

**VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS
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**SPECIAL MEETING
VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA
WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 2021
TOWN HALL-6:00 P.M.**

“Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Village Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceeding and, for such purpose, may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.”

PRESENT: Council Members: Richard Block
Elizabeth Taylor Martinez
Jorge Arce
Debra Conover
Gabriel Fernandez
Mayor: Fred S. Deno IV
Attorney: Guillermo Cuadra

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Council President Fernandez called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

INVOCATION: The Invocation was led by Council Member Block.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Block.

1. Discussion regarding the Police Contract

Attorney Cuadra reported that the Police contract has been negotiated by Mayor Deno, Police Chief Hernandez and PLEA. Attorney Cuadra reported regarding the addendum which includes the retroactive pay scale which was agreed by the Village and the police officers. Mayor Deno reported if the Village agrees to the contract, the Officers will be eligible for the retroactive pay. Mayor Deno also reported that PLEA agreed to the 420 hours of sick leave instead of the 480 hours.

Mayor Deno read a letter from Police officer Manuel Espinosa that all full time police officers and PLEA did agree to the contract.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 991

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE PROFESSIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION OF DADE COUNTY ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS POLICE OFFICERS AND SERGEANTS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT COVERING

FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 THROUGH 2022-2023; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION ;AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to adopt Resolution No. 991 was seconded by Council Member Conover.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Arce – Yes
Council Member Conover – Yes
Council Member Taylor Martinez – Yes
Council Member Block – Yes
Council President Fernandez - Yes

3. RESOLUTION NO. 990

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING AND UNITING IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE CUBAN PEOPLE’S RIGHT TO DEMOCRACY, FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND ASSEMBLY, AND REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT JOIN AND SUPPORT THE CUBAN PEOPLE’ S RIGHT TO DEMOCRACY, FREEDOM OF SPEECH, AND ASSEMBLY; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VILLAGE CLERK; PROVING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion by Council Member Arce to adopt Resolution No. 990 was seconded by Council Member Taylor Martinez.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Arce – Yes
Council Member Conover – Yes
Council Member Taylor Martinez – Yes
Council Member Block – Yes
Council President Fernandez - Yes

4. ORDINANCE NO. 368 – SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 16, ”ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS,” SECTION 12.1 ,”VACATION RENTAL,” WITHING ARTICLE XII, ”ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS” TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR SHORT TERM RENTALS, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, PROVING FOR CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion by Council Member Arce to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 368 was seconded by Council Member Taylor Martinez.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Arce – Yes
Council Member Conover – Yes
Council Member Taylor Martinez – Yes

Council Member Block – Yes
Council President Fernandez - Yes

5. ORDINANCE NO. 370- SECOND READING
AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA,
AMENDING CHAPTER 16, "ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT
REGULATIONS," SECTION 12.1, "VACATION RENTAL," WITHIN ARTICLE
XII, "ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS" TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS
FOR SHORT TERM RENTALS, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR
AN EFFECTIVE DATE, PROVING FOR CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion by Council Member Taylor Martinez to adopt the second reading of Ordinance No. 370 was seconded by Council Member Arce.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Arce – Yes
Council Member Conover – Yes
Council Member Taylor Martinez – Yes
Council Member Block – Yes
Council President Fernandez - Yes

6. GOOD & WELFARE
Council Member Taylor Martinez asked for prayers for Melanie Martinez.

7. MOTION TO ADJOURN
A motion by Council Member Block to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. was seconded by Council Member Arce. The motion passed 5-0.