

SURFSIDE BEACH TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES September 23, 2014 6:30 p.m. TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Douglas F. Samples called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Samples, Mayor Pro Tempore Pellegrino and Council members Childs, Johnson, Mabry, Magliette and Stevens were in attendance. A quorum was present. Others present: Town Administrator Fellner; Town Clerk Herrmann; Finance Director King; Retiring Fire Chief Cimini; Incoming Fire Chief Fox; Public Works Director Adair; Recreation Supervisor Ellis.

2. <u>INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u>

- A. Invocation. Pastor Oakie Landers of Pine Drive Gospel Church gave the invocation.
 - B. Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Samples led the Pledge.

3. AGENDA APPROVAL

Mr. Johnson moved to approve the agenda. Ms. Mabry seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. MINUTES APPROVAL

Mr. Childs moved to approve the minutes of the Parking Committee Workshop on September 8, 2014 meeting as submitted. Ms. Mabry seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Minutes of the September 9, 2014 Regular Meeting were deferred for corrections and will be presented for approval on October 14, 2014.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Agenda Items Only (3-minutes per speaker)

Mr. Harry Kohlmann, South Ocean Boulevard spoke about the fireworks ordinance. Proposes to outlaw the lighting of fireworks on the beach by citizens on July 4th.

Ms. Ann Wescott, North Cedar Drive commented on Article B under Business regarding EPA regulations, indicating how difficult changes will be for people who do not have the means and asked the Council to give it some thought.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Department Reports.

- I. Finance. Ms. King presented the written report, a copy of which is on file, for the month of August.
 - General Fund revenue exceeds expenditures year-to-date by \$43,000. This is mostly due to the parking revenue exceeding last year by \$30,000.

Regular Town Council Meeting September 23, 2014 52 Local business licences and permit fees exceeded FY 2013 by \$5,000, 26 new 53 business licenses, 10 renewals, 8 new contractors, 5 new local businesses. Salaries and benefits exceeded FY 2013 by \$90,000, due to moving all the 54 55 salaries from the other funds into general fund. 56 Operating expenditures for general fund appear reasonable, although \$43,000 57 more than FY 2013, due to the things that we have moved and the timing to 58 keep things in the correct order. 59 Capital projects fund expenditures are \$17,000 for storm water projects. 60 Special revenue funds, accommodation funds expenditures are \$72,000 for 61 beach events and beach patrol. Summer revenue will not be available from the 62 State until October. 63 Local hospitality exceeds FY 2013 by \$8,000 for just July and August. 64 Local accommodation taxes \$42,000, just slightly more than FY 2013. 65 Pier fund revenue is \$163,000, an increase of \$30,000. \$13,000 of that is from 66 admissions and \$15,000 is from parking. 67 Sanitation fund revenue \$331,000, an increase of \$51,000, but most of that 68 would be due to the sale of the truck for \$54,000. The sanitation fees are down 69 slightly for this month from FY 2013. 70 Lanier parking and citation revenue collected year-to-date for July and August 71 totals \$166,000. An increase of \$43,000 from FY 2013 July and August 72 collections totaled \$122,000. Revenue for the season, January through August 73 is \$320,000, an increase of \$104,000 from FY 2013 revenue of \$216,000. 74 Horry County has told us that our tax millage of 46.22 is not allowed. It has to 75 be 46.2. They do not go out to the hundredth and the difference is under 76 \$1500. So the tax bills will say 46.2 mills. 77 78 Mr. Stevens asked if the parking revenues were generated primarily from the 79 80 information. Mr. Stevens asked if it was correct that the parking revenue for the Boulevard and Sea 81

lots, and not the boulevard. Ms. King does not have it broken out that way and is unable to furnish that Side Drive had actually decreased from 8 percent to 5.9 percent. Ms. King was unable to verify at this time but will look into it.

Ms. Mabry asked if we are going to have to change some ordinances that has the millage at a different rate than what we're actually going to be paying. Ms. King responded that she does not believe we would have to do that as it is just a scriveners error. Just need to round down. The calculation for the millage from the bank lets you go out that many places, but the state law does not.

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Public Works. Mr. Adair presented the written report, a copy of which is on file for the month of August.

- Sanitation division, commercial service, our routes continue to be updated based on business needs. Sunday dumpster service ended on September 7th, Two accounts required extra pickup due to overflow. 21 accounts have reduced the number of weekly service days. 3 accounts closed for the season and 1 discontinued service.
- Supervisor explained commercial collection services to 7 new businesses; NHC HomeCare; Inspired People LLC, World Finance Company of SC, LLC; Floyd's Home Improvement; Ocean Breeze Cleaning and Linen; Lapels Dry Cleaning; and Middle Child Photography.

on recycling, we received \$321.60 from Alan's Scrap Metal for materials collected for month of August. Household Hazardous Waste/E Waste Drop Off event will be held this weekend, Friday September 26th to Sunday September 28th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the public works yard on Sandy Lane. The summer roll out service at the beach three times a week ended on Sunday September 7th. The one time a week winter roll out service began on the September 10th through May 6th, 2015. Streets and drainage, beach swash outlets continue to be dug out to insure proper water flow. The beach is being raked twice a week. Beach trash and recycling cans are being checked and service at least twice a week and on weekends through the end of September. Pot hole repair throughout town. Crews from PSI Incorporated have begun work on upper Myrtle and Magnolia drainage improvement plan. Work will continue through December 15th. Ditch cleaning and maintenance is being performed throughout town. A new street light was installed at 3th Avenue South at the intersection of Floral Drive, opposite the entrance to the theater because not all the theater lights are on at night and it posed a danger. Mosquito spraying continues twice a week town wide weather permitting. 3 reports were sent to Santee Cooper identifying street lights that were not working. Repairs were made to dugouts, fencing, batting cages and other equipment at Huckabee Complex in preparation for the fall season. Clean up, mowing and mulching are being done at all town properties as well and also doing a lot of the sprucing up on Surfside Drive in preparation for now the Family Festival. Fleet maintenance from August 21th to September 17, mechanic completed 115 repairs on town vehicles and equipment; 37 had preventative maintenance performed. Patched the roof at the concession stand at Huckabee Complex. Patched the roof at the concession stand at Huckabee Complex. Patched the roof at the concession stand at Huckabee Complex. Patched the roof at one of the tender of these meetin
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- Family Festival is completely full. Entertainment will be provided by Josh Brannon Band and Mark Roberts Band. Demonstrations on stage of many dance schools, hula show, mad science show and karate world. The police department will have the dunking booth with proceeds going to the American Red Cross. There will be a 50th Anniversary Tent that will have some of the historical displays from the library on site and we will also be selling Town and 50th Anniversary merchandise.
 - Youth Association update. Final team numbers are two teams age 4; three teams age 5 & 6; three teams age 7 & 8; two teams age 10 and under softball; two 10 and under baseball; two 12 and under softball; two 12 and under baseball; and three 15 and under baseball. Games are set to start weather permitting September 29th.
 - Upcoming events: Family Festival; Thanks for the Memory, which is our last 50th Anniversary will be October 10 & 11. Friday night a drive-in movie at Youpan parking lot. Saturday will be a car show, music, barbecue and all you can eat oysters. Pre-sale tickets for the oysters, all you can eat \$30. It will be \$40 the day of the event.
 - Farmers Market's continuing through the end of October and the Nathan Black 5K Race is October 25th at 8:00 at the Pier.

B. Department Reports

I. Fire Department.

Mayor Samples asked Chief Cimini to address the Council.

Chief Cimini: Well this is the last time in front of you and just want to say it's been a real pleasure. But I have a very able bodied person that's going to replace me. Before we do that, I would like to remind the audience that October 11th is our fire prevention, also from 10 to 3, and you know, when they get done eating oysters, they can come by the firehouse and have hot dogs. I'm sure our new Chief will make sure everything goes off fine.

I've prepared a document and I would at this time ask the Clerk to read it for

me.

"Mayor and Council, Town Administrator Fellner, Chief Keziah, Town Staff
Members and the Officers and Members of the Surfside Beach Fire Department:

After 52 plus years in the fire service, I believe that what I know and what I do not know has life and death consequences for others. Therefore my fire service calling has demanded my highest level of professionalism, knowledge and confidence over the years. For the past 52 years serving as a firefighter has been rewarding as well as demanding on my family and me. As you get older, you realize when it's time to let the younger, more educated firefighters move up, as did the Chief that mentored me.

As firefighters we honor the past because many people and events have shown us how important our job is. We celebrate the precious present because we have accomplished much and tomorrow brings new challenges, and we believe in the future because that is where we will spend the rest of our lives. Our proudest moment is when we educate the public that fire prevention, smoke alarms and fire sprinklers will save more lives and property from fire than we ever will. Our supreme success is possible when there is no injury or death or loss from fire.

With that said, I want to let everyone know how great my crews of volunteer and career firefighters are. They have been the best group I have ever had the privilege to work with. They will be really missed. They made all of our achievements possible and I want them to know just how

much I respect them and how much I appreciated their hard work in moving the department forward over the last 23 months.

It has been a pleasure serving the residents and Mayor and Council. Chief Keziah is a police chief that the Town of Surfside Beach can be proud of and has been a good friend. It has been a real honor working with you and your fantastic group of police officers. I have to thank Mayor and Council for allowing me the opportunity to work for a great town administrator who I will truly miss for her guidance and friendship. Finally yet importantly I want to thank my wife for supporting me during me tenure here in Surfside Beach. It would not have been possible without her. I want to thank God for letting me be a firefighter. Fair well to you all."

Chief Cimini: "With that said, I'd like to introduce our new Fire Chief who I think will do a fabulous job and do a little bit better than me because he's young and he's got a lot of talent. And I'd like this time I'd like to ask Chief Tony Fox to come up please."

Chief Anthony B. Fox is sworn in as the new Fire Chief of Surfside Beach.

Mayor invites Chief Fox to speak to Council:

Chief Fox: "Ladies and Gentlemen of Council, Mr. Mayor, Ms. Fellner. Thank you very much. Please do not let my acceptance of the reading of the oath to prejudice you in my future endeavors here in the town. I will do everything in my power. Fire service is my heart professionally. My wife and my children and my family are my support, and without them I would not be standing in front of you today. I am honored and privileged to serve with a group of firefighters behind me. And I look forward to every day of my career here and thank you very much for your time."

C. Administrator's Report.

I. Update of current events.

Ms. Fellner would like to remind the public that there is a CRS workshop on September 24th at 5:00. The new CRS ordinance will be presented and questioned will be fielded by the CRS Committee.

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Transmittal Letter is now complete and the audit is set to wrap up in the two or three weeks. Big thank you for the finance department staff for diligently following up with the auditors to move this project forward in time to have the numbers for the visioning meeting.

Also wanted to report back to Council that the second round of letters to the vacant lot owners is being held up until we can get the reassessment numbers from the county. These should be available later this week and the letters will go out this week.

ii. Questions from public comments at the prior meeting

A resident asked if we can bring Mr. Britain to Surfside Beach for a Planning and Zoning Board Training. The Town requests onsite training from the Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments every year. The training for this year has been scheduled for October 21 at 5:30 p.m. in Council chambers.

A resident asked for an update on the town surveillance cameras including the pros and cons. The Wirefire system is a wireless system that provides us the ability to deploy fixed and handheld zoom cameras in town. The cameras relay their feed to a central relay point which then sends those gathered feeds to the police department for recording. The system is viewable in the police department and is passively monitored by existing on duty communications staff.

