

REGULAR WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020
6:00 P.M.

The Regular Work Session 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
Councilwoman Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Paul F. Spinelli

Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr was absent.

Also present were: Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor
Greg Gallo, Business Administration Staff

President Spinelli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Spinelli stated that due to the current COVID-19 crisis, the City of Vineland is following the CDC and State of NJ Guidelines by utilizing a telephone conference system allowing the public access for participation in the meeting. The toll free telephone number for this meeting is 1-833-247-7123, and the conference ID number is: 3308969.

Anyone having difficulty in connecting to the conference call, or they feel they haven't been properly heard, please email me, Council President Paul Spinelli, at pspinelli@vinelandcity.org, so your concerns can be addressed.

The Municipal Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 11, 2019 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 being no one to be heard, the Municipal Clerk reviewed the agenda.

The Municipal Clerk described the voting process, notably that the November general election will primarily be a vote-by-mail election.

There was a brief discussion explaining the Ruga development on South Lincoln Avenue as part of the Northeast Pre-Cast site. The proposal includes a golf course, an indoor firearms shooting range, a clubhouse with a restaurant open to the public, and other amenities. It is proposed as a mostly-private member-only facility.

Councilman Acosta reported that the Planning Board recently approved a 120,000 sq. ft. addition to a commercial freezer facility in the Industrial Park. Also, a Dunkin Donuts is planned at the former Shop N Bag property. It is contingent on the removal of the vacant service station at the corner.

Councilman Vargas reported that the public works crew is working to clean up the parks after the storm. Some PAL activities are resuming.

President Spinelli mentioned the VDID 5-K run coming up. He also reported that the Christmas parade is still tentatively on the schedule.

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

Councilman Acosta
Councilwoman Arthur
Councilman Vargas
President Spinelli

ATTEST:

Paul F. Spinelli
President of Council

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk