

CITY OF OPA-LOCKA
“The Great City”

CLERK’S ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES
VIRTUAL REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
Wednesday, June 24, 2020
7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Matthew Pigatt called the virtual Regular Commission Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 24, 2020.

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-69, issued by the office of the Governor Ron DeSantis on March 20, 2020, municipalities may conduct meetings of their governing boards without having a quorum of its members present physically or at any specific location, and utilizing communications media technology such as telephonic or video conferencing, as provided by Section 120.54(5)(b)2, Florida Statutes.

An opportunity was given to the public to email the City Clerk prior to the Commission Meeting with any questions/comments/concerns on items we will hear on this evening’s Regular Commission Meeting agenda. This meeting is being streamed live at <https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofOpalocka>.

Since this is a virtual meeting as authorized by the Governor of the state of Florida, again, members of the public wishing to address the commission have been offered the opportunity to do so. Public comments received by the deadline will be included as part of the public record for this virtual meeting.

2. ROLL CALL:

The members of the City Commission appearing remotely were: Mayor Matthew Pigatt, Vice Mayor Chris Davis, Commissioner Sherelean Bass, Commissioner Alvin Burke, and Commissioner Joseph L. Kelley. Also in attendance were: City Manager John E. Pate, City Attorney Burnadette Norris-Weeks, and City Clerk Joanna Flores.

3. INVOCATION:

The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Sherelean Bass.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

5. AWARDS/PROCLAMATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND PULL LIST (deferrals and deletions):

The following items were pulled from the Consent Agenda to be discussed separately under Action Items: Pulled 13-3 (Mayor Pigatt).

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

It was moved by Commissioner Bass, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis to approve the agenda, consent agenda, and pull list.

There being no discussion, the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Virtual Special Commission Meeting Minutes – June 4, 2020

It was moved by Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Bass to approve the minutes from the Virtual Special Commission Meeting of June 4, 2020.

There being no discussion, the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

Virtual Regular Commission Meeting Minutes – June 10, 2020

It was moved by Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis to approve the minutes from the Virtual Regular Commission Meeting of June 10, 2020.

There being no discussion, the motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes

9. DISTRICT ONE/DISTRICT TWO – COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT:

10. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

11. CITIZENS' INPUT:

City Clerk Flores read the following comments from the public into the record:

Audrey Dominguez, 1147 Jann Avenue, Opa-locka, FL, said she called the manager and spoke on the slum conditions at the Family Dollar on 27th Avenue. The matter was addressed immediately and the area was cleaned up. She thanked the manager.

Josie Santana-Wilson, 13300 Alexandria Drive, Opa-locka, FL, said she has watched several meetings where the manager looks to be under the influence of something and it is not a good look for the City. The manager also does not come to work on a regular basis and this has been happening before the pandemic. The previous manager was called out when he was not at work, but this has not been done with the current manager and that is not good.

Commissioner Kelley said the issue at Family Dollar is ongoing and this should not be. The company needs to be held accountable for enforcing the cleanliness of their parking lot.

Commissioner Bass agreed with Commissioner Kelley.

Vice Mayor Davis invited the public to attend the virtual meeting this Saturday in which the manager will be in attendance.

Mayor Pigatt agreed that the dumping issue needs to be addressed and the companies need to be fined for habitual dumping at the same sites.

City Manager Pate said the City is working on the issue.

12. ACTION ITEMS:

1. (13-3) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, REQUIRING THAT ALL FINES, FEES AND CODE ENFORCEMENT LIENS ARE PAID FOR PROPERTIES BROUGHT BEFORE THE CITY COMMISSION FROM THE CITY'S PLANNING AND ZONING AND APPEALS BOARD OR THE CITY'S DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by Commissioner Burke*

The above resolution was read by attorney Norris-Weeks.

It was moved by Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis for discussion.

Commissioner Burke said this situation has been ongoing and needs to be resolved once and for all. This will allow for the liens to be taken care of before the property can be sold.

Mayor Pigatt said the intent of the item is fine, but he thinks the property will have to be satisfied prior to the owner coming before the commission and the owner may not have the funds available until they are at the closing table.

Commissioner Burke said when he bought his house, there was a lien on it and he had to fight with the title company to resolve it. This can be worded to prevent that from happening.

Mayor Pigatt asked for clarity on the item.

Planning & Community Development Director Gregory Gay said in the past there were issues that were dealt with during the transactions, but there are issues and liens that fall between the cracks. There are many instances of quick claim deeds where there are cash transactions and the property is greenlighted for sale as is and it causes issues.

Vice Mayor Davis said he agrees with Commissioner Burke as he has spoken on this matter several times from the dais.

Commissioner Kelley asked if the concerns of the commission can be placed in an amendment so they can be addressed. He said he has also been monitoring the actions regarding the liens and it is still ongoing.

City Attorney Norris-Weeks said language can be placed within the item to resolve all of the ongoing issues.

The item was deferred to a workshop for further discussion.

13. ADMINISTRATION:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. (13-1) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE ATTACHED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, BETWEEN THE OPA-LOCKA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA; PROVIDING FOR**

INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sponsored by City Manager

2. (13-2) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING A CODE ENFORCEMENT LIEN AMNESTY PROGRAM FOR ALL CODE ENFORCEMENT LIENS TO ALLOW PROPERTY OWNERS WITH OUTSTANDING CODE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATIONS TO PAY A REDUCED AMOUNT AFTER MEETING CERTAIN ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, REGARDLESS OF WHEN IMPOSED FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION THROUGH JANUARY 30, 2021; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by City Manager*

3. (13-4) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR CARLOS A. GIMENEZ AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO TRANSFER CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT DIRECT FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA AND TO OTHER UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITHIN THE COUNTY BASED ON POPULATION AND RATES OF COVID-19 CASES; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by City Manager*

It was moved by Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis to pass the consent agenda.

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

14. NEW ITEMS:

15. PLANNING & ZONING:

A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING FINAL SITE PLAN REVIEW APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A DIALYSIS CENTER ON THE

PROPERTY LOCATED AT 411 OPA-LOCKA BOULEVARD IDENTIFIED BY FOLIOS 08-2121-004-0580 AND 08-2121-004-0590, IN THE B-2 ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by City Manager*

The above resolution was read by City Attorney Norris-Weeks.

Mayor Pigatt opened the floor for a public hearing.

Oscar Robayna, 5723 NW 158th Street, Miami Lakes, FL, provided several renderings for review and stated that the existing parking spaces will be relocated in the area.

Commissioner Burke said he was under the impression that the parking lot belonged to the City, so why is a developer building on it.

Mr. Gay said the City had only purchased the 780 building and not the parking lot at the time; it is owned by the previous owner of the building. The City does own the south parking lot near the railroad.

Commissioner Burke said this needs to be researched before the City moves on it.

City Attorney Norris-Weeks said there is nothing holding up the item from being moved on at this time. Her office has done the research and do not want to keep it from moving forward.

There being no further persons to speak on the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Bass, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis for discussion.

Vice Mayor Davis the city does not have a lot of space to build as it is already developed so it is limited on where to find space.

Commissioner Burke said he does not agree with the item.

There being no further discussion, the motion on the resolution passed by a 3-2 vote.

Commissioner Burke	No
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	No

2. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-

LOCKA, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A DIALYSIS CENTER ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 411 OPA-LOCKA BOULEVARD IDENTIFIED BY FOLIOS 08-2121-004-0580 AND 08-2121-004-0590, IN THE B-2 ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by City Manager*

The above ordinance was read by Assistant City Attorney Cobb.

Mayor Pigatt opened the floor for a public hearing.

Mr. Gay said the item is a companion item to the item just voted on and staff recommends approval at this time.

There being no persons to speak on the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Bass, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis to pass the resolution.

There being no further discussion, the motion on the ordinance failed by a 3-2 vote.

Commissioner Burke	No
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	No
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	No

Mayor Pigatt said he is confused as to how the commission voted to pass the first item, but voted down the second one. He said it sends a bad message to the applicant and asked for the item to be reconsidered to they can have clarity.

A motion was made to reconsider the vote for Item 15-2.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Davis, seconded by Commissioner Kelley for discussion.

Commissioner Kelley asked about the parking in the development agreement.

Mr. Gay said in Section O, it states that the developer will provide 38 parking spaces to be included in the site plan and the development agreement.

Commissioner Burke asked who will monitor the development agreement.

City Manager Pate said it will be monitored by the City Manager

There being no further discussion, the motion to reconsider passed by a 3-2 vote.

Commissioner Burke	No
Vice Mayor Davis	No
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

It was moved by Commissioner Bass, seconded Vice Mayor Davis to pass the resolution.

There being no discussion, the motion passed by a 3-2 vote.

Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Commissioner Burke	No
Mayor Kelley	No

3. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING FINAL SITE PLAN REVIEW APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A WAREHOUSE/DISTRIBUTION CENTER ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12700 NW LEJEUNE ROAD IDENTIFIED BY FOLIO 08-2129-000-0032; IN THE B-3 ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by City Manager*

The above resolution was read by City Attorney Norris-Weeks. .

Mayor Pigatt opened the floor for a public hearing.

Mr. Gay said the property is for a mixed use as well as industrial building. The applicant has come before the Planning & Zoning Board and staff recommends approval at this time.

Attorney Joseph Goldstein, 701 Brickell Avenue, Miami, FL, presented a power point which included the site plan and several renderings that detailed the property and the surrounding areas. The plan also includes efforts for recruiting Opa-locka residents for employment. The plan will be completed in 4 years with a 15 year development agreement.

There being no further persons to speak on the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis for discussion.

Vice Mayor Davis asked if a traffic study was done.

Mr. Goldstein said, "Yes."

Mayor Pigatt said it is an impressive project and he is glad for the interests in the City and its residents; he is in full support of the item.

City Attorney Norris-Weeks thank the applicants for their interests in the City.

There being no further discussion, the motion on the resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

4. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A WAREHOUSE/DISTRIBUTION CENTER ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 12700 NW LEJEUNE ROAD IDENTIFIED BY FOLIO 08-2129-000-0032; IN THE B-3 ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by City Manager*

The above ordinance was read by City Attorney Norris-Weeks. .

Mayor Pigatt opened the floor for a public hearing.

Mr. Gay said the item is a companion item to the item just voted on and staff recommends approval at this time.

Mr. Goldstein said he looks forward to the partnership and thanked the City's staff for working with them.

There being no further persons to speak on the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Bass to pass the resolution.

There being no further discussion, the motion on the resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

5. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING FINAL SITE PLAN REVIEW APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RETAIL CENTER ON THE EIGHT PARCEL SITE BOUNDED BY SUPERIOR STREET, NW 27TH AVENUE AND OPA-LOCKA BOULEVARD ON THE PARCELS IDENTIFIED BY FOLIOS 08-2121-007-2680, 08-2121-007-2690, 08-2121-007-2630, 08-2121-013-2010, 08-2121-013-2020, 08-2121-007-2650, 08-2121-007-2660, AND 08-2121-007-2670, IN THE B-2 ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by City Manager*

The above resolution was read by Assistant City Attorney Cobb.

Mayor Pigatt opened the floor for a public hearing.

Mr. Gay said the project was presented once before and legislation was passed two weeks ago addressing the sale of the alleyways. The new proposal is to recommend a retail and gas station for now until the developer decides what to do with the remainder of the space. At this time staff is recommending approval for the site plan.

Robert Holland, Law Offices at 3250 NE 3rd Avenue, Miami, FL, said he is one of the investors of the property and stated that since the last time he came before the commission, he has met with over one hundred businesses in an attempt to bring retail companies to the property. If approved today, the plan is to begin demolition in the next 9 months. They are working with Code Enforcement to ensure that any liens discovered at the time of closing will be satisfied to the City at that time. They are ready to move forward with the project.

There being no further persons to speak on the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Bass, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis for discussion.

Vice Mayor Davis thanked Mr. Holland for his presentation and stated that he is concerned about the oversaturation of the same businesses in the City and hopes he will receive clear information on what is being placed at the site.

Mr. Holland said he agreed with the vice mayor because the more you know upfront, the better off you will be to approve what will be placed there.

Commissioner Bass also agreed with the vice mayor and said she would like to see something other than another gas station, but anything is better than the current set up at the site.

Commissioner Kelley agreed and asked what was the timeframe for knowing exactly who will be the tenants.

Mr. Holland said as soon as the properties are all purchased, they can move forward and have a better idea of which business would occupy the space.

Commissioner Burke asked if there were any citations on the properties.

City Manager Pate said, “No.”

There being no further discussion, the motion on the resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

6. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, RECOMMENDING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT APPROVAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RETAIL CENTER ON THE EIGHT PARCEL SITE BOUNDED BY SUPERIOR STREET, NW 27TH AVENUE AND OPA-LOCKA BOULEVARD ON THE PARCELS IDENTIFIED BY FOLIOS 08-2121-007-2680, 08-2121-007-2690, 08-2121-007-2630, 08-2121-013-2010, 08-2121-013-2020, 08-2121-007-2650, 08-2121-007-2660, AND 08-2121—007-2670, IN THE B-2 ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Sponsored by City Manager*

The above resolution was read by Assistant City Attorney Cobb.

Mayor Pigatt opened the floor for a public hearing.

Mr. Gay said the item is a companion item to the item just voted on which the exception that the site plan is different from the previous one that was submitted. Also in Section 9, the owner must comply with the timeline for demolition and provide eight to ten labor jobs. The manager has the

authority to grant a good faith extension on the demolition at his discretion and staff recommends approval at this time.

Mr. Holland said he is in agreeance with Mr. Gay and is ready to move forward with the project. If there are any delays with the permits then that is the only holdup that he sees.

There being no further persons to speak on the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Kelley for discussion.

Commissioner Burke told the manager that in the event that any fines arise that he will find out who is behind it and let him know.

Mayor Pigatt proposed an amendment to Section 9 of the agreement to allow for the demolition of the properties within six (6) months.

It was moved by Vice Mayor Davis, seconded by Commissioner to pass the amendment.

There being no further discussion, the motion on the amendment passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

There being no further discussion, the motion on the resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

B. APPEALS

16. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. FIRST READING ORDINANCES(S)/PUBLIC HEARING(S):

B. SECOND READING ORDINANCE(S)/ PUBLIC HEARING(S):

**1. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE ANNUAL ADOPTED GENERAL PROPRIETARY AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, ADJUSTING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES AS REFLECTED IN EXHIBIT “A”; PROVIDING FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY THE BUDGET; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS; PROVIDING FOR APPROPRIATION OF ALL BUDGETS AND EXPENDITURES; PROVIDING FOR FEES CONSISTENT WITH APPROPRIATIONS AND AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (first reading/public hearing held on May 27, 2020).
*Sponsored by City Manager***

The above ordinance was read by Assistant City Attorney Cobb.

Mayor Pigatt opened the floor for a public hearing. There being no persons to speak on the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis to pass the ordinance.

There being no discussion, the motion on the ordinance passed by a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Burke	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis	Yes
Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Commissioner Bass	Yes
Mayor Pigatt	Yes

**2. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 8 ARTICLE 1 TO CREATE NEW SECTION 8.6 ENTITLED FACE MASKS OR FACE COVERINGS DURING PANDEMIC RELATED PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES THAT THREATEN LIFE, HEALTH, AND SAFETY OF RESIDENTS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (first reading/public hearing held on May 13, 2020). *Sponsored by Mayor Pigatt, Vice Mayor Davis, and Commissioner Bass*
Deferred from the June 4, 2020 Virtual Special Commission Meeting.**

The above ordinance was read by Assistant City Attorney Cobb.

Mayor Pigatt opened the floor for a public hearing. There being no persons to speak on the public hearing, the public hearing was closed.

It was moved by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis for discussion.

Mayor Pigatt said the City is taking all of the steps to ensure they are following the safety issues relating to COVID-19 and enforcing the fines to ensure the health of its residents.

Commissioner Kelley asked where the major challenges come from for mask enforcement.

Police Chief James Dobson said it comes mostly from the large apartments, corner store businesses and restaurants.

Commissioner Kelley asked that the item be deferred for further discussion at a later time.

Vice Mayor Davis and Commissioner Bass agreed.

Commissioner Burke suggested to have the marketing consultant come up with some kind of education and training for the residents as he does not want them to be burdened with fines they cannot afford to pay.

This above item was deferred indefinitely.

C. RESOLUTION(S):

17. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Pate said because of the recent spike in numbers, he has had employees who are able to work from home do so to minimize the spread of the virus through physical contact. There several marketing tolls put in place including a mask it up campaign in which masks are distributed with the community. The testing site has been maxed out every day with a minimum of two hundred tests per day. They have been closing at around 11:00 a.m. instead of 3:00 p.m. because of running out of testing kits for the public. He reminded the commission that there is a curfew in place with the same fines the commission did not want to impose regarding the masks so they might want to address it during the next discussion. He said Florida is one of the states that have a very high increase in the number of positive cases and it is the result of more people being tested. The Police Department has had to shut down several restaurants for not enforcing masks or going above the fifty percent seating rate. He is preparing a report for the workshop on

Saturday that will also outline where the City stands regarding the Coronavirus. He said he came to the City to make change and that is what he intends to do. He understood coming to the City the kind of environment he was going to face. Sometimes people say things because they disagree with someone or they do not like how you are moving or will try to take you off of your game. He said the disparaging remarks made earlier regarding his character on this public forum is not good, but he will continue to move forward working on behalf of the City. He said his personal business is not up for discussion and he is ready to take any questions the commission has at this time.

Commissioner Burke said he drives through the City at night and he does not see where there is a curfew in place as there are people everywhere without masks. Also employees have spoken out about being unsafe coming to work because of the number of infections in the city hall.

City Manager Pate said the City is constantly working to enforce the curfew and is looking into the matter. He made it known that if there are employees who do not feel safe, then they can work from home. If they receive testing, they are two business days where they can self-quarantine until the results are available.

Commissioner Burke asked if the employees who test positive still get paid while quarantining for 14 days.

City Manager Pate said the employees do receive pay if they test positive and have to remain home.

Commissioner Burke asked that the information is relayed to the employees as they may not want to be tested in case it comes back positive and they believe they will not be paid while staying at home to recover.

Mayor Pigatt said there are four areas of importance that the City is still currently working on; one of them being the audit that was placed on hold to get more information and review the Finance Department and where the City is with its finances. The roads and streets and the billing issues also need to be addressed and an update provided on where the City is. The flooding issues also need to be addressed and he hopes all of this will be discussed in the upcoming workshop.

City Manager Pate said he sends out many reports to the commission and if anyone on the dais needs more clarity regarding those reports they can feel free to ask.

18. OFFICIAL BOARD REPORTS:

19. MAYOR /COMMISSION REPORT:

Commissioner Bass said she has met with residents in the community who have expressed that they do not know when meetings are held and suggested that the City use Code Red to get the word out to the public.

Mayor Pigatt said he knows Code Red is used for emergency information so he does not know if the City can do that.

City Manager Pate said it is something that can be done at the end of the recording on the COVID-19 updates.

Vice Mayor Davis said he is glad for the virtual town hall meeting that will be held this Saturday and hopes all of the issues that have been lingering since the pandemic started be addressed.

Mayor Pigatt said through the marketing person and education, the City can get the word out regarding the usage of masks. He encouraged the residents to take the precautions and mask up. He thanked all of the volunteers for coming out on Tuesdays and helping with the community feedings.

20. OFFICIAL BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

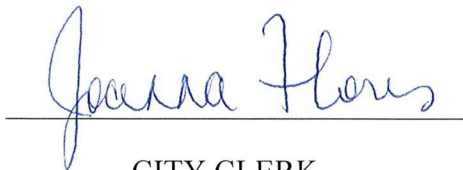
21. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Commission, it was moved by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis to adjourn the virtual meeting at 10:27 p.m.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK