

March 2, 2022
Brigantine, New Jersey

A Council meeting was held this date in Council Chambers at 5:00 P.M. with Mayor Sera presiding.

Present: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera.
Absent: DeLucry.

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Mayor Sera led the flag salute and Councilwoman Bew offered a prayer. Councilwoman Bew asked for a moment of silence for Theresa D. Mong.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-53

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLVES THAT:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey permits the discussion of certain matters within an Executive Session, as an exception to certain provisions of said laws; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Brigantine wishes to discuss certain matters which qualify as exceptions in Executive Session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE THAT:

1. There is hereby authorized an Executive Session of the City Council of the City of Brigantine, for the purpose of discussing certain matters which qualify under said Open Public Meetings Act. No action binding upon the City Council will be disclosed to the public when legally permitted and when the public interest will no longer be served by keeping such matters confidential.
2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Riordan, Sera: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

Mayor Sera announced the topics that would be discussed in executive session are: contract negotiations.

City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, excluding the public from a meeting in certain circumstances.

Council adjourned to executive session at 5:08 P.M.

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Council returned from Executive Session at 5:24 P.M.

Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to resume the council meeting.

Roll Call: All : “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

City Solicitor Fred Scerni commented that the following topics were discussed in executive session: Firefighters contract negotiations

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri approve the 02/16/2022 Council Meeting and Executive Session Minutes.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to approval of Payroll, Requisition List and Operating Expenses.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only.

Brooks Garrison of 204 15th Street North commented on Ordinance 10 of 2022.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the adopt the following ordinance.

City of Brigantine
Ordinance No. 4 of 2022
Installation of Handicapped Parking Space at 107 6th Street North

Mayor Sera called for the public hearing of Ordinance 4 of 2022. The Ordinance was read by title by the Mayor.

No public comments were made.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to introduce the following ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE NO. 5 OF 2022

REMOVAL OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES IN FRONT OF 311 AND 313
28TH STREET SOUTH

No public comments were made.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman DeLucry to introduce the following ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE NO. 6 OF 2022

VACATING A PORTION OF AN ALLEYWAY AT OR NEAR PUTNAM PLACE NEAR
BEACH AVENUE

No public comments were made.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: "Yes".

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-54

AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE OMNIA PARTNERS NATIONAL
COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM FOR CONTRACT #R211402,
WAREHOUSING, MATERIAL HANDLING AND PRODUCTION SUPPORT WITH
GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-55

RENEWAL OF SMILE FACTORY ARCADE LICENSE

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-56

REAL ESTATE TAX REFUND

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-57

REAL ESTATE TAX EXEMPTION FOR 100% PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY
DISABLE VETERAN

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-58

AUTHORIZING THE DIGITIZATION OF CITY RECORDS THROUGH THE
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NJ CO-OP VENDOR, FOVEONICS
IMAGING TECHNOLOGIES, INC

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-59

AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH GREEN
WHALES, LLC

Mayor Sera commented that this is in regards to the Triathlon, further stating that the Triathlon will take place on August 13th.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-60

AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE I.A.F.F. M.O.A.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2022-61

EXECUTE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF BRIGANTINE AND ATLANTIC COUNTY

Councilman Haney commented on the resolution.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to approve the following request.

A. Marine Mammal Stranding Center Run for the Animals 5K Request

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Council Manager/Committee Discussion: Councilwoman Bew stated that the Green Team City Wide Yard Sale will take place on June 10, 11 & 12, commented that grants are being looked into for electric car charging stations and announced that the Farmers Market will begin Memorial Day weekend. Councilman Haney spoke about the potential windmill project and asked about the status of the Beach Fee Office hours and City Manager, James Bennett commented that the office will be open Saturdays only until staffing issues can be resolved. Councilman DeLucry spoke about the Heart of Surfing Organization, stating that they are requesting to hold events in town. Councilman Kane announced that the Garden Club will be celebrating their 40th Anniversary this year, commented on the Atlantic Electric work in town and spoke about the Water Tower project. Councilman Riordan spoke about the St. Patrick’s Parade that is being held on Saturday, March 12th. Mayor Sera gave an update on St. Georges Thorofare, announced that Stockton Crew will hold a crew race on April 2nd & 3rd, spoke about the memorial bench & bike rack program and gave an update on the proposed windmill project.

By voice resolution, Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to designate March 12th through 18th as St. Patrick’s Week.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Public Comments.

Nancy Pino of 221 14th Street North spoke about the proposed windmill project.

Brooks Garrison of 204 15th Street North suggested a seawall expansion and spoke about the Rod & Reel site.

Anne Phillips of 308 27th Street questioned the status of the unused portion of the North School, spoke about the potential windmill project, commented on the location of the Framers Market and questioned the benefits of Stockton using the Rowing Club.

Mr. Garrison spoke again regarding the Rod & Reel site.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 P.M.

Mayor Vince Sera

City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC