

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021
6:30 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur.

The following members were present at roll call:

Councilman David Acosta
Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr.
Councilman Paul F. Spinelli
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur

Also present were: Greg Gallo, Business Administration Staff
Michael Benson, Esq., Associate City Solicitor
Edwin Alicea, Director of Public Safety

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 8, 2020 by the City Clerk, in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall;
2. Providing written notice to the offices of The Daily Journal and The Press of Atlantic City; and;
3. Filing written notice in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Vineland.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that the 2021 minutes of the Pre-Meeting Conference and Regular Meeting of August 10th; and the Work Session of August 17 be approved as submitted.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard at this time.

Steve Lewis related how his residential trash pickup has not been reliable. He complained that residents are paying for two pickups each week and residents deserve those pickups to be honored.

There being no one else to be heard, the Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2021-48, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 8, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND (VINELAND SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOCIATION {THE VSOA}), which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-48 be taken up for a public hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2021-48.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2021-48 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-48 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

Councilman Spinelli commended the administration for getting employee contracts renewed in a timely fashion.

Councilman Acosta concurred with Councilman Spinelli's comments.

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There being no further discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2021-48 by title and declared that with a vote of five yeas this ordinance is adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2021-48 to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2021-49, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 8, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND (DIRECTOR OF FIRE), which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-49 be taken up for a public hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2021-49.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2021-49 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-49 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2021-49 by title and declared that with a vote of five yeas this ordinance is adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2021-49 to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2021-50, AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE INTERSECTION OF COLUMBIA AVENUE AND LAKE ROAD AS A FOUR-WAY STOP INTERSECTION, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-50 be taken up for a public hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2021-50.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2021-50 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-50 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

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There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2021-50 by title and declared that with a vote of five yeas this ordinance is adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2021-50 to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2021-51, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 8, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND (ROAD INSPECTOR), which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-51 be taken up for a public hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2021-51.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2021-51 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-51 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2021-51 by title and declared that with a vote of five yeas this ordinance is adopted.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2021-51 to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

The Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2021-52 which was ready for First Reading.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-52 be taken up for the First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2021-52, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 8, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLANS FOR THE CITY OF VINELAND (VARIOUS TITLES OF I.B.E.W., LOCAL 210, UNIT #3).

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2021-52 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

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The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-391, A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MANUEL GONZALEZ UPON RETIRING FROM PUBLIC SERVICE EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2021.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-391 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-392, A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING TODD WEAVER UPON RETIRING FROM PUBLIC SERVICE EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2021.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-392 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

President Arthur extended congratulations to both retirees.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-393, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF VINELAND AND NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REGARDING THE CLAYVILLE GENERATING STATION.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-393 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-394, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN SOURCE ONE, INC. NEW YORK, NEW YORK AND THE CITY OF VINELAND FOR STRATEGIC CONSULTING SERVICES FOR ENERGY PORTFOLIO PURCHASES AND TRANSMISSION ACCESS AND REGULATORY MATTERS.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-394 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-395, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AMENDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 2, TO PURCHASE ORDER NO. 20-07760 ISSUED TO AURORA ENVIRONMENTAL INC., UNION BEACH, NJ, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,750.00.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-395 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-396, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) FORD F550 GAS 4X4 TYPE 1 BASE AMBULANCE REMOUNTS FROM VCI EMERGENCY VEHICLE SPECIALISTS, 43 JEFFERSON AVENUE, BERLIN, NJ 08009, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$462,548.10, PURSUANT TO A NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH HOUSTON – GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS NATIONAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM (HGACBuy) CONTRACT #AM10-20.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-396 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-397, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF GROUNDS MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT FOR PUBLIC WORKS FROM CUMMINS EQUIPMENT CO., INC., HAMMONTON, NJ, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$125,309.17, PURSUANT TO A NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH SOURCEWELL.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-397 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-398, A RESOLUTION AWARDED AN OPEN-END CONTRACT TO KOPPERS UTILITY AND INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS, LELAND, NC FOR THE FURNISHING OF SOUTHERN PINE POLES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-398 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-399, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF VINELAND A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE MADE AVAILABLE BY REVENUE REALIZED FROM A STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DIVISION OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY, PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ENFORCEMENT & EDUCATION 2022 GRANT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,840.00 AND AN APPROPRIATION IN SAID BUDGET FOR LIKE SUM AND PURPOSE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-399 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-400, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF VINELAND A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE MADE AVAILABLE BY REVENUE REALIZED FROM CUMBERLAND CAPE ATLANTIC YMCA – NJ HEALTHY COMMUNITIES NETWORK (FAMILY HEALTH INITIATIVES) VINELAND HUB COORDINATOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000.00 AND AN APPROPRIATION IN SAID BUDGET FOR LIKE SUM AND PURPOSE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-400 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-401, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE INSERTION IN THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF VINELAND A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE MADE AVAILABLE BY REVENUE REALIZED FROM A STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DIVISION OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY, DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER LABOR DAY CRACKDOWN 2021 GRANT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,000.00 AND AN APPROPRIATION IN SAID BUDGET FOR LIKE SUM AND PURPOSE.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-401 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-402, A RESOLUTION REJECTING THE BID RECEIVED ON AUGUST 3, 2021 FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERY OF DISTRIBUTION TRANSFORMERS FOR THE VINELAND MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-402 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-403, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MAP FILED DESCRIBING STREETS TO BE KNOWN AS SENECA COURT.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-403 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-404, A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHARGES AGAINST CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF VINELAND FOR DEMOLITION OF UNFIT STRUCTURES, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 99-7, AND AUTHORIZING SAID CHARGES TO BECOME LIENS UPON SUCH LANDS AND TO BE ADDED TO AND BECOME A PART OF THE TAXES TO BE ASSESSED AND LEVIED UPON SUCH LANDS.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-404 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-405, A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHARGE AGAINST VARIOUS LAND FOR LAND CLEARANCE AND AUTHORIZING SAID CHARGE TO BECOME A LIEN UPON SUCH LAND AND TO BE ADDED TO AND BECOME A PART OF THE TAXES TO BE ASSESSED AND LEVIED UPON SUCH LAND.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-405 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-406, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY OF VINELAND.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-406 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-407, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-407 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-408, A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE GOVERNING BODY REVIEWED THE CALENDAR YEAR 2020 ANNUAL AUDIT ACCORDING TO THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-408 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-409, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF VINELAND AS LESSEE AND THE CUMBERLAND COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AS LESSOR REGARDING 57 WEST PARK AVENUE, VINELAND, NEW JERSEY.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-409 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-410, A RESOLUTION COMMENDING VINELAND'S PIGTAIL GIRLS 12U ALL STARS FOR WINNING THE BABE RUTH WORLD SERIES.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-410 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

Councilman Franceschini congratulated the World Series champions, adding that the parade last Friday was awesome and the presentations very emotional.

Councilman Spinelli reiterated Councilman Franceschini's sentiments.

President Arthur commented that the girls also attended the PAL block party.

There being no further discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented RESOLUTION NO. 2021-411, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) NEW 2022 RAM 5500 CHASSIS CAB (DP0L64) TRADESMAN 4X4 REG CAB FROM NATIONAL AUTO FLEET GROUP, WATSONVILLE, CA, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$251,624.16, PURSUANT TO A NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH SOURCEWELL.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that RESOLUTION NO. 2021-411 be adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The Clerk presented reports from the various departments for the month of 2021, and requested the reports be received and filed.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that the reports as submitted by the Clerk be received and filed.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

The President asked if any Council Members wished to be heard.

Councilman Franceschini commented that businesses are struggling with employee shortages, as evidenced by so many 'help wanted' signs. He added that the pandemic continues with the Delta variant now here. Vaccinations have proven to help. Schools are beginning soon, masking and vaccinations are must be taken seriously. He requested that other department Directors be present at Council meetings for in-person periodic reports, similar to Director Alicea. Councilman Spinelli noted that Dr. Arthur should discuss this issue with Mayor Fanucci, as it is the mayor's prerogative.

Councilman Vargas reported that both the PAL Family Fun Day and the VDID Food Truck Festival were successful events. The Gold Star Mothers' Garden in Landis Park is progressing. He concluded by congratulating the retirees.

Councilman Spinelli echoed the comments from Councilman Vargas. Relating to Mr. Lewis' concern about missed trash collection days, apparently the contract has a 48-hour provision, so they have been compliant even if delayed by a day or so. He congratulated the Pigtail World Series champions. He noted the VDID activities, including the upcoming Old Fashioned Christmas and the volunteer recognition event. The Landis Theater resumes their concert series and also has auditions for a Halloween show and a Christmas show. He urged everyone to get vaccinated and the booster shot when it becomes available. He wished for a safe great school year and concluded by congratulating the retirees.

Public Safety Director Edwin Alicea reported achieving the milestone of 100 veteran banners on Landis Avenue. Someone contributed \$1,000 to help pay for banners for those who can't afford them. Two centenarian veterans from the NJ Soldier's Memorial Home have been identified as honorees. The reinstated Street Crimes Unit successfully recovered two guns and also arrested a 16-year old for multiple crimes, including evading police on a dirt bike. He also reported his participation as the mayor's representative for the Recreation Club's 100th anniversary.

Greg Gallo announced that Vineland's Green Team will be meeting tomorrow. He announced that there is a source for partial funding opportunities for electric vehicles and charging stations which will be discussed.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, to adjourn the meeting.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

ATTEST:

Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur,
President of Council

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk