



## City Council Meeting Summary for April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### Work Session:

Councilman Barker presented comments from businesses on Center Street requesting that the City provide afterhours and weekend restroom availability in City Hall. Council discussed the issue including a review of previous issues with the provision of restrooms. No action was taken or proposed.

The City Administrator presented the RFP for a citywide communications strategy to include a review of external communication methods, internal communication standardization, and a website refresh. Revisions to this RFP will be finalized at the May meeting.

### Regular Meeting

#### **Mayor Goodwin's Comments**

The Mayor announced City will celebrate National Dispatchers Week beginning April 19<sup>th</sup>. He also asked for a moment of silence to honor the life of Barry Campbell.

#### **Staff Reports**

Katherine Faith, Environmental and Land Use Planner, presented an update on the City's review of the Comp Plan and progress made on the needs/goals previously identified. Additional information can be found here: <https://www.cityoffollybeach.com/city-departments-services/building-planning-and-business-licenses/planning-documents/>

#### **Personal Appearances**

Hugh Tim Grady, Mad Monkey Ebb & Flow Pictures LLC requested permission to film on the beach at Folly County Park on April 20<sup>th</sup>. The request was amended to no longer ask for vehicles on the beach. *It was approved with a date change to April 21<sup>st</sup> to avoid conflicts on the 20<sup>th</sup>*

Nancy Hussey, Surfers Healing requested permission to host the 13<sup>th</sup> annual Surfers Healing event on Wednesday August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 6:00am to 4:00pm. *The request was approved.*

#### **Commission, Board and Committee Reports**

The Community Coordinator presented the recommendations of the Community Center Committee to include ending commercial use and non City sponsored special events at both the Folly River Park and the Community Center. Residents would still be allowed to host events for themselves or immediate family members. Event participants would no longer be allowed to use tents or stakes in the Folly River Park. Necessary ordinance changes to implement these requirements will be presented at the May meeting.

#### **Old Business**

Ordinance 09-21: *This ordinance passed second reading.* It will require that beachfront franchise holders pay necessary franchise fees at the same time the annual business license fee is due.

#### **New Business**

Congratulations to Matthew Horton and David Parler for their appointment to the Parks and Recreation Board.

Ordinance 08-21: *This ordinance passed first reading with a positive recommendation from the Planning Commission.* It will mirror the current exemption for substantial damage rules for nonconforming uses in the IC/DC districts to also allow substantial improvements to those uses.

Ordinance 10-21: *This ordinance passed first reading with a positive recommendation from the Planning Commission.* It will raise the required freeboard (elevation above the flood zone) to 4' from 2' to compensate for lowered flood zones across the island.

Ordinance 11-21: *This ordinance passed first reading with a positive recommendation from the Planning Commission.* It will reset the height measurement to be taken from the floor surface of the first floor above the flood elevation rather than from the base flood elevation itself.

Ordinance 12-21 and Ordinance 13-21. *These ordinances failed for lack of a motion to approve after also receiving no motion to recommend approval at the Planning Commission.* The ordinances as presented would have rezoned 204 East Ashley Avenue to Downtown Commercial.

Ordinance 14-21: *This ordinance passed first reading.* It clarifies that applicants for a City Golf Cart Decal must provide proof of current liability insurance.

Resolution 12-21: *This resolution passed.* It awarded a bid for automated meter reader upgrades. These upgrades are part of a phased plan to convert existing meters to automatic readings across the island.

Resolution 13-21: *This resolution passed.* It appointed Chris Skipper as Chief Judge and Carolyn Blue as Associate Judge for terms of two years.

Resolution 14-21: *This resolution passed.* This resolution authorizes the administration to sign an agreement with the Army Corps regarding cultural and historical resource impact reviews needed for renourishment.

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