

**CALL TO ORDER**

A Special Call Meeting of the City Council of Marathon, Florida was held on September 19, 2019 in the City Council Chambers, 9805 Overseas Hwy., Marathon, Florida, Mayor Bartus called the Workshop to order at 5:05 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL - There were present:**

Councilmember Luis Gonzalez

Councilmember Mark Senmartin

Councilmember Dr. Daniel Zieg

Vice Mayor Steve Cook

Mayor John Bartus, comprising a quorum

Also in attendance were:

City Manager, Charles Lindsey

Finance Director, Jennifer Johnson

City Clerk, Diane Clavier

Planning Director, George Garrett

Fire Chief John Johnson

Public Works Director, Carlos Solis

Dirk Smits, Vernis & Bowling

**Approval of Agenda**

Senmartin added a Donation Discussion as item 4A, Bartus added Best of Marathon request to use Chambers as item 6B.

**MOTION:** Zieg moved to approve the agenda

**SECOND:** Gonzalez

With no objection from the members of Council, Mayor Bartus declared the motion approved by unanimous consent.

Donation Discussion (Senmartin) Senmartin asked that the Council donate \$15,000 to the Marathon Rec Center and \$10,000 to the MHS Drama Club. Senmartin explained the Rec Center has 60 children in attendance every day, payment is by honor system, at this time the costs is \$25 per child and they would have needed to raise the cost to \$70 to cover operator costs without this funding.

Cook commented that he thought this was a fabulous idea. Lindsey stated he would work on bringing back funding nonprofits the next budget cycle.

**MOTION:** Senmartin moved to add these two items to the budget; \$15,000 donation to the Marathon Recreation Center and \$10,000 donation to the Marathon High School Drama Club

**SECOND:** Gonzalez

With no objection from the members of Council, Mayor Bartus declared the motion approved by unanimous consent.

**Resolution 2019-97**, Adopting The Final Millage Rate And Levy Of Ad Valorem Taxes For The City Of Marathon, Florida For Fiscal Year 2019-2020; And Providing For An Effective Date

Jennifer Johnson explained the tentative millage rate that we are seeking approval of is for 2.59 mills which is the same millage rate we charged in FY2018/19, although Florida TRIM compliance views this as a tax increase. The tentative rate is 5.89% higher than our roll-back rate of 2.4459 mills, which will generate about \$6.8 million of revenue for our general fund, about an increase of \$475,000 over the prior year. Johnson informed everyone the budget included new appropriations for additional staffing and staff raises as well.

Bartus called for speakers, hearing none, closed public comment.

**MOTION:** Cook moved to approve Resolution 2019-97

**SECOND:** Zieg

**Vote on the Motion**

Yes: Cook, Zieg, Gonzalez, Senmartin, Bartus

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Vote on the Motion: Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

**Resolution 2019-98**, Adopting The Final Budget For Fiscal Year 2019-2020; Authorizing The Expenditure Of Funds Established By The Budget; And Providing For An Effective Date.

Bartus called for speakers, hearing none, closed public comment.

**MOTION:** Cook moved to approve Resolution 2019-98

**SECOND:** Zieg

**Vote on the Motion**

Yes: Cook, Zieg, Gonzalez, Senmartin, Bartus

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Vote on the Motion: Yes: 5 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: 0

**\*A. Resolution 2019-99**, Approving Change Order No. 3 To Contract Between The City And Discount Rock & Sand, Inc. For The Reconstruction of Sombrero Beach From Hurricane Irma Damages; Increasing The Contract Time By 90 Days As A Result Of Delays In The Issuance Of The USACOE Permit As Part Of The Beach Reconstruction Project; Authorizing The City Manager To Execute The Change Order And Expend Budgeted Funds On Behalf Of The City; And Providing For An Effective Date.

Best of Marathon Request (Bartus) Bartus informed everyone of the request to use the Council chambers for the September 28<sup>th</sup> Best of Marathon Event, request to waive fees, allow alcohol and allow the event as a fundraiser for the Weekly and Rotary Club to raise funds for Rotary scholarships and Hurricane recovery efforts along the Carolina coast and the Bahamas.

**MOTION:** Gonzalez moved to approve the request

**SECOND:** Zieg

With no objection from the members of Council, Mayor Bartus declared the motion approved by unanimous consent.

**Citizen Comments:**

Bartus called for speakers, hearing none, closed public comment.

**Council Comments:**

Gonzalez thanked Johnson and staff for their work on the budget.

Zieg thanked Johnson and staff for their hard work.

Senmartin thanked everyone

Cook thanked staff, Marathon fire rescue, the Sherriff's office personnel and Johnson.

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Bartus thanked the staff, Johnson, City Manager, Dirk Smits and the department heads.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Bartus adjourned the meeting at 5:20 pm by unanimous consent.

I certify the above represents an accurate summary of the Council special call budget meeting of September 19, 2019

Diane Clavier  
Diane Clavier, City Clerk

October 9, 2019  
Date