



## City Council Meeting Summary for January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### Work Session:

**Berms in the Critical Area Setback:** This ordinance would add earthen berms to the list of erosion control devices that can be built in the 15' critical line setback. The ordinance will go to Council for first reading next month.

**Non-Residential Parking Pass Fees:** The number of nonresident parking passes (which allow free parking in paid parking spaces) remains at 50 this year. The price for 2021 is \$225. Ten additional business passes will be sold at a price of \$450. These passes cannot be used at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street East or 3<sup>rd</sup> Street West paid parking lots.

**City Hall Budget Item:** Staff reviewed the current status of the City Hall renovation budget + a proposed cost for a new roof.

### Mayor's Comments:

**Pale Blue Dot:** Given all that is going on in the world today, it is helpful to keep a broad perspective. Check out the link to for context: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G05FwsblpT8>

### Staff Reports:

**Heather Springs, Business License Official:** This update brought Council up to speed on the City's required transition to a statewide due date for licenses.

**Eric Lutz, Building Official:** Mr. Lutz announced that the City now has a BSCEGS rating of 3. Lower scores are better and this is a major achievement.

**Katie Faith, Environmental and Land Use Planner:** There are potential utility conflicts along the route of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street West pedestrian path that Dominion feels could significantly delay the project and increase the cost. Staff proposes a work around that would add curb and gutter to avoid moving as many poles.

**Colleen Jolley, Community Coordinator:** Ms. Jolley reviewed past approvals of the Save the Light 5k in relation to COVID protocols. Council voted to cancel the race under the authority of the Emergency Ordinance.

### Personal Appearances:

**Kelly Travers, representing FAB** presented plans for Taste of Folly (which do not trigger requirements City Council approval) and revisited the Sea and Sand Festival COVID adaptations. Sea and Sand will not be a traditional festival and will be dispersed onto private property and marketed as such.

**Thomas Verville, of 414 West Indian** presented a request for a 19' driveway vs. the 15' allowed by City Ordinance. Ms. Verville agreed not to pursue a legally allowable second driveway in return for one wider driveway.

### Old Business:

**Ordinance 27-20:** This ordinance passed second reading. It was a clerical amendment to bring other sections of the animal tag rules into compliance with the changes passed in December. Rabies certificates will now be matched with dog tags for expiration dates.

### New Business:

**Ordinance 11-20:** The Emergency Ordinance has been extended until March 10. In February, Council will consider a permanent ordinance tied to the expiration of the State Emergency.

**Ordinance 01-21:** The rules for nonresident parking passes were amended so that passes cannot be used at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street East or 3<sup>rd</sup> Street West paid parking lots. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading will be in February.

**Ordinance 02-21:** This is an amendment to the business license ordinance that explicitly states that each rental unit requires a separate license and that owners are responsible for all gross proceeds being reported. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading will be in February.

**Ordinance 04-21:** This is a text amendment recommended by the State that requires compliance with all relevant federal codes for development in the flood plain. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading will be in at a special meeting on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Ordinance 05-21:** This ordinance was sent to the Planning Commission for a public hearing. It will clarify that lot area and max square footage formulas are calculated based on high ground area.

**Resolution 01-21:** This resolution approved moving money from a reserve account to purchase new exercise equipment for the Folly River Park. This will coincide with the reopening of the dock.

**Resolution 02-21:** The number of nonresident parking passes (which allow free parking in paid parking spaces) remains at 50 this year. The price for 2021 is \$225. Ten additional business passes will be sold at a price of \$450.

**Resolution 03-21:** This resolution awarded the bid for construction for the 2<sup>nd</sup> West Pedestrian Path. It also increased the contract with the consulting engineers to plan for utility avoidance.

**Resolution 04-21:** This resolution approved a new roof to be added to the City Hall Renovation project, the furniture budget, and change orders (excluding remodeling the elevator).

**Resolution 05-21:** This resolution affirmed the City's commitment to enforcing all required safety rules and regulations.

### Executive Session:

**Proposed Settlement Offer for 1681 East Ashley:** The City is currently in a lawsuit regarding the merger of 1681A and 1681B into one property. The Council received legal advice to review a proposed settlement.