MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE STUART CITY COMMISSION
HELD February 11, 2019
AT 5:30 PM Commission Chambers
121 SW FLAGLER AVE.
STUART, FLORIDA 34994

CITY COMMISSION
Mayor Rebecca S. Bruner
Vice Mayor Eula R. Clarke
Commissioner Kelli Glass Leighton
Commissioner Merritt Matheson
Commissioner Mike Meier

ADMINISTRATIVE
City Manager, David Dyess
City Attorney, Michael J. Mortell
City Clerk, Mary R. Kindel

5:30 PM ROLL CALL
Present: Mayor Bruner, Vice Mayor Clarke, Commissioner Glass Leighton, Commissioner Matheson, Commissioner Meier.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. ARTS MOMENT - CHAZ D. RUSSELL OF THE GRATITUDE STEEL BAND

Chaz D. Russell entertained the Commission and audience with a song on the steel drum.

PROCLAMATIONS

2. TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS & PREVENTION MONTH - FEBRUARY 2019

Monique Coleman, Prevention Specialist of Safe Space Youth Services and several students came forward to graciously accept the Proclamation and spoke about teen dating violence, ending with a poem.

COMMENTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Glass Leighton

- **No comments.**

Commissioner Matheson

- **Announced the Brush for Kindness, Love Thy Neighbor East Stuart Partnership event will be on February 23rd, encourages all to register to volunteer and be a part of the event.**
- **Commented on the Roundtable Discussion Meeting held at the IRSC Wolf High Technology Center this morning on the topic of Lake Okeechobee System Operating Manual (LOSOM) and the upcoming meeting on February 19th at 1:00 p.m. and again at 6:00 p.m. at the same location, held for public input.**

Commissioner Meier

- **Commented on an email exchange (submitted for the record), with the Center for Biological Diversity that outlines the scoping process discussed at today's meeting with Representative Brian Mast.**
- **Pull Item #3; Edit requested for the Approval of the 1/22/2019 SCM Minutes.**

Vice Mayor Clarke

- **Pull Items #6 and #7 to draw attention to the items.**
- **Commented that she was unable to attend Arts Fest but heard positive comments.**

COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

No comments.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5:48 PM Motion: Move approval of the Agenda. [Pulling Items #3, #6, and #7 as requested in Commissioner Comments.]
Motion by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Commissioner Meier
Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (5 min. max)

1) **Helen McBride – Flamingo Avenue; Commented on her concerns with the lack of green space and the building that is occurring on 5th Street. Recommended the Commissioners go by and look at the area.**

Attorney Mortell commented in response to the public comment followed by a brief discussion by the Commission. Commissioner Glass Leighton commented about having the developers that do not necessarily follow the rules, to note it in their files. Commissioners suggested that staff look into responding to fees associated with non-compliance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

PULLED 3. APPROVAL OF 01/22/2019 SCM AND 01/28/2019 CCM MINUTES.

4. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH MARTIN COUNTY RE: EOC BACKUP:

RESOLUTION No. 17-2019; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STUART ("CITY") AND MARTIN COUNTY ("COUNTY") FOR THE USE OF THE COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER AS A BACKUP CITY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER AND TO ALLOW THE CITY TO RECIPROCATE THE SAME TO THE COUNTY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

5. AUTHORIZATION OF CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACT:

RESOLUTON No. 18-2019; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE A REAL ESTATE SALES AGREEMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

PULLED 6. REJECT PETITION TO CREATE THE HARMONY RANCH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

RESOLUTION No. 19-2019; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, URGING THE FLORIDA LAND AND WATER ADJUDICATORY COMMISSION TO REJECT THE PETITION OF HOBE SOUND RANCH LTD. TO ESTABLISH THE HARMONY RANCH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

PULLED 7. LAKE OKEECHOBEE REGULATION SCHEDULE:

RESOLUTION No. 20-2019; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS MODIFY THE 2022 LAKE OKEECHOBEE REGULATION SCHEDULE IN A MANNER THAT IS CONGRUENT WITH ALL STAKEHOLDER INTERESTS, ELIMINATES THE NEED FOR DISCHARGES INTO THE SAINT LUCIE RIVER IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE ECOLOGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE ESTUARIAL SYSTEM, AND WHICH ACTIVELY MITIGATES ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACTS TO AFFECTED COMMUNITIES LIKE STUART.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Move approval of the Consent Calendar, minus #3, #6, and #7.
Motion by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Vice Mayor Clarke
Motion passed unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF 01/22/2019 SCM AND 01/28/2019 CCM MINUTES.

Commissioner Meier commented that a correction needs to be made in the 1/22/2019 Special Commission Meeting Minutes, under the Commissioner Goals, to change SERT to CERP and add “by supporting IRL South.”
Clerk’s note: Correction made to the Minutes as approved on 2/11/2019.

Motion: Move approval of Item #3 with correction.
Motion by: Commissioner Meier
Seconded by: Vice Mayor Clarke
Motion passed unanimously.

6. REJECT PETITION TO CREATE THE HARMONY RANCH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:

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Motion: Move approval of Item #6.
Motion by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Commissioner Meier
Motion passed unanimously.

7. LAKE OKEECHOBEE REGULATION SCHEDULE:

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Commissioner Meier announced that this Saturday at 10:00 a.m. located at City Hall, there will be public steak-holder meeting to identify topics to bring forward at the February 19th LOSOM meeting. Commissioner Matheson reviewed ideas on how to best address the public comments at the meeting on Feb. 19th.

Ben Hogarth, Community Affairs Liaison, came forward for the discussion.

Attorney Mortell commented that one letter from the Stuart Commission as a whole would be more effective.

Commissioner Maier recommends involving some of the other local municipalities such as Sewall’s Point and the Town of Ocean Breeze to collaborate with the City.
Motion: Move approval.

Motion by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Commissioner Meier
Motion passed unanimously

COMMISSION ACTION

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

8. AMENDMENT TO BAKER ROAD CPUD (QUASI-JUDICIAL):

ORDINANCE No. 2400-2019; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE BAKER ROAD COMMERCIAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (CPUD) FOR A PARCEL OF LAND FRONTING N.W. FEDERAL HIGHWAY (U.S. HIGHWAY 1), CONSISTING OF 0.80 ACRES OWNED BY BAKER ROAD, LLC.; AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO; ADOPTING A REVISED FINAL SITE PLAN; PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

6:20 PM Motion: Move approval of the Agenda.
Motion by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Vice Mayor Clarke
Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

6:21 PM ADJOURNMENT

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Mary R. Kindel, City Clerk **Rebecca S. Bruner, Mayor**

Minutes to be approved at the Regular Commission
Meeting this 25th day of February, 2019.