



**Planning Commission Meeting
4:30pm, Monday, August 23, 2021
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and
broadcasted live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms>**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of minutes

Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2021 regular meeting. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. New Business

A. View and discuss demonstration of new tool to analyze housing and short-term rentals

Mr. Pierce gave a presentation of the tool to be used in the analysis of data from a variety of public sources to help spot trends regarding housing and short-term rentals on the Isle of Palms. He said the objective of the tool is to manage and analyze data from multiple sources effectively in order to “level the playing field and accelerate decision cycles.”

Commissioners discussed concerns with rental capacity, percentage of units occupied, and seasonality and how those concerns are accounted for in the data. A meeting to train Commissioners on the tool’s use will be set up soon.

B. Consider making recommendation on drainage master plan RFP

Director Kerr stated that a representative from Davis & Floyd attended last week’s Ways & Means Committee meeting and gave an abbreviated version of the presentation they had previously given to the Planning Commission on their plan for the Master Drainage Plan. The Ways & Means Committee unanimously approved the plan, and it will move to City Council this week for full approval.

Commissioners briefly discussed the definition of the maintenance schedule that is to be provided by Davis & Floyd upon completion of the Master Drainage Plan.

MOTION: Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the estimated cost summary provided by Davis & Floyd. Mr. Cohen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Old Business**

A. **Review of the Priority Investment Element of the Comprehensive Plan**

Director Kerr stated no changes have been made to the Priority Investment Element since the last meeting. He shared that the City has had productive meetings recently with the Water & Sewer Commission to discuss sewer expansion and long-range funding mechanisms. The City is working with a grant writing organization to help secure infrastructure funding that will be available soon.

Further discussion of the Priority Investment element will be tabled until more of the writing has been completed.

5. **Miscellaneous Business**

The next regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 4:30pm.

6. **Adjournment**

Mr. Cohen made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Brown seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk