

CITY OF PALM BAY, FLORIDA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 2025-05

Held on Thursday, the 20th day of February 2025, at the City Hall Council Chambers, 120 Malabar Road, SE, Palm Bay, Florida.

This meeting was properly noticed pursuant to law; the minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Palm Bay, Florida.

The meeting was called to order at the hour of 6:00 P.M.

As Joseph One, Trinity Haitian Baptist Church, was unable to attend, the invocation was given by Pastor Mark Miller of Victory in Christ Jesus Ministries, Palm Bay, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR:	Rob Medina	Present
DEPUTY MAYOR:	Mike Jaffe	Present
COUNCILMEMBER:	Kenny Johnson	Present
COUNCILMEMBER:	Mike Hammer	Present
COUNCILMEMBER:	Chandler Langevin	Present
INTERIM CITY MANAGER:	Scott Morgan	Present
CITY ATTORNEY:	Patricia Smith	Present
CITY CLERK:	Terese Jones	Present

CITY STAFF: Joan Junkala-Brown, Deputy City Manager; Juliet Misconi, Deputy City Manager; Christeen Sullivan, Acting Public Works Director; Daniel Blasco, Temporary City Engineer; Lisa Frazier, Growth Management Director; John Pearson, Chief Building Official; Ibis Camacho, Assistant Community and Economic Development Director; Gabriel Bowden, Utilities Director; Dr. Brian Robinson, Information Technology Director; Greg Minor, Parks and Facilities Department; Mariano Augello, Police Chief.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Deputy Mayor Jaffe announced the following vacancy and solicited applications for same:

1. One (1) vacancy on the Community Development Advisory Board to represent one (1) of the following fields relating to affordable housing ('banking industry', 'residential home building', 'actively engaged in home building', or 'for-profit provider' positions).++

AGENDA REVISIONS:

1. Mr. Morgan advised that Item 3, under Consent Agenda, was modified to reduce the amount requested to \$79,564 as the consultant provided a final invoice which was less

than the original estimate of \$99,198. This change was reflected on the Legislative Memorandum in the agenda packet.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

The proclamation was read.

1. Proclamation: Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month – March 2025.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S)/RESPONSE(S): (Non-agenda Issues and Items Listed Under ‘Approval of Consent Agenda’ Only)

Individuals made general comments.

1. Luckenson Charite, owner of Kasika Event Center (a non-profit organization), requested a special exemption to allow the sale of alcohol at the event center. He explained that he had been trying to get approval for over a year, his business was open from 5:00 P.M. to 2:00 A.M., which did not interfere with the school hours nearby, and there was a liquor store located adjacent to the event center.

Mr. Morgan said that service of alcohol would be in violation of law. A special events permit could be requested, but if the intent was to serve alcohol on a regular basis, it was prohibited. The adjacent liquor store was just for patrons to purchase alcohol and move on. The patrons were not consuming the alcohol on site. Ms. Smith confirmed same and said the provisions were pursuant to Florida Statute.

2. Emily Torlak, resident and co-founder of Happiness Horse Farm (a non-profit organization), requested assistance with excessive stormwater fees and being advised that their driveway did not meet the current codes and would be charged daily fines if not corrected. Ms. Torlak said the farm was an agriculturally exempted property through Brevard County. City fines would begin on March 5, 2025.

Mr. Johnson asked if the City could hold off on charging the fines until the issue was discussed further with staff. Ms. Smith confirmed that the case with the City’s Code Enforcement Special Magistrate could be continued so that consideration could be given.

Numerous individuals spoke in favor of Happiness Horse Farm.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

All items of business under the ‘Approval of Consent Agenda’ heading were enacted by the following motion:

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Langevin, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented with the removal of Item 3, from consent. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

1. Adoption of Minutes: Special Meeting 2025-02; January 16, 2025.

The minutes, considered under Consent Agenda, were approved as presented.

2. Adoption of Minutes: Regular Meeting 2025-03; January 16, 2025.

The minutes, considered under Consent Agenda, were approved as presented.

3. Contract: Disaster recovery debris removal and monitoring services, purchasing authority - Public Works Department (Thompson Consulting Services, LLC - \$79,564).

The item was removed from Consent Agenda and heard after Public Hearings under Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda.

4. Resolution 2025-10, amending Resolution 2024-35, adopting the Five-Year Capital Improvements Program for Fiscal Years 2024-2025 through 2028-2029 (first amendment).

