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Minutes - Final

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

3:00 PM

Special Meeting at 3:00 PM

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City Commission

Mayor Thomas F. Carney, Jr.

Vice Mayor Juli Casale

Deputy Vice Mayor Rob Long

Commissioner Tom Markert

Commissioner Angela Burns

Pursuant to Section 3.12 of the Charter of the City of Delray Beach, Mayor Thomas F. Carney, Jr., has instructed me to announce a Special Meeting of the City Commission to be held for the following purposes:

SP.1. CONSIDERATION OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS POLICY

Sponsors: City Manager Department

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[DRAFT - Opioid Litigation Funds Policy v2](#)
[FL Opioids Allocation +SW Resp Agreement with Exhibits](#)
[FL.PA.Distributor \(11.15.21\)](#)
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The November 19, 2024, Special Meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. Interim City Clerk, Alexis Givings, called the role, and the following were present:

Present: 4 - Mayor Thomas F. Carney Jr., Vice Mayor Juli Casale, Commissioner Angela Burns and Commissioner Tom Markert

Absent: 1 - Deputy Vice Mayor Rob Long

Others present were:
Terrence Moore - City Manager
Lynn Gelin - City Attorney

Mr. Moore opened the meeting by stating that Jeff Oris, Assistant City Manager, was present to discuss the Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds.

Mr. Oris stated that the City had created a separate fund account called the "Opioid Litigation Fund" and that deposits into this fund would only be utilized for approved uses outlined in the Florida Opioid Allocation and Statewide Response Agreement. He noted the total funds anticipated over 18 years from FY 2022-23 through 2039-40 were \$1,482,508.68.

The Commission discussed effective methods for funding allocation in the community.

Mayor Carney expressed his support for the comprehensive plan developed by Palm Healthcare that was submitted to the Commission.

There was a consensus to authorize the creation of a committee made up of local professionals and two at large residents to bring forth ideas for utilizing the funds.

Mr. Moore stated he would provide the Commission with more details at a later time.

SP.2.**CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS AVAILABLE AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2024**

Sponsors: City Manager Department

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)
[Recommended Opioid SF Expenditure Plan 2024 v2](#)
[FL Opioids Allocation +SW Resp Agreement with Exhibits](#)

Jeff Oris stated that at the City Commission Meeting on September 9, 2024, there was a consensus among the Commissioners for staff to create a plan to allocate the Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds that have already been received. He noted that the total amount available for this initiative was \$239,554.47. A staff group composed of the Assistant City Manager, two representatives from the Fire Department, and two representatives from the Police Department reviewed potential projects and programs for these funds. The representatives recognized the importance of saving people from overdosing while adhering to the stipulations of the Statewide Agreement.

Mr. Oris outlined the proposed City projects and programs that staff came up with, including the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E) Program and other evidence-based prevention programs. He mentioned that the Police Department suggested developing a Supportive Gap Assistance Program for those seeking, obtaining, or transitioning from treatment, and the Fire Department suggested instituting a Narcan Distribution at City Facilities.

Ariana Ciano, Population Advocate, and Shawn Gibson, Police Department Population Advocate, discussed the distribution of Narcan in schools and businesses as a strategy to save lives from overdoses.

Mr. Oris discussed instituting wellness and support services for first responders and others who experience secondary trauma associated with opioid-related emergency events. He concluded the presentation by stating the City could either continue to look for beneficial projects/programs or allocate any remaining funds to whichever types of programs or projects the City Commission chooses to pursue moving forward, or a combination of both approaches.

Discussion ensued amongst the Commission and they recognized these programs would benefit the entire community without significant overtime

for the Police and Fire Departments.

A consensus was reached to proceed with the proposed programs and to discuss the Caron Settlement Funds at a future Workshop in 2025.

The Commission thanked Mr. Oris for his presentation.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Carney adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

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Interim City Clerk

ATTEST:


Mayor

The undersigned is the City Clerk of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the November 4, 2024 City Commission Special Meeting held on November 19, 2024, which minutes were formally approved and adopted on December 10, 2024.


Interim City Clerk

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