

**SPECIAL CALL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2022 11:00 A.M.
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

PRESENT: Mayor Robbie Brackett, present; Vice Mayor Rey Neville, present; Councilmember Honey Minuse, present; Councilmember Bob McCabe, present; and Councilmember John Cotugno, present
Also Present: Monte Falls, City Manager; John Turner, City Attorney; and Tammy Bursick, City Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brackett called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL

The City Clerk performed the roll call.

3. CITY ATTORNEY REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ADVICE ON ONE MATTER IN LITIGATION

Mr. John Turner, City Attorney, explained that he requested an attorney-client session with the City Council. He said that Council will be discussing settlement negotiations and strategy relating to litigation with regard to the cases of the Town of Indian River Shores vs. City of Vero Beach. The first case is the case of the Town of Indian River Shores v. City of Vero Beach – Case # 2:2021-vc-14354 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, and the second case is the Town of Indian River Shores v. City of Vero Beach Case #2020CA-000576, Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, Indian River County, Florida.

A) Attorney – Client Session to discuss settlement negotiations and strategy relating to litigation with regard to the case of Town of Indian River Shores v. City of Vero Beach – Case No. 2:2021-vc-14354 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida

Mr. Turner announced the purpose of the meeting and said that the estimated length of the meeting should be around one hour. The persons attending are: Mayor Robbie Brackett, Vice Mayor Rey Neville, Councilmember Honey Minuse, Councilmember Bob McCabe and Councilmember John Cotugno. **ALSO PRESENT:** City Manager, Monte Falls; City Attorney, John Turner; Outside Counsel, Tom Cloud; Outside Counsel, Gary Carman and a Court Report from the firm of Indian River Court Reporting, LLC.

The transcript from today's meeting will remain closed and confidential until after litigation has been completed.

4. PRIVATE ATTORNEY – CLIENT SESSION COMMENCES

Mayor Brackett adjourned the public meeting at 11:03 a.m. The Executive Session took place in the City Manager's Conference Room at City Hall.

5. MAYOR REOPENS PUBLIC MEETING AND ANNOUNCES TERMINATION OF ATTORNEY-CLIENT SESSION

Mayor Brackett reopened the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

6. ATTORNEY GIVE DIRECTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Turner stated the case numbers for both of these cases, which were included in the public notice.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Today's meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

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