs. Bradford advocated for Waste Pro dba JD Parker & Sons based on her experience with them.

- b. Mayor Vogel asked that staff review the bids and provide a recommendation at the special meeting.

6. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

A. BUILDING AND ZONING – COMMISSIONER BOLENDER:

1. Building permit activity for September was tallied at \$109,201.50.
2. Commissioner Bolender would like to standardize size and material of culverts in the code to prevent long-term stormwater issues. The Public Works Director recommended also adding right-of-way use permits to help with those issues. Mayor Vogel requested that research be conducted on best practices and that the findings be documented for the Commission to review and vote on.

A. PARKS AND RECREATION – COMMISSIONER DRINKWINE:

1. Lake Park remains closed until staff can clear the debris out.
2. Mayor Vogel extended the local state of emergency to give more time to find a contractor for debris pickup.

B. STREETS – COMMISSIONER HUCKABEE:

1. The city was making progress on several surveying projects.

C. WATERWORKS – COMMISSIONER DAMIC:

1. A fall tree's roots pulled an 8-inch water main on Pasco Road which caused water shutoffs for parts of Summerfield, Magnolia Avenue, and 7th Avenue.
2. The Water Clerk requested approval to waive the late fees on this month's water bills in light of the storm-related circumstances.

MOTION: WAIVE LATE FEES

MADE BY: Commissioner Huckabee

SECOND: Commissioner Damic

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

3. Annual tap-in fee increases will be presented at the following commission meeting and will be noticed on the water bills.
4. The Water Clerk recommended conducting an audit of trees located directly over water lines to prevent a recurrence of the issue caused by the storm.
5. Attorney Buhr stated that he includes language in the plats for new subdivisions stipulating that nothing may be placed in the easements, and if anything is, the city has the right to remove it at the owner's expense.

6. CLERK'S REPORT:

- A. Pasco County Permitting was supposed to attend this month's meeting and was hoping to reschedule for next month.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Mayor Vogel would like to revisit performing a review of all paid consultants soon in a workshop meeting.
- B. A sidewalks workshop is scheduled for November 7th at 6:00 PM.

9. ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: NONE

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS: NONE

11. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Fresne-Sandifer, Assistant City Clerk

EXHIBIT 1 - WASTE & RECYCLING BIDS COST BREAKDOWN

RESIDENTIAL WASTE & RECYCLING			
	Waste Connections	Waste Pro JD Parker	Coastal
Residential Waste	\$ 21.24	\$ 21.60	\$ 12.71
Residential Recycling	INCLUDED	INCLUDED	\$ 3.89
RESIDENTIAL TOTAL	\$ 21.24	\$ 21.60	\$ 16.60
			\$ 20.50*

**Price includes options for individual yard waste/bulky item/white good services.*

RESIDENTIAL SPECIAL PICK UPS			
	Waste Connections	Waste Pro JD Parker	Coastal
Yard Waste	\$ 20.00	INCLUDED	\$ 10.00
Bulky Items	\$ 75.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 25.00
White Goods	N/A	\$ 30.00	\$ 25.00

RESIDENTIAL WASTE & RECYCLING RECEPTACLES						
	Waste Connections		Waste Pro JD Parker		Coastal	
	Lease	Purchase	Lease	Purchase	Lease	Purchase
Waste Bins (95 Gal)	\$ 8.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1.64	\$ 100.00	N/A	\$ 95.00
Recycle Totes (64 Gal)	\$ 6.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 1.54	\$ 95.00	N/A	\$ 95.00

COMMERCIAL WASTE COLLECTION

Waste Connections					
	1x Week	2x Week	3x Week	4x Week	5x Week
2 Yard	\$ 40.11	\$ 68.42	\$ 93.19	\$ 110.89	\$ 139.20
4 Yard	\$ 61.34	\$ 110.89	\$ 167.51	\$ 220.60	\$ 246.55
6 Yard	\$ 82.58	\$ 148.64	\$ 220.60	\$ 296.09	\$ 324.41
8 Yard	\$ 97.91	\$ 197.00	\$ 296.09	\$ 395.19	\$ 431.75

Waste Pro/JD Parker & Sons					
	1x Week	2x Week	3x Week	4x Week	5x Week
2 Yard	\$ 48.49	\$ 96.98	\$ 145.46	\$ 193.95	\$ 242.44
4 Yard	\$ 81.93	\$ 163.85	\$ 245.77	\$ 327.69	\$ 409.62
6 Yard	\$ 117.17	\$ 234.34	\$ 351.51	\$ 468.68	\$ 585.85
8 Yard	\$ 148.61	\$ 297.21	\$ 445.82	\$ 594.42	\$ 743.03

Coastal Waste & Recycling					
	1x Week	2x Week	3x Week	4x Week	5x Week
2 Yard	\$ 55.33	\$ 110.66	\$ 165.98	\$ 221.31	\$ 276.64
4 Yard	\$ 110.66	\$ 221.31	\$ 331.97	\$ 442.62	\$ 553.28
6 Yard	\$ 165.98	\$ 331.97	\$ 497.95	\$ 663.93	\$ 829.92
8 Yard	\$ 221.31	\$ 442.62	\$ 663.93	\$ 885.24	\$ 1,106.56