

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2021
6:00 P.M.

The Pre-Meeting Conference 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 (*arrived at 6:13 p.m.*)
Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr.
Councilman Paul F. Spinelli
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur

Also present were: Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator
Edwin Alicea, Director of Public Safety

President Arthur led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Municipal 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 on;
2. Providing written notice to the offices of The Daily Journal and The Press of Atlantic City;
3. Filing written notice in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Vineland.

President Arthur asked if anyone from the public would like to comment.

Lee Burke supports the Chestnut Avenue road diet proposal. He believes it to be an issue of quality of life improvement, not only of improved safety.

Steve Lewis noted the poor condition of the roadway at Chestnut Avenue and East Avenue.

There being no one further to be heard, the Clerk reviewed revisions and additions to the agenda.

A first reading for Ordinance 2021-73, repealing Ordinance 2021-44 in its entirety and adopting an ordinance amending Chapter 425 of the Code of the City of Vineland entitled Land Use so as to provide for medical and adult use cannabis in certain zones and to set forth the regulations and standards therefore, was added.

A first reading for Ordinance 2021-74, authorizing the execution of a shared services agreement by and between the City of Vineland and the Landis Sewerage Authority for the provision and payment of certain sanitary sewer improvements by the City of Vineland for the benefit of the rate payers of the Landis Sewerage Authority for properties located on Cavallo Drive, was added.

A first reading for Ordinance 2021-75, bond ordinance of the City of Vineland, on behalf of the Landis Sewerage Authority, providing for the sanitary sewer extension project for Cavallo Drive in and by the City of Vineland, in the County of Cumberland, New Jersey, appropriating \$210,000 therefor, and directing the special assessment of the cost thereof.

The title was amended for Resolution 2021-548, authorizing the law firm of Kanner and Whiteley, LLC, New Orleans, LA, to execute a notice of preliminary intent to participate in proposed distributor and Johnson and Johnson nationwide opioid settlements and to act on behalf of the City of Vineland to reach a tentative resolution thereto, subject to final approval of City Council and administration.

Resolution 2021-553, approving the advancement of a road diet and other substantive safety improvements on Chestnut Avenue between Main Road and Delsea Drive, was revised.

Resolution 2021-556, authorizing the Qualified Purchasing Agent to award purchases for various motor vehicles, equipment and accessories available through cooperative pricing systems of which the city is a member, was added. (The original resolution in this position was removed and was changed to be an ordinance.)

The title was amended for Resolution 2021-564, authorizing the issuance of an amendatory supplemental change order no. 1 to contract no. C21-0045, purchase order no. 21-01802, issued to Reid Sound Inc., Windsor, NJ, in the amount of \$3,291.05.

The title and body were amended for Resolution 2021-570, awarding a contract to South State Inc., Bridgeton, NJ to complete the resurfacing of Palermo Avenue (Lincoln Avenue to Hance Bridge Road), in the amount of \$2,613,360.67.

Resolution 2021-582, appointing school crossing guards for the school year 2021-2022, was added. Resolution 2021-583, authorizing special law enforcement officers for the year 2021, was added.

A communication from Mayor Fanucci reappointing David Manders and Michael Pantalione to the Planning Board was added. A communication reappointing Brian Lankin to the Vineland Downtown Improvement District Management Board of Directors was added.

The Clerk reminded everyone that next week is the fifth Tuesday of the month, and no meetings are scheduled.

Councilman Franceschini reported that there were two COVID-19 clinics last week. Wednesday was for booster vaccines and had over 200 participate. Thursday was for those 5 years old and up and had just over 100 participants. At least 85 people received their booster vaccine last night at St. Padre Pio parish. So far in November, Vineland has had 294 positive cases. The next clinic is scheduled for December 1.

President Arthur 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

Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
President

ATTEST:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk