

City of Delray Beach

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Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

3:30 PM

Workshop Meeting at 3:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

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City Commission

Mayor Shelly Petrolia
Vice Mayor Shirley Ervin Johnson
Deputy Vice Mayor Adam Frankel
Commissioner Juli Casale
Commissioner Ryan Boylston

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Pursuant to Section 3.12 of the Charter of the City of Delray Beach the Mayor has instructed me to announce a Workshop Meeting of the City Commission to be held for the following purposes:

The Workshop Meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. The roll call was taken by Katerri Johnson, City Clerk, and the following were present:

Present 5: Mayor Shelly Petrolia, Vice Mayor Shirley Ervin Johnson, Deputy Vice Mayor Adam Frankel, Commissioner Ryan Boylston, and Commissioner Juli Casale.

Others Present Were:

Jennifer Alvarez, Interim City Manager

Lynn Gelin, City Attorney

Katerri Johnson, City Clerk

WS.1. BUDGET UPDATE

John Lege, Finance Director, gave an informational presentation highlighting the following:

- The unaudited financial results for the fiscal year 2019-2020
- Year to date financial information from the fiscal year 2020-2021
- A look at the fiscal 2021-2022 budget
- Some current financial trends

The Commission thanked Mr. Lege for his presentation.

WS.2. WATER TREATMENT PLANT DISCUSSION

Hassan Hadjimiry, Utilities Director, presented the new water treatment plant plan to the Commission. He explained the water treatment plant design criteria and informed the Commission about potential funding opportunities.

Jennifer Alvarez, Interim City Manager, gave a presentation about the City's current water treatment plant. She explained that improvements have been made and enhancements are continually being implemented. Due to the current treatment plant being 69 years old, she acknowledged that the City would benefit from a new water treatment plant.

Mayor Petrolia clarified that the City's water meets and exceeds the expectations put forward by the FDA. She suggested reading the book *Troubled Water* by Seth Siegel. She asked Ms. Alvarez if there was money in the Restricted Reserve Account to fund the new water treatment tank?

Jennifer Alvarez, Interim City Manager, informed the Commission about the Restricted Reserve Fund used for emergencies.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Hadjimiry for his presentation.

**WS.3. DISCUSSION REGARDING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH
HIGHLAND BEACH FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES**

Keith Tomey, Fire Chief, provided an update on the Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Highland Beach for fire and medical services.

Chief Tomey pointed out that the Town of Highland Beach was concerned about being overcharged and expressed interest in re-negotiating their contract. He informed the Commission that the Town of Highland Beach has not expressed any concerns with the level of service the City of Delray Beach provides and stressed they are receiving services at an actual cost.

Chief Tomey reported that if the Town of Highland Beach builds their own Fire Station, they will not receive mutual aid from neighboring cities or counties.

Mayor Petrolia requested Chief Tomey keep the Commission informed as further discussions are had with the Town of Highland Beach.

The Commission thanked Chief Tomey for his presentation.

WS.4. CITY MANAGER UPDATE

Duane D'Andrea, Human Resources Director, informed the Commission about the recruitment process for hiring a new City Manager.

The Commissioners provided input on the qualifications and qualities they are looking for in a City Manager. There was consensus to have Mr. D'Andrea provide an update at the first meeting in May.

With no further business to discuss, the workshop meeting was adjourned at 5:17 p.m.