



# City of Panama City Beach

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**MINUTES of the August 8, 2024 Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida, and when permitted or required by the subject matter, the Panama City Beach Community Redevelopment Agency.**

**Mayor Stuart Tettemer called the August 8, 2024 special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

- COUNCILMAN PAUL CASTO**
- COUNCILMEMBER MARY COBURN**
- COUNCILMAN ETHAN REGISTER**
- VICE MAYOR MICHAEL JARMAN**
- MAYOR STUART TETTEMER**

**A quorum was present with all five members of City Council.** Others present were City Manager Drew Whitman, Assistant City Manager Holly White, City Attorney Cole Davis, City Clerk Lynne Fasone, Directors, staff, and members of the public and press.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilman Paul Casto led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Tettemer presented community announcements.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Mayor Tettemer called for approval of the July 25, 2024 meeting minutes. **Councilman Casto so moved. Vice Mayor Jarman seconded the motion. The July 25, 2024 meeting minutes were unanimously approved by a (5-0) roll call vote.**

Councilman Casto	Aye
Councilmember Coburn	Aye
Councilman Register	Aye
Vice Mayor Jarman	Aye
Mayor Tettemer	Aye

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Tettemer called for approval and/or deletions to the agenda. **Attorney Davis recommended removing Item 3, first reading of Ordinance No. 1652, from tonight’s regular agenda, as it needed to be a little more baked.** Mayor Tettemer called for additional changes from Council. Hearing and seeing none, **Vice Mayor Jarman moved to approve the agenda, as amended. Councilman Register seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor of approval of the agenda, as amended by a (5-0) roll call vote.**

Councilman Casto	Aye
Councilmember Coburn	Aye
Councilman Register	Aye
Vice Mayor Jarman	Aye
Mayor Tettemer	Aye

**PUBLIC COMMENTS - NON-AGENDA BUSINESS (LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES)**

Mayor Tette mer provided instructions and then opened the floor to non-agenda business public comments, limited to three minutes each.

1. Patricia Shannon, 513 Dogwood Street, Ms. Shannon expressed concern with a family across the street from her parking in the yard, a nuisance vehicle not in use. Ms. Shannon noted that she had worked with Code Enforcement to try and get vehicle out of there, however, Code Enforcement hands were tied. Ms. Shannon explained that the vehicle does start but does not run. Ms. Shannon recommended that the Code be amended
2. Ms. Bernie, Petrel Street, Bid-A-Wee, Ms. Bernie thanked Council for putting the council meeting on YouTube and for the hearing assist headset. Mayor Tette mer thanked the IT Department.
3. Mr. Beck, Mr. Beck became agitated, commented on his rights being violated, as well as the Constitution and Bill of Rights.
4. Gerald Nance, Gulf Highlands II, Mr. Nance expressed concern that people in his neighborhood were having short-term rentals and it was becoming a problem.

Hearing and seeing no further comments, Mayor Tette mer closed that public comment period. Mayor Tette mer asked Manager Whitman to respond to the public comments.

Manager Whitman asked Mr. Nance to please get his address to him and/or Director Leonard so they could follow up with him. Manager Whitman commented with respect to Ms. Shannon’s concerns regarding a nuisance vehicle, Ms. Hatcher had expressed the same concerns, and that he and Director Leonard were looking at putting more teeth in the Code and would possibly bring something back to Council for consideration. Manager Whitman noted the Mayor and Council should be credited for the YouTube and headsets.

Mayor Tette mer thanked Manager Whitman. Mayor Tette mer noted that the City had repeatedly tried to put Mr. Beck in contact with organizations that might help him, and Chief Morgan had talked with him about this surf rescue program.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Tette mer asked Clerk Fasone to read the Consent Agenda.

**REVISION OF THE MASTER AUDIT LIST TO REMOVE OBSOLETE ITEMS.** These items are to be removed from the Master Audit List. Staff recommends approval. By approval of this matter in the Consent Agenda, the City Council makes a finding of surplus for these items and approves their removal from the Master Audit List and authorizes disposal in any lawful manner.

Mayor Tette mer noted the Consent Agenda was available to Council. **Vice Mayor Jarman moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Coburn seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor of approval of the Consent Agenda by a (5-0) roll call vote.**

Councilman Casto	Aye
Councilmember Coburn	Aye
Councilman Register	Aye
Vice Mayor Jarman	Aye
Mayor Tette mer	Aye

**REGULAR AGENDA- DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**ITEM 1. ORDINANCE NO. 1649, AMENDING CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE II, RELATED TO ANIMAL CONTROL; SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING.**

Mayor Tette mer invited Attorney Davis to comment. Attorney Davis read Ordinance No. 1649 by title only and summarized the purpose of the ordinance up for second reading and public hearing. Mayor Tette mer opened the public hearing.

