

**SPECIAL MEETING
Of
CITY COUNCIL**

6:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 3, 2017

A Special Meeting of City Council was held at 6:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 in Council Chambers of City Hall, 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, South Carolina. Attending the meeting were Councilmembers Bergwerf, Bettelli, Carroll, Ferencz, Harrington, Kinghorn, Rice and Ward, Mayor Cronin, City Administrator Tucker, City Attorney Halversen, Assistant Administrator Fragoso and City Clerk Copeland; a quorum was present to conduct business.

Mayor Cronin called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the press and public had been notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Mayor Cronin stated that this would be a short meeting that is required by the City Code, and he quoted it as follows:

In a non-election year, nominations for appointed City officers who are not City employees and for members of boards and commissions will be made by Council and appointments approved by a majority of Council at a special meeting held not later than December 15. Appointments will be announced by the Mayor at a special meeting held on the first Tuesday in January.

Members of standing committees of Council were announced as follows:

Ways and Means Committee – all members of Council;
Public Safety – Councilmembers Bergwerf, Bettelli and Carroll;
Public Works – Ferencz, Kinghorn and Ward;
Real Property – Bergwerf, Harrington and Rice;
Recreation – Carroll, Kinghorn and Rice;
Personnel – Bettelli, Ferencz and Harrington.

In addition, the Mayor stated that he would represent the City with the Council of Governments (COG) and the Charleston Visitors Bureau (CVB); Councilmember Bettelli will continue to serve on the CARTA Board.

Attorney Halversen and Julia Copeland have been appointed City Attorney and Assistant City Attorney, respectively, until December 31, 2017.

For boards and commissions, the Mayor announced reappointments as follows:

ATAX – Malcolm Burgis, Sally Muhlig and David Nelson;
Board of Zoning Appeals – Carolyn Holscher and Elizabeth Campsen;
Code Board of Appeals – Brian Garner; and
Planning Commission – Vincent DiGangi, Rick Ferencz, Lewis Gregory and Bill Mills.

Rusty Williamson was appointed to the ATAX Committee to fill a cultural seat.

Mayor Cronin noted that a copy of “Accomplishments 2016” has been given to all members of Council, and he listed a few, i.e. the placement of a historical marker at Mayor Carmen R. Bunch Park, the automation of the municipal parking lots, construction of a golf cart path on Palm

Boulevard between 18th and 20th Avenues, initiation of the managed beach parking program. Additionally, the City received an Achievement Award from the Municipal Association for "Doggie Day at the Rec" and a five hundred thousand dollar (\$500,000) grant from the Rural Infrastructure Authority that will be used toward the Phase II Drainage Project. Copies of the 2016 Accomplishments are available in City Hall and on the City's website.

The Mayor commented that the accomplishments are the result of the team effort by the City staff; he cited the preparation before, during and after Hurricane Matthew as an excellent example of the success of the City's departments pulling together toward a common goal.

MOTION: Councilmember Bettelli moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:09 p.m.; Councilmember Bergwerf seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted:

Marie Copeland
City Clerk