



City of Venice

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Venice, FL 34285
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Meeting Minutes City Council

Monday, September 12, 2022

5:01 PM

Council Chambers

Budget Public Hearing

[22-5761](#)

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CALL TO ORDER

Vice Mayor Pachota called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Vice Mayor Nick Pachota, Dr. Mitzie Fiedler, Mr. Jim Boldt, Ms. Helen Moore and Mrs. Rachel Frank

Absent: 1 - Mayor Ron Feinsod

ALSO PRESENT

City Attorney Kelly Fernandez, City Manager Ed Lavalley, City Clerk Kelly Michaels, Finance Director Linda Senne, and Administrative Coordinator Toni Cone.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Mr. Boldt.

I. COUNCIL ACTION/DISCUSSION

[22-5762](#)

Linda Senne, Finance Director: Approve Changes to FY2023 Proposed Budget Since the August 23, 2022 City Council Meeting

Ms. Moore noted appreciation for the increase in the Venice MainStreet, Inc. and Venice Area Beautification, Inc. budgets.

A motion was made by Dr. Fiedler, seconded by Ms. Moore, to approve changes to the FY2023 proposed budget since the August 23, 2022 City Council Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Vice Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Mr. Boldt, Ms. Moore and Mrs. Frank

Absent: 1 - Mayor Feinsod

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDINANCES - FIRST READING[ORD. NO.
2022-25](#)

An Ordinance of the City of Venice, Sarasota County, Florida, Adopting the Final Levying of Ad Valorem Taxes for the City of Venice for Fiscal Year 2023; Providing for Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability and Providing an Effective Date

Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

Clerk Michaels read the millage terms of 4.3600 mills, is the millage that was set last year, on which the last ad valorem taxes were calculated. The rolled-back millage is the rate required to collect the same amount of money as last year with this year's valuation, which is 3.8126 mills. The tentative operating millage is 4.3600 mills, which was set by Council in July, sent out in the TRIM notices from the Property Appraiser's office and represents an amount 14.36% greater than the rolled back rate. The voted debt service millage is .4694 mills.

City Manager Lavallee made statement regarding the budget process.

Vice Mayor Pachota opened the public hearing.

Clerk Michaels advised all written communication was provided prior to the meeting.

Neil Voge, 918 Gibbs Road, spoke regarding concerns on the increase in valuation and the amount of taxes he will pay. He requested budget changes to reduce the tax rate.

Vice Mayor Pachota closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Mr. Boldt, seconded by Mrs. Frank, to approve Ordinance No. 2022-25 on first reading and schedule it for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Vice Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Mr. Boldt, Ms. Moore and Mrs. Frank

Absent: 1 - Mayor Feinsod

[ORD. NO.
2022-26](#)

An Ordinance Approving and Adopting the Official Budget of the City of Venice, Florida, for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2022 and Ending September 30, 2023; Providing that Disbursements Shall Not Exceed Fund Budgets Without City Council Approval, and Granting the Authority to the City Manager to Make Certain Departmental Transfers Within the Approved Fund Budgets; Providing for Repeal of all Ordinances in Conflict Herewith; Providing for Severability and Providing an Effective Date

City Clerk Michaels read the ordinance by title only.

A motion was made by Ms. Moore, seconded by Dr. Feidler, to approve Ordinance No. 2022-26 on first reading and schedule it for final reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Vice Mayor Pachota, Dr. Fiedler, Mr. Boldt, Ms. Moore and Mrs. Frank

Absent: 1 - Mayor Feinsod

III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mayor - City of Venice

City Clerk