1. Captain Gary Wayne Beck – Mr. Beck became agitated and spoke against the passage of the ordinance.

Mayor Tette mer called for further public comment. Hearing and seeing none, Mayor Tette mer closed the public hearing. **Vice Mayor Jarman moved to approve Ordinance No. 1649. Councilman Register seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor of approval of Ordinance No. 1649 by a (5-0) roll call vote.**

Councilman Casto	Aye
Councilmember Coburn	Aye
Councilman Register	Aye
Vice Mayor Jarman	Aye
Mayor Tette mer	Aye

**ITEM 2. ORDINANCE NO. 1651 RELATED TO THE CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS PROPOSING A CHANGE FROM APRIL TO NOVEMBER FOR CITY ELECTIONS, FIRST READING / PUBLIC HEARING.**

Mayor Tette mer invited Attorney Davis to comment. Attorney Davis read Ordinance No. 1651 by title only. Mr. Davis reported Council requested that staff prepare an ordinance changing the date of municipal elections from April to November to coincide with state and federal elections. Mr. Davis additionally reported that the law requires 10 days for certification of election results. Mr. Davis discussed how future November council meetings fall on the calendar. Mr. Davis asked Council members for direction on how they preferred to have new council members seated after the certification of election results.

Mayor Tette mer opened the public hearing.

1. Rex Reid – Mr. Reid spoke against Ordinance No. 1651. Mr. Reid commented that the SOE did not recommend this change, and it was all around a bad idea.

Mayor Tette mer called for further public comment. Hearing and seeing none, Mayor Tette mer closed the public hearing.

Mayor Tette mer called for comments from Council. Mayor Tette mer noted that he would like to see the Ordinance with the proposed adjustment all wrapped up as a packet. Mr. Davis noted that if Council would like to change the November meeting date, the title of the ordinance would change so he would need to bring this back to Council two more times.

Council members discussed the pros and cons of leaving the November meeting date as is or changing the November date.

**Vice Mayor Jarman moved to change Ordinance 1651 to include the November meeting date change so there would not be a lame duck meeting. Councilman Register seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a (4-1) roll call vote.**

Councilman Casto	Aye
Councilmember Coburn	No
Councilman Register	Aye
Vice Mayor Jarman	Aye
Mayor Tetteimer	Aye

**REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA. ITEM 3. ORDINANCE NO. 1652, RELATED TO UTILITY RIGHT-OF-WAY BORING, FIRST READING / PUBLIC HEARING.**

**ITEM 4. RESOLUTION NO. 24-165, APPROVING A COMBINED TASK ORDER AND NOTICE TO PROCEED FOR STORMWATER WATER QUALITY INVESTIGATION RELATED TO LULLWATER LAKE BASIN.**

Mayor Tetteimer invited Attorney Davis to comment. Mr. Davis read Resolution No. 24-165 by title only. Mayor Tetteimer invited Interim Public Works Director Kathy Younce to the podium. Director Younce discussed the scope of the work to be performed under the design task order, best management practices, and design and permitting yet to be completed.

Mayor Tetteimer called for public comments. Hearing and seeing none, a brief discussion regarding grant funding, the length of the agreement, liquidated damages, weir and water sampling took place.

Mayor Tetteimer noted the date in the contract needed to be updated. Further discussion regarding tasks to be performed such as vegetation removal, dredging and best management practices took place. Director Younce reported that the City did not receive the additional \$1.5 million it requested so the City would not be able to perform certain particular tasks.

Mayor Tetteimer noted this item was available to Council. **Councilmember Coburn moved to approve Resolution 24-165. Vice Mayor Jarman seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor of approval of Resolution No. 24-165 by a (5-0) roll call vote.**

Councilman Casto	Aye
Councilmember Coburn	Aye
Councilman Register	Aye
Vice Mayor Jarman	Aye
Mayor Tetteimer	Aye

**ITEM 5. RESOLUTION NO. 24-166, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH CAPITOL HILL CONSULTING GROUP, LLC FOR FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE BRANCH REPRESENTATION SERVICES.**

Mayor Tetteimer invited Attorney Davis to comment. Mr. Davis read Resolution No. 24-166 by title only. Mayor Tetteimer invited comments from Manager Whitman.

