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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: None

Mayor Sera led the flag salute and Councilwoman Bew offered a prayer. Councilwoman Bew asked for a moment of silences for Kerry O'Connor, Anthony Alosi and Harry F. McGarrigel III.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew approve the 2/15/2023 Executive Session Minutes.

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

Motion Carried.

Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to approve the Payroll, Requisition List and Operating Expenses.

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

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only.

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No public comments were made.

Close of Public Comment.

Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to introduce the following ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE ORDINANCE NO. 4 OF 2023

AMENDING CODE TO REFLECT CHANGES TO FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE

No public comments were made.

Mayor Sera commented that this is something they have been working on for two years with the DEP.

No public comments were made.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE ORDINANCE NO. 5 OF 2023

AMENDING SECTION 210-37 OF THE CODE ADDING A FEE FOR FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

No public comments were made.

Mayor Sera explained that the fee will cover the cost of inspectors and the processing fee.

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

Motion Carried.

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

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CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLUTION 2023-55

ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES TO HIRE A CITY MANAGER

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 2022-56

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AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF VENTNOR FOR LICENSED WATER AND SEWER OPERATOR SERVICES

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLUTION 2023-57

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL PROPERTY APPRAISER, INC FOR TAX APPEALS AND CONSULTING

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE

RESOLUTION 2023-58 AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PATHFINDER RESOURCES LLC AS PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

Councilman DeLucry questioned the scope of work the company would be doing and Mayor Sera replied that it was for project consultant work for the capital projects.

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 2023-59

AUTHORIZING WORK CHANGE ORDER #1 FINAL FOR THE CONTRACT BETWEEN BOARDWALK CONSTRUCTION LLC FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE ROOF AT CITY HALL

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

Motion Carried.

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

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CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLUTION 2023-60

CHANGE ORDER #1 FINAL, CONTRACT WITH CHARLES MARANDINO, LLC FOR THE STREETSCAPE REVITALIZATION PROJECT

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLUTION 2023-61

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DESIGNATING ADDITIONAL OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR CITY

Mayor Sera explained that the Press of Atlantic City is cutting back on printing papers, so the City needed options for legal notices

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

Motion Carried.

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

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CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLUTION 2023-62

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO CHARLES MARANDINO, LLC FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF 44TH ST. FROM BRIGANTINE AVENUE TO BAYSHORE AVENUE

Chief Financial Officer, Al Stanley explained that there were two grants associated with this project.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLUTION 2023-63

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE D.E.P. AND THE CITY FOR PROJECT NO. 6030-R4-23 BRIGANTINE INLET TO GREAT EGG HARBOR INLET, BRIGANTINE ISLAND, NEW JERSEY, BRIGANTINE BEACHFILL SHORE PROTECTION PROJECT

Mayor Sera explained that the City received additional federal funds, so the contract was redone.

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

Motion Carried.

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Council/Manager Discussion: Acting City Manager Ryan Hurts announced that there would be two bids coming up; one for the Human Resources Consultant and one for the Food and Beverage Concessions at the Links. Councilwoman Bew congratulated Matt Hoffman, a junior at Ocean City High School and the son of Police Captain Bill, saying that Matt's relay team came in first at the National Championships in Boston, announced the Green Teams Cherry Blossom Festival will be held on April 15th, stated that this year marks the 10th Anniversary of the Farmers Market and commented that May 27th is the first market of the season, thanked Superintendent of Public Works, John Doring and the Public Works Department for getting the ball fields ready for the season, reminded everyone to look at the CER brochure that contains many classes and trips and gave her condolences the Councilman Riordan for the passing of his pet Shamus. Councilman Lettieri extended his condolences to the families of the people who passed recently and to Councilman Riordan for his loss. Councilman Haney extended his condolences and spoke about short term rentals in his ward. Councilman DeLucry spoke about the City's search for the HR Consultant and the City Manager saying he may he has a contact that could help and suggested placing the advertisement with them in addition to where they are now posted and spoke about short term rentals saying that council should revisit how they are handled. Councilman Kane spoke about short term rentals, spoke favorably about the Beach Fill Project stating that council should consider finger jetties and commented on the success of the St. Patrick's Day festivities the island offered over the weekend and reminded all of the upcoming St. Patrick's Day parade. Councilman Riordan announced it was the 30th anniversary of the Cultural Arts Commission stating on April 22nd there will be a celebration at the Elks, spoke about the success of the weekend's events thanking Superintendent of Public Works, John Doring and all the Department heads, reminded all of the St. Patrick's Day parade on Saturday, thanked everyone for the condolences for his dog and commented on the offshore wind hearings being held in Wildwood with Congressman VanDrew. Mayor Sera stated that Congressman VanDrew is calling for internal affairs investigations within the federal government regarding the concerns about marine life and the offshore wind project, spoke about the Army Corps regarding jetties stating that council is in favor of them and they will continue to be in talks with the Army Corps regarding and spoke about short term rental issues and what steps need to be taken to regarding.

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Public Comments.

Andrea Sullivan of 2000 Ocean Avenue spoke about short term rental issues in her neighborhood.

A neighbor of Ms. Sullivan spoke about the issues with short term rentals.

Louise Groeber of 201 20th Street spoke about issues with short term issues in her neighborhood.

Jim Coia of 305 20th Street spoke about the issues with short term rentals in his neighborhood.

Anne Phillips of 308 27th Street spoke about short term rentals stating the ordinance needs to be changed.

Mike Tourigian of Sheridan Blvd spoke about short term rentals.

Andrea Sullivan of 2000 Ocean Ave. spoke again about short term rentals.

Beverly Marinelli of 336 34th Street spoke about short term rentals.

Mayor Sera spoke about the many steps that are being taken regarding short term rentals.

Councilman Lettieri commented on the short-term rental issues.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew 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 6:21 P.M.

Mayor Vince Sera

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City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC