

PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2024
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
Susan M. Baldosaro, Chief Finance Officer
Edwin Alicea, Director of Public Safety
H. James Neher, Director of Public Works
Sheena Santiago, Special Events Coordinator

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 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 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.

The President asked if anyone from the public would like to comment.

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

The Clerk announced the budget adoption process and noted the addition of a budget amendment resolution which will be introduced tonight. The public hearing and adoption of the amendment and the adoption of the calendar year 2024 municipal budget will be on April 23.

The title for Resolution 2024-132 now reads, a resolution amending Resolution No. 2024-36 and authorizing the execution of an amendment to the shared services agreement by and between the County of Cumberland and the City of Vineland for the provision of the Code Blue warming center, after a revision. Resolution 2024-144, providing and authorizing the payment of bills and demands against the City of Vineland was revised. The title for Resolution 2024-146 now reads, resolution rejecting all proposals received for a Class II cannabis manufacturer municipal license and authorizing the re-advertisement for proposals to be received for two Class II cannabis manufacturer municipal licenses, after a revision.

The Clerk reminded Council members and staff to file their annual Financial Disclosure Statements.

Councilman Spinelli noted that the purchase agreement for the former Sacred Heart High School will be executed tomorrow, followed by a 40-day due diligence period before the city assumes ownership.

Councilman Acosta acknowledged and thanked all who had a role in recognizing Antonio Romero. He also mentioned that some Landis Avenue merchants may appear tonight to express concerns about shoplifting in the downtown area.

Councilman Vargas stated that with the warming weather more incidents of brazen motorcycles and 4-wheelers are cropping up. Public Safety Director Alicea said the police are aware and they have more officers on the street. He also noted the availability of the Street Crimes Unit and the Narcotics Unit to assist.

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

Dr. Elizabeth A. Arthur
President

ATTEST:

Keith Petrosky, RMC
Municipal Clerk