Manager Whitman recommended approval of the resolution, authorizing the fourth year of Capitol Hill's agreement. Manager Whitman briefly discussed the City receiving approximately \$6.5 million, with Capitol Hill's help, for the water redundancy system.

Mayor Tetteimer called for public comments. Hearing and seeing no comments, Mayor Tetteimer noted this item was available to Council. **Councilman Register moved to approve Resolution No. 24-166. Councilman Casto seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor of approval of Resolution 24-166 by a (5-0) roll call vote.**

Councilman Casto	Aye
Councilmember Coburn	Aye
Councilman Register	Aye
Vice Mayor Jarman	Aye
Mayor Tettemer	Aye

**\*ITEM 6. RESOLUTION NO. 24-167, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY FOR FACILITIES LOCATED IN FRONT BEACH ROAD SEGMENT 4.2.**

Mayor Tettemer invited Attorney Davis to comment. Mr. Davis read Resolution No. 24-167 by title only. Mayor Tettemer invited Mr. Passmore to the podium to comment.

Mr. Passmore reported approval of the resolution would authorize an undergrounding agreement with FP&L for Segment 4.2.

Mayor Tettemer called for comments from Council.

Vice Mayor Jarman inquired, unrelated to FPL, had the City reached out to the other utilities to make sure they were being more responsive than what the City had been subjected to. Mr. Passmore stated yes that the right-a-way team had been working with the contractors and setting the timeline which was in process now. Mr. Passmore reported that that process had been improved.

Mayor Tettemer inquired as to how the City received a \$1.2 million credit. Mr. Passmore explained how the City received a voided storm restoration credit. Further discussion regarding tariffs took place. Mayor Tettemer inquired if all the work would be performed during daylight hours, could work be performed at night, and if so, what would be the additional expensive. Mr. Passmore noted that if that was the desire of Council, he would recommend that Council approve this resolution, and he would go back and make that inquiry and get those costs. Further discussion regarding possible nighttime work took place.

Councilman Casto inquired about the length of Segment 4.2. Mr. Passmore reported about half of the 5 miles of the combined Segments 4.1 and 4.2. Councilman Casto noted he was in favor of passage of this resolution. Further discussion regarding possible nighttime work took place. Mr. Passmore recommended that the City have a little more coordinated conversations with FP&L regarding the nighttime work.

Further discussion regarding materials and the timing of the work to be part of the contract took place. Mayor Tettemer noted that the agreement referred to an Exhibit A and Exhibit B and copies were in the back of the room tonight. Mr. Passmore added the public could also request copies of the exhibits by emailing him at [CRA@pcbfl.gov](mailto:CRA@pcbfl.gov).

Mayor Tettemer clarified that he heard that Council would like to go forward with resolution as well as direct staff to see what the costs would be for nighttime work. Councilmembers concurred. Mr. Passmore concurred and noted he would bring something back in about 30 days.

Mayor Tettemer called for public comments. Hearing and seeing no comments, Mayor Tettemer noted this item was available to Council. **Vice Mayor Jarman moved to approve Resolution No. 24-167. Councilman Register seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor of approval of Resolution No. 24-167 by a (5-0) roll call vote.**

Councilman Casto	Aye
Councilmember Coburn	Aye
Councilman Register	Aye
Vice Mayor Jarman	Aye
Mayor Tettemer	Aye

**CITY MANAGER REPORT** –Manager Whitman wished Council safe travels to the Florida League of Cities conference.

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT** – Nothing further to report.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS** – Mayor Tetteimer called for comments from Council.

Councilman Register asked everyone to be careful on the roads as school was soon back in session.

Mayor Tetteimer thanked everyone for participating in the budget workshop and noted that budget highlights would be posted on the city’s website. Mayor Tetteimer reminded everyone that early voting was taking place now through Saturday, with Election Day on Tuesday, August 20. Mayor Tetteimer encouraged everyone to vote. Mayor Tetteimer asked for God’s guidance and reminded everyone that Council’s next meeting would take place on Thursday, August 22 at 9:00 am.

**With nothing further, Mayor Tetteimer adjourned the meeting by unanimous consent at 5:52 p.m.**

**READ AND APPROVED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.

**CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA**



Stuart Tetteimer, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Lynne Fasone, MMC, City Clerk

\* ACTION ITEMS NOTED WITH AN ASTERISK ARE TAKEN BOTH BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE PANAMA CITY BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY JOINTLY AND CONCURRENTLY. IN THE EVENT OF A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE FOREGOING MINUTES AND A VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT OF THESE MINUTES, THE FOREGOING MINUTES SHALL CONTROL.