

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
November 14, 2023**

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 - 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

Mayor Waters called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Leslie Waters provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance. She also recognized Community Policing Officer Alex Siem and his Law Enforcement colleagues.

PRESENT

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Roger Edelman, Councilor Chris Burke, Councilor Jim Olliver, Councilor Trish Springer, Councilor Jim Quinn, City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, City Attorney Jay Daigneault and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso. Not Present: Councilor Thom Barnhorn.

PRESENTATIONS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA:

Commissioner Joe Barkley of Belleair Bluffs addressed the Mayor and Council, as he is running for a seat on the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) Board and was advocating for the City of Seminole's support.

Vice Mayor Tom Reid of South Pasadena addressed the Mayor and Council, as he is running for a seat on the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) Board and was advocating for the City of Seminole's support.

PRESENTATIONS LISTED ON THE AGENDA:

A. VETERANS DAY RECOGNITION

The City Manager presented a power point presentation recognizing all of the City Employee Veterans in honor of Veterans Day.

B. RECOGNITION OF VICE MAYOR ROGER EDELMAN

Mayor Waters recognized Vice Mayor Edelman and presented him with a plaque for his nine (9) years of dedicated service to the City of Seminole. Vice Mayor Edelman was also recognized with a power point presentation.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ray Beliveau – 10286 118th Street North, Seminole. Mr. Beliveau spoke about the successful Annual Field of Honor Ceremony and flag installation.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES: OCTOBER 24, 2023.

Motion made by Councilor Olliver, seconded by Vice Mayor Edelman to approve the consent agenda.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ACTION ITEMS

A. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 10-2023: ESTABLISHING A DEFINITION OF “ENCROACHMENT” AS IT RELATES TO THE CITY’S RIGHT-OF-WAY.

City Clerk Mancuso read Ordinance No. 10-2023 by title only.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that Ordinance No. 10-2023 passed on first reading on October 10, 2023, and the advertisement for the public hearing was published in the Tampa Bay Times on November 1, 2023, and there have been no changes to the ordinance since its adoption on first reading.

Mayor Waters opened the Public Hearing.

Receiving no comments from the public, Mayor Waters closed the Public Hearing.

Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve Ordinance No. 10-2023 on second and final reading.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Edelman	NAY
Councilor Burke	NAY
Councilor Olliver	NAY
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE

3 AYES, 3 NAYS, MOTION TIED. IT WILL BE BROUGHT BEFORE COUNCIL AT THE NEXT SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING, AFTER THE ADVERTISMENT OF ANOTHER PUBLIC HEARING.

B. ORDINANCE NO. 16-2023; AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 (FY2023) BUDGET BY PROVIDING FOR SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

City Clerk Mancuso read Ordinance No. 16-2023 by title only.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated the fiscal year 2023 budget recognized many items that were discussed in September during the budget public hearings, and advised Council that the items were pending and would be captured in a budget amendment following the close of the fiscal year, and that is was is being amended in Ordinance No. 16-2023.

Motion made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Councilor Burketo approve Ordinance No. 16-2023 on first reading and set a public hearing and second and final reading on November 27, 2023.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Edelman	AYE
Councilor Burke	AYE
Councilor Olliver	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CIVIC PLUS AGENDA MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE SERVICE.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the current agenda management software that the city is using is Granicus, and for the past year, IT Manager Matt Sabella and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso have been reviewing other software programs to address some of the issues that we have experienced with the Granicus program. Switching to the Civic Plus program will also be more cost effective.

Motion made by Councilor Olliver, seconded by Councilor Burke, to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Civic Plus, subject to final review by the City Attorney.

Discussion ensued.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. APPROVAL OF FIRE STATION 129 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICE RANKINGS AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that submitted in Council's agenda packet was the following ranking of Architects:

1. Wannemacher Jensen Architects
2. Fleischman Garcia Maslowski Architects
3. The Lunz Group

Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Burke to authorize the City Manager to enter into contract negotiations with Wannemacher Jensen Architects, Inc.

Chase Myers and Jeff McDowell of Wannemacher Jensen introduced themselves and gave a brief listing of their completed projects.

Motion amended by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve fire Station 129 architectural design service rankings and authorize the City Manager to enter into contract negotiations.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Edelman	AYE
Councilor Burke	AYE
Councilor Olliver	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. ADOPT APPLICATION FORM FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY COUNCIL.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that in Council's agenda packet is a draft application form for candidates interested in filling a vacant Council seat.

Councilor Burke suggested that the title should be reworded because the vacant Council seat does not go all the way to the term of 2025. The candidate will be filling the term until 2024. Councilor Burke also suggested that somewhere on the form, it should be noted that the person appointed will have to complete a Form 6.

