

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022
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 6:01 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
John Lillie, Director of Municipal Utilities
Kathleen Hicks, Principal Planner

President Arthur led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 15, 2021 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.

Steve Lewis mentioned the safety of our children in schools is paramount and wanted to know what can be done to keep them safe. A short discussion ensued involving BA Dickenson, Councilman Spinelli, and Solicitor Tonetta stating the body tends to agree with him, however, Mr. Lewis was in the wrong venue and should take his questions to the Vineland School Board. Lewis believes the Schoolboard should hire consulting groups to get ideas on how to protect children in our different schools throughout the City.

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

The Fire Director removed Resolution No. 2022-220 from the Agenda after conferring with Mayor Fanucci and Council President Dr. Arthur to allow for clarification and minor adjustments to the courtesy blue light policy that is to be adopted by the Fire Department and replaced it with a "a resolution appointing Jacqueline Cruz as a member of the housing authority."

A revised version of Resolution 2022-225 authorizing the issuance of an amendatory supplemental change order to purchase order no. 21-08229, issued to Lester C. Morgan dba Noopy's Furniture Stripping and Refinishing, Newfield, NJ in the amount of \$1,300.00, was provided to make corrections in the title and body.

A revised version of Resolution 2022-234 providing for the insertion in the calendar year 2022 budget of the City of Vineland a special item of revenue made available by revenue realized from Southern New Jersey Perinatal Cooperative COVID-19 vaccination supplement program in the amount of \$54,480.00 and an appropriation in said budget for like sum and purpose, was provided to correct the amount and dates in the grant body.

A revised version of Resolution 2022-242 granting the renewal of alcoholic beverage licenses for the licensing period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, was provided to include additional licensees.

Resolution 2022-245, providing for the insertion in the calendar year 2022 budget of the city of vineland a special item of revenue made available by revenue realized from the UEZ first generation funds held by the City of Vineland for equipment for Landis Avenue commercial corridor cleaning and maintenance project grant in the amount of \$275,000.00 and an appropriation in said budget for like sum and purpose, was added.

Resolution 2022-246, authorizing the execution of a grant application for grant funding from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs in the amount of \$225,000.00 for the Landis Avenue Commercial Corridor Cleaning and Maintenance Project, was added.

Resolution 2022-247, re-appointing Brian Asselta as a member of the Housing Authority, was added.

Resolution 2022-248, appointing Sheila Brown-Saunders as a member of the Housing Authority, was added.

Resolution 2022-249, appointing Michael Brown, Sr. as a member of the Housing Authority, was added.

The Deputy Clerk noted the safety patrol from Gloria Sabater Elementary School will lead in the Pledge of Allegiance for the Regular Meeting.

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Councilman Franceschini reported that there have been 296 positive Covid cases in Vineland for June. Hospitalizations are down. The county alert is at 'moderate' however, Vineland City is on 'high alert' currently.

Councilman Spinelli reported the VDID Cruise down Landis Avenue did well despite the fact there was the threat of inclement weather. Approximately 6-8,000 people were in attendance. He mentioned they are now looking forward to the Food Truck Festival in August.

Business Administrator Dickenson mentioned Friday is a ribbon cutting ceremony at Salon Promise which there were all invited and also mentioned Saturday is Isaiah Pacheco day and parade which begins at 11:00am with a presentation of the Key to the City by Mayor Fanucci taking place at City Hall at noon.

President Arthur entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, to adjourn the meeting. The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 P.M.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
President

ATTEST:

Richard G. Franchetta, RMC, EJD
Deputy Municipal Clerk