



City Council Meeting Summary for August 10th, 2021

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

The Mayor summarized his testimony to the State Legislature regarding redistricting. He urged that body to maintain a district which encompassed all the beach communities as they share similar needs and concerns.

STAFF REPORTS

Chief Gilreath presented a partnership with Wounded Nature that will, for a cost of less than \$5,000 dollars to the City, remove two boats that have been in the water near Mariners Cay for several months. These vessels have been deemed abandoned/derelict under our ordinances.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Victoria Dhindsa requested approval for the Annual Race for Life to be hosted by We are Sharing Hope, SC on 4/9/2022. *The request was approved.*

Chuck Bergaron requested to host competitors in the Worrell 1000 Race by allowing them to beach boats near the Tides hotel overnight on 5/15/2022. *The request was approved.*

Mike Riffert, owner of 112 East Ashley, requested permission to extend a sewer line to the property. *The request was denied.*

Bridget Martin, owner of 412 West Ashley, requested permission to connect to an existing sewer line adjacent to the property. *The request was approved.*

BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORTS

Katie Gerling, reported that the Planning Commission has requested a review of the tree ordinance to make sure the City's rules were examined in light of stormwater and runoff. The Planning Commission would also like to incentivize the retention of non-protected trees. *This project will go to the Planning Commission in the fall.*

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Mr. John Mcfarland, spoke to Council about his intention to set up a private committee to poll residents about the preferred method of regulating short term rentals.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance 25-21: Brought our codes in line with an enforcement request from CCPRC to prohibit cars with no trailers using the trailer parking spaces at the boat landing seven days a week instead of just on holidays and weekends. *The Ordinance passed Second Reading.*

Ordinance 26-21: This ordinance will expand the current definition of alcoholic beverages in our codes to more fully match the definitions in State law. *The Ordinance passed Second Reading.*

Ordinance 27-21: An Ordinance Adopting the Five-Year Update to the 2015 City of Folly Beach Comprehensive Plan. *The Ordinance passed First Reading.*

NEW BUSINESS

Emily Brown and John Rosen were appointed to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Thank you for your service!

Ordinance 22-21: The City's proposed rules for shipping containers used in construction were amended to limit temporary use of shipping containers to only 1 at a time unless approved by the Building Official and to limit the amount of time containers can be on a lot to 90 days in a 12 month period. *The Ordinance passed First Reading.*

Ordinance 23-31: Requirements for fencing, trash cans, and restroom facilities in commercial parking lots were amended to remove restroom requirements. *The Ordinance passed First Reading.*

Ordinance 24-31: Requirements for trash cans and restroom facilities on lots that have outdoor retailers were amended to remove DRB approval for restroom screening and to require 2 restroom facilities on lots that have at least three mobile vendors. *The Ordinance passed First Reading.*

Resolution 29-21: This resolution approved the Local Comprehensive Beach Management Plan. *The Resolution was Approved.*

Resolution 30-21: This resolution approved the spending up to \$5,000 from the Special Projects Reserve Account. *The Resolution was Approved.*

Resolution 31-21: This resolution approved the spending up to \$4,500 dollars from the Emergency Equipment Reserve to complete the purchase of life saving equipment. *The Resolution was Approved.*

Resolution 32-21: This resolution would have awarded the bid for the City's communications RFP. *The Resolution was not Approved.* Council selected three vendors for further study. A special Council meeting will be held on August 26 at 1pm to receive more information.