

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2023
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 (arrived at 6:05 P.M.)
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
H. James Neher, Director of Public Works

President Dr. Arthur led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk stated Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 13, 2022 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 Dr. Arthur asked if anyone from the public would like to comment.

Steve Lewis from Vineland stated regarding Ord. No. 2023-21 and the purchase of certain property, he hopes the City is conducting the proper due diligence and environmental testing prior to sale. Solicitor Tonetta remarked that is one of the conditions of the sale. Tonetta also mentioned that the City did its due diligence in the past and nothing was found via testing. However, things were uncovered once physical digging commenced.

There being no one to be heard, the Deputy Clerk reviewed revisions and additions to the agenda. The Deputy Clerk reminded everyone that Ordinance 2023-12, to release, vacate, and extinguish any and all public rights in and to the unimproved extension of Liberty Avenue right-of-way; and Ordinance 2023-13, to release, vacate, and extinguish any and all public rights in and to the unimproved extension of Cornell Street right-of-way, will again be continued until submittals required by the legal department are satisfied.

The Deputy Clerk read Resolution 2023-138 which authorizes a contract award to a state contract vendor, Cascade Engineering, Inc., Grand Rapids, MI, for the purchase of 96-gallon recycling carts for Vineland residents, in an amount not to exceed \$18,493.00 was added by Business Administration. A Communication from Mayor Fanucci appointing Teri Giordano as Municipal Court Judge and Res. No. 2023-139 which ratifies and confirms said appointment was added by Mayor Fanucci and Solicitor Tonetta, respectively.

Councilman Acosta asked if the resume attached to Res. No. 2023-139 was correct. Solicitor Tonetta responded that he sent all council members an updated resume for Judge Giordano.

With no other comments, President Dr. Arthur entertained a motion by Councilman Acosta, and seconded by Councilman Franceschini, to adjourn the meeting. The Deputy Clerk called the roll: YEAS:
Councilman Acosta

Councilman Franceschini
Councilman Spinelli
Councilman Vargas
President Dr. Arthur

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 P.M.

ATTEST:

Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
President

Richard G. Franchetta, RMC, EJD
Deputy Municipal Clerk