

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING - BUDGET WORKSHOP #1**

**OF THE STUART CITY COMMISSION**

**JUNE 20, 2022**

**AT 4:00 PM**

**COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

**121 SW FLAGLER AVE.**

**STUART, FLORIDA 34994**

**CITY COMMISSION**

**Mayor Merritt Matheson**

**Vice Mayor Troy McDonald**

**Commissioner Becky Bruner**

**Commissioner Eula R. Clarke**

**Commissioner Mike Meier**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**City Manager, David Dyess**

**City Attorney, Michael J. Mortell**

**City Clerk, Mary R. Kindel**

**ROLL CALL**

**4:03 PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Matheson, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Bruner, Commissioner Clarke.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Meier.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRESENTATIONS**

**1. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ITEMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 AND BEYOND.**

David Dyess, City Manager, gave a summary of today's agenda.

Tim Voelker, Utilities & Engineering Director, gave a presentation on capital projects specifically related to his department.

Discussion occurred about the future water treatment construction timeline and staffing for the facilities.

City Manager Dyess addressed concerns about the amount requested for the courtesy dock.

#### **4:40 PM**

Milton Leggett, Public Works Director, gave a presentation on upcoming Public Works projects.

Vice Mayor McDonald expressed concern about the dog park taking away from other forms of recreation and requested the proposal be brought forward on a future agenda for discussion.

Commissioners discussed different recreational uses for parks.

The City Manager clarified the commission's recommendations and will bring it back for the next meeting.

The City Manager informed the commission that he met with the Housing Solutions Coalition regarding potential funding for the Haney Creek Trail Improvement project, stormwater improvements and Memorial Park upgrades.

City Manager Dyess presented the Police and Fire Station project in the Public Safety Building.

#### **5:03 PM**

Pinal Gandhi-Savdas, CRA Administrator, presented projects specific to the CRA.

Commissioners discussed the improvements to Seminole Street.

Ms. Gandhi-Savdas continued her presentation on the CRA projects.

#### **2. FIRST LOOK AT OPENGOV BUDGET PLATFORM**

#### **5:16 PM**

City Manager Dyess introduced OpenGov.

Louis Boglioli, Finance Director, spoke on OpenGov and navigated through the website, addressed the benefits of the new software system, and its capabilities.

Mr. Boglioli stated that the live launch site should happen before the budget is approved.

The City Manager explained the status of the other pieces of the launch, such as the Citizen Service portal that will soon be launched.

#### **COMMENTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS**

#### **5:36 PM**

Commissioner Clarke

- Asked about Juneteenth becoming a holiday for the City of Stuart.



The City Manager explained that the holiday was deemed an Optional Holiday for staff.

- Requested an update on the Wells Fargo building.

The City Manager said that there is a possibility that there could be a move in 2025 and shared updates on possible relocation options.

- Requested an update on the Strategic Plan.

The City Manager stated that the plan will be brought forth in the following meeting on June 27, 2022.

#### **COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Dyess

- Asked the commission to address Stuart Main Street's agreement with the City.

Commissioners were in favor of extending their agreement for another year.

Discussion about Stuart Main Street's service agreement was further discussed.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**5:43 PM MOTION: Approve.**

**MOVED BY: Eula Clarke**

**SECONDED BY: Troy McDonald**

**Motion approved unanimously.**

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 Minutes Max.)**

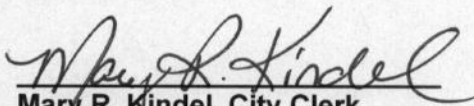
1. Mark Brechbill - SE Osceola St.; Asked about what inflation factor has been put into the budget and asked if OpenGov would have the City's historical budget data.

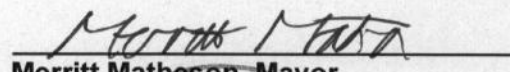
2. Christopher Collins - SE Flamingo Ave.; Asked about OpenGov security.

#### **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**5:47 PM**

  
Mary R. Kindel, City Clerk

  
Merritt Matheson, Mayor

**Minutes to be approved at the Regular Commission Meeting this 25th day of July, 2022.**

