



**BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS  
WORK SESSION  
JULY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2023  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING REGULAR MEETING**

**MINUTES**

Members Present: Jonathan Elmore, Mayor  
Brian Fisher, Mayor Pro Tem  
Lisa Shortell, Commissioner  
Lionel Laratte, Commissioner  
Dee Merriam, Commissioner

Staff Present: Patrick Bryant, City Manager  
Shannon Powell, Asst. City Manager  
Ellen Powell, Communications Manager  
Gina Hill, City Clerk  
Stephen Quinn, City Attorney  
Lori Leland, Permitting Coordinator  
Kristen Moretz, Capital Projects Mgr.  
Harry Hess, Police Chief

Item #1 Meeting Called to Order

Item #2 Adoption of Agenda  
Commissioner Shortell moved to amend the agenda to add an executive session on real estates. Commissioner Laratte seconded. All ayes.  
Commissioner Merriam moved to adopt the amended agenda. Commissioner Laratte seconded. All ayes.

Item #3 **Land Disturbance Process Review and Discussion**

The land disturbance regulations need to be updated to clarify the code and address flooding on neighboring properties and the city's infrastructure that results from new construction. This was previously discussed at a May work session.

City Manager Bryant wanted to continue the conversation about the need to amend the city's code covering this issue. Assistant City Manager Powell described current stormwater challenges. She said stormwater problems are something staff struggles with on a daily basis. A complicating factor is that current ordinances are not consistent. A new ordinance is currently being drafted but Ms. Powell wanted to provide some insight into the direction staff is headed. She listed some of the highlights of the draft and explained some of the goals of these changes. Commissioners shared questions and concerns. Permitting Coordinator Leland and Capital Projects Manager Mortetz weighed in

as well. Staff shared that their recommendations are best management practices and common in other cities. The group talked about other measures homeowners could take to manage stormwater.

Item #4

**Dunwick Drive Stormwater Project**

This stormwater project was identified as one of the top five most critical to address. Preliminary evaluation, designs and cost estimates have been completed based on the hydraulic model.

City Manager Bryant described this project as one of the five priority stormwater projects needing to be addressed. He said \$160 thousand had been budgeted but now that concept drawings are complete, the cost has increased significantly. Staff is now recommending a phased approach. Capital Projects Manager Moretz gave a presentation about the issues at hand and options for solving it. She answered questions from members of the BOMC and talk turned to financing. Mr. Bryant recommended reallocating savings from other projects to this one. He added staff is also seeking a grant that would help with downtown stormwater projects, thus reallocating savings from those projects as well.

Item #5

**Public Comment**

A resident from Hess Drive spoke about his issues and requested guidance on solutions. Dave Matysiak, of Wiltshire Drive, talked about stormwater problems on his property.

Item #6

**Adjournment**

APPROVED AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

  
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Gina Hill, City Clerk