

1. Adoption of Minutes: Regular Meeting 2025-07; March 6, 2025.

CITY OF PALM BAY, FLORIDA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 2025-07

Held on Thursday, the 6th day of March 2025, at the City Hall Council Chambers, 120 Malabar Road, SE, Palm Bay, Florida.

This meeting was properly noticed pursuant to law; the minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Palm Bay, Florida.

The meeting was called to order at the hour of 6:03 P.M.

Joseph One, Trinity Haitian Baptist Church, Palm Bay, gave the invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR:	Rob Medina	Present
DEPUTY MAYOR:	Mike Jaffe	Present
COUNCILMEMBER:	Kenny Johnson	Present
COUNCILMEMBER:	Mike Hammer	Present
COUNCILMEMBER:	Chandler Langevin	Present
INTERIM CITY MANAGER:	Scott Morgan	Present
CITY ATTORNEY:	Patricia Smith	Present
DEPUTY CITY CLERK:	Terri Lefler	Present

CITY STAFF: Joan Junkala-Brown, Deputy City Manager; Juliet Misconi, Deputy City Manager; Lisa Frazier, Growth Management Director; Christine Sullivan, Acting Public Works Director; Ibis Camacho, Community and Economic Development Assistant Director; Richard Stover, Fire Chief; Gabriel Bowden, Utilities Director; Jeffrey Spears, Deputy Police Chief.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Deputy Mayor Jaffe announced the following vacancy and solicited applications for same:

1. **One (1) vacancy on the Community Development Advisory Board to represent one (1) of the following fields relating to affordable housing ('banking industry', 'residential home building', 'actively engaged in home building', or 'for-profit provider' positions).++**

AGENDA REVISIONS:

1. Mr. Morgan announced the following revisions:

A. The recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board for approval of Case CU25-00002 (Item 3, under Public Hearings) was added to the agenda packet.

B. At the request of Councilman Langevin, discussion of the school zone speed enforcement camera system was added as Item 6, under New Business.

C. Item 2, under Proclamations and Recognitions (Wellderly Week) was withdrawn by the requester.

2. Mrs. Lefler advised that the applicant for Item 2, under New Business (request from Eastwind Pentecostal Church for the Annual Easter Extravaganza), asked that the item be considered earlier in the meeting.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to consider Item 2, under New Business, prior to Public Comments. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

The proclamations were read.

- 1. Proclamation: Flood Awareness Week – March 3-9, 2025.**
- 2. Proclamation: Wellderly Week – March 17-22, 2025. (WITHDRAWN)**
- 3. Proclamation: Irish-American Heritage Month – March 2025.**
- 4. Proclamation: Procurement Month – March 2025.**

Council concurred to consider Item 2, under New Business, at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 2. Consideration of a co-sponsorship request from Eastwind Pentecostal Church for the Annual Easter Extravaganza to be held on April 19, 2025, at Fred Poppe Regional Park.**

Staff Recommendation: Approve the City's co-sponsorship with Eastwind Pentecostal Church for the first annual Easter Extravaganza to be held on April 19, 2025, at Fred Poppe Regional Park, approving for \$6,060.00 of in-kind wages (labor) and authorizing \$2005.00 in fee waivers.

Mr. Johnson said he requested revisions to the co-sponsorship program and asked if there was an update. Mrs. Misconi suggested that the topic be brought back at a future meeting to get some feedback of exactly what revisions were wanted by Council.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mayor Medina, to approve the co-sponsorship request.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Nay
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

Council resumed the consideration of items in order as shown on the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)/RESPONSE(S): (Non-agenda Issues and Items Listed Under ‘Approval of Consent Agenda’ Only)

Mayor Medina read a statement related to assigning a representative to speak for groups with similar comments and stated that administrative matters would be addressed by staff within three (3) business days rather than from the dais.

Individuals made general comments.

