

**FINAL AGENDA AND MINUTES  
TOWN OF JUPITER  
TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

Mayor Wodraska called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Roll Call: Mayor Todd R. Wodraska; Vice-Mayor Ilan Kaufer; Councilor Ron Delaney; Councilor Jim Kuretski; Councilor Cameron May; Town Manager Matt Benoit; Town Attorney Thomas J. Baird and Acting Town Clerk Elizabeth Ojea.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. **Ordinance 17-20**, First Reading, Approval of 2021 Millage Rate. (Second Reading 9/22/20)

Mr. Scott Reynolds, Budget Manager, mentioned previous budget workshops and highlighted a presentation which included objectives, property valuations, covid-19 impacts, and expenditures and revenues.

Mr. Reynolds reviewed the Community Investment Program (CIP) total cost and funding and asked for Council's approval of ordinances 17-20 and 18-20.

Councilor Kuretski asked about transfers on the sales tax debt fund and if that meant the Town was estimating sales tax would be down about \$1 million. Mr. Reynolds said that was correct but he was optimistic for next year.

Councilor Delaney asked if the vacant employee positions would remain open. Mr. Reynolds said they would remain open but were unfunded in the upcoming budget.

Councilor Kuretski asked about the Dolphin Drive cost justification basis; where the stormwater availability fee was coming from; and how much additional sea grass buoys would cost. He asked Staff to have answers before the second reading and consider adding some buoys to the budget.

There was a consensus of Council to consider the seagrass buoys cost in the budget.

Councilor Delaney moved to approve Ordinance 17-20, First Reading; seconded by Councilor May; motion passed.

Title read by Mr. Baird.

Wodraska  
Yes

Kaufer  
Yes

Delaney  
Yes

Kuretski  
Yes

May  
Yes

2. Review of the 2021 Fiscal Year Operating Budget and Pay Plan.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. **Ordinance 18-20**, First Reading, Approval of Fiscal Year 2021-2025 Community Investment Program. (Second Reading 9/22/20)

Councilor Delaney moved to approve Ordinance 18-20, First Reading; seconded by Councilor May; motion passed.

Title read by Mr. Baird.

Wodraska	Kaufer	Delaney	Kuretski	May
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**PRESENTATION**

4. Gateways - Enhance entries at major gateways Strategic Plan update.

Ms. Stephanie Thoburn, Assistant Director of Planning and Zoning, gave a brief presentation highlighting plan updates including: The triangle parcel; the turnpike entry; and Center Street.

Councilor Kuretski asked about the I-95 median improvements and if that could be done sooner and not in conjunction with road improvements. Ms. Thoburn said she would look into it but was concerned there may be possible damage that could occur during road work.

Councilor Delaney asked if the median would be shortened. Ms. Thoburn said she would find that out.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Ms. Linda Otto, resident of West Riverside Drive, stated her concerns with traffic on Riverside Drive.

Ms. Linda Smithe, resident of Via Rio, thanked the Town for cleaning the debris at the Indiantown Road and Center Street intersection and for keeping the Jupiter tap water safe. She also spoke regarding reducing the use of single use plastic.

Mr. Hutch Floyd, resident of Main Street and member of the Board of Directors for Palm Beach County Human Rights Council, spoke regarding an email he sent to Council asking to enact a human rights ordinance. He stated similar ordinances had been adopted by Boynton Beach, Delray Beach and North Palm Beach and would have no fiscal impact to the Town. He also asked for the Town to update their equal opportunity policy.

**MINUTES**

5. August 13, 2020 Town Council Budget Workshop Minutes and August 18, 2020 Town Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilor Delaney moved to approve the August 13, 2020 Town Council Budget Workshop Minutes and August 18, 2020 Town Council Meeting Minutes; seconded by Vice-Mayor Kaufer; motion passed.

Wodraska	Kaufer	Delaney	Kuretski	May
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

All items listed in this portion of the agenda are considered routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilor or citizen so requests; in which event, the item will be removed and considered at the beginning of the regular agenda.

Councilor Delaney moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Vice-Mayor Kaufer; motion passed.

Wodraska	Kaufer	Delaney	Kuretski	May
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

6. **Resolution 78-20**, Approving the Community Aesthetic Feature Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation – Agreement for Town entry sign, lighting and solar panel at the gateway entry feature on Indiantown Road at the Florida Turnpike exit.
7. **Resolution 79-20**, Approving the Construction Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation – Agreement for work related to the gateway entry features on Indiantown Road at Center Street and the Florida Turnpike exit.
8. **Resolution 80-20**, Accepting FEMA and State of Florida matching funds and authorizing the Town Manager to accept and execute documents relating to Covid-19.
9. **Resolution 82-20**, Approving contract award EPW2021-01 for Community Center exterior painting and repairs to Talbot Painting, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$59,735.
10. Approving the use of State Forfeiture Funds in the amount of \$2,310 for use by the Recreation Department to install a repair and general maintenance station for patrons of the Abacoa Skate Park.

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

11. **Resolution 84-20**, Center Street Constrained Roadway at a Lower Level of Service (CRALLS) Designation Strategic Initiative – Encouraging Palm Beach County to support and follow-through with funding and implementation for design, right-of-way and construction to expand the segment of Center Street from Loxahatchee River Road to Alternate A1A to a three-lane typical section.

Mr. John Sickler, Director of Planning and Zoning, outlined Council's previous direction and explained the purpose of the Resolution including: supporting the widening project, with Palm Beach County (PBC) advanced funding for design; right of way (ROW ) acquisition and construction; support for the Board of County Commissioners to give consideration to the amendment of their transportation element to modify the volumes of average daily and peak hour traffic on Center Street within the widening boundaries; and encourage the Board to incorporate traffic calming, landscaping, bicycle and pedestrian improvements as part of the widening project.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

#### **11. Resolution 84-20**

Mr. Sickler discussed the Town traffic engineer's analysis and the long range traffic update for 2045.

Mayor Wodraska asked what the thought process was behind the CRALLS designation. Mr. Sickler explained the thought process for the 1994 designation and that it was decided then that the widening cost was too high compared to the benefit. He also discussed current levels and volumes.

Mayor Wodraska asked if there were any other CRALLS designations in Jupiter. Mr. Sickler said there used to be one on Central Boulevard before the bridge was constructed and there was one on a portion of Indiantown Road.

Councilor Kuretski explained times were much different in 1994 and people were wary of expansion, but now the widening would help the road without increasing traffic.

Vice-Mayor Kaufer felt widening the road may give developers ideas to increase density on parcels in unincorporated areas off Center Street. He did not support changing the designation.

Mr. Sickler discussed traffic volumes, the traffic engineer's recommendation to amend the designation without removing it, and proportionate share requirements by future developers. He said improvements would be beneficial and studies showed widening that section to three lanes would improve safety conditions. Mr. Sickler noted County design collaboration would be important.

Councilor May noted the danger and accident count on Center Street. He asked what the plan was during the U.S. One bridge construction. Mr. Sickler mentioned the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) planned a mitigation strategy for pattern changes.

Ms. Ann Mueller, resident of Center Street, asked about sidewalk construction and connectivity to Alternate A1A, how the residential character of Center Street would be protected, and how traffic calming would be achieved. She did not support removing the CRALLS designation based on cost benefit and gave suggestions for traffic calming.

Councilor Delaney and Mr. Sickler discussed right of ways and the age of the bridges. Mr. Benoit noted improvements were not planned until 2024.

Councilor Kuretski noted for Ms. Mueller, that the sidewalk connectivity would occur. He summarized the recommendation and noted it would reduce the daily trips and increase safety. He suggested clarifying the Resolution to mention the lower number of trips.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **PUBLIC BUSINESS**

#### **11. Resolution 84-20**

Vice-Mayor Kaufer felt the CRALLS protection was still necessary to preserve the area.

Mayor Wodraska noted any changes would be funded by the County. He thought supporting the item would give Center Street a chance for improvements. He mentioned any unincorporated areas were residential.

Councilor Kuretski stated the CRALLS designation allowed for a lower level of service, so removing it would be best. He said he could support Staff's recommendation to keep the designation, but suggested to include the lower constrained number if the County would still support the improvements.

Councilor Delaney and Mayor Wodraska discussed redevelopment and density possibilities. Councilor Delaney supported removing the designation.

Councilor May supported the item from a safety standpoint.

Councilor Kuretski moved to approve Resolution 84-20, as amended, to change section 3 to reduce the CRALLS designation to the lower numbers noted in the Staff report; seconded by Councilor May; motion passed.

Wodraska	Kaufer	Delaney	Kuretski	May
Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

### **REPORTS**

#### **TOWN ATTORNEY**

- Human Rights Ordinance – Mr. Baird wanted to speak regarding an earlier citizen comment and noted Palm Beach County currently had a human rights Ordinance that applied within municipalities. He said several of the municipalities mentioned, had opted out of the County Ordinance which may explain why they were creating their own. Mr. Baird said in his opinion, the County Ordinance covered all the relevant issues and was sufficient. He offered to provide a legal memo with more details. Council unanimously agreed.

#### **TOWN MANAGER**

#### **TOWN COUNCIL – LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS**

##### **MAYOR WODRASKA**

- U.S. President's visit to Jupiter – Mayor Wodraska wanted to note it was a special historic day, as sitting President Donald Trump visited Jupiter at the iconic Jupiter lighthouse and spoke about a moratorium on off-shore drilling.

##### **COUNCILOR MAY**

- Riverside Drive – Councilor May asked if any more speed limit signage or alerts could be posted.

Mr. Benoit said there was already signage there.

**REPORTS**  
**COUNCILOR MAY**

- Water filling Stations – Councilor May asked if water bottle filling stations could be placed around Town, especially along the beach road. He felt it would be beneficial for hydration as well as environmentally friendly.

**VICE-MAYOR KAUFER**

- Green Local Government Initiative – Vice-Mayor Kaufer asked if there was a matrix to make it easier to follow and track.

Mr. Benoit said he would provide the matrix.

- Off-shore Drilling – Vice-Mayor Kaufer suggested the Town prepare a resolution to support banning off-shore drilling off the Atlantic coast.
- Education Committee – Vice-Mayor Kaufer suggested discussing whether to keep the committee going before it sunsets.

Mayor Wodraska noted there would not be time to discuss it before the September 20, 2020 sunset date.

Vice-Mayor Kaufer suggested having the Board discuss virtual learning gaps and make recommendations.

Majority of Council supported Staff's recommendation to let the committee sunset. (TW, RD, CM, JK).

Mayor Wodraska suggested presenting Vice-Mayor Kaufer's suggestion on supporting the ban of off-shore drilling to the Environmental Task Force for their recommendations. Council unanimously agreed.

**COUNCILOR KURETSKI**

- Riverside Drive – Councilor Kuretski stated he supported flashing speed limit signs, and knew there were some on Riverside Drive. He asked Staff for ideas on any other speed calming solutions.

Mr. Benoit said sidewalks were being discussed and felt that would be a start to a solution. He noted it was challenging to get full neighborhood support on intrusive solutions.

**ADJOURNMENT – 8:27 P.M.**

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Sally M. Boylan, Town Clerk

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Todd R. Wodraska, Mayor