



**Public Services & Facilities Committee Meeting**  
**9:00am, Tuesday, May 7, 2024**  
**1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC and**  
**broadcasted live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofisleofpalms>**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

Present: Council members Miars, Hahn, Pierce

Staff Present: Administrator Fragoso, Director Kerr, Director Pitts, Director Ferrell

**2. Citizen's Comments -- none**

**3. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes – April 9, 2024**

**MOTION: Council Member Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2024 meeting. Council Member Hahn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**4. Old Business**

**A. Discussion of Marina shared parking lot**

Council Member Miars reported that she went to the parking lot with Administrator Fragoso and Director Kerr to measure parking spaces to develop a shared parking option for this summer. The City will not be hiring a parking lot attendant this summer, but still needs to enter into an MOU with the restaurant for the use of the shared lot.

The restaurant has proposed shifting the 10 resident-only trailer parking spaces to a location adjacent to the boat ramp road. The City would like to acquire a portion of the employee lot adjacent to the landing spot for the new community dock in exchange for the City-controlled space behind the dumpster. Staff will present an exhibit and MOU proposing this land swap at the City Council Workshop next week.

Administrator Fragoso said that once the 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue project is completed, the City will be able to add 40-45 parking spaces, which will reduce strain on restaurant parking and will give the City more room to negotiate an agreement before next season.

**B. Discussion of implementing parking fees on marina shared parking lot and new right of way parking along the piped ditch**

Administrator Fragoso said the City is entitled to charge for parking in the shared lot anytime before 8pm. She will speak with PCI about parking management and fee options for the space.

She would like to mirror what the marina operator charges which is the first hour is free and a \$10 flat fee after that hour. She believes this will lessen confusion and keep people from “shopping around” for parking. She will also discuss with PCI how to handle overnight parking. It is not permitted, but patrons need the option to leave their cars so they are not driving impaired. Council Member Miars said she would like a flat fee only charged at the parking over the 41st Avenue ditch.

Administrator Fragoso will provide the Committee with a revenue forecast of parking revenue if the City charges everyone but residents in the shared lot and along the public right of way (41<sup>st</sup> Avenue ditch).

### **C. Discussion of playground equipment replacement for the Recreation Center**

Director Ferrell said she reached out to the equipment installers who said it is trickier, more time-consuming, and likely more expensive to install the pour-and-play mat after the new playground equipment is installed.

She said the Recreation Department spends nearly \$20,000 annually to replenish the mulch currently under the playground equipment. She believes the pour-and-play mat is designed to last 15-20 years but will get a firm answer for City Council before the workshop. Council Member Pierce would like to see the cost differential between adding the pour-and-play mat at installation versus waiting until a later time.

Council Member Pierce expressed concern about the money being spent on the Recreation Center without some corresponding increases in program pricing. Administrator Fragoso said that program costs have been increased to match surrounding recreation centers. She also reminded Committee members that City Council passed a resolution to be more ADA-compliant, and this new equipment will help in that effort.

## **5. New Business**

### **Consideration of Planning Commission recommendations regarding stormwater management**

Director Kerr explained the recommendations offered by the Planning Commission regarding stormwater management:

- a “black box” calculation for new construction projects in the SR1 and SR2 districts will be required to retain 0.3 cubic feet of stormwater for every 1.0 square foot of new impervious surfacing. This is an amount that is roughly equal to a 10-year storm event. This retention can be achieved by depressing an area of the yard or underground gravel or vault systems or any combination.
- allow owners of really low lots to be allowed to elevate their property to at least 7.4’ in elevation, with the approval of a plan. The existing code says no higher than one foot above the road, but in some instances, this would be below an abnormally high tide, which the Commission felt was too low.

- a stormwater designer (engineer or landscape architect) will have to certify that the post construction stormwater pattern will result in the same or less runoff than the pre-construction stormwater pattern.
- Pools will be excluded from the impervious calculation of determining when a drainage plan and improvements will be necessary.

After discussing these recommendations, the Committee recommended that pools be included in the impervious calculation.

**MOTION: Council Member Miars made a motion to make the change regarding the inclusion of pools in the impervious calculation and present these recommendations to the City Council. Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**6. Miscellaneous Business**

The next regular meeting of the Public Services & Facilities Committee will be Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 9am.

**7. Adjournment**

Council Member Hahn made a motion to adjourn and Council Member Pierce seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:22am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nicole DeNeane  
City Clerk