# CITY OF PALM BAY, FLORIDA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 2025-11

Held on Thursday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 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.

Executive Pastor Lou Figueroa, City Church, Palm Bay, gave the invocation 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 Patricia Smith **CITY ATTORNEY:** Present **DEPUTY CITY CLERK:** Terri Lefler Present

**CITY STAFF:** Joan Junkala-Brown, Deputy City Manager; Juliet Misconi, Deputy City Manager; Ibis Camacho, Community and Economic Development Department Assistant Director; Lisa Frazier, Growth Management Director; Mariano Augello, Police Chief; George Barber, Chief Procurement Officer; Gabriel Bowden, Utilities Director; Daniel Waite, Acting Recreation Director.

#### 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 announced the following revisions:
- A. The Planning and Zoning Board's recommendation for approval of Case CU25-00001 was added to Item 4, under Public Hearings.

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- B. Item 1, under New Business, relating to the Local Agency Program Agreement, was withdrawn.
- 2. Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mayor Medina, to withdraw Item 4, under New Business, related to discussion of backyard chickens. Mr. Langevin felt the item should be discussed first prior to removing it altogether.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

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

#### PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

The proclamations were presented.

- 1. Proclamation: Mayor's Business Spotlight recipient JamRock Grill.
- 2. Proclamation: Poppy Days May 23-26, 2025.
- 3. Month of the Military Child April 2025.
- 4. Water Conservation Month April 2025.

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

Individuals made general comments.

1. Christine Filiberto, resident and daughter of the late Ted Moorhead, said that the sign for the Ted Moorhead Lagoon House was damaged from a storm and requested approval from the City Council to erect a new sign to honor her father. She provided schematics for same and asked that the sign be more visible from the roadway. Mayor Medina asked staff to work with Ms. Filiberto and bring back information to Council. Council concurred.

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

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

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Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Langevin, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented, with the removal of Item 3, 4, 5, and 6, 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: Regular Meeting 2025-07; March 6, 2025.

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

2. Adoption of Minutes: Special Meeting 2025-08; March 20, 2025.

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

3. Award of Bid: Emergency vehicle technician services - 24-ITB-25 - Fire Rescue and Public Works Departments (Central Florida Fire Truck Services, LLC and South Florida Emergency Vehicles - estimated expenditures \$250,000).

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

4. Consideration of accepting the 2024 Annual Reports from L3Harris Technologies Inc., Project LEO, Project SAMT, and Rogue Valley Microdevices, Inc. for the City's Ad Valorem Tax Abatement Program.

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

5. Consideration of submitting an application for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice.

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

6. Consideration of travel and training for specified City Employees (Police Department).

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

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. Consideration of the Program Year 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan and recommendations of programs and activities to be funded by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), first hearing.

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The public hearing was opened. Ms. Junkala-Brown presented the request to Council. She responded to questions posed by councilmembers. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the recommendations on Program Year 2025-2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funding.

Mr. Langevin was concerned with giving taxpayer dollars to Catholic Charities. He noted a recent report from Congress in which Catholic Charities was listed as one of the top charities assisting with illegal immigration at the southern border. He would not support the request as is and suggested reallocating those funds to the other charities. Ms. Junkala Brown said the services being provided by Catholic Charities under this request was for homeless prevention to assist low-income households at risk of homelessness.

Mr. Johnson preferred to table the funding for Catholic Charities until further review by staff and move forward with the other programs.

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

Jennifer Brandon, Case Manager for Catholic Charities, commented that she handled assistance with rent, utilities, budgeting and counseling for the organization and explained that she did not handle any immigrant-related issues in the Palm Bay office. Grant dollars received were solely for residents of Palm Bay.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the recommendations on Program Year 2025-2026 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program funding.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

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

2. Consideration of the Program Year 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan and recommendations of programs and activities to be funded under the HOME Program, first hearing.

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The public hearing was opened. Ms. Junkala-Brown presented the request to Council. Through the Request for Applications (RFA) process, only one application was received from Community of Hope (COH) and they had requested the maximum amount of \$170,425.62.

Mayor Medina would not support the request due to its location and that COH wanted to rezone the property to allow for three (3) bedrooms in a strip mall. He felt the property should remain zoned as commercial.

Drew Warren, CEO, Community of Hope, presented his proposal to assist three (3) senior citizens by rehabilitating the facility into three (3), one-bedroom apartments.

Mr. Hammer agreed that it was not a desirable location for apartments, especially for senior citizens.

The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to deny the recommendations on Program Year 2025-2026 HOME funding. Mr. Langevin agreed that this type of housing should not be located on a commercial corridor and said it was not the government's job to provide housing. 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 asked that applications for the senior programs be resolicited. Council concurred.

3. Consideration of Substantial Amendments #2 to the City's approved Program Years 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025 CDBG Action Plans for Community Development Block Grant funds, only one hearing required.

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

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve Substantial Amendments to Program Years 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025 CDBG Action Plans and submittal to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for approval. Mr. Langevin did not support the request as he did not agree with federal funds being used for housing.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

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

4. Resolution 2025-14, granting a conditional use to allow for proposed indoor recreation in NC (Neighborhood Commercial District) zoning, in accordance with Section 173.021, Palm Bay Code of Ordinances, on property located at the northeast corner of Jupiter Boulevard and Emerson Drive (2.12 acres) (Case CU25-00001, M&R United Inc., Monica Shah). (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding)

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the request.

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. Mayor Medina disclosed that he personally knew the representative for the applicant, Marina Martinez, and her late husband, Daniel Martinez.

Mr. Hammer asked if the pending litigation would affect this request. Ms. Smith explained that the litigation was related to personal property and Council was considering regulation of the actual land. She said Council could move forward with this request.

Ms. Martinez presented the request to Council.

Individuals made general comments. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mayor Medina, to adopt Resolution 2025-14.

Mr. Johnson wanted the court process to be finalized first and would not support the request.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

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

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5. Ordinance 2025-14, rezoning property, located in the vicinities south of Foundation Park Boulevard and west of Babcock Street, from RS-2 (Single-Family Residential District) to LI (Light Industrial and Warehousing District) (15.4 acres) (CPZ24-00007, Foundation Park Future Investments, LLC), final reading. (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding)

Due to a tie vote of the Planning and Zoning Board, the recommendation for approval of the request failed.

The City Attorney read the ordinance in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Councilman Hammer disclosed ex parte communications that the applicant was a client of the company he worked for, and he would be abstaining from the vote. He noted that he did not abstain from voting at the first hearing as the applicant was not a client at that time.

Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request.

Bruce Moia, MBV Engineering and representative for the applicant, presented the request to Council. Individuals spoke against the request, citing health risks from the industrial business, decline of surrounding property values, and that the area should remain residential. The public hearing was closed.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adopt Ordinance 2025-14, subject to the condition that the entire 15.4 acres shall be utilized for wetland preservation as part of a Conservation Easement with St. John's River Water Management District and for stormwater management uses.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina Yea

Deputy Mayor Jaffe Yea

Councilman Johnson Yea

Councilman Hammer Abstained

Councilman Langevin Nay

6. Resolution 2025-13, granting a conditional use to allow the operation of a tree and landscape recycling facility in LI (Light Industrial and Warehousing District) zoning, in accordance with Section 173.021, Palm Bay Code of Ordinances, on property located in south of and adjacent to Foundation Park Boulevard, in the

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vicinity west of Babcock Street (36 acres) (Case CU24-00008, Foundation Park Future Investments, LLC). (Quasi-Judicial Proceeding) (CONTINUED FROM 03-20-25 RCM).

The Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the request, subject to the following conditions:

- Burning of materials shall not be permitted.
- Construction debris, to include pressure treated wood, shall not be processed.
- There shall be required street sweeping of Foundation Park Boulevard SE frontage.
- The required buffers shall be placed into a conservation easement.
- Adherence to all provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Palm Bay and all other state and federal rules, regulations, and statutes.

The City Attorney read the resolution in caption only. The public hearing was opened. Ms. Frazier provided an overview of the request. Councilman Hammer reiterated his exparte communications and that he would be abstaining from the vote.

Michael Cram, applicant, and Bruce Moia of MBV Engineering, presented the request to Council.

Mr. Vernon Densler (aggrieved party) presented his case, which included witness testimony from Vitali Brinzow and Rachel Densler. Concerns were related to health hazards, effects of emissions from waste facilities, dust and odor distribution, and groundwater contamination. Other individuals spoke in support of and against the request.

Mr. Moia stated that this was not a request for an industrial wood waste facility as portrayed by Mr. Densler. This would be a green recycling facility that would also make mulch. Mr. Cram responded to comments posed by councilmembers.

The public hearing was closed.

Deputy Mayor Jaffe said that the applicant had met all criteria referenced in the Staff Report and did not feel that the facility would be operated in a manner that would cause harm to the community. Mr. Johnson was concerned with groundwater contamination and asked that the applicant work with neighbors to address all concerns. Mr. Langevin said he would not support the requested due to the location being surrounded by three (3) schools which could pose a health concern.

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Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adopt Resolution 2025-13, subject to the Planning and Zoning Board conditions.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina Yea

Deputy Mayor Jaffe Yea

Councilman Johnson Yea

Councilman Langevin Nay

#### CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA:

3. Award of Bid: Emergency vehicle technician services - 24-ITB-25 - Fire Rescue and Public Works Departments (Central Florida Fire Truck Services, LLC and South Florida Emergency Vehicles - estimated expenditures \$250,000).

Staff Recommendation: Approve the award for emergency vehicle technician services with Central Florida Fire Truck Services, LLC, and South Florida Emergency Vehicles, in the estimated amount of \$250,000.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, seconded by Mayor Medina, to approve the award for emergency vehicle technician services with Central Florida Fire Truck Services, LLC, and South Florida Emergency Vehicles, in the estimated amount of \$250,000. 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 accepting the 2024 Annual Reports from L3Harris Technologies Inc., Project LEO, Project SAMT, and Rogue Valley Microdevices, Inc. for the City's Ad Valorem Tax Abatement Program.

Staff Recommendation: Accept the 2024 Annual Reports for the City's Ad Valorem Tax Abatement Program from L3Harris Technologies Inc., Project LEO, Project SAMT, and Rogue Valley Microdevices Inc. as certified by the Brevard County Property Appraiser.

Mr. Morgan presented the item to Council and responded to questions.

Deputy Mayor Jaffe left the meeting at this time.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Langevin, to accept the 2024 Annual Reports for the City's Ad Valorem Tax Abatement Program from L3Harris Technologies Inc., Project LEO, Project SAMT, and Rogue Valley Microdevices Inc. as certified by the

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Brevard County Property Appraiser. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

Deputy Mayor Jaffe rejoined the meeting at this time.

# 5. Consideration of submitting an application for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the submission of an application for the Victims of Crime Act grant for 2025-2026 (retroactively) and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract agreement, if awarded, and any subsequent amendments without a fiscal impact.

Chief Augello presented the item and explained the role of the Victim Advocate position within the Police Department. Mr. Langevin was concerned about the Federal funding for the Victim Advocate positions ceasing at some point and then those positions would be eliminated from the City. He asked that the two (2) positions be funded during the budget process and paid for by the City.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Johnson, to approve the submission of an application for the Victims of Crime Act grant for 2025-2026 (retroactively) and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract agreement and any subsequent amendments without a fiscal impact.

Motion carried with members voting as follows:

Mayor Medina Yea

Deputy Mayor Jaffe Yea

Councilman Johnson Yea

Councilman Hammer Yea

Councilman Langevin Nay

## 6. Consideration of travel and training for specified City Employees (Police Department).

Staff recommendation: Approve the training and travel as specified.

Chief Augello presented the item to Council.

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Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the training and travel as specified. 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. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Hammer, 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.

### **PROCUREMENTS:**

1. Award of Bid: Brass fittings (Ford brand only) – 16-ITB-25 – Utilities Department (Ferguson Enterprises LLC d/b/a Ferguson Waterworks – annual estimate \$250,000).

Staff recommendation: Approve the award for Ford brand brass fittings with Ferguson Enterprises LLC d/b/a Ferguson Waterworks (Melbourne), in the estimated annual amount of \$250,000; for a two-year term contract, renewable by the Procurement Department for three (3) additional one-year terms.

Mr. Barber presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve award of bid and establish a two-year term contract, renewable by the Procurement Department for three (3) additional one-year terms. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

2. Award of Bid: Repair and maintenance services, Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants - 37-ITB-25 – Utilities Department – (Meeks Plumbing, Inc. and Razorback LLC – annual estimate \$150,000).

Staff recommendation: Approve the award for repair and maintenance services for the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants with Meeks Plumbing, Inc. (Vero Beach) and Razorback LLC (Tarpon Springs), in the estimated annual amount of \$150,000, for a one-year term contract, renewable by the Procurement Department for four (4) additional one-year terms.

Mr. Barber presented the item to Council.

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Motion by Mr. Langevin, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve the award of bid and establish a one-year term contract, renewable by the Procurement Department for four (4) additional one-year terms. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

3. Miscellaneous: Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR), Reverse Osmosis Treatment Plant and Reclamation Facility expansion – 14-RFQ-25 – Utilities Department; and enter negotiations with the top-ranked firm, Wharton-Smith, Inc., for a Master Agreement and Phase 1 of the North Reverse Osmosis Treatment Plant expansion.

Staff recommendation: Approve the award for Reverse Osmosis Treatment Plant and Reclamation Facility expansion (CMAR) and authorize entering negotiations with the top-ranked firm, Wharton-Smith, Inc. for a Master Agreement and Phase 1 of the North Reverse Osmosis Treatment Plant expansion.

Messrs. Barber and Bowden presented the item to Council.

Motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Jaffe, to approve the award for Reverse Osmosis Treatment Plant and Reclamation Facility expansion (CMAR) and authorize to enter negotiations with the top-ranked firm, Wharton-Smith, Inc. for a Master Agreement and Phase 1 of the North Reverse Osmosis Treatment Plant expansion. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

4. Miscellaneous: 'Cooperative Purchase', industrial vacuum truck (Sourcewell Contract) – Utilities Department (Environmental Products Group - \$548,207).

Staff recommendation: Approve the award for an industrial vacuum truck (Vactor sewer cleaner) with Environmental Products Group, through the Sourcewell Contract, in the amount of \$548,207.24.

Mr. Bowden presented the item to Council.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Johnson, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to approve the award for an industrial vacuum truck (Vactor sewer cleaner) with Environmental Products Group, through the Sourcewell Contract, in the amount of \$548,207.24. Motion carried with members voting as follows: Mayor Medina, Yea; Deputy Mayor Jaffe, Yea; Councilman Johnson, Yea; Councilman Hammer, Yea; Councilman Langevin, Yea.

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#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Resolution 2025-15, authorizing the Mayor and/or City Manager to execute a Local Agency Program (LAP) agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) regarding the design of Malabar Road widening from Minton Road to St. Johns Heritage Parkway.

This item, addressed under Agenda Revisions, was withdrawn by staff.

2. Consideration of a co-sponsorship request from Brevard Caribbean American Sports and Cultural Association (BCASCA) for the annual Caribbean Heritage Month seasonal events held in June 2025.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the City's co-sponsorship with the Brevard Caribbean American Sports and Cultural Association (BCASCA) for their Annual Caribbean Heritage Month seasonal events, and to authorize in-kind support valued at \$4,045, which included \$2,760 in labor costs and \$1,285 in waived fees. If approved, staff further recommended that no additional co-sponsorship requests be accepted for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2025, and that no requests for Fiscal Year 2026 be considered until a revised Fiscal Year 2026 Co-Sponsorship Policy was formally approved by Council.

Mr. Waite presented the item to Council. Mayor Medina said that the Christmas Extravaganza was unlike other requests as everything provided was free to the community. He said that the event needed to be considered differently or not allow it at all. Mr. Hammer said the City used to hold events for the community that generated revenue for the City. He supported this request but felt going back to City-hosted events should be an option. Deputy Mayor Jaffe supported having the City host Easter and Christmas events.

Motion by Mr. Hammer, seconded by Mr. Langevin, to approve the BCASCA cosponsorship and to suspend future co-sponsorship requests until a revised Fiscal Year 2026 Co-sponsorship Policy was formally approved by Council. 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 entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) 287(g) Task Force Model Program.

Staff Recommendation: Approve the acceptance of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), 287(g) Task Force Model Program, with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

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Chief Augello presented the item to Council.

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

4. Discussion of an amendment to Section 174.005 of the Palm Bay Code of Ordinances related to backyard chickens. (Councilman Langevin)

This item, addressed under Agenda Revisions, was withdrawn by City Council.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilmembers addressed various subject matters.

- 1. Mr. Langevin made the following reports:
- A. He found other local charities that assisted homeless veterans that could be eligible for CDBG funding. Mayor Medina said any organization should apply for the funding.
- B. Expressed extreme disappointment in the way his agenda item regarding backyard chickens was removed from the agenda, especially after there was consensus from Council to bring it forth. He had done a lot of research and there should have been a discussion. He felt a policy should be put in place that if an agenda item was sponsored by a councilmember, it could not be removed in the manner it was done tonight.
- 2. Mr. Hammer made the following reports:
- A. Requested consensus for a memorial for fallen veterans at one of the City parks. Mayor Medina suggested Veterans Park. Council concurred.
- B. Requested that Council provide annual evaluations for Charter Officers. Mayor Medina asked to wait until the new City Manager was in office. Council concurred.
- 3. Mayor Medina asked staff to contact the owner of the Winn-Dixie Shopping Center regarding debris.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL REPORTS:**

1. Mr. Morgan advised that the new City Manager, Matthew Morton, would begin his employment on May 1, 2025.

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2. Ms. Smith requested an executive session on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 5:30 P.M., to discuss settlement negotiations pertaining to Alexis Rae Tillman versus City of Palm Bay, Case 05-2024-CA-052118; and Lawrence McIntyre versus City of Palm Bay, Case 05-2023-CA-056123. She said the session would last approximately thirty (30) minutes and announced the individuals that would be in attendance. Council concurred.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

ADOOONNIENT:	
There being no further business, the meet	ting adjourned at the hour of 11:26 P.M.
ATTEST:	Rob Medina, MAYOR
Terri I Lefler DEPLITY CITY CLERK	<u> </u>