

**SPECIAL CALL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2012 5:10 P.M.  
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**A) Roll Call**

Mayor Pilar Turner, present; Vice Mayor Craig Fletcher, present; Councilmember Jay Kramer, present; Councilmember Tracy Carroll, present and Councilmember Richard Winger, present  
**Also Present:** James O'Connor, City Manager; Wayne Coment, City Attorney and Tammy Vock, City Clerk

**2. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**A) An Ordinance of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, Providing the Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes for the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 at a Millage Rate of 2.0336 which equates to \$2.0336 per \$1,000 of Assessed Property Value. – Requested by the Finance Department**

The City Clerk read the Ordinance by title only.

Ms. Cindy Lawson, Finance Director, briefly went through the Trim Law requirements for the tentative and final millage/budget trim hearings. She said that the budget is the same budget that Council approved at their September 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. She mentioned that an additional fulltime position was eliminated in the Marina Enterprise Fund. As a result, the proposed budget represents a decrease of 26 positions Citywide, resulting in a decrease of \$1.4 million dollars in operating salaries across all funds. Also, the health insurance expenditures in all funds were updated to reflect the replacement of the City's self insurance program with the Blue Cross/Blue Shield fully insured program approved by Council on August 16, 2012. The services provided by the Police Department and Recreation Department will remain the same.

Mr. Jim O'Connor, City Manager, added that they were able to accomplish the budget and keep the same number of Police Officers and Life Guards. He did mention that if the PBA votes the negotiated contract down then there would be some demotions at the Police Department in order to balance this budget.

Mayor Turner opened and closed the public hearing at 5:14 p.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Mrs. Tammy Vock, City Clerk, read Section I and Section II of the Ordinance.

Mrs. Carroll made a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 with Mr. Winger voting yes, Mr. Kramer yes, Mrs. Carroll yes, Mr. Fletcher yes, and Mayor Turner yes.

- B) An Ordinance of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, Adopting the Annual Budget of the City for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2012 and Ending September 30, 2013; appropriating funds for the Operating Expenses, Supplies, and Personnel, and otherwise appropriating funds for the Efficient and Effective Operation of the Government of the City of Vero Beach and its Departments; such appropriations being from Anticipated Revenue; Providing a means to amend the Annual Budget to carry forward the Funding of Purchase Orders, Work Orders, and Grants outstanding as of September 30, 2012; Providing a means to amend the Annual Budget to reflect Grants received after September 30, 2012; and Authorizing the Transfer of Funds appropriated so long as the total combined appropriations shall not be increased thereby; Providing an Effective Date. – Requested by the Finance Department**

The City Clerk read the Ordinance by title only.

Mayor Turner opened and closed the public hearing at 5:17 p.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Mr. Kramer made a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Mrs. Carroll seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 with Mr. Winger voting yes, Mr. Kramer yes, Mrs. Carroll yes, Mr. Fletcher yes, and Mayor Turner yes.

### **3. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Turner adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

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