

Special City Council Meeting
5:00 p.m., Monday, October 8, 2018
Council Chambers
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, South Carolina

AGENDA

1. Call to order and acknowledgement that the press and public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

2. PURPOSE

Consideration of granting City-sponsored event status to Mallison Sadler Productions to film on the Isle of Palms beach on Saturday, October 13th for 2 to 3 hours as part of a National Geographic documentary series *Drain the Oceans*; the episode will highlight the history of the HL Hunley and other shipwrecks of the Civil War

3. Adjournment

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A Special Meeting of City Council was held at 5:00 p.m., Monday, October 8, 2018 in Council Chambers of City Hall, 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, South Carolina. Attending the meeting were Councilmembers Bell, Buckhannon, Ferencz, Kinghorn, Moye, Rice, Smith and Ward, Mayor Carroll, Interim Administrator Fragoso and City Clerk Copeland; a quorum was present to conduct business.

1. Mayor Carroll called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the press and public were duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

2. PURPOSE

- A. **Consideration of granting City-sponsored event status to Mallison Sadler Productions to film on the Isle of Palms beach on Saturday, October 13th for 2 to 3 hours as part of a National Geographic documentary series *Drain the Oceans*; the episode will highlight the history of the HL Hunley and other shipwrecks of the Civil War**

The Mayor stated that the Public Safety Committee participated in a conference call with Tom Vaughn representing Mallison Sadler Productions who told them about the series and their part in it; he also detailed the number of people who would be on the beach and the low impact they would have. After talking with Mr. Vaughn, the Committee unanimously agreed to recommend the filming on the beach for the National Geographic series *Drain the Oceans*.

MOTION: Councilmember Ward moved to approve as a City-sponsored event the filming on the IOP Beach on Saturday, October 13, 2018, for 2 – 3 hours, a part of a National Geographic series; Councilmember Moye seconded.

Councilmember Rice stated that rain was predicted for Saturday.

AMENDMENT: Councilmember Rice moved to amend the motion to allow Mallison Sadler Production to film on the following Sunday or Monday should it rain on Saturday; Councilmember Bell seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

VOTE on the AMENDED MOTION: The amended motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Adjournment

MOTION: Councilmember Buckhannon moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:03 p.m., Councilmember Bell seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted:

Marie Copeland
City Clerk

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

British television production company Mallinson Sadler Productions is in Charleston from 12-15 October making an episode for season 2 of National Geographic's documentary series DRAIN THE OCEANS.

The series is about naval archaeology – using state of the art scanning technology to unlock hidden histories on our ocean beds. Please feel free to explore the series more: <https://www.nationalgeographic.com/tv/drain-the-oceans/>

For one episode we are telling the history of the Civil War through three wrecks – the USS Monitor in Hampton Roads, the USS Tecumseh in Mobile and the HL Hunley and USS Housatonic in Charleston. We are spending time with the team at the Warren Lasch Conservation Centre to see their work on the wreck of the Hunley, and intend to interview our historian Jim Delgado at Fort Moultrie.

We are keen to shoot atmospheric B-roll footage that shows off the beauty of coastal Charleston and are keen to come along to Isle of Palms beach for a maximum of two hours on the afternoon of Saturday 13 October to film some beauty shots of the beach. This would involve a crew of about four or five persons, a camera on a tripod and perhaps a drone (weather dependent). There will be no actors or extras, no special effects, no road closures, no vehicles bar the two cars we arrive in, no props or set dressings and no need for any supervision from a city representative. We would be simply looking to capture time-lapses and panoramas of beach vistas such as the below.



I would be incredibly grateful if you could consider granting us a permit to film on Isle of Palms beach and am happy to take any further calls or emails relating to our trip and/or documentary. I can be reached on tom.vaughan@msptv.co.uk or +447974920033.

Kind regards,
Tom Vaughan
Producer
Mallinson Sadler Productions