

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE  
TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022  
6:00 P.M.

The Pre-Meeting Conference of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur.

The following members were present at roll call:  
Councilman David Acosta  
Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr.  
Councilman Paul F. Spinelli  
Councilman Albert Vargas  
President Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur

Also present were: Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor  
Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator  
Edwin Alicea, Director of Public Safety  
Kathleen Hicks, Principal Planner

President Arthur 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, 2021 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 Arthur asked if anyone from the public would like to comment.

Steve Lewis questioned the wording in the title of Ordinance 2022-36, which was adopted at the last regular meeting. It refers to "officer," and yet the individual has not yet completed training. Solicitor Tonetta responded that it's simply semantics in the title, what is important is contained in the body. He further stated that passing the academy is the important thing.

Edwin Alicea, Director of Public Safety, reported that the Memorial Day parade and ceremony are on-track for a great event.

There being no one further to be heard, the Clerk reviewed revisions and additions to the agenda.

Resolution 2022-191, approving agreement with the Vineland Police Captains Association from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024, was amended to correct dates within the body of the resolution.

A revised version of Resolution 2022-197, providing for the insertion in the Calendar Year 2022 budget of the City of Vineland a special item of revenue made available by revenue realized from State of NJ, Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration grant allocation, in the amount of \$460,779.30 and an appropriation in said budget for like sum and purpose, was provided to make a correction in the title.

A revised version of Resolution 2022-198, authorizing the issuance of an amendatory supplemental change order No. 3 to Contract No. C22-0072, issued to Arthur R. Henry, Inc., Egg Harbor Township, NJ in the amount of \$262,514.10, was provided to make a correction in the amount.

A revised version of Resolution 2022-199, authorizing the issuance of an amendatory supplemental change order No. 1 to Contract No. C22-0085, issued to Charles Marandino, LLC, Milmay, NJ, in the amount of \$50,024.00, was provided to make a correction in the amount.

Resolution 2022-213, authorizing the submission of a grant application and execution of a grant contract with the NJ Department of Transportation for the 2022 Highway Safety Fund, was added. Resolution 2022-214, amending Resolution 2021-556 authorizing the Qualified Purchasing Agent to award purchases for various motor vehicles, equipment and accessories available through cooperative pricing systems of which the city is a member, was added. Resolution 2022-215 authorizing special law enforcement officers for the year 2022, was added.

The Clerk noted that there was a shooting at a school in Uvalde, Texas. More than a dozen children and two teachers were killed, along with the gunman.

Councilman Franceschini reported that there have been 148 positive Covid cases in Vineland for May, compared with last year's number of 160. Hospitalizations are down.

Councilman Vargas reported that the public schools metal detectors are not working the way they should, and the matter is being explored.

Councilman Spinelli noted that the VDID summer events are gearing up, and the PAL youth fishing derby is scheduled for June 4 at Campanella Park.

President Arthur reminded everyone about the Eco Fair at Vineland High School on June 4.

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

Councilman Franceschini

Councilman Spinelli

Councilman Vargas

President Arthur

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Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur  
President

ATTEST:

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Keith Petrosky, RMC  
Municipal Clerk