



City of Flagler Beach

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDA

DATE: May 05, 2022
TO: Elected Officials
FROM: Penny Overstreet, City Clerk
SUBJECT: Special Meeting

I/We the undersigned request to call a Special Meeting of the Flagler Beach City Commission at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 9, 2022. The agenda item will be:

3. Authorize the City Manager to enter into contract with North Florida Pyrotechnics in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the Fourth of July Fireworks Show.

The undersigned officials, pursuant to the City Charter, Section 2.09(a), are calling this meeting. We request the meeting be held on Monday, May 09, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. (Please note the City Clerk's Office will do all possible to meet the requested date and time; however, meetings need to be scheduled when a quorum is available, as well as the City Attorney and others who may be needed for the meeting.)

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FLAGLER BEACH CITY COMMISSION, MONDAY, MAY 09, 2022 AT 5:00 P.M., 105 S. 2ND STREET FLAGLER BEACH, FLORIDA 32136

AGENDA

1. Call the meeting to order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Authorize the City Manager to enter into contract with North Florida Pyrotechnics in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for the Fourth of July Fireworks Show.
4. Adjournment.

RECORD REQUIRED TO APPEAL : In accordance with Florida Statute 286.0105 if you should decide to appeal any decision the Commission makes about any matter at this meeting, you will need a record of the proceedings. You are responsible for providing this record. You may hire a court reporter to make a verbatim transcript, or you may buy a CD of the meeting for \$3.00 at the City Clerk's office. Copies of CDs are only made upon request. The City is not responsible for any mechanical failure of the recording equipment.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk at (386) 517-2000 ext. 233 at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

The City Commission reserves the right to request that all written material be on file with the City Clerk a minimum of three days before the proposed action.

MEMORANDUM

From: William R. Whitson, City Manager

To: Mayor & Commission

Subject: Fourth of July Fireworks

Date: May 5, 2022

As you know we have experienced some difficulties (post COVID-19) in securing a commitment from a professional company for our traditional 4th of July Fireworks show. We have had three (3) offers to do the show here in Flagler Beach on the 4th of July. However, only two (2) companies sent in a written proposal (please see the attached information). Those companies were:

- 1) Special FX Wizard from Tampa, FL.
- 2) North Florida Pyrotechnics Green Cove Springs, FL.

Staff has evaluated the proposals and due to cost factors and logistics, we are suggesting we consider the offer from North Florida Pyrotechnics. Their website can be found at www.wholesalefireworksdirect.com. There are pros and cons to both proposals and both companies are smaller providers in the fireworks display market. Sustaining operations during COVID-19 in this business was not easy, however, we believe both companies have merit. However, we would (based on the information available), give the edge to the North Florida Pyrotechnics proposal.

In closing, we need the Commission to make a decision ASAP and direct the City Manager to finalize the contract documents with a NTE Price of \$25,000 to lock in the July 4th date. Should you so direct me to do this, we will keep you and the public advised on our plans.

William Whitson

From: Matthew Doughney
Sent: Tuesday, May 3, 2022 12:39 PM
To: William Whitson; Robert Pace
Cc: Lance Blanchette
Subject: 4th of July - Fireworks Recommendations

Mr. Whitson,

Chief Pace and I met in my office today and we went over the new 4th of July fireworks proposals in detail. Chief Pace and myself are in full agreeance on the following recommendation. We believe that North Florida Pyrotechnics best mirrors that of the Santore fireworks show that our community has enjoyed in the past, and their proposal is within the \$25K budget allotted from the Tourist Development Council (TDC). Here are the specific reasons for the above recommendation;

Special FX Wizard:

- Both of their proposals were over budget.
- Permit fees were not included in their proposals.
- They're requesting a "fallout area" of 500 feet north and south of the Pier. Additionally, the request is for this area is to be vacated for sixty-five (65) minutes. These requests are not reasonable, and there is not enough staffing to cover their requests.
- They're requesting watercraft security vessels deployed in the water for the fallout during the display. This request again is unreasonable, and we cannot provide staffing.
- They're requesting hotels rooms for their staff. This request is highly unreasonable and not with the designated budget.
- They're requesting security on site from July 2nd through July 5th. We do not have Police staffing to meet this request, and this request is once again unreasonable.

North Florida Pyrotechnics:

- The shell sizes are comparable to Santore's fireworks shows in the past.
- This company is well aware that off-load will require moving all ordinances/equipment to the end of the Pier; without the assistance of City Staff.
- A guard at the gate can be accomplished by a Pier attendant.
- Ocean Rescue Staff can assist with the 50-foot fallout area with regards to pedestrians and vessels.
- This company is one (1) of two (2) companies recommended by Santore; our previous vendor.
- Their bid is actually, \$1,000 under budget.

Chief Pace and myself are both available to meet with you in the afternoon of Monday, May 9th to discuss these recommendations.

Respectfully,

Chief Matt Doughney



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Dear William,

Thank You for Considering North Florida Pyrotechnics for Flagler Beaches July 4th Celebration. Listed below is the Pyrotechnic Device List, Duration of the Scripted show as well as Safety Needs for the Display. After Our meeting today I was able to review the site and take accurate measurements using Google Earth. If wind speeds are optimal the night of the display we can get away with a max size shell of 6". The larger shells of 4", 5" 6" would be setup at the end of the pier and the smaller repeaters and 3" Shells would be set more to the front of the pier to maximize the viewing area. We would need the pier closed for the day with a guard at the gate as well as Ocean Patrol and Beach Patrol to keep any vessel and foot traffic out of the fallout area which I will supply along with this proposal. Now that I know more of Flagler Beaches past shows and current needs I can permit, produce and insure a SPECTACULAR twenty -minute Fireworks Display for \$24,000.00. Thank You for Consideration. If you were to have any question's please feel free to reach out.

* Articles Of Pyrotechnics UN0431 1.4G 85 Repeaters total RWB to Brocades, RWD Peoney, Gold Brocade, Silver Chrysanthemum, Red Comets, Blue Comets, White Comets, RWB, Bombettes, Brocade Finale, All Repeaters in this category total #2,550 Shots

* 3" Shells Assorted Effects #216 * 4" Shells Assorted Effects #288 * 5" Shells Assorted Effects #108 * 6" Assorted Effects #36 * #6 3", #8 4" #4, 5" #4 6" Finale Chains.



Warm regards,

Ryan Allen

PRESIDENT