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**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2019
TOWN HALL 6:30 P.M.**

PRESENT: Council Members: Debra Conover
Gabriel Fernandez
Elizabeth Taylor Martinez
Jorge Arce
Attorney: Guillermo Cuadra, Esq.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Council President Fernandez at 6:31 p.m.

INVOCATION (MOMENT OF SILENCE) The Invocation was led by Chaplain DaSilva

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chaplain DaSilva.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Regular Council Meeting – October 17, 2019

A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of October 17, 2019 was seconded by Council Member Conover. The motion was approved 4-0.

2. **BEAUTIFICATION**

A. Council President Fernandez reported that the minutes for the November 6, 2019 meeting were provided.

Mr. Martinez provided an update regarding the status of the Tree Ordinance. We are still awaiting approval from the County.

3. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. The Annual Santa Under the Stars will be held on Friday, December 20, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Council President Fernandez stated that Mayor Deno is out of town and that the annual Santa Under the Stars will be held on December 20, 2019

4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Council President Fernandez reported that there were no citizen comments.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

Council President Fernandez reported that there was no old business.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

Council President Fernandez reported that there is no new business.

7. **PLANNING & ZONING**

A. Council President Fernandez reported that the meeting for the month of November, 2019 was canceled.

8. **PUBLIC SAFETY**

A. Council President Fernandez reported that the statistics for the month of October, 2019 have been submitted.

Chief Hernandez inquired if there were any questions regarding the statistics. Chief Hernandez reported that the Blessed Trinity festival was a success and there were no issues.

9. **RECREATION**

Council President Fernandez reported that there was no one present.

10. **PUBLIC WORKS**

Council President Fernandez reported that Public Work Director Martin was not in attendance.

11. **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

A. RESOLUTION NO. 961

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AMENDED 2018/2019 BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND, PUBLIC WORKS FUND AND WATER DEPARTMENT BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2018 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Cuadra stated that this is a resolution to amend the 2018/2019 budget for the General Fund, Public Works Fund and Water Department. A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to approve Resolution No. 961 was seconded by Council Member Conover. The motion passed 4-0.

B. RESOLUTION No. 962

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 29 OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION (PLEA), AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Cuadra stated that this is a resolution to approve an amendment to Article 29 of the Collective Bargaining agreements with PLEA. A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to approve Resolution No. 962 was seconded by Council Member Conover. The motion passed 4-0.

12. **GOOD & WELFARE**

Council Member Taylor Martinez requested prayers for Melanie Martinez. Attorney Cuadra wished all a Happy Thanksgiving. Council President Fernandez reported that there would not be a Council Meeting in December, 2019.

13. **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m. was seconded by Council Member Conover. The motion was approved 4-0.