The cameras give the police the ability to record and often see crimes as they happen. They

estimate that in the ten months since the cameras were deployed, that they have had more than 10 instances in which serious crimes such as assaults, thefts and property damage were recorded. The cameras have also been used for countless other situations such as trespassing, lost children, vehicles on the beach, etcetera. Having wireless cameras in locations like beach accesses, parking lots and the pier also help address liability concerns in the event of accidents, such as slip and fall cases on town owned property.

The police department believes the wireless camera program has been a success and that the program goals have been exceeded. They have not experienced any negative issues to date and have identified more than five other locations, mostly beach accesses, where they would recommend future deployments. They anticipate requesting additional funding for this in the next budget year.

A resident was concerned that quote/unquote, the man cave on Ocean Boulevard would represent a hazard in time of high winds and wanted to know if the structure met code. The property owner was cited prior to that meeting for these violations, but avoided court by complying with the code prior to the hearing. The roof and the walls of the structured were removed prior to September 15th and the deck was removed prior to September 17th.

A resident wanted a determination if we were going to set new CRS standards before we get the FEMA recommendations. Staff is actively working to try to lower the town's CRS class. The town is currently a Class 9. The objective that the higher standards being proposed in the flood prevention ordinance is to receive credit for regulations that protect existing and future development and natural flood plan functions that exceed the minimum criteria of the National Flood Insurance Program, or the NFIP. The changes are being recommended by the FEMA CRS Committee based on the FEMA NFIP 2013 Coordinators Manual. Council will have the opportunity during the September 24th workshop to ask questions and propose any changes to the ordinance as they see fit.

A resident was concerned that he received the meeting cancellation notice 45 minutes after the meeting was suppose to begin. Concerning email notification. When time is of the essence, we are in the process of creating a manual distribution list which will enable us to bypass the PHP server and send out all notifications in a timely fashion. This should be completed within the next two weeks and will serve to resolve this issue once and for all.

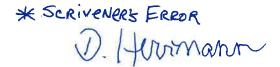
iii. Consensus Items

The county wide task force to promote communication between the coastal municipalities and insure a safe Memorial Day Weekend event will be holding their first meeting on October 14th. Want to remind Council that our agency representative on that task force is Chief Keziah.

Met with staffing last week to discuss bike week logistics and I would like to bring the financial part of this back to Council at the next meeting, so that I have sufficient time to notify the department of revenue in accordance with proviso 106.12.

Although it is not a housekeeping item, I would like to put this on the next agenda under business and not discussion. Mr. Mayor, may I please have a consensus?

Mayor: The legislator and governor have determined that A-tax monies, a certain portion, are going to be available for next May's special events on the Grand Strand, and so



Ms. Fellner is bringing forward a recommendation. There has been a conference involving cities from around the country that were brought in to help law enforcement and the leaders of the Grand Strand in developing a plan. So is there a general consensus for her to bring that back? All voted in favor.

The Sons of Italy have requested a letter of acknowledgment from Council, signed by

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7. BUSINESS

306 the Mayor, to be read at the Fall Festival, acknowledging them as the only official Sons of Italy 307 Chapter meeting within the township. The recent history is that in 2010 they split off from the Myrtle 308 Beach Lodge which currently meets in Socastee, and they formed a new lodge officially called Grand 309 Strand Lodge #2868. Since that time they have met in Surfside Beach and for the last two years have 310 held meetings at the Civic Center the third Sunday of every month. They have also participated 311 annually in the Family Festival and have a desire on an ongoing basis to make donations from 312 proceeds to fund specific town related items. For example they are currently proposing to donate 313 \$450 to the Surfside Beach Police Department to fund 50 percent of the cost for a new taser to be 314 given to an office of Italian descent. Their requests are, and there are three so I would need 315 consensus on each. That they receive a proclamation or letter of acknowledgment; that it be read on 316 stage at the Family Festival and that they be allowed to place a small sign within the town complex

which says Sons of Italy and when they have meetings. Much like the Lion's Club sign. Mr. Childs explained that they had one group and they split off. This particular group is the Sons of Italy of Surfside Beach as opposed to Sons of Italy of Myrtle Beach area.

Ms. Fellner explained that they are technically Horry County, but the reason she put the wording in as the only official Sons of Italy Chapter meeting within the township, because the other chapter meets in Socastee, which is in Myrtle Beach.

Mayor Samples has knowledge of this matter and has a concern that if we single one organization out, are we like picking a winner. Recommends a proclamation that recognizes the generic Sons of Italy.

Ms. Fellner explained that the Sons of Italy asked for one specifically for their lodge.

Mr. Johnson commented that it sounds like it's going down a slippery slope and this is the first time that he had ever heard anything about it. Feels uncomfortable about getting involved in a tug of war between two factions of any organization.

Ms. Mabry would certainly love to have a donation for the town from the Sons of Italy. But we can't start picking and choosing who's going to get a sign somewhere in town. Writing letters, having it read on stage. Feels the situation is uncomfortable.

> Mr. Childs indicated that it was just a letter and had no problem with it. No consensus and no letter of acknowledgment at this time. MOTION DENIED.

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8. DISCUSSION

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A. American Heart Association Annual Fund Raiser

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Holly Badgy and Gina Burroughs. Mission of the American Heart Association is to build healthier lives free of cardiovascular disease and stroke. Three local events are the Heart Ball, the Heart Walk and then the event to discuss tonight is our Annual Beach Ride. The event has been around for 33 years. It was started by Jack Monroe. Always a

successful event. This year is our biggest event ever with over 2000 people coming from out of state 344 345 and over 1500 horses this year as well.

They have worked with the City of Myrtle Beach for a number of years and have always been permitted to leave the Lakewood Campground and travel 10 miles north as part of the

ride and then turn around and travel back. Because of the Myrtle Beach dredging project that's going on, they are asking for permission to ride south this year instead of north, traveling through the City of Surfside Beach.

Mayor Samples indicated there was a lot of information provided on this matter.

Ms. Fellner indicated that there were issues with the cleanup in the prior year and suggested some special arrangements be made with respect to cleanup. Last year was not up to our standards at all.

Mr. Childs relayed that he personally had phone calls on this particular issue the last time. People were really upset and he thought Council had turned this particular issue down a couple times, let all the horses coming through town. It's a good cause but Mr. Childs is totally against it.

Ms. Mabry indicated she use to ride horses. She fully supports this event 100 percent. A lot of the complaints were about horse trailers and leaving the waste and the hay in the parking lots. That's why Council did away with horses on the beach. It is not a filthy, nasty thing.

Mr. Johnson asked about the date. Ms. Badgy indicated the event is November 5th through the 9th with the 20 mile ride culminating on November 8th on the tide schedule, with patrol groups during the event as well. Mr. Johnson indicated that last year they did receive negative comments about debris left on the beach but overall he believes that it generates an extreme amount of goodwill for our community and he supports the event.

Mr. Pellegrino also supports the event. A fundraiser for a very good organization and it may take a little cleanup after, but it's in November and the ride is only one day.

Mr. Magliette supports the event, but agree they need to work with the administrator to minimize any impact to our beaches, something that can easily be done. God Bless you and have a wonderful event.

Someone asked if we have to suspend the ordinance because there is a town ordinance on it, and the Mayor said that in the past the Town Council would adopt a resolution for the one day making an exception.

Mayor Samples commented that this is an instance where the heart says yeah, go ahead approve it, but there are issues in terms of the testing of the water and that sort of thing.

Ms. Badgy responded that they are actually supported by the Department of Agriculture and DHEC who did a report for them indicating that there was no impact on the ocean or the beaches whatsoever from the horses and the Department of Agriculture is actually one of our main sponsors for the event.

Someone asked if they have a little guy that goes behind the horses and scoops it up and Ms. Badgy responded "yes sure do and lots of boy scouts as well."

 Ms. Mabry moved to support the heart fund, a ride on the beach. Mr. Magliette second the motion.

Mr. Child would like to say he does support the American Heart Association. But there's one particular issue that's come up before Council before and if Council reflects, we did turn it down before, but does support the organization.

Mr. Stevens indicated that perhaps they should get a volunteer to walk behind the horses.

Ms. Badgy, we do have a volunteer crew who patrols the each and riders are asked to clean up after their horse leaves debris above the tide line.

Ms. Mabry wanted to say that the riders try very hard to stay as close to the water line because it's a safety issue for the horse. So there will be no damage to the beach.

 Mayor Samples asked about the Myrtle Beach dredging project may take a long time. Ms. Badgy indicated that it is until the end of this year and Myrtle Beach has indicated it should not

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Mayor suggests work with the administrator and public works to make sure it is cleaned up.

Ms. Mabry moved to support the Beach Ride. Mr. Magliette seconded. Mr. Childs voted against. All others voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Ms. Mabry moved to direct staff to bring a resolution to support the Beach Ride. Mr. Johnson seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION: Resolution #14-149, to Support Changes to EPA Proposed CO2 Emissions Rule from Santee Cooper.

Resolution 14-149 concerning the United States Environmental Protection Agency's proposed CO2 existing source rule. Whereas on June 25th, 2013, the President of the United States directed the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to issue standards, regulations or guidelines to address carbon dioxide emissions from new, existing, modified and reconstructive fossil fuel plants.

And whereas on June 2, 2014, the Environment Protection Agency issued a proposed rule seeking to regulate carbon emissions from existing power plants; and whereas Santee Cooper is South Carolina's state owned electric and water utility and the state's largest power producer, supplying electricity that powers more than two million South Carolinians and all 46 counties of the state. Santee Cooper serves retail customers, industrial customers, the state's electric cooperatives and several municipalities.

And whereas several years ago Santee Cooper began planning for strategic reduction of CO2 emissions by taking a measured approach, one that balances environmental stewardship, reliability and costs.

Since 2005, Santee Cooper has reduced its CO2 emissions by 23 percent. Santee Cooper's previous and current initiatives are projected to reduce its CO2 emissions by 44 percent in 2029 and still deliver electricity that is reliable and affordable.

Whereas Santee Cooper and South Carolina Electric and Gas are currently building two of the first new nuclear units in the country; and whereas the proposed EPA rule considers the under construction nuclear units as ready built and in doing so set South Carolina's goal more restrictively than other states; thereby penalizing South Carolina for being proactive in its CO2 reductions and investing early in a non-carbon emitting project.

And whereas this proposed treatment calculated on a state wide business for all utility customers will result in a substantial rate increase for all residential, commercial and industrial customers. Electricity is often one of the largest costs for industry, thereby making any increase in costs a determining factor in operations and expansions.

And whereas Santee Cooper is running it's fossil fuel plants at maximum efficiency and has increased of natural gas generation, in fact Santee Cooper's two largest natural gas fired units ranked number one and number one on EPA's national list of highest operation run time in 2013.

Santee Cooper closed four older coal fired units representing 10 percent of its generation in 2012.

And whereas Santee Cooper was the first utility to generate and deliver electricity from a noble resources in South Carolina and it maintains the largest renewable portfolio today, based on the resources of our state, this portfolio includes landfill gas, bio masks, solar and a small amount of wind. There are differences between South Carolina and other states and the amount and type of renewables available for electricity production. Our state does not have the resources to meet the

renewable requirements of 10 percent by 2030 as proposed in this regulation.

Whereas Santee Cooper has rebates and other incentives for customers to make their homes and businesses energy efficient with an ambitious 2020 target that they are on track to meet.

Now therefore, be it resolved the Town of Surfside Beach urges the EPA developing guidelines for regulation of carbon dioxide emissions from existing power plants to maintain the State of South Carolina's authority as provided by the Clean Air Act.

We further urge the EPA to rely on State regulators with input from stakeholders including Santee Cooper and other utilities to develop performance standards for carbon dioxide emissions that take into account the unique policies, energy needs, resource mix and economic priorities of South Carolina.

Be it further resolved that the Town of Surfside Beach urges the EPA to not treat under construction nuclear as part of the target, but allow it to be used for compliance with the revised target. This approach would give South Carolina full credit for its efforts and consumers would not bear the burden of paying for additional reductions.

Be if further resolved that the Town of Surfside Beach urges the EPA to give fair consideration to the savings Santee Cooper has already received towards reduction of carbon emissions due to proactively launching initiates such as renewable energy, energy efficiency and plant retirements.

In witness whereof we have here and to set our hands and caused the seal of the Town of Surfside Beach to be affixed this day.

Mr. Johnson makes a motion that we approve Resolution 14-149. Mr. Stevens second. Mayor Samples explained that the issue is the manner in which EPA is calculating the targets for South Carolina. The issue is, is that Santee Cooper in 2009 received approval to construct nuclear power plants. And I think everybody is aware that there hadn't been a nuclear power plant built in this country in many, many years, going back to Three Mile Island. Now we understand that that's one means to fight CO2. But the State is being penalized because what EPA is saying is that those plants that are under construction and in 2019 they'll actually come online, and then they're going to have to go through a shake out period that's going to wind up taking years, to get up to full capacity in terms of production. The State's being penalized because the standards that were being measured from are 2012 and they're counting the nuclear power plants as if they were on line. Well that's patently unfair and supports Santee Cooper.

Mr. Stevens support this resolution. The EPA is too big, too powerful, too much big government. We need to get the government off the taxpayers backs and this is one way of supporting Santee Cooper. They are getting penalized for just doing their job and that's a shame and disgrace.

Mayor Samples indicates that that is the purpose for the public comment period, so we are making -- along with other municipalities in the state, comments on behalf of the Santee Cooper.

Mr. Johnson moved to approve. Mr. Stevens seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION: First Reading of Ordinance #14-0785 to Amend Year End Municipal Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Mayor Samples: This is a housekeeping item for the fiscal year which ended this past June 30. Ms. King needs an amendment to the budget to authorize the transfer \$119,000 for beach nourishment from hospitality and goes to capital project funds. For accommodations tax, because we've brought in so much more money from the State this year than we had anticipated, we have to pay the chamber and also pay ourselves. For the pier fund, the meter expenses were more than we anticipated, because we brought in more money, so we had to pay them more money. So that's three different funds and the areas they need to go to.

For hospitality fund, we need \$119,000. For accommodations we only need \$44,500. And for the pier, it's \$15,900 additional expenditures that we need to have approved and have the budget amended for.

Mayor Samples called for a motion. No motion heard. What it is is the hospitality fund, say it again, the expenditures were a result of us moving money into beach nourishment, which we agreed to do as part of the budget. So it's merely recognition of that fact. The accommodations fund, \$44,500 is because we brought in more money than we anticipated collecting. And in turn under State law, we're required to provide 30 percent of what we bring in to the chamber of commerce. In addition there is 5 percent that we get into the general fund. So it comes into A-tax and then it goes out of A-tax under state law. The pier fund, the \$15,900 is because we took in more money for parking and had to pay Lanier for a management fee.

Ms. Mabry moved to approve. Mr. Stevens seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION: First Reading of Ordinance #14-0786 to Amend Section 8-36(a) "Fireworks" to make it unlawful to discharge fireworks within 500 feet of the pier.

Mr. Stevens makes a motion to approve. Second on the floor. Mr. Childs makes a motion to amend to ban all fireworks in the Town of Surfside Beach on the 4th of July except at town sponsored fireworks on the pier. Seconded.

Mr. Childs indicated that this is not the first time that he thought that this was a bad idea of having fireworks. It was the hope that the \$25,000 event would eliminate the fireworks on the beach. It didn't. Didn't pass. We're very fortunate up to date that somebody hasn't gotten seriously hurt. The crowds are right up to the pier and they're stretched from one end of the town to the other. North Carolina had some serious issues with houses burning down from fireworks. Mr. Childs has always been against fireworks the 4th of July and urges Council to give it some serious consideration. Our crowds have more than tripled since we started this somewhere four years ago. I hope this is approved. I think it would be welcomed by the town's residents to ban them, private use on the 4th of July.

Mr. Magliette agrees with Mr. Child and wonders what needful things are we going to do between now and 4th of July of 2015 to educate people that they can't do fireworks and do we have sufficient resources to make sure that people don't discharge them. Are we going to give them warnings or are we going to issue citations and fine them.

It was suggested to use the message signs, a blinking computer light.

Ms. Mabry would like to ask Ms. Fellner if she has discussed it with the Chief and the

police department and Ms. Fellner indicated they she has not as this is the first she's heard of this. It's very difficult to enforce this. We would need a lot more police than we currently have. We should be sure this is enforceable before we put something like this in place. Would like to get the Police Chief on board before even have a recommendation.

Mr. Pellegrino indicated that we had an ordinance that only allows fireworks legally on July 4th right now, and we're not able to enforce it the rest of the summer, so doubt we'll be able to enforce it. Believe we should table this amendment until Ms. Fellner has a chance to talk to Chief Keziah.

Mr. Johnson agrees that we do not have the resources now to enforce fireworks ordinance throughout the year and it doesn't matter how many times you call town hall or the police department, by the time they get there, most of the time people are gone. Believes that 500 foot ban around the pier is a good idea, but not ready to consider a total ban on the 4th of July.

Mr. Stevens wants to have this discussed by the Council so we could hear from everybody and get an idea of what we're looking at. It's hard to enforce this and the fact that we discussed it and are looking at it. Mr. Steven removes his second at this time.

The amendment doesn't have a second. Without a second, there is no amendment to consider.

Mr. Magliette requests the administrator to come back at the next meeting to discuss the details of what the council members said about the enforcement and how one would operate and how one would do an educational campaign so we would have that data before us so we could make a decision on moving forward with it.

Mayor Samples expressed his opinion that he likes fireworks on the 4th of July. It's a very special day. It's a mess, there are hazards, but talk about the big hand of government, this is a small beach town, we're talking about making a major step. It's 1000 feet. We're going to have to figure out how to enforce that on this motion. But to me it's the American way, fireworks on the 4th of July.

Mr. Stevens commented that he hears fireworks going off all summer long. There is no way you can enforce that. And the fact are, we are a tourist town and we need to take care of the tourists and we need to do what's best for the tourists and if they want to shoot of fireworks one day out of the year, it's not too much of a penalty for us as citizens as we get all that hospitality tax, accommodation tax, so he says to keep it like it is.

Mayer Samples addressed Mr. Magliette's point, requesting we collect some information from the Chief on how we're going to enforce this 1000 foot ban.

Mr. Johnson asked where the boundaries of 500 feet on each side of the pier would be approximately. It is indicated one block each way. But Mr. Johnson would request some additional information on the original motion as well. He asked that the second on the original motion for the ordinance be withdrawn so we can get some more information.

586	Ms. Mabry would be glad to withdraw her motion for Mr. Johnson.
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588	The Mayor indicates we'll bring it back.
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597	Mr. Childs makes a motion to adopt. Ms. Mabry Seconded. All voted in favor.
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604	that all meters be permanently removed from Seaside Drive and Ocean Boulevard with the exception
605	of Ocean Boulevard between 16 th and 17 th North (45 parking spaces, curbed and guttered, hard
606	surface). Move that Council formally direct the administrator to contact our state universities and local
607	colleges to see if their landscape students would assist us to develop a comprehensive landscape
608	plan to beautify and help minimize the need for no parking signage on Ocean Boulevard.
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610	Mr. Johnson asked how his Council can vote on something was just given to us tonight
611	and he cannot vote on any of those motions.
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613	Mayor indicated that Mr. Childs did introduce new elements in his motion. What we're
614	talking about is the consensus items.
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616	Mr. Magliette recommended we go down eight items from the parking workshop one at
617	a time and then revisit Mr Childs' motion.
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619	Mr. Pellegrino asked when is it proposed to eliminate all the meters on west side of
620	Ocean Boulevard.
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622	Mr. Childs asked if he should withdraw his motion at this time and will offer it after the
623	discussion of the eight consensus parking workshop items that were reached for Council vote.
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625	Ms. Mabry indicated that perhaps we should wait until the next council meeting if there
626	is going to be a long discussion on how we should present items.
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628	Mr. Stevens indicated it's a fact that the meters on Ocean Boulevard are not drawing in
629	the revenue.
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631	Motion to suspend rules. Seconded. All if favor. MOTION CARRIED.

632 633	Mayor Samples is not in favor of prohibiting parking after the elimination of the meters on Ocean Boulevard and Seaside. Calls for a vote.
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635 636 - 637	Mr. Magliette asks that we focus on the issue and do the needful things and move along.
638 639	Mr. Childs moved to come back in regular order. Seconded. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.
640	The motion on the floor:
641 642 643	Mr. Childs moved that as soon as this year's parking season is completed, that all meters be permanently removed from Seaside Drive and Ocean Boulevard with the exception of Ocean Boulevard between 16 th and 17 th North. He moved that beginning November 1, 2014, parking
644 645 646 647	shall no longer be allowed on Ocean Boulevard with the exception of Ocean Boulevard between 16 th an 17 th north. And finally that Council formally direct the administrator to contact the state universities and local colleges to see if the landscape students could assist in developing a comprehensive landscaping plan to beautify and help minimize the need for no parking signage on Ocean Boulevard.
648 649 650	Mr. Pellegrino wondered how long it's going to take to get the lots set up before removing meters and prohibiting parking.
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652 653	Mr. Childs suggested he withdraw the second part of the motion which eliminates parking on Ocean Boulevard.
654 655 656	Ms. Mabry commented that we don't have enough parking now. Although compromise whenever possible is a good idea. Suggests we go down the issues one at a time.
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658 659	Mr. Childs will withdraw his motion at this point and will offer at the end of the discussion of the eight parking items.
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661 662 663	Mayor Samples indicated there were 2755 passes that were issued to town residents this year for parking. A total of 553 legal parking spaces in the town. We want to have a lot of people come in and use those spaces.
664 665 666	Mr. Stevens moves to remove all east side meters, item number 2 and prohibits parking on the east side. Mr. Childs seconded. MOTION CARRIED.
667 668 669	3. Removal of West Side Meters - Consensus: passed recommendation to remove 24 meters from west side of Ocean Boulevard at the corners of the intersections.
670 671 672	Mr. Child indicated that these are going to be at corners and intersections where line of sight is a problem.
673 674 675	Mr. Stevens moved. Mr. Childs seconded. Open for discussion.
676 677	Mr. Pellegrino moved to amend to remove all the meters on Ocean Boulevard except meters at the 16 th and 17 th Avenue parking lot and maintain parking on Ocean Boulevard until the

678 679	parking lot ne	gotiations are complete.
680 681 682 683	because it ma but it was still	Mayor Samples indicated that the amendment was improper under Robert's Rules a substantial change and overrode the primary motion. The primary is unnecessary, on the floor.
684 685		All in favor of removing all of the meters, including the 24 on the west side.
686		Mr. Johnson seconded. Ms. Mabry voted no. All other voted in favor. MOTION
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689 690	100 passes at	4. <u>Nonresident Parking Passes</u> - Consensus: passed recommendation for a trial of \$100 each for one year to be reassessed after completion of trial period.
691 692		Mr. Childs moved. Mr. Pellegrino seconded.
693		Ms. Mabry wonders if we're going to allow parking on Ocean Boulevard for free, why
694 695	would anyone	pay \$100 for a pass.
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697		Mr. Pellegrino certainly hopes we'll have the lots set up by next summer. That is a key
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700 701	it in the future	Mr. Stevens indicated that this is just a trial basis. If it doesn't work out, we can amend
702 703 704	CARRIED.	Mr. Johnson and Ms. Mabry voted against. All others voted in favor. MOTION
705 706 707	which designa	5. <u>Free Beach Access Areas</u> - Consensus: passed recommendation for Option #2 ates 7 premium beach accesses to be metered.
708 709 710 711		Ms. Mabry indicated we'll have 18 to 20 parking lots that will still allow free golf cart is the best parking in Surfside Beach. If we remove all the meters, fine, but if not, let's the a little bit of money.
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713 714 715 716	indicated they feel like they'r customer serv	Mr. Pellegrino referred to a letter that was received from someone in Pennsylvania who had been coming here for years says they're never going to come back because they re getting nickle and dimed for parking. People will go somewhere else. It is pure vice.
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718 719 720 721	We're just cre parking lots.	Mr. Stevens was concerned that the meters are ugly and how much uglier it will get. eating another problem. Get them out of the nice, pristine places, keep them in the paved
722 723	very ualv. Eve	Ms. Mabry said why don't we just take up all the meters. We've established they're erybody can park for free and we can get that \$300,000 from the citizens that live here,

724 725	because that's what goes into the general fund. So if you want to as citizens put that \$300,000 into
725	the general fund, fine, we'll just pull them all up.
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727	Mr. Childs agrees with Ms. Mabry.
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729	Mr. Childs moved. Ms. Mabry seconded.
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731	Mr. Pellegrino doesn't think anyone has mentioned to take up the kiosk at the pier lot
732	and the Yaupon lot, so that's where the majority of that parking money comes from and no one has
733	mentioned pulling those up. We're pulling the ones up that are esthetically unpleasing and cause
734	customer complaints.
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736	Mayor commented as the no parking is going to do.
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738	Mr. Johnson doesn't like parking meters, but could compromise at the beach accesse
739	with the golf carts which come from across the way for miles. He supports this action.
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741	Mayor Samples does not support the action, but if it passes, please let's have it clearly
742	signed so that we are minimizing the waste of time that goes on in town hall over these parking
743	meters. He does not believe that members actually appreciate the waste of time of paid staff in
744	chasing complaints. It makes no sense to him to select certain golf cart parking areas and charge for
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7 49 750	6. No Parking Signs - Consensus: passed recommendation for signs on Dogwoo
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752	extending from Ocean Boulevard to Hollywood.
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753	Mr. Childs moved. Mr. Stevens seconded.
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755	Mr. Johnson does not believe it's our place to ask the state to put no parking signs on
756	Melody from Ocean Boulevard to Hollywood. Does not believe we should have no parking between
757	6 th and 7 th on Dogwood south.
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759	Mr. Stevens is indicating that we're just asking. Whether the state will do it or not is a
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762	Mayor Samples wanted to point out that people will just go back and park into the
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765	Mayor Samples, Mr. Johnson and Ms. Mabry against. All others in favor. MOTION
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768	7. <u>Guy Daniels Event</u> - Consensus: passed recommendation to issue parking
769	permits for free parking at meters for participants only and all other parking rules remain in the effect

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790	the need for no	parking signage on Ocean Boulevard.
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792		Mr. Stevens indicated that Mr. Childs has included Seaside Drive on this and in
793		from Clemson as part of the motion to beautify the boulevard. Best for tourism and
794	citizens alike.	
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796		Ms. Mabry asked approximately how many meters are we having removed from
797	Seaside, both s	sides of the Boulevard.
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799	A	Answer: 19 spaces on Seaside Drive. Ocean Boulevard is 130.
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801		Ms. Mabry stated that the money that those 149 meters made, the Surfside Beach
802	residents are no	ow going to be picking up the \$300,000 that the meters produced.
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804	P	Ms. Stevens did the math, 8 percent last year, 5.9 percent this year. It's a good move
805	to remove them	n, it's good for business and tourism.
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807	ľ	Mayor Samples clarified that this is only removal of meters, does not prohibit parking
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810	7	Mr. Pellegrino clarified that these 149 meters only made \$17,000, so it's not a huge
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813	7	Ms. Mabry said we hope to get the lots, but there are no guarantees at this point.
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815	7	Mr. Childs' moved again; Mr. Stevens seconded. Mayor Samples and Ms. Mabry

voted against. MOTION CARRIED.

Ms. Fellner wanted to bring something up because when the Council voted on removing all the parking meters on Ocean Boulevard, but to allow parking. That would mean that we would still have the problem going out to the corners of the intersections, because the motion became a different one that was voted on. So is it the intention of Council that we would come back maybe another 15 feet or something from each intersection? Because we're going to have to sign this very clearly to let people know, here's where you can park and here's where you can't park. The law says now 30 feet from the intersection. Number 3 says and there was a complete discussion about it at the workshop, was the reason those meters were being removed was because they were being removed at the corners of the intersections for safety reasons. So there was a consensus at that time, so asking what the intention of Council is.

Mayor Samples responded is that no one is parking on Ocean Boulevard, it's not generating any revenue, so we don't really need to worry. That's what the Mayor heard from some members. Now we're worried that 30 feet isn't enough line of sight.

Ms. Fellner responded that it's metered now. If it's free, that's where they're going to want to park.

Mayor Samples indicated we have an ordinance in place for 30 feet and that applies town wide. If 30 feet isn't enough on Ocean Boulevard, then is it enough anywhere.

Ms. Fellner is bringing this to the Council's attention because a consensus was reached on this. If you want it in there, fine. If you don't want it in there --

Mr. Pellegrino commented that the parking committee brought this up as a safety issue, line of sight issue and the state law is 30 feet, but the parking committee recommended another 15 on top of that.

F. Committee Appointment for Senior Citizens Committee of Ms. Wanda Spannuth.

Mr. Stevens moved to appoint Ms. Spannuth. Seconded. All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

8. DISCUSSION

 A. Department of Landscape Architecture, Clemson University to help with Ocean Boulevard design.

Mr. Childs has said that Clemson University has agreed to come to town and do an overlay on Ocean Boulevard and give us working drawings that Councils in the future will be able to work on. They're very excited about the project. We have also had a generous offer to provide housing for a short time for the students who work on this project.

Mr. Stevens supports this proposition.

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B. Any matters of concern or information to be discussed by Town Council.

Mr. Magliette had sent everyone on a note that the business committee held their meeting on September 15th regarding the American Red Cross. This might need a consensus. The committee has proposed to hold the Taste of Surfside Beach, American Red Cross fundraising event to both support the American Red Cross and Buy Local Campaign to support restaurants and businesses within the Town of Surfside Beach. A formal proposal will be presented to Council in the near future. Mayor and Council, please review and let me know if the following action items are acceptable so the business committee can move forward and make this happen.

Time to plan to have the Taste of Surfside Beach in the parking lot of Legends in Concert on Saturday March 20, 2015 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. with a rain date of March 21, 2015. Is it possible to have Debbie Ellis help the business committee coordinate plan this event. Is it possible to request accommodation tax revenue to support and advertise this event as in seed money. The hope is that this event will grow and become an annual event to support local businesses as through the Buy Local campaign and the American Red Cross. If anyone is interested in coming to the next meeting is October 1st 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in Council chambers.

So Mr. Magliette would ask if it's possible as far as the consensus goes is to hold those two dates for the Taste of Surfside which would be March 14th and Saturday March 21st from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The first step is just to have the dates committed. Location can be changed, anything else can be changed.

There is a consensus, that the dates are good and Debbie Ellis' will help the business committee.

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS – General Comments. (5-minutes per speaker)

Mr. Harry Kohlmann, South Ocean Boulevard, said a lot of time and effort put into the parking committee. Believes the revenue numbers are off and believes tourists should pay for parking. Also believes there's plenty of parking available.

Ms. Wanda Burgess, 15th Avenue South, proposes having the beach patrol carry around a painters tape. If there is a tent set up with no one using it, put a little piece of tape on it, write down the time. If they come back an hour later and there is still no one using the tent, confiscate that tent. Stop letting people stake their claim on the beach without using it so that it disallows anybody else from using it.

Mr. Alan Beck, 10th Avenue North, wanted to thank the Council for being cautious on their decision regarding the proposal from Sons of Italy.

Mr. Buck Ricks, 4th Avenue South commented that he thought consensus meant everyone agreed, but that is not the case this evening. Parking meters, from historical perspective. having property on Ocean Boulevard for 59 years now, has mixed feelings on the meters but if you take the meters up, people are going to move to other meters. You do not want to see a minivan blocking the view of the people renting the little houses. Also on the Santee Cooper matter, we were the first entity in the state to recapture the methane gas from the landfills. Also at Coastal Carolina University, the first to have a grid tied up to solar panels, so they could get payback, and you can

actually go to a website for more information on this. I agree with trying to reduce greenhouse emissions, he would pray that we would move cautiously towards nuclear energy.

Mr. Timothy Courtney, South Poplar Drive, said that he was a little surprised about the failure of the meters and please do not ask for a tax increase.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

Mr. Magliette said that first he wanted to thank the fire department, the EMS for coming to our house and helping a family member. We love this town because of the dedicated professionals and we are grateful and thankful.

Mr. Magliette wrote a letter to all the residents of Surfside Beach who were so generous in their help of South Strand Helping Hand with the canned goods and the clothing and the school supplies and the backpacks. The thank you letter: Dear Town of Surfside Beach. South Strand Helping Hand wishes to acknowledge your kindness and your most generous gift of food from the August Food Drive. As a result of your actions, you have demonstrated that you are justified not only by your faith, but also by your deeds. We are blessed to have your support to help those in need within our community. Together we can respond to Christ command to love one another. Again, thank you very much for coming and God Bless you all.

Ms. Mabry said that the workshop was a great success. The Council may all have different opinions, but we work together well even with our difference of opinions.

Mr. Pellegrino said thanks for coming and thanks for the comments. The parking workshop was good. Consensus means four out of the seven agree. As far as taxes, I voted no on the tax increase and I'll vote no again if it comes up again. There are two sides to business. Yes we need to increase revenues and there's a lot of other ways to increase revenues in Surfside than parking. You also have the expense side. We were within \$18,000 of a truly balanced budget before we implemented the tax increase. So basically that's over \$300,000, and then decided to invest in storm water and some other big ticket items. But that same extra \$300,000 minus some inflation is going to be there next year, so we need to be very wise in our budgeting process. If we don't straighten out this lot issue, it's going to drive people away from the pay lots. There are many ways to avoid a tax increase.

Mr. Stevens said he's been on the Council for two years and have voted no for tax increases and will do it again. Not necessary to make a tax increase. A lot of people get the stickers because they can, but they do not use them.

Commented on the tents problem. Still needs some answers to this problem.

 Taking meters off of Ocean Boulevard because nobody likes them and it's been proven they are avoided by most people who will just park on the side streets for free. Glad the meters are gone.

Mr. Johnson said thanks Debbie Ellis for filling in. Parking is always a red hot button issue. Appreciate everything that the parking committee did and applaud their efforts. This Council needs to take a look if the parking committee is going to be still useful in the future.

Mr. Childs said that the meters were one step to try to drive people into the parking lots

and should Ms. Fellner be successful in getting more lots, we'll more than make up any revenue that would be lost. It's just one step to try to keep that revenue stream going and aesthetically pleasing parking in this town.

Mayor Samples said it's really our job to balance the environmental needs, the economic needs, but first and foremost we can never forget the community. We are a small town, we are fighting a losing battle ultimately. God allows us to live so long and there's no doubt that the town won't be able to pay its own way. Because things get more expensive and because some day somebody will say, the highest best use of the land, that's what they say in planning. It's not to have these residential dwellings, it's to turn it over to business. Obviously business is important, obviously we are a tourist town, tourist community. If it weren't for tourism, not much would be going on. And so long as the citizens in this town are willing to pay, it's the citizens who elected us.

Ms. Mabry moved to enter executive session. Mr. Stevens seconded. All voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor said we're going in for personnel matters. Motion made and seconded. All in favor. **MOTION CARRIED.**

12. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Magliette moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 p.m. Ms. Mabry seconded. All voted in favor. **MOTION CARRIED**.

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 Due to the complexity of Business Item 7E Parking Workshop Items for Council Vote, this discussion is presented verbatim and Town Council is respectfully requested to include in the official minutes.

7.E. Parking Workshop Items for Council Vote, Administrator Fellner.

Ms. Fellner: Mr. Mayor the next item is because council had a workshop regarding the parking issue and no action is taken in workshops we are here to go over and call for a public vote so I can go through and prepare whichever ordinances need to be changed and whatever else needs to happen with regard to our town ordinance. So I'd like to go through these one by one and again call for a vote. The first eight that you see were all consensus items from the workshop. Mayor Samples: Hold on for a minute. I wanna find [the paper]. Thank you. Everybody got it? I got mine. Okay, thank you. So you wanna go through this one at time? Ms. Fellner: Right. Mayor Samples: Each item will require a motion, a second. We'll have discussion and a vote.

1. Stickers for Nonresidential Property Owners.

Ms. Fellner: The first is stickers for non-residential property owners and this recommendation passed. It was for two free stickers per non-residential property owners. Currently, they only get one.

Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: I'd like to make a motion to adopt number one Stickers for Non-residential Property Owners. Ms. Mabry: Second. Mayor Samples: There is a motion, there's a second for stickers for non-residential property owners. Am I correct? The recommendation is for two free stickers

Mr. Childs: Two to residential owners that come down here and do not rent. The reasoning they gave is right now they are entitled to one sticker. If they come down here, they might, you know, what if I put it on my golf cart, do I put it on my car? And the committee thought it was a good idea to let them have the two stickers and I think council would agree these are the property owners, in the residential area

Mayor Samples: Am I also correct that the consensus was to sell an unlimited number of stickers at \$40.00 per sticker? Ms. Fellner: We're not there yet, Mister Mayor. Mayor Samples: Oh, we're not, okay. Ms. Fellner: That's the entire number one. Mayor Samples: Alright, any further discussion?

Mr. Johnson: For clarification, who seconded? Ms. Mabry: I did. Mayor Samples: Alright, all in favor, say aye. [All voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.] Mayor Samples: Opposed? Hearing none. That's the first item.

2. Removal of East Side Meters.

Ms. Fellner: Okay, the second item is removal of east side meters. There was a consensus for this. The recommendation passed to remove all east side meters which totals 41. Mr. Childs: Mister Mayor. Mayor Samples: For clarification, clarification that removal also includes a prohibition? Ms. Fellner: Yes, sir. Mayor Samples: We need to be transparent. So, we're talking about removing the meters and prohibiting parking. Ok, Mr. Childs.

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor, I have a motion. Mayor Samples: Ok. Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor this motion is in three parts. So council could debate any one of the three without hopefully destroying the main motion. I make a motion that as soon as this year's parking season is completed that all meters be permanently removed from Seaside Drive and Ocean Boulevard with the exception of Ocean Boulevard between 16th and 17th North. Number 2, I further move that beginning Novemer1, 2014, parking shall no longer be allowed on Ocean Boulevard with the exception of Ocean Boulevard between 16th & 17th North. And lastly, Mr. Mayor, I move that council formally direct the Administrator to contact our state universities

and local colleges to see if their landscape students would assist us to develop a comprehensive landscape plan to beautify and help minimize the need for "Nor Parking" signage on Ocean Boulevard. Mr. Stevens: I second that, Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Alright, there is a motion that has been properly seconded. Any discussion?

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: The reason for the, on the end of it, it says between 16th & 17th North. That is 45 parking places there. It's all curbed and guttered. It's hard surface and cars park on it. There's never been a complaint. Although nobody uses it. It's worked out very well and for that reason I exempted between 16th and 17th North. Mayor Samples: Any further discussion?

Mr. Johnson: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Johnson. Mr. Johnson: How can this council vote on something that is just given to us tonight? Come on, that's ludicrous. And I apologize in advance but it is disrespectful for any councilmember to expect a fellow councilmember to vote on something that they did not have any information about. Mayor Samples: Well, your point is well taken in that Mr. Childs, you did introduce some new elements in the motion. Mr. Childs: Yes, sir. Mayor Samples: I mean what we're talking about is the consensus items. Mr. Johnson: And, Mr. Mayor, and I cannot vote on any of those motions.

Mayor Samples: Would, would you...Mr. Magliette. Mr. Magliette: Mr. Mayor, what I would recommend is that we go down the items. There are 8 items. We had a parking workshop. We had the people from the parking committee give the pros and cons. We spent a lot of time doing this. I think if we are really talking about transparency we should go down every item, vote it up or down, when we're done with that then go back to Mr. Childs' motion. But I think we are short circuiting the process. I would like to go down 1 through 8 and then once we're done with that we could revisit with Council Childs at length. Mayor Samples: Thank you. I agree with you. I agree with Mr. Johnson's concerns. Mr. Pellegrino.

Mr. Pellegrino: I just have one question. I agree with Mr. Childs, get rid of all the meters on Ocean Boulevard in Surfside. I'll vote for that tonight. That's fine but I do have question. You said parking on the west side of Ocean Boulevard be eliminated by when? Mr. Childs: Well, if my motion was adopted that wouldn't matter because they would all be gone anyway.

Mayor Samples: Yea, hold on, hold on here, hold on here ok and I apologize because I missed that. I missed that. If you're talking about the west side to be honest, Bob, in my opinion you're out of order. That was not the agreement. The agreement that we had was to come back and discuss what we had talked about in workshop and the consensus items that we reached. Mr. Childs: So my motion would not be in order. Mayor Samples: Well, you got a second. I mean this is a parliamentary procedure but you know I do think, I do think that it was a un..., how shall I suggest that it would have been nice to know in advance since you're reading it. Mr. Childs: How about if I withdrew it and offered it at the end? Number 8 being the last one of consensus. Would that be? Mayor Samples: I'm sorry can you speak louder? Mr. Childs: Would you like me to offer it at the end as opposed to now? Mayor Samples: Well, I think, I thought what we were gonna do is go through the parking workshop items for council vote. Ok, And we, up to this point what we have is kind of a potpourri a mixed bag and there are as was presented to council as part of its package a clear list of eight items where we did reach consensus so I would suggest that we do as Mr. Magliette suggested and we follow kinda the rules of treating each of us with respect in terms of the motions that need to be made.

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: I meant no disrespect to anybody on council. It was just a motion that I felt that I wanted to offer and if you would like me to withdraw and offer it down at the end of number 8 at the consensus of council I could do that. Mayor Samples: Well, all I'm suggesting is we started with number one which was stickers, right? We dealt with stickers, right? And all of a sudden number 2 became something different. Mr. Childs: Well, that was the only reason I had offered it at that point because that became part of it. Mayor Samples: So, would you like to restate your motion for number 2, since you are the liaison to the committee? Mr. Childs: The way

it's written here or my motion? You wanna go to number 2 as it's on the list here removing west side meters? Mayor Samples: Well, that's what was part of the package that went out to all councilmembers. Mr. Childs: Right.

Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Childs, I think if you'd break it up; we're talking, number 2 is about east side meters and breaking, you're concerned about east side meters. Number 3 is about west side meters and interject your concern about west side meters then and so on. Seaside wasn't on it although I agree with you on that also but the, if you put it all in one big block I think that's, that's the part that people... Mayor Samples: ...that there's some objection to.

 Ms. Mabry: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Ms. Mabry. Ms. Mabry: It's becoming more and more evident that we're really not ready for prime time. If this is gonna spend here an hour going back and forth the way we should present things perhaps we should wait until the next council meeting. Mayor Sample: Well, you know, maybe ...

 Mr. Stevens: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Stevens. Thank you Ms. Mabry. Mr. Stevens: I don't think it's any use to postpone something that several members on this council ran on to be elected. It's a fact the meters on Ocean Boulevard are not drawing in the revenue. They draw in 8-percent last year. They dropped down to 5.9-percent this year. I know that for a fact because I did the figuring myself. Mayor Samples: We need a motion to suspend the rules.

Mr. Johnson: Point of order. I make a motion that we suspend the rules. Mayor Samples: There is a motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Pellegrino: Second. Mayor: There is a second. All in favor, say aye. [All voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.] Do we want to go through the entire workshop again or?

Mr. Stevens: I don't mind going down one by one but... Mayor Sample: Thank you. Mr. Stevens:like I said I see no problem with Mr. Childs' motion. The meters have caused nothing but problems. They don't produce revenue. They are an eyesore. And people don't like them. Realtors don't like 'em. They kill real estate sales. It's time for 'em to go. That's my opinion.

Mayor Samples: Alright, and we are gonna go one by one. I just think if, if I could Mr. Johnson, if I could just make a comment. I think that there is general, if not unanimous, agreement to eliminate the meters. I don't think that's where the sticking point is. I think the sticking point is that when you eliminate the meters on Ocean Boulevard and/or Seaside, do you prohibit parking? That is my hang up with the recommendations that came out of the committee. I'm not in favor of eliminating parking but many are and so I just want, I would like, for transparency's sake to have a vote that can't be refuted later on the issues. That's all. So if we could get a motion that when you eliminate the meters if you also desire to prohibit parking, so state it for the record. Stand up. Mr. Childs: That was the second part of the motion. I can read that second part if you'd like me to.

Mr. Magliette: Mr. Mayor, may I ask a question? I'm confused. Mayor Samples: That's alright. Mr. Magliette, we have, we are under suspended rules. Mr. Magliette: I thought we had, may I speak? Mayor Samples: Yes, sir. Mr. Magliette: I thought we had decided that we were going to go through these one at a time and if someone had an amendment to the items that was going to be the time to do it. Ms. Herrmann: Mr. Magliette, microphone please. Mr. Magliette: I would like to get through this tonight. I don't think we need to wait. Some of these we're going to agree on, some we're not. But let's be focused on what we're doing and let's treat everyone with dignity and respect. Have a little bit of loving kindness and do the needful things and let's just move along, please. Mayor Samples: Thank you for your comment. I agree with that. Can we... Mr. Stevens: I make a motion that we come back into regular session. Mayor Samples: There's a motion to come back into regular order. Mr. Johnson: Second. Mayor: Second, Mr. Childs. All in favor say aye. [All voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.] We're back in regular session. Can I get a motion? Ms. Herrmann: There's a motion on the floor, Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: The motion is? Ms. Herrmann: Mr. Childs moved to move that as soon as this year's parking season is completed, that all meters be permanently removed from Seaside Drive and

Ocean Boulevard with the exception of Ocean Boulevard between 16th and 17th North. He moved that beginning November 1, 2014 parking shall no longer be allowed on Ocean Boulevard with the exception of Ocean Boulevard between 16th & 17th North and finally formally direct the Administrator to contact the state universities and local colleges to see if the landscape students could assist in developing a comprehensive landscaping plan to beautify and help minimize the need for "No Parking" signage on Ocean Boulevard.

 Mayor Samples: So the motion the floor is to prohibit parking on Ocean Boulevard except down by the Holiday Inn and it's to remove all the meters and it's to contact Clemson which we had a letter in our package. Is that it in sum? Am I correct? Mr. Childs: That's correct. Let me ask you a question, Mr. Mayor. Would you like me to withdraw that momentarily until we go through the recommendations? Mr. Stevens: I'll withdraw my second.

Mayor Samples: No, I'm prepared, I'm prepared. Council, what's council, is council prepared to vote on, I'm going speak plainly, the prohibition of parking on Ocean Boulevard?

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: I'm ready to vote. Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: The, there's two different things. I'm ready vote all the meters off of Ocean Boulevard and Seaside, no problem. Until we get these lots set up with these, with these property owners that Ms. Fellner is working on we really need to wait [sic] parking on the west side. Now in the winter time it's not an issue. I'm not sure how long it's going to take to get all these lots set up. That's kind of the missing piece of information but I would vote right now to get rid of the parking meters on Ocean Boulevard and Seaside. I think as far as eliminating spots on east side it's fine on. The west side we really need to think about because if we have a big event I mean there's not going to be adequate parking. Mayor Samples: I agree with your point. About having Mr. Childs withdraw his motion and that we go back to, as Mr. Magliette suggested, we go one at a time and we make sure we understand it. Is that fair? Mr. Childs: Let me ask you this, Mr. Mayor? Mayor Samples: You ask, do I want you... Mr. Childs: No, no, no. I want to ask you a question. How about, and the reason I broke this up into three parts cause council could debate any part. Number 2 is the one that seems to be the bone of contention. How about if I withdrew the second part of the motion that eliminated parking on Ocean Boulevard period and keep the one in about removing the meters.

Mayor Samples: We have a motion on the floor at this point, ok? Before I entertain any other discussion we need to determine whether you want us to vote on your original motion or you want us to withdraw your motion. Mr. Childs: Well, Mr. Mayor, I go back to what I just said. How about if I just eliminate the second part that would eliminate the no parking in other words the meters would be gone but parking would be allowed? Mayor Samples: Any other discussion?

Ms. Mabry: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Ms. Mabry. Ms. Mabry: I wanna make one comment. We don't have enough parking now. And although I'm ready to work with a compromise because I think whenever possible it's a good idea. We sat up here and had over a hundred thousand dollars more in meter money than we thought we were going to get I believe from last year. Am I correct Ms. King? Thank you. A 106, I believe. Now we're talking about doing away with everything. Is it that we have a good year and all of a sudden the money didn't matter so we're going to do something else with that \$106,000? And five percent of \$300,000 is money to me. It may not be to any other councilmember up here but its real money to me. So when we make these compromises and I hope we can that we need to take care of all the elements not just whether we think a meter is ugly. Yes, they're ugly but there are other things to consider too. So, let's not use this for an election platform and let's just go ahead and go down the issues one at a time.

Mayor Samples: There's a motion on the floor. Mr. Magliette: I would ask Councilman Childs to remove his motion so we can go down the list one at a time. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor, could I offer at the end of the consensus items we have? Mayor Samples: Yes, you can. Mr. Childs: I'll do that and withdraw it at this point. Mayor Samples: Listen, these aren't consensus items.

Mr. Childs: Well some of them are, some aren't. Mayor Samples: These are items that we're going to give direction. Mr. Childs: Exactly, well, that's what I meant. Mayor Samples: We're gonna give direction tonight to the Administrator to prepare the ordinance and the, and let's be honest, the bone of contention is over the prohibiting of parking, okay. There are 2,755 passes that were issued to town residents this year. We're talking about a total of 553 parking spaces, legal parking spaces in the town, in the town. Now, we wanna have a lot of people come in and use those parking spaces and they rent the places down there and their family comes in and they gotta have a place for them to park, ok.

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: So, I like what Mr. Magliette suggested. I do believe we should go down... Mr. Stevens: Mr. Childs withdrew his motion. Mr. Childs: I will withdraw until the end of the items we're going through. Mayor Samples: Okay.

Mr. Stevens: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Stevens. Mr. Stevens: I make a motion we remove all east side meters item #2. Mr. Childs: Second. Mayor Samples: There's a second. Any discussion?

Mr. Johnson: For clarification, does this only remove meters and not prohibit parking on the east side? Mayor Samples: Can you answer that Mr. Stevens, you made the motion? Mr. Stevens: My understanding it removes parking as well. Mayor Samples: It prohibits parking. Mr. Stevens: On the east side... Mayor Samples: Ok, that was the motion, you made the motion. Mr. Stevens: ... and sidewalks [sic.] My understanding is from the parking committee in the parking workshop it removes parking on the east side {sic} which has a sidewalk all the way up and down it. Mayor Samples: Is that clear? Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs: Mr. Stevens is correct.

Mayor Samples: Ok, any further discussion? All in favor say aye. [Mayor Pro Tem Pellegrino, and Councilmembers Childs, Mabry, Magliette and Stevens voted in favor.] Opposed? [Mayor Samples and Councilmember Johnson voted against. MOTION CARRIED] Mayor: The next item

3. Removal of West Side Meters.

Mr. Stevens: I make a motion to remove the west side meters on Ocean Boulevard, that's item #3. Mayor Samples: The same question is gonna come up so and prohibit parking on the west side? Mr. Stevens: That's what the parking committee said. Mr. Childs: Remove 24. Mr. Stevens: Yea, it says 24. Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: These were gonna be at intersections where line of sight is a problem. There's gonna be 24 meters from the west side of Ocean Boulevard, corners and intersections. Where line of sight is a problem. You get a big car, big truck like mine, you coming down you can't see the boulevard. Mayor Samples: Ok, who made the motion? Mr. Stevens: I did. Mayor Samples: And we don't have a second, so is somebody going to second it? Mr. Childs: Second. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs is going to second it. We're gonna open it up for discussion.

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: I'd like to make an amendment. Mayor Samples: Now would be the time. Mr. Pellegrino: I'd like to amend this to say we're gonna remove all of the meters on the west side of Ocean Boulevard except the metered lot between 16th and 17th and maintain parking until we contract a lot. Mr. Stevens: Second. Mayor Samples: The amendment has been properly seconded. Any discussion?

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: That is basically my motion, correct? Cause we have already removed them from the east side. Mr. Pellegrino's amendment will remove them from the west side. Correct? Mr. Pellegrino: Yes. Mr. Childs: Virtually, that's my motion, the original motion. Mr. Pellegrino: The original, that's part of it, yes. It both fit all together. I think that was the contention. Mayor Samples: Alright, I'm gonna repeat what I said. We are in discussion, any other comments from any members? We have 2,755 parking stickers for residents and to non-resident property owners. We are going to prohibit parking on Ocean Boulevard entirely. I just don't think that that's the, first I'll say, undoubtedly there are gonna be unintended consequences. There is no question

about it. People are gonna find a place to park. We have, I don't know, 37, 40 different streets that come off there and we're gonna push them back into the neighborhoods. But it is council's druthers, I still have the floor, I still have the floor. I just, I don't think it's a wise decision for the family beach to be making but the will of the council will decide whether Ocean Boulevard is pristine.

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: My amendment was to eliminate all the meters but maintain the parking on the west side of Ocean Boulevard. Mayor Samples: How many parking meters? Mr. Pellegrino: Remove all the meters on the west side of Ocean Boulevard but maintain parking. Allow people to park there. Mayor Samples: That is your motion to amend? Mr. Pellegrino: Yes, remove all the meters except between 16th & 17th. Mayor Samples: Is that a substantial change under Roberts Rules? I mean, because we shouldn't allow... Ms. Herrmann: If you seriously want to follow Roberts Rules, Mr. Mayor... Mayor Samples: That's the ordinance. Ms. Herrmann: Council should only be considering the items that are on this agenda because these are what were discussed and concurred to by the council. So these should be considered without change. Once council goes through these if they have other options, if they have other options they should be brought back and be properly advertised at the next meeting.

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: That was a public meeting at the workshop and I said I wanted all the parking meters off Ocean Boulevard at the workshop and I also said and we had extensive conversation on this that we should maintain parking on the west side, availability parking on the west side until we get these lots secured with these lot owners. So it was public then. I mean that was weeks ago and we discussed it. This isn't new information. I made my exact stance at that point. Mayor Samples: So there is no prohibition as I asked you Mr. Stevens when you made your motion. I asked you whether ...

Mr. Stevens: The original #3 was remove the parking and it was 24 meters and Mr. Pellegrino seconded the motion made a new motion I seconded that Mr. Childs seconded my motion and Mr. Pellegrino made a motion to remove all meters from the Ocean Boulevard but still allow parking until we solved our parking lot situation which we're trying to get parking lots. Mayor Samples: So is the parking, I just, I wanna understand. Anybody is going to be able to park for free? Mr. Stevens: At this time, yes if we adopt his amendment and there will be no meters on Ocean Boulevard. Mayor Samples: The fact is Mr. Stevens: And you brought up, Mr. Mayor you brought up driving up into neighborhoods. I heard that same argument when the meters were first put on there. That we were going to drive the parking up in Ocean Boulevard and no we're taking the meters off and now we're driving the parking up into the neighborhoods. You can't have it both ways. You gotta have it one way or the other. There's no middle line. The parking meters fact is they have not produced revenue they are an eyesore, they hurt business in this town and there are business people from all sorts of life, all sorts of businesses that would like to see them gone. The tourists don't like them, the residents don't like them so why not get rid of them. We're beating a dead horse. We need to get on this horse and ride a live horse and get em off. That's my opinion. And I don't know why we're debating. You didn't want them there to start with so why not take them off?

Mayor Samples: I have no problem removing the meters. I just don't wanna to prohibit parking. Ok? I wanna be clear for the record. So if the motion is to remove the meters and allow continued use in parking up until a future date. Mr. Pellegrino: That's correct. That's my amendment.

Mayor Samples: All in favor say aye. [Mayor Samples, Mayor Pro Tem Pellegrino, and Councilmembers Childs, Johnson, Magliette and Stevens voted in favor.] Opposed? [Councilmember Mabry opposed. MOTION CARRIED.] Next item.

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Ms. Herrmann: Mr. Mayor that was an amendment. You need to go back to the original motion. Mayor Samples: It was an amendment but it's pretty clear as to what that amendment said. Can you repeat it for me? Ms. Herrmann: What Mr. Pellegrino ... Mayor Samples: The amendment that we just adopted. Ms. Herrmann: To remove all meters on Ocean Boulevard except

those between 16th and 17th North and to allow parking until the new lots are set up. Ms. Fellner: On the west side. Mayor Samples: On the west side, I understand. And what is the primary motion? Ms. Herrmann: The primary motion was to ... Mr. Stevens: To remove 24 meters. Mayor Samples: Well, I think, that's what I'm saying. I think the amendment; we've already moved (**). That's why I asked the question about Roberts Rules because the amendment actually was improper under Roberts Rules because it made a substantial change and overrode the primary. The primary is unnecessary, right? Ms. Herrmann: But it's still on the floor. So, we're going to pass it? Mr. Johnson: Correct. (**) Mayor Samples: All in favor, all in favor, all in favor of removing all the meters including the 24 on the west side, is that the motion? Mr. Stevens: Yes. Mayor Samples: Say aye. [Several ayes. Councilmember Mabry voted against. MOTION CARRIED.] Ok, let's move on.

4. Nonresident Parking Passes.

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: Number 4 Non-resident parking passes, I would ask that council had during workshop agreed to pass this particular part. This is trying 100 passes for one year to see how the trial period, how it works out. So I would ask that we accept it. Mayor Samples: There's a motion on the floor. Is there a second? Mr. Pellegrino: Second. Mayor Samples: Any discussion? Ms. Mabry: Well... Mr. Johnson: Mr. Mayor, for clarification, that is at \$100 each? Mayor Samples: Correct. Ms. Fellner: Yes. Mayor Samples: Any other discussion?

Ms. Mabry: Yes. .Mayor Samples: Ms. Mabry. Ms. Mabry: I had thought this was a great idea but since we are going to allow parking on Ocean Boulevard for free, I see I would come up here and pay \$100.00 for a pass. So I think this would be a dismal failure and I can't support it any longer.

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: I certainly hope we will have our lots set up by next summer when we get our tourists back. As it's obviously a key item that needs to happen. So (**) it sounds like some of them are already working out but we don't have enough parking we'll come up with other solutions. Mayor Samples: We don't have enough parking. That's obvious. Mr. Pellegrino: No, I'm saying if some of these lots we're counting on don't work out. Mayor Samples: Any further discussion?

Mr. Stevens: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Stevens. Mr. Stevens: This is a trial basis, a trial period, if it doesn't work out we can certainly abandon it. Mayor Samples: What was the motion? Is it a trial period? Mr. Stevens: Year. Mr. Childs: Yes, sir. Mr. Stevens: A recommendation for a trial period of 100 passes at \$100.00... Mayor Samples: Yea, I got that, I got that. I'm talking about the parking on the Boulevard. Cause we obviously want to revisit this issue every year. You know, it's a good thing for the town to do. Alright, all in favor say aye. Several ayes. Ms. Mabry and Mr. Johnson no. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Samples: Ok, next item

5. Free Beach Access Areas.

Ms. Fellner: It's free beach access areas. This was the recommendation for option 2 which designates seven premium beach accesses to be metered. Mayor Samples: What does that mean? Ms. Fellner: To be considered a premium beach access you would have a shower or bathrooms or some sort of value added. Mayor Samples: So what are we doing? Ms. Fellner: To those seven that would be designated as premium beach accesses we would meter them. Mayor Samples: For golf carts? Ms. Fellner: Um huh.

Ms. Mabry: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Ms. Mabry. Ms. Mabry: This is, I want you to know we will have 18 to 20 parking spot, not spots but parking lots that will still allow free golf cart parking so we're not taking it all up and putting meters there. Although we're gonna have plenty of 'em. This is kinda like

me sitting third row right behind the batter's cage, right behind the dugout. This is the best parking in Surfside Beach. I am gonna support this 100%. Please, if we, everybody wants to jerk up all the meters, let's just take 'em all up. But if we're not, let's just try to make a little bit of money. We paid dearly for them and to put them in there I just don't see a big problem at all.

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: Ms. Herrmann gave me this letter today when I came in. This is a letter from Lower Marlboro, Pennsylvania and someone who has been coming here for years and says they are never coming back and it's cause they feel like they are getting nickeled and dimed with parking and they are sick of it so I mean, we say it doesn't have an impact but it's customer service. It's what it all comes down to and if we have to have parking for people but if we keep nickel and diming people the people get upset they go somewhere else. I mean its if you're customer service and I would be totally irritated if I spent \$5,000.00 on a house and rented a golf cart and went to restaurants and then drove my golf cart to the beach and I had to park in a meter. I would be upset. I'll just say that. Mayor Samples: Any other comments?

Mr. Stevens: Mr. Mayor. Mr. Samples: Mr. Stevens. Mr. Stevens: Um, the fact is this is talking about putting meters in a landscape and very nice beach access and they have a little shower but the fact is the meters on Ocean Boulevard were ugly and I walked down to 1st Avenue North, which is the one I use and I went to 2nd Avenue North, which is another one I use. I went to all the ones that have showers and I looked at it and I thought meters in there and I thought how ugly can that get. It doesn't make sense. We're just creating another problem. We need to do what's best for the business people in this town, what's best for tourism which makes our money, what's good for the hospitality and people. The tourists didn't like these things so let's I just don't see any sense in putting 'em everywhere. Let's get them out of the nice pristine places keep them in the paved parking lots and that's it. It just doesn't make sense to keep on like Mr. Pellegrino said nickel and dime nickel and dime nickel and dime and basically I agree \$5,000.00 man I tell you what there's a bunch of people that must have some money because I couldn't afford \$5,000.00 on a place but if I did I sure the heck wouldn't want to pay to park (***) have parking meters at my beach access.

Ms. Mabry: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Any other comments? Ms. Mabry: Yes. Mayor Samples: Ok, Ms. Mabry. Ms. Mabry: Mr. Mayor, why don't we just take up all the meters? They're all ugly, they're very ugly. We've established that and we'll just take 'em all up. Everybody can park for free and we can get that \$300,000.00 from the citizens that live here because that's what goes into the general fund so we'll continue to pay and the people that rent the \$5,000.00 house let me tell you son they're walking to the beach right from their porch. They don't have to worry about parking anywhere. So if you want to as citizens put that \$300,000.00 into the general fund fine we'll just pull 'em all up. Mayor Samples: Any other comments?

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: I agree with Ms. Mabry.

Mayor Samples: Alright, all in favor, any other comments? No motion? Well, then we're out of order. When are you gonna help me? There's no motion, we'll move on. Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor, I have a motion. Mayor: We'll move on. Speak up, thank you. Mr. Childs: I thought I was. Mr. Mayor I make a motion to recommend for option 2 for designate 7 premium beach accesses to be metered. Ms. Mabry: Second. Mayor Samples: There is a second. We've discussed this to death already.

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: Can I just make one more comment? Mayor Samples: Please. Mr. Pellegrino: I don't think anyone has mentioned to take up the kiosk at the pier lot and the Yaupon lot so that's where the majority of that parking money comes from and I don't think anyone has mentioned pulling those up or pulling the ones up that are aesthetically unpleasing and cause customer complaints. Mayor Samples: As the no parking is gonna do. Uh, just an editorial comment. Any other comments?

Mr. Johnson: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Johnson. Mr. Johnson: I don't like parking meters whatsoever. I really don't. But I can certainly compromise at the beach accesses with the golf carts which come from across the way four miles four miles yea so I can support this action.

Mayor Samples: Well, I don't support the action. But I will say if it passes, if it passes, please let's have it clearly signed so that we are minimizing the waste of time that goes on in Town Hall over these parking meters. I don't think that members actually appreciate the waste of time of paid staff in chasing complaints because if you did I think you'd be on a different page. It makes no sense to me to select certain golf cart parking areas and charge for them so please let's sign 'em if we do that. Do I have to repeat myself for the third time, ok?

Mr. Johnson: Mr. Mayor, if I may. I just have a question. Would not Lanier be enforcing this? Mayor Samples: Absolutely they would be enforcing this but the telephone calls the emails the people who come in to the front desk they line up remember what I said. There's 2,755 parking stickers that everybody by ordinance has to come in and produce documentation and show your staff among other things. Any other comments? We'll for the vote. All in favor? [Councilmember Mabry voted yes.] All opposed? [Several councilmembers voted audibly against. MOTION FAILED.] Moving along.

6. No Parking Sings.

Ms. Fellner: The next one is no parking signs. Consensus passed recommendation for signs on Dogwood South between 6th and 7th and for asking SCDOT to place additional signs on south side of Melody extending from Ocean Boulevard to Hollywood. Mayor Samples: Which one is this? Mr. Johnson: Six. Mayor Samples: Thank you, is there a motion?

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: I make a motion to adopt recommendations of the parking committee for signage on Dogwood South between 6th and 7th and asking SCDOT to place additional signage on south side of Melody extending from Ocean Boulevard to Hollywood. Mayor Samples: There is a motion the floor. Is there a second? Mr. Stevens: Second. Mayor Samples: Any discussion?

Mr. Johnson: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Johnson. Mr. Johnson: I certainly don't think it's our place to ask the state to put no parking signs on Melody from Ocean Boulevard to Hollywood. I expressed my concerns previously. I just, I don't think it should be done and I certainly don't believe we should have no parking between 6th and 7th on Dogwood South. Mayor Samples: Ok, any other comments?

Mr. Stevens: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Stevens. Mr. Stevens: This is item 6 only says to pass a recommendation for signs on Dogwood South between 6th and 7th South where Martin Park is. The other one is asking SCDOT to place additional signs on south side of Melody extending from Ocean Boulevard to Hollywood. It doesn't mean that it'll get done but we can ask. Whether they will do it or not is the question. Mayor Samples: Well, earlier, I just do want to point out that earlier, I presume the reason we're asking for additional signage from DOT because we place signs, we put signs up, right, not we, DOT did and what happened? Well, you know what happened, people started parking further back, further back and I merely want to point that out for consideration when we do discuss prohibiting parking on Ocean Boulevard, ok because people will follow your signs, no parking, no parking, no parking, ok? But they're gonna go back into the neighborhoods just like they're doing on Melody. Any other comments?

Mr. Stevens: Mr. Mayor, just for information before the meters were ever put on Ocean Boulevard I do recall there was several places that had no parking signs in front of 'em on Ocean Boulevard but they were there. Mayor Samples: And who authorized them? Mr. Stevens: I have no idea but they were there.

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Mayor Samples: Any other comments? All in favor of the motion, say aye. [Mayor Pro Tem Pellegrino and Councilmembers Childs, Magliette, and Stevens voted in favor.] All opposed? [Mayor Samples and Councilmembers Johnson and Mabry voted against. MOTION CARRIED.] Next 7. Guy Daniels Event.

Ms. Fellner: This is for the Guy Daniels event. There was a consensus passed for the recommendation to issue parking permits for free parking at meters for participants only and all other parking rules remain in effect and are to be enforced. And this sort of will because you're taking you've already removed the meters from Ocean Boulevard I don't know that this is really makes a difference anymore.

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: There is that lot right there where the Guy Daniels is 13th South has 36 parking meters there. I think the problem was brought up during this year's event cars were just parked everywhere all different directions on the corners in those lots and there wasn't anybody to enforce the parking. There was a lot of illegal parking. And that was the reason to kind of get things in order there by giving them the participants free parking and then maintain all enforcement of parking going in the direction of traffic flow not parking too close to the intersections is more or less kind of a housekeeping recommendation. Mayor Samples: That's my recollection also. I understand what you're saying about Ocean Boulevard but not knowing the number of participants because it is open ended we're talking about actual participants in the Guy Daniels Memorial. Ms. Fellner: Yes, sir. Mayor Samples: Any other comments? All in favor?

Mr. Stevens: I was just gonna say perhaps one of the things we can do to help them is to put a sign a temporary sign like a sandwich sign free parking for Guy Daniels participants at 13th Avenue. Ms. Fellner: Well, they'll know if they'll have it because this particular recommendation calls for yea and actual parking permits. Mayor Samples: What we're talking about, I think, is registrants in the contest. (**). Ms. Fellner: Correct. Mayor Samples: Any comments? All in favor say aye [Several ayes.]

Mr. Johnson: Mr. Mayor, I would like to make a motion that we approve #7 under agenda item #7E. Mr. Childs: Second. Mayor Samples: And I apologize, Mr. Childs express I'm listening to you because you're reading it but you're not expressing it as I move to. Mr. Childs: I seconded the motion that Mr. Johnson made. Mayor Samples: Ok, all in favor say aye. [All voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.] Thank you. Moving along

8. Increase Parking Rate at Surfside Pier Lot to \$1.50 per Hour.

Ms. Fellner: This was not part of the parking committee recommendations but a consensus was reached to raise the parking rate to \$1.50 an hour in the pier parking lot only. Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: I would make a motion to adopt that. It think the figure was we could make I think it was \$8,000.00 a year by increasing it by a quarter in the pier parking lot. Something like that. Mr. Stevens: Second. Mayor Samples: There is a motion that has been properly seconded. But I'll just point out, we're in discussion. We're going to have free parking on the west side until we get a lot, right? So that may diminish your revenue projections. Ms. Fellner: It certainly will. The reason I mean basically if the meters serve to do nothing else they serve to push people into the lots you know to get close as they could. But ...

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: It sounds like motivation to get these lots set up.

Ms. Mabry: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Ms. Mabry. Ms. Mabry: Really and truly again like the parking passes this is gonna be kind of moot. I was gonna support it. I believed in it but obviously money's not an issue so I'm not gonna support it.

Mayor Samples: Alright, any other comments? All in favor say aye? [Councilmembers Childs, Johnson, Magliette and Stevens voted in favor.] Opposed? [Mayor Samples, Mayor Pro Tem Pellegrino and Councilmember Mabry voted against. MOTION CARRIED.]

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: Here we go, back to my original motion and I believe listening to council if I remove the second part of my motion by no parking on Ocean Boulevard I think the rest of it, the first one is to... Mayor Samples: Can you express this in the form of a motion? Mr. Childs: I can read the motion again and eliminate, ok, I'll start all over. I make a motion... Mayor Samples: I move to... Mr. Childs: I make a motion that as soon as this year's parking season is completed that all meters be permanently removed from Seaside Drive and Ocean Boulevard with the exception of Ocean Boulevard between 16th and 17th North, and I lastly move that council formally direct the Administrator to contact our state universities and local colleges to see if their landscape students would assist us to develop a comprehensive landscaping plan to beautify and help minimize the need for "No Parking" signage on Ocean Boulevard. Mr. Stevens: Second. Mayor Samples: There's a motion a second but I gotta ask didn't we already remove the meters? Ms. Mabry: Yes, we did.

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: So, I mean (**). Mr. Pellegrino: He added Surfside, Seaside Drive. (**several speaking at once.) Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: I think by removing the second part where it eliminated all parking on Ocean Boulevard. I think this is what council wanted. Just removing the meters and all it is, is going into join with a university on a landscape plan which is gonna be not overnight. It's years down the road but at least we do get started. Mayor Samples: And I do appreciate that and I agree with where you're coming from and again I'm going say I don't support prohibition of parking on Ocean Boulevard. Any other comments?

Mr. Stevens: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Stevens. Mr. Stevens: Just to make sure that we understand he has included Seaside Drive on this and he's also made a motion to I believe it was Clemson University to look at making Ocean Boulevard a nice beautiful drive so when people drive up and down it they are not looking at clutter they are looking at something that looks nice like you would wanna see in any city and basically when you make the boulevard look nice that's best for the tourist season that's best for tourism that's best for everybody. We have a boulevard that we can be proud of just like we would like to have 17 we can be proud of we can have a boulevard we can be proud of. That's the way I look at it. Mayor Samples: Any other comments? Ms. Mabry.

Ms. Mabry: I'd like to ask a question. How many meters are we having removed from Seaside, both sides of the boulevard? Approximately, I mean I know you can't be exact and I don't expect it. Mayor Samples: No, she's got it. It was part of her parking... Ms. Fellner: Nineteen. Ms. Mabry: 19 for ... Ms. Fellner: Nineteen for Seaside, hold on let me just double check. I think it's... Mayor Samples: For clarification, we didn't prohibit parking on Seaside, did we? Mr. Stevens: Yes, we did. Ms. Mabry: That wasn't in the motion. Mr. Childs: If motion is adopted, we have up to this point not prohibited. There would be parking on Seaside Drive. Ms. Fellner: It's 19. Ms. Mabry: Nineteen for both sides of the boulevard and Seaside? Ms. Fellner: No, no 19 spaces on Seaside Drive. Ocean Boulevard is 130. Ms. Mabry: Total 130. So we're moving 171 meters. She's got 41 on the east side that we're taking off. Mr. Stevens: There was only a 130 meters on Ocean Boulevard to start with. Ms. Mabry: On both sides? Ms. Fellner: Right. Ms. Mabry: Both sides was 130 and then we have 19. Ms. Fellner: That's so right so that's 149 meters. Ms. Mabry: Correct. Alright. So the statement I'm gonna make is the money that those 149 meters made the Surfside Beach residents now is gonna be picking up. So I want cha [sic] to make sure you understand that. Mayor Samples: Any other comments?

Mr. Stevens: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Stevens. Mr. Stevens: The fact is you do the math, 8-percent last year, 5.9-percent this year, we're taking away something that Ms. Mabry didn't want to start with and now she's saying now we gotta put 'em back we need 'em for revenue.

Ms. Mabry: *Point of order. Point of order.* Please don't speak for Mrs. Mabry. She's very capable. Mr. Stevens: That's what you said before. Mayor Samples: Mr. Stevens, you do recognize

that that's not appropriate. Mr. Stevens: I understand. I apologize. But I'm saying what it was said before it was stated before the meters were no good. Now we're trying to get rid of the meters we've got people that want them off it's a good move it's good for business it's good for tourism, we'll have a green way that people can drive down Ocean Boulevard. Mr. Childs has talked about bringing somebody here to make Ocean Boulevard look nice and we want to do what's best for tourism that's what makes us money.

Ms. Mabry: Mr. Mayor, my vote was for the meters because I think we all that were at that meeting voted for 'em. It was unanimous if I'm correct. Whether it was a good move or not we all voted for it so let's not all come up here and be so political. The fact is they made us \$300,000.00. Somebody's going to be putting that money back into the coffers and it's gonna be the citizens of Surfside.

Mr. Childs: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Childs. Mr. Childs: You know, going back to our original parking study from DDC if Ocean Boulevard was curbed and guttered properly I don't think anybody would object to the meters. Mayor Samples: I've gotta stop you. We're in discussion of a particular motion. Let's keep it on subject, ok? Let's not get personal. As one of our wisest, wise members says no drama, ok? Let's deal with the issues at hand. Repeat the motion for everybody's benefit. Ms. Herrmann: Mr. Childs moved that as soon as this year's parking season is completed that all meters be permanently removed from Seaside Drive and Ocean Boulevard with the exception of Ocean Boulevard between 16th and 17th North; he further moved that council formally direct the Administrator to contact our state universities and local colleges to see if their landscape students would assist the town to develop a comprehensive landscaping plan to beautify and help minimize the need for "No Parking" signage on Ocean Boulevard. Mayor Samples: And I'll ask my question one more time, does that motion prohibit parking on Seaside Drive?

Mr. Stevens: Yes [sic]. Mr. Childs, No, sir it removes the meters. Mr. Stevens: It removes the meters. Mr. Childs: It does not prohibit parking on Seaside Drive. Mayor Samples: So, everybody understand the motion? Mr. Childs: Strictly meters, meters only. Mayor: You understand the motion Mr. Stevens? Mr. Stevens: Yes, can I point out something? Mayor Samples: Well, is it about the motion on the table? Mr. Stevens: Yes, we have a motion to remove the meters, we have been working diligently, we have our Administrator who is looking for lots that we can derive revenue, one of the lots is on 3rd Avenue North right next to a parking lot, uh... Mayor Samples: Randle, let's not get into specifics, ok? What we may or may not be doing in terms of negotiations.

Mr. Johnson: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Johnson. Mr. Johnson: Point of clarification, based on what I have heard, the motion does not commit us to any monetary funds for any university or college at this point, correct? Mayor Samples: You are correct. Mr. Johnson: Thank you.

Mr. Pellegrino: Mr. Mayor. Mayor Samples: Mr. Pellegrino. Mr. Pellegrino: Just another point of clarification, all these 149 meters on Ocean Boulevard and Seaside according to our statistics only made \$17,000 last year, so it's not like it's a huge amount of money. We've had much more opportunity in our budget to compensate for that. I don't think the taxpayers are going to have to cover that. Mayor Samples: Well, and I agree with your comment, but that's why it is important not to prohibit parking, because there are so many people in this town who may not have golf carts or may have family who live nearby who come to the beach to enjoy it. They're gonna park somewhere. All I'm saying is that with the sticker you can park for free. Okay, so you gotta take up a parking space, and again 2,755 stickers were issued this year, and I venture to say that many stickers, if not more, will be issued again next year. Any other comments? We'll call for the vote. Ms. Mabry.

Ms. Mabry: I would like to make one comment and that is if we are fortunate enough to get any lot, there's no guarantee that we're gonna get any, there's none at all. I want you to know that your little blue sticker cannot go into those parking lots. So those lots that are going to be out there are gonna be a private partnership with a[n] owner and they're there to make revenue. So, you can't park in those lots. It's not quite just exactly what everybody thinks it is. So, you know, don't hang your hat. We hope to get

them; that doesn't mean anything. You know, I've hoped for a lot of things that didn't come my way. So. I just want to make sure that there's a little more to it than what's being said up here.

Mayor Samples: We're not talking about buying lots. We're talking about doing a partnership. In terms of doing the partnership, she's absolutely right. Why would somebody want to partner with us with the potential of having Surfside Beach residents park for free in the lot? There is no revenue for that. So, that's the thing. Having said that, all in favor say aye. [Mayor Pro Tem Pellegrino and Councilmembers Childs, Johnson, Magliette and Stevens voted in favor.] All opposed? [Mayor Samples and Councilmember Mabry voted against. MOTION CARRIED.]

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