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

5. Ordinance 2025-07, providing for the naming of a private drive, located within Lots 9 to 14 of Cisna Park, as Stellar Circle SW, first reading.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

6. Consideration of Interlocal Agreement with Brevard County Board of County Commissioners and Brevard County Sheriff's Office regarding Automatic Aid.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Interlocal Agreement with Brevard County Board of County Commissioners and Brevard County Sheriff's Office regarding Automatic Aid and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Palm Bay.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

7. Consideration of accepting a grant award and entering into a grant agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the Palm Bay Indian River Lagoon (PBIRL) Baffle Boxes Project.

Staff Recommendation: Accept a grant award of \$750,000 from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; authorize the Interim City Manager to execute the grant agreement; and approve opening project number 25SU10 PBIRL Baffle Boxes Project and appropriating the \$500,000 match as authorized at the October 5, 2023, Regular Council Meeting.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

8. Consideration of an agreement with Florida Fish and Wildlife to utilize the Palm Bay Aquatic Center for training purposes.

Staff Recommendation: Approve and authorize the Interim City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with Florida Fish and Wildlife for use of the Palm Bay Aquatic Center for training purposes.

The item, considered under Consent Agenda, was approved as recommended by City staff.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Ordinance 2025-04, rezoning property, located at the northeast corner of Clearmont Street and Franklin Drive, from CC (Community Commercial District) to LI (Light Industrial and Warehousing District) (2.14 acres) (Case CPZ24-00008, EYP Holdings, Inc.), final reading. (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding)

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mayor Medina, to adopt Ordinance 2025-04, with the exclusion of a storage facility. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

2. Request by Holiday Builders, Inc., for final subdivision plan/final plat approval for a proposed 86-lot single-family residential subdivision to be known as 'Richmond Cove', which property is located west of and adjacent to Gaynor Drive, in the vicinity north of Ocean Spray Street, in PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning (29.3 acres) (Case FS24-00005). (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding)

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended denial of the request.

The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. Brian Daigle, MBV Engineering and representative for the applicant, presented the request to Council. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the request. Mayor Medina did not agree with rezoning the property from Rural Residential and did not support the request.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Nay
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

3. Request by Santiago De Jesus Sermeno Torres for a variance to allow a proposed single-family residence to encroach 14.5 feet into the east 25-foot rear setback (0.24 acres) (Case V24-00010). (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding)

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended denial of the request.

The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. The applicant was not present. Adjacent property owners spoke against the request. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mayor Medina, to deny the request. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

4. Request by Marchly and Francoise Jean for a variance to allow a proposed home addition to encroach 3.47 feet into the 25-foot rear setback (0.23 acres) (V24-00008). (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding)

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the request.

The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. The applicant presented the request to Council. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mayor Medina, to approve the request. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

5. Request by CRE-KL Malabar Owner LLC for final subdivision plan/final plat approval for a proposed 317-lot single-family residential subdivision to be known as ‘Malabar Springs Phase 1’, which property is located north of and adjacent to Malabar Road, in the vicinity west of St. Johns Heritage Parkway, in PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning (295.17 acres) (Case FS24-00008). (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding)

The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. Ana Saunders, BSE Consultants and representative for the applicant, presented the request to Council. Adjacent property owners of St. Johns Preserve Subdivision spoke against the request and asked that some type of buffer be installed to separate the subdivisions. Ms. Saunders said there was a preserve along the perimeter of the project, as well as the Melbourne-Tillman Drainage Canal. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve the request. Mayor Medina advised that he voted against the initial development request and would not support this plat.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Nay
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

6. Consideration of Substantial Amendments to the City’s approved Program Years 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025 Action Plans for Community Development Block Grant funds, only one hearing required.

The Community Development Advisory Board recommended approval of the amendments.

The public hearing was opened. Ms. Camacho presented the request to Council. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the Substantial Amendments, with the exclusion of Amendment 5 (Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Rehabilitation Specialist). Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

A brief recess was taken after which time the meeting resumed.

7. Ordinance 2025-08, amending the City's Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map to change the designated use of property located south of and adjacent to Micco Road, in the vicinity east of Interstate 95, from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) (Brevard County) and RES-1 (Residential 1 Unit Per Acre) (Brevard County) to UMU (Urban Mixed-Use) (133.0 acres) (Case CP24-00010, Banack Family Limited Partnership), first reading.

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the request.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. Jake Wise, CEG Engineering and representative for the applicant, presented the request to Council. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve Ordinance 2025-08. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

3. Contract: Disaster recovery debris removal and monitoring services, purchasing authority - Public Works Department (Thompson Consulting Services, LLC - \$79,564).

Staff Recommendation: Approve an increase in purchasing authority in the amount of \$79,564 with Thompson Consulting Services, LLC, for an increase in the total amount of days spent on monitoring disaster recovery debris collected.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the purchasing authority for the contract for disaster recovery debris removal and monitoring services. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

PROCUREMENTS:

1. Award of Bid: Culvert pipe replacements, Units 10, 12 and 16 - 07-ITB-25 - Public Works Department (Universal Contracting and Construction, Inc. (Units 10 and 12); Timothy Rose Contracting, Inc. (Unit 16) - \$1,865,646).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the award for Units 10 and 12 culvert pipe replacements with Universal Contracting and Construction, Inc. (Melbourne), in the amount of \$1,084,669; approve the award for Unit 16 culvert pipe replacements with Timothy Rose Contracting, Inc. (Vero Beach), in the amount of \$780,977; and approve additional funding of \$50,000 from Stormwater Utility Undesignated Fund Balance for contingency in project 24SU06.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve award of bid and funding for contingency. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

UNFINISHED AND OLD BUSINESS:

1. Appointment of two (2) members to the Planning and Zoning Board (represents 'at-large' positions).

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to appoint Patric McNally to the 'at-large' position on the Planning and Zoning Board. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to re-appoint Jeffrey McLeod to the 'at-large' position on the Planning and Zoning Board. Deputy Mayor Jaffe did not support re-appointing Mr. McLeod. He said that he had served on the board with Mr. McLeod and observed that he did not place his hand over his heart during the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Johnson did not feel this warranted denial of his application. He asked that the item be tabled, and he would contact Mr. McLeod.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to table the re-appointment of Jeffrey McLeod to the March 6th regular Council meeting. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

2. Appointment of two (2) members to the Recreation Advisory Board (represents 'at-large' positions).

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to appoint Joshua Frisbie to the 'at-large' position on the Recreation Advisory Board. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to table the appointment of Jeffrey McLeod to the March 6th regular Council meeting. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance 2025-09, establishing a Citizens Budget Advisory Board for the purpose of assisting and making recommendations to City Council on the annual City budget, first reading. (Councilman Hammer)

Staff Recommendation: Approve the ordinance as presented.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. Councilman Hammer advised that he preferred to have additional workshops in lieu of establishing the Citizens Budget Advisory Board, which would allow for more public comment.

Mr. Langevin wanted to have only one workshop, instead of three (3). Deputy Mayor Jaffe would not support having the board but was open to having additional workshops.

Mr. Morgan noted that if Council did not want to re-establish the board, key individuals that Council felt could provide valuable input could still be invited to the workshop.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to withdraw Ordinance 2025-09.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Nay
Councilman Langevin	Yea

2. Ordinance 2025-10, amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 52, Boards, Subchapter 'Sustainability Advisory Board', by revising provisions related to the Board's duties and responsibilities, first reading.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the ordinance as presented.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve Ordinance 2025-10. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

3. Consideration of reconciling the budget for the City Hall "Building E" Project; award Add Alternate 1 for parking lot paving (\$92,769); and allocate funds from the Building Department (\$1,803,437) and Utilities Department (\$235,164).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the funding arrangement and allocation as described; allocate \$1,803,437 from Building Department Funds to the Building E Project #20BD01; authorize \$235,164 from Utilities undesignated fund for the Utilities FFE; and approve and authorize staff to move funding within the project budget to appropriate line items as needed.

Mrs. Misconi presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve reconciling the budget for the City Hall "Building E" Project. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

Due to the meeting nearing the curfew deadline, motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to extend the meeting by thirty (30) minutes (first extension), which would expire at 11:30 P.M. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

4. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Information Technology Department (\$120,400).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the appropriation of funds on the next scheduled budget amendment in the amount of \$120,400; and authorize an increase to Information Technology future annual operating budget for the recurring costs of the fiber maintenance, in the amount of \$38,000, and chatbot subscription, in the amount of \$29,400.

Dr. Robinson presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Langevin, to approve Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Information Technology Department and recurring costs for fiber maintenance and chatbot subscription.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Nay
Councilman Johnson	Yea
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Yea

5. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities and reimbursement of facility repairs for the Parks and Facilities Department (\$480,268).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities and reimbursement of facility repairs for the Parks and Facilities Department, in the amount of \$480,268.

Mr. Minor presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities and reimbursement of facility repairs for the Parks and Facilities Department, except for the water chiller at the Greater Palm Bay Senior Center.

Mr. Johnson did not agree with the City paying for issues in a building that the City barely utilizes. Deputy Mayor Jaffe said, per the lease agreement, the City was required to pay for the repairs.

Deputy Mayor Jaffe withdrew his second to the motion. The motion died for lack of a second.

Mr. Morgan advised that the lease renewal for the Senior Center would be presented to Council in April for consideration.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Langevin, to table the request until after April. Mayor Medina said denial would affect the department's entire budget request. Mr. Langevin withdrew his second to the motion and added that he does not support leasing City-owned facilities for free. Mr. Johnson withdrew his motion.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mayor Medina, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities and reimbursement of facility repairs for the Parks and Facilities Department.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina	Yea
Deputy Mayor Jaffe	Yea
Councilman Johnson	Nay
Councilman Hammer	Yea
Councilman Langevin	Nay

6. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Police Department (\$1,749,600).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the allocation of funds from the General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance to purchase twenty-four (24) replacement patrol vehicles, in the amount of \$1,749,600.

Chief Augello presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Police Department. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

7. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Public Works Department (\$1,470,796)

Staff Recommendation: Approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Public Works Department, in the amount of \$1,470,796.

Ms. Sullivan presented the item to Council.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 mid-year budget priorities for the Public Works Department. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilmembers addressed various subject matters and provided updates on activities of agencies and boards on which they served as members.

1. Mr. Langevin made the following reports:

A. Requested consensus to increase the number of chickens in residential areas from four (4) to twelve (12). Roosters would not be included.

Due to the meeting nearing the curfew deadline, motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to extend the meeting by thirty (30) minutes (second and final extension), which would expire at 12:00 A.M. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

Mayor Medina would not support increasing the number and felt four (4) chickens was enough. Council concurred with considering eight (8) chickens.

B. Received numerous complaints regarding the school zone cameras and citizens were being fined outside of the school time hours.

Chief Augello said that six (6) of the school zone locations had gone live and warnings were issued for thirty (30) days, not citations; two (2) public service announcements were published prior to the warning phase, another announcement was done thereafter, and one more would be done in the next few days. The violations were sent from the vendor and vetted by the Police Department to ensure that there was an actual violation. The cameras operated during the entire school day, not just when the flashing lights were in effect. The only difference was if it was outside of the flashing light times, then a violation would occur if the driver was speeding more than eleven (11) miles per hour above the speed limit.

2. Mr. Hammer requested a pedestrian crossing at Veterans Park due to number of people that attend football games and constantly cross the street to go to the gas station or convenience stores.

Mr. Morgan said there was a crosswalk not too far from the requested location, but he would have staff review and possibly relocate the mid-block crossing.

3. Councilmembers made the following board appointments:

A. Mr. Johnson – David Karaffa to the Planning and Zoning Board; Alfred Agarie to the Recreation Advisory Board.

B. Deputy Mayor Jaffe – Tom Gaume to the Recreation Advisory Board.

C. Mayor Medina – Ranier Warner to the Planning and Zoning Board.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL REPORTS:

1. Mr. Morgan advised that the deadline to submit applications for the City Manager position was Friday, February 28th. The panel would review all the applications on March 7th and sort the applications into three (3) categories: highly recommended, recommended, and not recommended. At the regular Council meeting on March 20th, each councilmember would narrow their selections to 5-6 candidates, then interviews of those finalists would be conducted on Saturday, March 29th. To date, approximately eighty (80) applications had been received.

2. Ms. Smith requested an Executive Session on Thursday, February 27, 2025, at 7:30 P.M., to discuss settlement negotiations pertaining to Jeffery Pederson v. City of Palm Bay, Case 6:24-CV-02250; and Scott MacIntyre v. City of Palm Bay, Case 6:24-CV-00988. She said the session would last approximately one hour and announced the individuals that would be in attendance. Council concurred.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 11:36 P.M.

Rob Medina, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Terese M. Jones, CITY CLERK