



Council

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**Minutes
Council Public Hearing
Yvonne C. Butler Council Chambers, 700 Paris Avenue**

June 2, 2021

Members Present: Mayor Joe DeVito, Council Members Jerry Ashmore, Mary Beth Heyward, Darryl Owens and Kevin Phillips

Staff Present: Town Manager Van Willis, Police Chief Alan Beach, Fire Chief Reece Bertholf and Municipal Clerk Brooke Plank-Buccola

As per Ordinance 2020-15. "With respect to any public hearing that is required by law to be held in connection with any proposed action of the Governing Body, electronic public hearings shall be permitted. Individuals wishing to provide written comments for any such public hearing may email comments to the Town Clerk (bplank-buccola@portroyal.org) no later than one hour prior to the scheduled time for such public hearing, and the Mayor shall read such comments aloud during the public hearing. Individuals wishing to speak at the public hearing shall sign up with the Town Clerk no later than one hour prior to the scheduled time for the public hearing. The Town Clerk shall contact those who wish to speak at the public hearing by phone, in the order the requests were received, to admit them to the public hearing. Public hearings shall otherwise be conducted in accordance with all other Council Rules and Procedures. Notices of public hearings shall include detailed instructions regarding the manner in which the public hearing shall be held."

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor DeVito called the public hearing to order at 6:44PM.

II. PURPOSE:

A. Ordinance 2021-11. An ordinance amending the Zoning Code to include section 3.3.70 Coastal Resilience Overlay (CRO) Zone Standards

Mr. Willis gave council a briefing on this ordinance. This ordinance will require realtors to give a disclosure of future coastal flooding conditions for a 30-year period for properties at or below 10ft above sea level.

Ms. Jessie White, director for the Coastal Conservation League, spoke in favor of this ordinance and of the fill ordinance.

Ms. Wendy Zara spoke in favor of ordinance 2021-11.

Mr. Willis read into record a letter from Ms. Janet Gresham from the Beaufort Jasper County Realtors Association. Her letter is opposing ordinance 2021-11. See attached.

Mr. Willis read into record a letter from Mr. John Thompson in support of ordinance 2021-11. See attached.

Mayor DeVito and Council received an email of support for ordinance 2021-11 by Port Royal resident Ms. Elizabeth Bergmann.

B. Ordinance 2021-18. An ordinance amending Chapter 12, Licenses and Business Regulations, Article 5 Short-Term Rentals, Section 12-64 Accommodation Fee Required, of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina (creating a unique identifier for each short-term rental)

No public comments were received or made at this time.

C. Ordinance 2021-19. An ordinance to authorize the Town Manager to convey excess real property to facilitate construction of sidewalks within the Town described as Beaufort County tax district 110, map 10, parcels 0144 (approximately 80ft. on 14th Street)

No public comments were received or made at this time.

D. Ordinance 2021-20. An ordinance amending Chapter 19, Traffic and Motor Vehicles, Article 2 Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 19-31 Control of parking in public parking areas or private parking areas under the jurisdiction of the police department, of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina (weight and time limit on Town right of ways)

No public comments were received or made at this time.

- E. Ordinance 2021-21. An ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the code of ordinances of the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina, to authorize meetings to be held by telephonic or other electronic means, and matters related thereto. (Electronic meetings)**

No public comments were received or made at this time.

- F. Ordinance 2021-23. An Ordinance to amend as follows Section I of Ordinance 2020-16 to provide for the levy of taxes for ordinary Town purposes in the Town of Port Royal, South Carolina, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and to provide for the expenditures thereof. – (Approval of Budget 21/22)**

No public comments were received or made at this time.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The public hearing adjourned at 7:08PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Brooke Plank-Buccola
Municipal Clerk

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