



Town of Hilton Head Island TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP Tuesday, May 09, 2023, 1:00 p.m. MINUTES

Present from Town Council: Alan Perry, *Mayor*; David Ames, *Mayor Pro-Tempore*; Tamara Becker, Alex Brown, Steve Alfred, Glenn Stanford, Patsy Brison, *Town Council Members*

Present from Town Staff: Marc Orlando, *Town Manager*; Josh Gruber, *Deputy Town Manager*, Angie Stone, *Assistant Town Manager*, Shawn Colin, *Assistant Town Manager – Community Development*; Chris Blankenship, *Fire Chief*; Ben Brown, *Sr. Advisor to the Town Manager*; Kimberly Gammon, *Town Clerk*; Lisa Stauffer, *Director of Human Resources*; John Troyer, *Finance Director*; Erica Madhere, *Budget Analyst*; Bryan McIlwee, *Assistant Community Development Director*; Jennifer Ray, *Capital Program Manager*; Zenos Morris; *Assistant Community Development Director*; Carolyn Grant, *Communications Director*; Kelly Spinella, *Social Media and Marketing Manager*; Aaron Black, *Facilities Manager*; Bob Bromage, *Public Safety Director*; Todd McNeil, *Community Code Enforcement Officer*; Al Wilson, *Code Enforcement Officer*; Natalie Harvey, *Director of Cultural Affairs*; Jeff Netzinger, *Storm Water Manager*; Tommy Sunday, *Technology and Innovation Director*; Cindaia Ervin, *Assistant Town Clerk*

1. Call to Order

Mayor Perry called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. FOIA Compliance

Ms. Ervin confirmed compliance with FOIA.

3. Roll Call

Attendance was confirmed by way of roll call.

4. Appearance by Citizens

Ken Campbell addressed Council thanking them for the recent purchase of property on Bryant Road. He explained the background and goals of the Coastal Community Development Corporation regarding workforce housing. He formally proposed working with the Town in future endeavors.

Kim Likins addressed Council thanking Patsy Brison and Steve Alfred for participating as lead riders in the Pedal Hilton Head Event. She noted there were over 700 riders that participated in the event and over 400 riders that participated in the Chill and Grill. Ms. Likins summarized the needs for the Childrens Center and spoke in support of the Coastal Community Development Corporation urging Town Council to work with them to find solutions to the need for workforce housing.

Skip Hoagland addressed Council requesting a forensic audit of town funds.

Skip Hoagland presented a Power of Attorney to speak on behalf of Lynne Greeley. Mayor Perry advised Mr. Hoagland that Council does not accept Power of Attorney for citizens to speak on behalf of another person and he would be fined for doing so. Mr. Hoagland stated he would gladly pay the fine continued to address Council regarding the Town's legal fees and the need for oversight.

5. Workshop Discussion

a. Review and Discussion of the Proposed Fiscal Year 2024 Consolidated Budget.

Mr. Orlando delivered a presentation on the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. He referenced that the budget follows the Town Council top 15 Strategic Plan priorities and they are included in the budget. He reviewed each of the funds and funding sources focusing on the General Fund, Stormwater Utilities Fund, Debt Service Fund, Gullah Geechee Historic Neighborhood Fund and the Housing Fund in detail. He added that the Capital Projects Fund would be the focus of the workshop to be held on May 11. Mr. Orlando and John Troyer provided information and answered questions from Town Council throughout the presentation and Council members provided input regarding various components within the budget.

Mayor Perry asked for public comment.

Ken Campbell commended the Town Manager on the proposed budget and expressed his support of the dedication of workforce housing funding.

Skip Hoagland questioned the use of tax dollars for legal fees, dredging and the Designated Marketing Organization.

Xiaodan Li questioned the increase in the budget from 2021 and 2022, asked for clarification of the accommodations tax percentages and numbers, and expressed concern over lifestyle changes and workforce housing needs.

6. Adjournment

The workshop was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Approved: June 6, 2023

Kimberly Gammon, Town Clerk

Alan R. Perry, Mayor

The recording of this Workshop can be found on the Town's website at www.hiltonheadislandsc.gov