



REPORT OF THE ORDINANCES, RULES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Ordinances, Rules and Standards (ORS) Committee meeting was called to order on Thursday, May 30, 2019, at 9:30 a.m. in the Town Council Chambers. On roll call, all committee members were found to be present.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Araskog led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Committee Member Crampton, and was seconded by Chair Araskog, to approve the agenda. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS - *None*

V. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Old Business

1. Further Discussion Regarding Ordinance No. 23-2019, Prohibiting Single-Use Plastic Straws
Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager

Chair Araskog spoke regarding the effect of plastics on our environment and marine life. She referred to the presentation of Diane Buhler of Friends of Palm Beach to the Town Council showing over 250 plastic straws which were collected during beach cleanups.

Deputy Town Manager Boodheshwar provided an overview of the proposed Ordinance and spoke regarding the various communities that have adopted ordinances regarding plastic straws. He itemized the various sections of the Ordinance which had been revised.

Discussion ensued regarding the various reasons for prohibiting the use of plastic straws.

Chair Araskog suggested a six-month education period where the information would be disseminated to Town residents, contractors, landscapers, etc.

Motion was made by Chair Araskog, and was seconded by Committee Member Crampton, to recommend approval of the proposed Ordinance No. 23-2019 as amended with the caveat that it be reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney and take effect in December 2019. On roll call, the motion passed unanimously.

B. New Business

1. Discussion Regarding Truck Traffic Solutions for Local Streets in the North End

Jay Boodheshwar, Deputy Town Manager

Chair Araskog reported complaints received from residents regarding oversized trucks traversing the narrow streets in the North end. She mentioned the resident who was willing to donate towards a truck traffic study and the Council's decision not to go forward with the study.

Deputy Town Manager Boodheshwar spoke regarding a study being done by the Public Works Dept. regarding this issue.

Eric Brown, Assistant Director of Public Works, provided a brief overview of the study and the various options to alleviate the problem.

Committee Member Crampton suggested certain areas to be addressed in the study.

Wayne Bergman, Assistant Director of Planning, Zoning and Building gave scenarios of how the Public Works and PZB permitting processes can be tied together to manage the truck traffic related to development projects. He stated that contractors/owners should be charged with creating a logistics plan detailing types of trucks, materials to be transported, etc. which should be presented to both the ARCOM and Landmarks Preservation Commissions at the time of application.

It was the consensus of the ORS Committee to direct staff to prepare a draft Ordinance for review at the next meeting.

2. Discussion Regarding Enforcement of Safe Pesticides Application

Ben Alma, Support Services Manager

Ben Alma, Support Services Manager, reported that the Town is unable to create an ordinance that would enforce pesticide applications, as this is

regulated by the State of Florida. He explained the process for reporting accidental pesticide contact with humans and suggested placing information on the website to educate residents regarding safe pesticide applications.

It was the consensus of the ORS Committee to remove this from the Committee's purview.

VI. ANY OTHER MATTERS

Chair Araskog thanked Council President Danielle Moore for hosting the Employee Appreciation Party yesterday, 5/29/19. She expressed that this was a wonderful way of showing appreciation and gratitude to the amazing Town staff.

It was the consensus to schedule the next ORS meeting for July 8, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the Ordinances, Rules and Standards Committee Meeting of Thursday, May 30, 2019, adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

APPROVED:

Julie Araskog
Chair

ATTEST:

Kathleen Dominguez, Town Clerk

Date: _____