Motion made by Councilor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to adopt candidate application form for appointment for vacant Council seat as amended by Councilor Burke.

5 AYES, 1 ABSTAINED, MOTION PASSED. (COUNCILOR OLLIVER ABSTAINED FROM VOTING)

4. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Burke – Councilor Burke attended the Field of Screams, attended the Suncoast League of Cities installation dinner.

Vice Mayor Edelman – Vice Mayor Edelman attended the Fields of Screams, attended the Suncoast League of Cities installation dinner.

Councilor Olliver – Councilor Olliver attended the PSTA Board meeting; attended the Pinellas County Legislative Delegation meeting, and attended the Field of Screams.

Councilor Quinn – Councilor Quinn attended and was guest speaker for the Annual Field of Honor Ceremony, and attended the Suncoast League of Cities installation dinner.

Councilor Springer – Councilor Springer thanked City Attorney Daigneault for swearing her in at the Suncoast League of Cities installation dinner; she thanked all of the Directors and Councilors for attending the installation dinner; she announced that the Suncoast League of Cities will be having a networking meeting at the Thunderbird in Treasure Island on November 18, 2023, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm; and she also announced that the Suncoast League of Cities will be having a breakfast meeting on December 8, 2023, at the City of Belleair Beach.

Mayor Waters – Mayor Waters attended a campaign kick-off for Pinellas County Property Appraiser Mike Twitty; attended and spoke at the Annual Field of Honor Ceremony, attended the Author Fair at the Seminole Community Library; attended the Starkey Elementary School Veterans Day Parade; joined the Freedom Square Patriots in waving flags for Veterans Day.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Edelman, seconded by Councilor Burke to excuse Councilor Barnhorn's absence, as he was attending the National League of Cities summit in Atlanta, Georgia.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

A. COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT

Community Policing Officer, Deputy Alex Siem thanked Mayor Waters for her kind words in the invocation; he recognized Vice Mayor Edelman and wished him well; he stated that the Field of Screams was a success; he stated that the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office was scheduled to attend Orange Grove Elementary and Seminole Elementary for the Great American Teach-In on Wednesday, November 15, 2023; he reminded Council of the Waterless Boat Parade on December 3, 2023; Winterfest on December 8, 2023, and he gave safety tips for the holidays.

B. SET VOLUNTEER DINNER DATE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH; SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH; FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH OR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH.

Motion made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Councilor Burke to set the Annual Volunteer

Dinner Date to Saturday, February 10, 2024.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. SET WORKSHOP FOR DRAFT OF RECREATION MASTER PLAN (DECEMBER 5, 2023)

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the workshop for the Draft of the Recreation Master Plan will be held December 5, 2023, following the regular business meeting. Also, we will have the Board Applicants for the Development Review and the Recreation Advisory Board scheduled to interview that day as well. It was the consensus of the Council to have the workshop for the Board Applicants at 5:30 p.m.

D. RECREATION CENTER CRAFT FAIR – NOVEMBER 18, 2023.

City Manager Toney-Deal announced that the Seminole Recreation Center will host its Annual Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, November 18, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

E. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the two (2) candidates for the PSTA vacant seat spoke tonight and the vote for the candidate is due by December 15, 2023.

It was the consensus of the Council to put the vote on the next agenda.

F. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the City will be sponsoring a Citizens Academy starting in either March or April of 2024.

6. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. PSTA CHARTER AMENDMENT AND RESOLUTION

Councilor Olliver stated that State Representative Linda Chaney is proposing to revise the PSTA Charter by having a smaller board; from fifteen members to nine members. She issued this Charter Amendment via a local bill proposal, which was included in Council's agenda packet. It initially did not include any of the designated small city representation. She amended it to include limited small cities' representation. A third version was issued on the day of the Council meeting. Councilor Olliver expressed his concern that the changes create significant Home Rule Concerns, issues of micromanagement, and minimize Seminole's representation. There was a Resolution included in the packet as well. Councilor Olliver will bring back a revised Resolution to the next scheduled Council meeting and inquire at that time if Council would like to sign it and oppose the revised amendment by Representative Chaney.

B. Mayor Waters announced that Congresswoman Ana Paulina Luna is trying to get the local Seminole United States Post Office renamed in honor of former Staff Sargent Ryan Knauss. Sargent Knauss was killed by suicide bombers and gunmen at the Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul, Afghanistan.

Vice Mayor Roger Edelman took a point of personal privilege, thanked his wife Sandy for all of her support and highlighted all of the projects that the city completed during his time here on Council, and thanked the Council, City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk and staff.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Date Approved: November 27, 2023

Ann Marie Mancuso

Minutes prepared by City Clerk
Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC

Leslie Waters
Leslie Waters, Mayor