## REGULAR WORK SESSION TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016 5:30 P.M.

The Regular Work Session of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Anthony R. Fanucci.

The following members were present at roll call: Councilwoman Angela Calakos Councilwoman Maritza Gonzalez

Councilman John A. Procopio President Anthony R. Fanucci

Councilman Paul F. Spinelli was absent.

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so present were:	Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor
	Robert Dickenson, Assistant Business Administrator

President Fanucci 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 15, 2015 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 Fanucci asked if anyone from the public would like to comment.

Neil Lewis questioned the status of an industrial property on Elmer Road. Economic Development Director Sandy Forosisky explained the property is now owned by Rossi Honda for parts.

Steve Lewis questioned the status of his concept to give veterans a tax break. President Fanucci explained that nothing definitive has been done, but the City is looking at a mirror of a State tax plan to implement.

Public Safety Director Edwin Alicea described the new positions requested by the Police Department. He explained that overtime has been reduced, and the police are looking at two part-time positions. He distributed copies of Civil Service job specifications. The director explained that uniformed officers will be back on the street instead of behind a desk, and the new positions will utilize the experience of trained police officers. Council members expressed concern about the positions being Civil Service positions. The director explained that they will be part-time and not union employees, paying \$25 per hour with no benefits. There was some discussion about the Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers, and the apparent inequity of paying the new positions more than the Class II Specials, who still must qualify for firearms certification.

Councilwoman Calakos expressed her concern to have visible police patrols on Landis Avenue.

The Municipal Clerk reviewed the agenda.

Council members decided to have an earlier start for the April 5 work session and quarterly Board of Health meeting. It will begin at 5 p.m.

Councilwoman Calakos shared an architect's rendering of the new VA Clinic proposed for the southwest corner of Landis Avenue and West Avenue. She also shared the architect's rendering of the Four Corners project at the southeast corner of Landis Avenue and East Avenue.

Councilwoman Gonzalez asked for assistance from Tofanelli & Associates for the health department's spring healthy living initiative.

The President entertained a motion by Councilman Procopio, and seconded by Councilwoman Gonzalez, to adjourn the meeting. The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilwoman Calakos Councilwoman Gonzalez

Councilwoman Gonzale Councilman Procopio President Fanucci

Anthony R. Fanucci President of Council Keith Petrosky, RMC Municipal Clerk