1. Simmie Vaden, resident, said there was a metal home at the corner of Valencia Street and San Filippo Drive that was an eyesore. She added that many commercial vehicles were parking in residential areas, including tractor trailers on vacant lots, and vehicles and trucks were blocking sidewalks.
2. Ken Jernigan, resident, recently received a bill for stormwater usage fees for property he had owned since 2022. He had no prior knowledge of this bill and had attempted to reach city staff numerous times for an explanation but had not received a response to date.
3. Kristin Lanzana, resident, requested that discussion of the Flock Camera System be placed on a future agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

All items of business under the ‘Approval of Consent Agenda’ heading were enacted by the following motion:

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Langevin, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented, with the removal of Items 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, and 13, from Consent Agenda. Deputy Mayor Jaffe said this was counterintuitive to the procedures approved by Council. Mr. Langevin withdrew his second to the motion and Mr. Johnson withdrew his motion.

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Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Nay
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The minutes, considered under Consent Agenda, were approved as presented.

2. Resolution 2025-11, amending Resolution 2024-30, which established rates, charges and fees pursuant to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 96, Florida Building Code.

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

3. Resolution 2025-12, establishing a temporary pre-application fee waiver program as an economic development incentive tool to encourage new commercial, industrial, and mixed-use zoning districts through September 30, 2025.

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

4. Consideration of City Council Flag Program nominee, Lyndsay Gray. (Mayor Medina)

Staff Recommendation: Approve Lyndsay Gray as a nominee for the City Council Flag Program.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

5. Consideration of a Utility Easement Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, from Malabar Road to the commercial cell tower located adjacent to Fire Station 2.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the New Cingular Wireless PCS Utility Easement Agreement request for an easement from Malabar Road to the commercial cell tower located adjacent to Fire Station 2.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

6. Consideration of an amendment to the ground site lease with T-Mobile on property located adjacent to the communication tower at Fire Station 2 (150 Malabar Road).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the first amendment to the ground site lease with T-mobile for the property adjacent to the communication tower at Fire Station 2, 150 Malabar Road.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

7. Consideration of entering into an Interlocal Agreement for the creation of a Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Staff Recommendation: Approve entering into the renewed Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization Interlocal Agreement for the creation of the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

8. Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 HOME Disbursement Agreement with Brevard County (\$1,736,065).

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

9. Consideration of an increase in State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funding for South Brevard Women’s Center for transitional housing rehabilitation for homeless and at-risk families who are victims of domestic violence (\$38,610).

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

10. Consideration of an extension to the completion date of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement grant related to the construction of a multi-purpose training facility.

Staff Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to sign the request for a grant adjustment to Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Contract 3W006 to extend the completion date to June 30, 2026.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

11. Consideration of submitting a grant application for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Nonpoint Source Management Grants Program.

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

12. Consideration of an agreement with the YMCA of Central Florida for a “Summer Camp Program” at the Ted Whitlock Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

13. Consideration of the reclassification of the Public Works Director position.

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

14. Consideration of the disposal of City capital surplus property.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the disposal of the capital surplus property, as identified in the City Manager's memorandum. All items listed are inoperable, outdated, or have costs which are beyond the feasibility of repair.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

15. Acknowledgment of the City's quarterly Budget Monitoring Report for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2025 (Unaudited).

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was acknowledged by City Council.

16. Acknowledgement of the City's first quarter financial report for Fiscal Year 2025 (Unaudited).

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was acknowledged by City Council.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Ordinance 2025-07, providing for the naming of a private drive, located within Lots 9 to 14 of Cisna Park, as Stellar Circle SW, final reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened and closed as there were no comments. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adopt Ordinance 2025-07. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

2. Ordinance 2025-10, amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 52, Boards, Subchapter 'Sustainability Advisory Board', by revising provisions related to the Board's duties and responsibilities, final reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened and closed as there were no comments.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to adopt Ordinance 2025-10. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

3. Resolution 2025-08, granting a conditional use to allow an educational institution in LI (Light Industrial and Warehousing District) zoning, in accordance

with Section 173.01, Palm Bay Code of Ordinances, on property located south of and adjacent to Treeland Boulevard, in the vicinity east of San Filippo Boulevard (3.7 acres) (Case CU25-00002, Treeland Property Owner LLC). (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding) (CONTINUED FROM 02/06/25 RCM)

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the request.

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. Kelly Delmonico, representative of Brevard Nursing Academy (applicant), presented the request to Council. Deputy Mayor Jaffe disclosed ex parte communications with the broker for the applicant. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to adopt Resolution 2025-08. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

4. Ordinance 2025-11, vacating a portion of the rear public utility and drainage easement located within Lot 1, Block 2425, Port Malabar Unit 45 (Case VE-1-2025, Paul and Wendy Cosentino), first reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Ms. Sullivan provided an overview of the request. The applicant presented the request to Council. Bill Battin, resident, said that the request was the perfect example of why there needed to be more rural residential allocated land. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve Ordinance 2025-11. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

5. Ordinance 2025-12, vacating a portion of the rear public utility and drainage easement located within Lot 15, Block 1500, Port Malabar Unit 31 (Case VE-2-2025, David B. Kleist II), first reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened and closed as there were no comments.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve Ordinance 2025-11. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

3. Resolution 2025-12, establishing a temporary pre-application fee waiver program as an economic development incentive tool to encourage new commercial, industrial, and mixed-use zoning districts through September 30, 2025.

Staff Recommendation: Motion to approve Resolution authorizing a waiver of the Pre-Application Conference Fee as an economic incentive for commercial, industrial, and mixed-use developments, excluding Planned Unit Development projects.

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only.

Mr. Johnson asked Bill Battin, resident, to speak on the item since he had requested the item be pulled during his public comment. Deputy Mayor Jaffe called for Point of Order and stated that Council Policies and Procedures prohibited items to be pulled from the Consent Agenda for the public.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to adopt Resolution 2025-12. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

8. Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 HOME Disbursement Agreement with Brevard County (\$1,736,065).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 HOME Disbursement Agreement with Brevard County in the amount of \$1,736,064.91 and to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Ms. Comacho presented the item to Council and responded to questions posed by councilmembers.

Mr. Langevin did not feel that the Federal Government should be so involved at the local level and that no government should be providing housing. He would not support the request.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 HOME Disbursement Agreement with Brevard County in the amount of \$1,736,064.91 and to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Nay

9. Consideration of an increase in State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funding for South Brevard Women’s Center for transitional housing rehabilitation for homeless and at-risk families who are victims of domestic violence (\$38,610).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the funding request from South Brevard Women’s Center, Inc., for monetary support from the City of Palm Bay in the amount of \$38,609.70 from State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funds (in the form of a grant) for the rehabilitation of four (4) units at the Transitional Housing Facility which houses homeless and at-risk families who are victims of domestic violence; and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment to the agreement.

Mr. Langevin said his comments from Item 8 would apply for this item as well and he did not support the request.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the funding request from South Brevard Women’s Center, Inc., for monetary support from the City of Palm Bay in the amount of \$38,609.70 from State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funds (in the form of a grant) for the rehabilitation of four (4) units at the Transitional Housing Facility which houses homeless and at-risk families who are victims of domestic violence; and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment to the agreement.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Nay

11. Consideration of submitting a grant application for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Nonpoint Source Management Grants Program.

Staff Recommendation: Authorize the Utilities Department to submit a grant application under the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nonpoint Source Management Grants Program.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to authorize the Utilities Department to submit a grant application under the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nonpoint Source Management Grants Program. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

12. Consideration of an agreement with the YMCA of Central Florida for a “Summer Camp Program” at the Ted Whitlock Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Staff Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement with the YMCA of Central Florida to provide a summer recreation program “Summer Camp Program” at the Ted Whitlock Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Mr. Johnson asked that staff try to bring the Boys and Girls Club back to the area as well.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement with the YMCA of Central Florida to provide a summer recreation program “Summer Camp Program” at the Ted Whitlock Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

13. Consideration of the reclassification of the Public Works Director position.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the reclassification of the Public Works Director position.

Motion by Mr. Hammer, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the reclassification of the Public Works Director position. Mr. Johnson was concerned that if this position ended up being the highest paid director, then other directors may request increases to be in line with the salary of this position. Mr. Langevin felt this should have been the decision of the new City Manager.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Nay

UNFINISHED AND OLD BUSINESS:

1. Appointment of one (1) member to the Planning and Zoning Board (represents 'at-large' position). (CONTINUED FROM 02/20/25 RCM)

Motion by Mr. Johnson to reappoint Jeffrey McLeod to the at-large position on the Planning and Zoning Board. The motion died for lack of a second.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Langevin, to table the item to the March 20, 2025, regular Council meeting and solicit applications through March 12, 2025.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Nay
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

2. Appointment of one (1) member to the Recreation Advisory Board (represents 'at-large' position). (CONTINUED FROM 02/20/25 RCM)

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Langevin, to appoint Jeffrey McLeod to the 'at-large' position on the Recreation Advisory Board. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of a co-sponsorship request from Supporting Our ASD Kids, Inc. (SOAK) for the Get Soaked for Autism event to be held on April 5, 2025, at Fred Poppe Regional Park.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the City's co-sponsorship with Supporting Our ASD Kids, Inc. (SOAK) for the annual Get Soaked for Autism event to be held on April 5, 2025, at Fred Poppe Regional Park, approving \$1,160.00 of in-kind wages (labor) and authorizing \$1,943.75 in fee waivers.

Mr. Morgan presented the item to Council.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the co-sponsorship request.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Nay
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

2. Consideration of a co-sponsorship request from Eastwind Pentecostal Church for the Annual Easter Extravaganza to be held on April 19, 2025, at Fred Poppe Regional Park.

This item was considered earlier in the meeting prior to Public Comments.

3. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Fire Rescue Department (\$281,495).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Fire Rescue Department in the amount of \$281,495 (\$87,324 for 25 students to attend Paramedic School and \$194,171 for year one of a five-year agreement for the capital purchase of 14 LifePaks).

Chief Stover presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mayor Medina, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Fire Rescue Department in the amount of \$281,495. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

4. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Utilities Department (\$2,280,000).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Utilities Department in the amount of \$2,280,000 to purchase additional vehicles.

Mr. Bowden presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Utilities Department in the amount of \$2,280,000 to purchase additional vehicles. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

5. Consideration of refunds and future rebates of certain building permit fees collected by the Building Department.

Staff Recommendation: Acknowledge the building permit fee refunds and authorize the building permit rebates for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2025 as stated in the City Manager's memorandum.

Mr. Morgan presented the item to Council.

Deputy Mayor Jaffe advised that he would be abstaining from the vote as he was employed by a company that was listed and would be eligible for refunds and future rebates of certain building permit fees collected by the Building Department.

Mayor Medina noted that proposed Senate Bill 1548 would allow excess Enterprise Funds from the Building Department to be used for stormwater purposes throughout the city.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to acknowledge the building permit fee refunds and authorize the building permit rebates for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2025 as stated in the City Manager's memorandum.

Mr. Johnson suggested a letter of support to the Brevard Delegation for Senate Bill 1548. Council concurred.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Abstained

Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

A brief recess was taken after which time the meeting resumed.

**6. Discussion of the school zone speed enforcement camera system.
(Councilman Langevin) (AGENDA REVISION)**

Mr. Langevin recommended eliminating the school zone speed enforcement camera system program. He had received numerous complaints due to discrepancies with the system and noted that the whole idea was to slow people down, not to take money from people's pockets.

Individuals spoke in support of eliminating the system.

Deputy Chief Spears provided details on the time frames in which citations would have been issued. He advised that the camera system had been suspended, refunds were being issued, and citations were being dismissed due to the malfunction. Deputy Chief Spears and Greg Sparks, Vice President of RedSpeed Automated Camera Enforcement, responded to questions posed by councilmembers.

Mayor Medina believed the program was a deterrent and changed the behavior of drivers. He added that this was a future tool for investigative work by law enforcement. Mr. Johnson felt Council should investigate incoming data before eliminating the program.

Motion by Mr. Langevin to eliminate the school zone speed enforcement camera system. The motion died for lack of a second.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmembers addressed various subject matters.

1. Councilman Hammer made the following reports:

A. Appointed Leeta Jordan to the Planning and Zoning Board.

B. Requested a workshop to discuss the area known as the Compound after the appointment of the new City Manager. Mayor Medina suggested getting a status update on the previous direction given by Council regarding the industrial uses in that area.

Deputy Mayor Jaffe felt staff should hold a stakeholder meeting, without Council, to receive ideas from developers and community leaders then present the information to Council.

C. Asked if a sandbag program could be implemented for residents sooner than later. He was concerned with residents being limited to five (5) sandbags during a declared hurricane. Mr. Morgan explained that the sandbags would deteriorate and would not hold up if filled too early.

2. Mr. Johnson asked if Council would reconsider a moratorium for multi-family developments and Planned Unit Developments. Mayor Medina was not in favor. Mr. Langevin did not agree with moratoriums but said that something needed to be done about zoning and density. He felt that the Comprehensive Plan should be reviewed and modified, if needed. Deputy Mayor Jaffe did not believe in moratoriums and felt it was too early to start the process of revising the Land Development Code at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL REPORTS:

1. Mr. Morgan reminded Council that they would be reviewing applications received for the position of City Manager at the March 20, 2025, regular Council meeting, and determining which individuals would advance as a finalist to be interviewed.

2. Ms. Smith requested an executive session on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 5:30 P.M., to discuss settlement negotiations pertaining to Magdaline Tatum versus City of Palm Bay, Case 05-2023-CA-019882; and Jose Meza-Hurtado versus City of Palm Bay, Case 05-2023-CA-048795. She said the session would last approximately thirty (30) minutes and announced the individuals that would be in attendance. Council concurred.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 9:56 P.M.

Rob Medina, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Terri J. Lefler, DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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Councilman Langevin	Yea

Council resumed the consideration of items in order as shown on the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)/RESPONSE(S): (Non-agenda Issues and Items Listed Under ‘Approval of Consent Agenda’ Only)

Mayor Medina read a statement related to assigning a representative to speak for groups with similar comments and stated that administrative matters would be addressed by staff within three (3) business days rather than from the dais.

Individuals made general comments.

1. Simmie Vaden, resident, said there was a metal home at the corner of Valencia Street and San Filippo Drive that was an eyesore. She added that many commercial vehicles were parking in residential areas, including tractor trailers on vacant lots, and vehicles and trucks were blocking sidewalks.

2. Ken Jernigan, resident, recently received a bill for stormwater usage fees for property he had owned since 2022. He had no prior knowledge of this bill and had attempted to reach city staff numerous times for an explanation but had not received a response to date.

3. Kristin Lanzana, resident, requested that discussion of the Flock Camera System be placed on a future agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

All items of business under the ‘Approval of Consent Agenda’ heading were enacted by the following motion:

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Langevin, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented, with the removal of Items 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, and 13, from Consent Agenda. Deputy Mayor Jaffe said this was counterintuitive to the procedures approved by Council. Mr. Langevin withdrew his second to the motion and Mr. Johnson withdrew his motion.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Langevin, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented, with the removal of Items 3, 8, 9, 11, 12, and 13, from Consent Agenda.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Nay
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Nay
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

1. Adoption of Minutes: Regular Council Meeting 2025-04; February 6, 2025.

The minutes, considered under Consent Agenda, were approved as presented.

2. Resolution 2025-11, amending Resolution 2024-30, which established rates, charges and fees pursuant to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 96, Florida Building Code.

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

3. Resolution 2025-12, establishing a temporary pre-application fee waiver program as an economic development incentive tool to encourage new commercial, industrial, and mixed-use zoning districts through September 30, 2025.

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

4. Consideration of City Council Flag Program nominee, Lyndsay Gray. (Mayor Medina)

Staff Recommendation: Approve Lyndsay Gray as a nominee for the City Council Flag Program.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

5. Consideration of a Utility Easement Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, from Malabar Road to the commercial cell tower located adjacent to Fire Station 2.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the New Cingular Wireless PCS Utility Easement Agreement request for an easement from Malabar Road to the commercial cell tower located adjacent to Fire Station 2.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

6. Consideration of an amendment to the ground site lease with T-Mobile on property located adjacent to the communication tower at Fire Station 2 (150 Malabar Road).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the first amendment to the ground site lease with T-mobile for the property adjacent to the communication tower at Fire Station 2, 150 Malabar Road.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

7. Consideration of entering into an Interlocal Agreement for the creation of a Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Staff Recommendation: Approve entering into the renewed Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization Interlocal Agreement for the creation of the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

8. Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 HOME Disbursement Agreement with Brevard County (\$1,736,065).

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

9. Consideration of an increase in State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funding for South Brevard Women’s Center for transitional housing rehabilitation for homeless and at-risk families who are victims of domestic violence (\$38,610).

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

10. Consideration of an extension to the completion date of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement grant related to the construction of a multi-purpose training facility.

Staff Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to sign the request for a grant adjustment to Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Contract 3W006 to extend the completion date to June 30, 2026.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

11. Consideration of submitting a grant application for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Nonpoint Source Management Grants Program.

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

12. Consideration of an agreement with the YMCA of Central Florida for a “Summer Camp Program” at the Ted Whitlock Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

13. Consideration of the reclassification of the Public Works Director position.

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

14. Consideration of the disposal of City capital surplus property.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the disposal of the capital surplus property, as identified in the City Manager's memorandum. All items listed are inoperable, outdated, or have costs which are beyond the feasibility of repair.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

15. Acknowledgment of the City's quarterly Budget Monitoring Report for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2025 (Unaudited).

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was acknowledged by City Council.

16. Acknowledgement of the City's first quarter financial report for Fiscal Year 2025 (Unaudited).

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was acknowledged by City Council.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Ordinance 2025-07, providing for the naming of a private drive, located within Lots 9 to 14 of Cisna Park, as Stellar Circle SW, final reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened and closed as there were no comments. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adopt Ordinance 2025-07. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

2. Ordinance 2025-10, amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 52, Boards, Subchapter 'Sustainability Advisory Board', by revising provisions related to the Board's duties and responsibilities, final reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened and closed as there were no comments.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to adopt Ordinance 2025-10. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

3. Resolution 2025-08, granting a conditional use to allow an educational institution in LI (Light Industrial and Warehousing District) zoning, in accordance

with Section 173.01, Palm Bay Code of Ordinances, on property located south of and adjacent to Treeland Boulevard, in the vicinity east of San Filippo Boulevard (3.7 acres) (Case CU25-00002, Treeland Property Owner LLC). (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding) (CONTINUED FROM 02/06/25 RCM)

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the request.

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. Kelly Delmonico, representative of Brevard Nursing Academy (applicant), presented the request to Council. Deputy Mayor Jaffe disclosed ex parte communications with the broker for the applicant. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to adopt Resolution 2025-08. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

4. Ordinance 2025-11, vacating a portion of the rear public utility and drainage easement located within Lot 1, Block 2425, Port Malabar Unit 45 (Case VE-1-2025, Paul and Wendy Cosentino), first reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Ms. Sullivan provided an overview of the request. The applicant presented the request to Council. Bill Battin, resident, said that the request was the perfect example of why there needed to be more rural residential allocated land. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve Ordinance 2025-11. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

5. Ordinance 2025-12, vacating a portion of the rear public utility and drainage easement located within Lot 15, Block 1500, Port Malabar Unit 31 (Case VE-2-2025, David B. Kleist II), first reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened and closed as there were no comments.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve Ordinance 2025-11. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

3. Resolution 2025-12, establishing a temporary pre-application fee waiver program as an economic development incentive tool to encourage new commercial, industrial, and mixed-use zoning districts through September 30, 2025.

Staff Recommendation: Motion to approve Resolution authorizing a waiver of the Pre-Application Conference Fee as an economic incentive for commercial, industrial, and mixed-use developments, excluding Planned Unit Development projects.

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only.

Mr. Johnson asked Bill Battin, resident, to speak on the item since he had requested the item be pulled during his public comment. Deputy Mayor Jaffe called for Point of Order and stated that Council Policies and Procedures prohibited items to be pulled from the Consent Agenda for the public.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to adopt Resolution 2025-12. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

8. Consideration of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 HOME Disbursement Agreement with Brevard County (\$1,736,065).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 HOME Disbursement Agreement with Brevard County in the amount of \$1,736,064.91 and to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Ms. Comacho presented the item to Council and responded to questions posed by councilmembers.

Mr. Langevin did not feel that the Federal Government should be so involved at the local level and that no government should be providing housing. He would not support the request.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 HOME Disbursement Agreement with Brevard County in the amount of \$1,736,064.91 and to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Nay

9. Consideration of an increase in State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funding for South Brevard Women’s Center for transitional housing rehabilitation for homeless and at-risk families who are victims of domestic violence (\$38,610).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the funding request from South Brevard Women’s Center, Inc., for monetary support from the City of Palm Bay in the amount of \$38,609.70 from State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funds (in the form of a grant) for the rehabilitation of four (4) units at the Transitional Housing Facility which houses homeless and at-risk families who are victims of domestic violence; and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment to the agreement.

Mr. Langevin said his comments from Item 8 would apply for this item as well and he did not support the request.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the funding request from South Brevard Women’s Center, Inc., for monetary support from the City of Palm Bay in the amount of \$38,609.70 from State Housing Initiative Program (SHIP) funds (in the form of a grant) for the rehabilitation of four (4) units at the Transitional Housing Facility which houses homeless and at-risk families who are victims of domestic violence; and authorize the City Manager to execute the amendment to the agreement.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Nay

11. Consideration of submitting a grant application for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Nonpoint Source Management Grants Program.

Staff Recommendation: Authorize the Utilities Department to submit a grant application under the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nonpoint Source Management Grants Program.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to authorize the Utilities Department to submit a grant application under the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Nonpoint Source Management Grants Program. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

12. Consideration of an agreement with the YMCA of Central Florida for a “Summer Camp Program” at the Ted Whitlock Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Staff Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement with the YMCA of Central Florida to provide a summer recreation program “Summer Camp Program” at the Ted Whitlock Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Mr. Johnson asked that staff try to bring the Boys and Girls Club back to the area as well.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement with the YMCA of Central Florida to provide a summer recreation program “Summer Camp Program” at the Ted Whitlock Community Center for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

13. Consideration of the reclassification of the Public Works Director position.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the reclassification of the Public Works Director position.

Motion by Mr. Hammer, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the reclassification of the Public Works Director position. Mr. Johnson was concerned that if this position ended up being the highest paid director, then other directors may request increases to be in line with the salary of this position. Mr. Langevin felt this should have been the decision of the new City Manager.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Nay

UNFINISHED AND OLD BUSINESS:

1. Appointment of one (1) member to the Planning and Zoning Board (represents 'at-large' position). (CONTINUED FROM 02/20/25 RCM)

Motion by Mr. Johnson to reappoint Jeffrey McLeod to the at-large position on the Planning and Zoning Board. The motion died for lack of a second.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Langevin, to table the item to the March 20, 2025, regular Council meeting and solicit applications through March 12, 2025.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Nay
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

2. Appointment of one (1) member to the Recreation Advisory Board (represents 'at-large' position). (CONTINUED FROM 02/20/25 RCM)

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Langevin, to appoint Jeffrey McLeod to the 'at-large' position on the Recreation Advisory Board. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of a co-sponsorship request from Supporting Our ASD Kids, Inc. (SOAK) for the Get Soaked for Autism event to be held on April 5, 2025, at Fred Poppe Regional Park.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the City's co-sponsorship with Supporting Our ASD Kids, Inc. (SOAK) for the annual Get Soaked for Autism event to be held on April 5, 2025, at Fred Poppe Regional Park, approving \$1,160.00 of in-kind wages (labor) and authorizing \$1,943.75 in fee waivers.

Mr. Morgan presented the item to Council.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the co-sponsorship request.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Nay
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

2. Consideration of a co-sponsorship request from Eastwind Pentecostal Church for the Annual Easter Extravaganza to be held on April 19, 2025, at Fred Poppe Regional Park.

This item was considered earlier in the meeting prior to Public Comments.

3. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Fire Rescue Department (\$281,495).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Fire Rescue Department in the amount of \$281,495 (\$87,324 for 25 students to attend Paramedic School and \$194,171 for year one of a five-year agreement for the capital purchase of 14 LifePaks).

Chief Stover presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mayor Medina, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Fire Rescue Department in the amount of \$281,495. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

4. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Utilities Department (\$2,280,000).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Utilities Department in the amount of \$2,280,000 to purchase additional vehicles.

Mr. Bowden presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Utilities Department in the amount of \$2,280,000 to purchase additional vehicles. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

5. Consideration of refunds and future rebates of certain building permit fees collected by the Building Department.

Staff Recommendation: Acknowledge the building permit fee refunds and authorize the building permit rebates for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2025 as stated in the City Manager's memorandum.

Mr. Morgan presented the item to Council.

Deputy Mayor Jaffe advised that he would be abstaining from the vote as he was employed by a company that was listed and would be eligible for refunds and future rebates of certain building permit fees collected by the Building Department.

Mayor Medina noted that proposed Senate Bill 1548 would allow excess Enterprise Funds from the Building Department to be used for stormwater purposes throughout the city.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to acknowledge the building permit fee refunds and authorize the building permit rebates for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2025 as stated in the City Manager's memorandum.

Mr. Johnson suggested a letter of support to the Brevard Delegation for Senate Bill 1548. Council concurred.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Abstained

Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

A brief recess was taken after which time the meeting resumed.

**6. Discussion of the school zone speed enforcement camera system.
(Councilman Langevin) (AGENDA REVISION)**

Mr. Langevin recommended eliminating the school zone speed enforcement camera system program. He had received numerous complaints due to discrepancies with the system and noted that the whole idea was to slow people down, not to take money from people's pockets.

Individuals spoke in support of eliminating the system.

Deputy Chief Spears provided details on the time frames in which citations would have been issued. He advised that the camera system had been suspended, refunds were being issued, and citations were being dismissed due to the malfunction. Deputy Chief Spears and Greg Sparks, Vice President of RedSpeed Automated Camera Enforcement, responded to questions posed by councilmembers.

Mayor Medina believed the program was a deterrent and changed the behavior of drivers. He added that this was a future tool for investigative work by law enforcement. Mr. Johnson felt Council should investigate incoming data before eliminating the program.

Motion by Mr. Langevin to eliminate the school zone speed enforcement camera system. The motion died for lack of a second.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmembers addressed various subject matters.

1. Councilman Hammer made the following reports:

A. Appointed Leeta Jordan to the Planning and Zoning Board.

B. Requested a workshop to discuss the area known as the Compound after the appointment of the new City Manager. Mayor Medina suggested getting a status update on the previous direction given by Council regarding the industrial uses in that area.

Deputy Mayor Jaffe felt staff should hold a stakeholder meeting, without Council, to receive ideas from developers and community leaders then present the information to Council.

C. Asked if a sandbag program could be implemented for residents sooner than later. He was concerned with residents being limited to five (5) sandbags during a declared hurricane. Mr. Morgan explained that the sandbags would deteriorate and would not hold up if filled too early.

2. Mr. Johnson asked if Council would reconsider a moratorium for multi-family developments and Planned Unit Developments. Mayor Medina was not in favor. Mr. Langevin did not agree with moratoriums but said that something needed to be done about zoning and density. He felt that the Comprehensive Plan should be reviewed and modified, if needed. Deputy Mayor Jaffe did not believe in moratoriums and felt it was too early to start the process of revising the Land Development Code at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL REPORTS:

1. Mr. Morgan reminded Council that they would be reviewing applications received for the position of City Manager at the March 20, 2025, regular Council meeting, and determining which individuals would advance as a finalist to be interviewed.

2. Ms. Smith requested an executive session on Thursday, March 20, 2025, at 5:30 P.M., to discuss settlement negotiations pertaining to Magdaline Tatum versus City of Palm Bay, Case 05-2023-CA-019882; and Jose Meza-Hurtado versus City of Palm Bay, Case 05-2023-CA-048795. She said the session would last approximately thirty (30) minutes and announced the individuals that would be in attendance. Council concurred.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 9:56 P.M.

Rob Medina, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Terri J. Lefler, DEPUTY CITY CLERK