

Planning Commission Meeting 4:30pm, Wednesday, February 10, 2021 Virtual Meeting via Zoom call due to COVID-19 Pandemic broadcasted live on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Present: Scott Pierce, Ron Denton, Steven Corney, David Cohen, Sandy Stone, Lisa Safford, and Douglas Kerr, Director of Planning

Absent: Marty Brown

2. Approval of minutes

Mr. Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 9 regular meeting, and Ms. Safford seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. New Business

Review of upcoming of RFP for drainage Master Plan

Director Kerr gave an overview of the scope and intent of island drainage projects past, present, and future. He said the area of the island from 30th Avenue to Breach Inlet has not yet been addressed regarding drainage improvements, and this is the area the RFP will focus on. The City would like to see a conceptual plan that addresses drainage issues on that part of the island, including analyzing what is in the ground, the problem areas, what is undersized, and what is functioning and what is not. They also want an island-wide maintenance and capital improvement plan for drainage concerns.

Commissioners reviewed and discussed the scope of work and the objectives in the RFP. Director Kerr said the design of the long-term plan should be to a level that would have kept flood waters associated with Hurricane Joaquin from damaging homes. Commissioners discussed whether or not the RFP should include subsection E, "Price Quote for Each Scope of Work." Commissioners determined that the RFP is acceptable as presented after "wordsmithing and legal review."

4. Old Business

Review of Economic and Cultural Resources Elements of Comprehensive Plan

Commissioners continued their discussion of strategies and measures of success surrounding the economic goals of maintaining a sound tax base; and determining the impact of tourists on the island's revenue and cost structure. Census data is anticipated shortly and will update the

housing unit information in this section. Commissioners discussed changes to the section narrative, including distinguishing between the economic impact of day visitors versus overnight guests.

Regarding the Cultural Resources Element of the plan, Director Kerr will ask Director Page to update the events hosted within City limits. Commissioners decided to leave the key issue of promoting awareness of the history of the island in the Comprehensive Plan but eliminate all associated goals and strategies.

5. Miscellaneous Business

The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 4:30pm.

6. Adjournment

Mr. Pierce made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Cohen seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane City Clerk