

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STUART CITY COMMISSION
HELD August 19, 2019
AT 5:30 PM Commission Chambers - BUDGET WORKSHOP #3
121 SW FLAGLER AVE.
STUART, FLORIDA 34994

CITY COMMISSION

Mayor Rebecca S. Bruner

Vice Mayor Eula R. Clarke

Commissioner Kelli Glass Leighton (ABSENT)

Commissioner Merritt Matheson

Commissioner Mike Meier

ADMINISTRATIVE

City Manager, David Dyess

City Attorney, Michael J. Mortell

City Clerk, Mary R. Kindel



5:30 PM ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Bruner, Vice Mayor Clarke, Commissioner Matheson, Commissioner Meier

Absent – Commissioner Glass Leighton

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA



5:31 PM Motion: Move approval of the Agenda.

Motion by: Commissioner Meier

Seconded by: Vice Mayor Clarke


Motion passes unanimously.



5:32 PM PRESENTATIONS


1. FISCAL YEAR 2020 - BUDGET WORKSHOP #3

City Manager Dyess provided a brief summary of his plans in the 2020 budget. Noted the employee compensation study and market adjustments, technology increases, and community recreation. Thanked the staff for all the work that has gone into putting together this balanced budget.

 **5:37 PM** Joly Boglioli, Financial Services Director, provided a power point presentation and explained the process of putting together the budget, reviewing the following:

- 2020 recommended budget
- Major revenue changes
- Major appropriation changes
- Workforce
- Property valuations
- Property class inventory
- Ad Valorem/Property tax revenue
- Millage rate; history and taxpayer impact
- Reserve funding and reserves
- TRIM compliance

Two (2) public meetings: September 9, 2019, adoption of the Tentative Millage and Tentative Budget, September 23, 2019 final adoption for the 2020 fiscal year.


 **6:19 PM** Public Comment:

- 1) Helen McBride – Flamingo Ave.; commented that she watched the meeting last week on her iPad and the view was flip-flopped and there was no sound.


Commissioners reviewed the budget, identifying budget page numbers according to Departments, questioning and discussing various line items.

Various Department Directors came forward to respond to questions relating to their department budgets:


 **6:23 PM** Jim Chrulski, Community Services Director came forward to speak briefly about grant applications and funding in his department.


 **7:01 PM** Darren Duke, Technology Services, (formally Information Services) explained the precautions their department is taking to protect the City from future ransomware attacks, and in this budget, concentrate on creating strategic plans.

Brief discussion on the alleyways and easements.

 **7:31 PM** Public Comment:

Helen McBride – Commented on the current maintenance of the alleyways; would like the City to make a final decision on these alleyways, whether to maintain them or abandon them.

 **7:46 PM** Kevin Freeman, Development Director commented on the flexible fees that will assist in making the programs available and move forward.

 8:02 PM David Peters, Public Works Director, responded to clarification requests on Sanitation Services. The City is rolling out a brown cart program for vegetation collection.

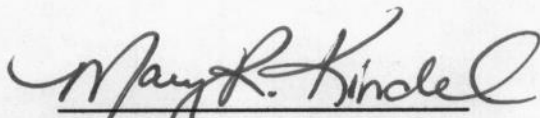
Commission continued a thorough review of the 2020 budget.

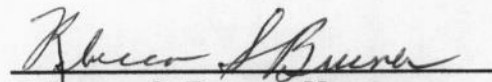
COMMENTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (5 min. max)

 8:07 PM ADJOURNMENT


Mary R. Kindel, City Clerk


Rebecca S. Bruner, Mayor

Minutes to be approved at the Regular Commission Meeting this 9th day of September, 2019.

