

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2017
6:00 P.M.

The Pre-Meeting Conference of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Paul F. Spinelli.

The following members were present at roll call:

Councilman David Acosta (*arrived at 6:04 p.m.*)
Councilwoman Angela Calakos
Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr.
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Paul F. Spinelli

Also present were: Richard Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator

President Spinelli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Municipal Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 28, 2016 by the City Clerk in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall on;
2. Providing written notice to the offices of The Daily Journal and The Press of Atlantic City;
3. Filing written notice in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Vineland.

President Spinelli asked if anyone from the public would like to comment.

There was no public comment.

The Clerk reviewed the changes to the agenda since the December 5 work session. Ordinance No. 2017-91, Ordinance directing the inspection of residential property prior to conveyance of title and requiring the issuance of a continued certificate of occupancy to assure conformance with housing standards, was added. Solicitor Tonetta stated that Council will defeat Ordinance No. 2017-81 and this one replaces it by making most of the changes requested by the Realtors. The fee structure has not been changed. A revised version of Resolution No. 2017-522, awarding an open-end contract to Univar USA Inc., Middletown, PA for the furnishing and delivery of SCR reagent quality ammonia for Unit 11 and Clayville 1 for the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility-Generation Division, in the amount of \$36,300. The original low bidder (Tanner Industries, Inc.) withdrew their bid, indicating they misunderstood the delivery procedure in the specifications. Resolution No. 2017-539, authorizing the issuance of original and renewal taxicab licenses for the year 2018, was added. Resolution No. 2017-540, authorizing the issuance of limousine licenses for 2018, was added.

Susanna Philippoussis, a local realtor, was invited by President Spinelli to make comments regarding the continuing certificate of occupancy ordinance. She stated the \$160 fee is still too high. Solicitor Tonetta explained the city is trying to cover the costs of the inspections and paperwork required. Ms. Philippoussis also noted concerns the Realtors have about the lack of cooperation from the VMEU about homes in foreclosure, and getting power turned on. She said Atlantic City Electric turns on power in similar situations for showings, etc. Solicitor Tonetta will discuss the matter with the Director.

President Spinelli entertained a motion by Councilwoman Calakos, and seconded by Councilman Vargas, to adjourn the meeting.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Calakos
Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

Paul F. Spinelli
President of Council

ATTEST:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk