

SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023
10:00 A.M.

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the Vice President, David Acosta.

The following members were present at roll call:

Councilman Ronald J. Franceschini, Jr. (*participated remotely*)
Councilman Paul F. Spinelli (*arrived at 10:09 a.m.*)
Councilman Albert Vargas
President Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur (*participated remotely*)
Vice President David Acosta

Also present were: Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator
 Michael Benson, Esq., Associate City Solicitor

The Vice President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on January 13, 2023 by the City Clerk, in the following manner:

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

The Clerk read the following: ***Public Comment*** provides an opportunity for members of the public to inform the governing body about their views. The governing body prescribes to City Council's by-laws and the NJ Statutes on Open Public Meetings when engaging during public comment. As such, each individual shall have a 5 minute limit to comment; s/he cannot yield time to another individual; s/he may only approach the podium once during public comment for any one topic; vulgar/offensive language is prohibited; and City Council will not engage in dialogue with the public during this time. The governing body maintains model courtesy and respect and requires members of the public to do the same.

The Vice President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard.

There being no one to be heard, the Clerk presented ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03, ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$4,000,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF TRASH TRUCKS IN AND BY THE CITY OF VINELAND, IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND, NEW JERSEY, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The Vice President entertained a motion by Councilman Vargas, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, that ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03 be taken up for a public hearing and opened to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Franceschini
 Councilman Spinelli
 Councilman Vargas
 President Arthur
 Vice President Acosta

The Vice President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03.

Steve Lewis inquired how many trash trucks are being purchased through this ordinance. Vice President Acosta responded that ten trucks are being purchased.

The Vice President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Vargas, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Franceschini
 Councilman Spinelli
 Councilman Vargas
 President Arthur
 Vice President Acosta

The Vice President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Vargas, that ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03 be taken up for second and final reading and adopted according to law.

The Vice President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Franceschini
 Councilman Spinelli
 Councilman Vargas
 President Arthur
 Vice President Acosta

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03 by title and declared that with a vote of five yeas, this ordinance is adopted.

The Vice President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2023-03 to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

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The Vice President asked if any Council members wished to be heard.

There being no members who wished to be heard, the Vice President entertained a motion by Councilman Spinelli, and seconded by Councilman Vargas, to adjourn the meeting.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS: Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Arthur
Vice President Acosta

ATTEST:

David Acosta
Vice President

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk