

The City of Titusville City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 10, 2026, at Titusville City Hall, second floor, Council Chamber, 555 South Washington Avenue, Titusville, Florida 32796.

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Mayor Connors called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Those present in the Council Chamber included Mayor Andrew Connors, Vice-Mayor Herman Cole, Jr. Col USAF Retired and City Council Members Megan Moscoso, Jo Lynn Nelson and Dr. Sarah Stoeckel. Also present were City Manager Tom Abbate, City Attorney Andriene Treasure, and City Clerk Wanda Wells. Sr. Administrative Assistant Emily Campbell completed the minutes.

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Pre-recorded procedures for public comment, participation, and orderly conduct were played for all individuals that were in attendance or watching the meeting.

Pastor Jeremy Coppock from Faith Baptist Church gave the invocation. Mayor Connors led those present in the *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag*.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

City Manager Abbate advised the request was to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meetings on January 29, 2026 (6:30 p.m.), February 10, 2026, and February 24, 2026 (5:30 p.m.).

Motion: Member Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meetings on January 29, 2026 (6:30 p.m.), February 10, 2026, and February 24, 2026 (5:30 p.m.). Vice-Mayor Cole seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS & PRESENTATIONS – None.

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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Code Enforcement Special Magistrate - The Code Enforcement Special Magistrate's semi-annual written report was included in the agenda packet. No action was requested.

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Planning and Zoning Commission – City Manager Abbate advised the request was to appoint four (4) regular members and one (1) alternate member to the Planning and Zoning Commission with terms to expire on January 31, 2028. (This agenda item was tabled at the regular City Council meeting on January 29, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.)

The term of four (4) Regular Members Theodore Garrod, Christopher Childs, Janay Gelin, Romie Grant and one (1) Alternate Member James Troutman expired on January 31, 2026. Regular Members Theodore Garrod, Christopher Childs and Janay Gelin have expressed their willingness and desire to continue to serve on this board as regular members for two-year terms to expire on January 31, 2028. Romie Grant has advised that he does not wish to be reappointed.

Alternate Member James Troutman has expressed his willingness and desire to serve on this board as a regular member; however, if he was not appointed as a regular member, he would like to continue serving as an alternate member and would need reappointment for a two-year term to expire on January 31, 2028.

Alternate Member AnnMarie Seidler has expressed her willingness and desire to serve on this board as a regular member; however, if she was not appointed as a regular member, she would like to continue serving as an alternate member with a term to expire on January 31, 2027. No reappointment was necessary for Ms. Seidler to continue serving on this board as an alternate member.

In addition, there were four applications on file for consideration. Stan Johnston, Linwood (Woody) Rice, Lawrence Graham and Roger Molitor. Linwood (Woody) Rice, Lawrence Graham and Roger Molitor expressed their willingness and desire to serve on this board as regular members with terms to expire on January 31, 2028. Stan Johnston has expressed his willingness and desire to serve on this board as a regular or alternate member with terms to expire on January 31, 2028.

Christopher Childs stated that he was recently reelected as Vice-Chairperson for the Planning and Zoning Commission and expressed his desire to be reappointed to continue serving as a regular member for another two-year term. Mr. Childs commented on being reappointed, his tenure on the board, and the appointments being tabled.

Theodore Garrod stated that he was seeking reappointment to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Garrod stated that he enjoyed his service to the citizens during his tenure. He stated that if City Council had any questions, he was available to answer them.

James Troutman stated that he has served as an alternate member on the Planning and Zoning Commission for only a short period of time but had learned a lot regarding the City Code and Ordinances. Mr. Troutman stated that he would like to be considered for appointment as a regular member of the Commission; however, if he was not selected, he requested reappointment as an alternate member.

Lawrence (Larry) Graham stated that he had been self-employed since 1988 and owned a small company in Titusville. He stated that he had been asked multiple times to bring his insight to the community on a City board. Mr. Graham expressed his desire to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission as a regular member.

Stan Johnston stated that he was a professional engineer and a former employee for the City of Titusville Public Works Department. Mr. Johnston also stated that he had a license for surveying and had completed numerous projects in the City of Titusville. Mr. Johnston also discussed an email that he sent to the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the stormwater master plan, etc.

Roger Molitor stated that he had lived in Titusville since 1983 and had worked as a land developer and home builder since that time. He stated that he had extensive knowledge of codes and zoning laws based on his experience. Mr. Molitor noted that he developed the Hundred Acre Woods in Port St. John, Florida, which featured half-acre lots with fifty-foot front setbacks, and he described this as a point of pride in his development. Mr. Molitor also stated that he developed Sisson Meadows in Titusville and that significant effort had been made to preserve as many trees as possible during its development.

Linwood (Woody) Rice stated that City Council was often required to make very difficult decisions, and he understood those challenges as he had previously served as a City Council member in the early 1990s. He also stated that he had also served on the Chamber of Commerce, the Community Redevelopment Agency, the Planning and Zoning Commission, and the Titusville Environmental Commission, among other organizations. Mr. Rice stated that he was a civil engineer and had served as the City Engineer for the City of Titusville for nine years. He further addressed his campaign donations, stating that his contributions to candidates did not imply that he expected anything in return or that he questioned anyone's integrity, but rather reflected his support for the work they were doing.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to give Linwood (Woody) Rice an additional two minutes to speak. Member Stoeckel seconded the motion. The motion carried 4,1. Member Moscoso was in opposition.

Linwood (Woody) Rice stated that alternate members serve an important role on the board and could participate in place of a regular member when a conflict of interest arises. He stated that Robin Fischer was one of his references and described him as a strong advocate for North Brevard who had served the community with integrity and honesty. Mr. Rice further stated that he had previously served on the Planning and Zoning Commission but had resigned due to personal reasons, and that he was now ready to continue serving his community.

Kathleen O'Rourke stated that advisory boards were most valuable when City Council appointed members with a range of perspectives who asked difficult questions and challenged assumptions. Ms. O'Rourke stated that she was not in support of developers or realtors being appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission and requested the current members be reappointed.

Toni Shifalo stated that she did not think it was necessary to table this item at the regular City Council meeting on January 29, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. She stated that City Council could have reappointed the current members instead of seeking more applicants. Ms. Shifalo discussed the applications on file for consideration and stated that some of the applicants had conflicts of interest, etc.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to appoint Linwood (Woody) Rice as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term to expire on January 31, 2028. Vice-Mayor Cole seconded the motion.

Member Moscoso thanked all the applicants for applying. She stated that when she previously served on the Planning and Zoning Commission, Mr. Linwood (Woody) Rice came before the Planning and Zoning Commission as a developer for a piece of property on Park Avenue that was rezoned and put on the market to sell the property. Member Moscoso stated that she was concerned about a conflict of interest.

Member Nelson stated that she nominated Mr. Linwood (Woody) Rice because he had a lot of expertise in stormwater and wetlands. She stated that at this point in his career he had a lot of expertise that the City could use when reviewing items on the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Member Moscoso	No
Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes

The motion carried 4,1.

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Motion: Vice-Mayor Cole moved to appoint Lawrence (Larry) Graham as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term to expire on January 31, 2028. Member Nelson seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes
Member Moscoso	No

The motion carried 4,1.

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Motion: Member Moscoso moved to reappoint Regular Member Theodore (Ted) Garrod to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term to expire on January 31, 2028. Member Nelson seconded the motion.

Member Nelson stated that Theodore (Ted) Garrod had a lot of expertise.

Member Stoeckel stated that she appreciated Theodore (Ted) Garrod’s comments and the questions he asked on the commission. Member Stoeckel stated that she was in support of the advisability boards having members with multiple perspectives.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes
Member Moscoso	Yes
Member Nelson	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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Motion: Member Nelson moved to reappoint Regular Member Janay Gelin to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term to expire on January 31, 2028. Member Stoeckel seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes
Member Moscoso	Yes
Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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Motion: Member Nelson moved to reappoint Alternate Member James Troutman to the Planning and Zoning Commission with a term to expire on January 31, 2028. Member Stoeckel seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows:

Member Stoeckel	Yes
Member Moscoso	Yes
Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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PETITIONS AND REQUESTS FROM THE PUBLIC PRESENT (NONAGENDA ITEMS) –

Elizabeth Baker expressed concern for cronyism occurring in the City. She stated that the advisory boards helped shape and develop the City. Ms. Baker stated that the processes used to select who serves on these boards must be consistent, transparent and fair to everyone.

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Kathleen O'Rourke stated that she was disappointed with the Planning and Zoning Commission appointments. She also stated that many residents in the Royal Oak Community gained a better understanding of the City's advisory boards and department and how they influence decisions of the City Council. She thanked staff for assisting the Royal Oak Community in ensuring that the citizens' opinions were heard. Ms. O'Rourke also expressed concern about transparency in the City, etc.

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Toni Shifalo congratulated the City on the Community Workshop held on March 7, 2026. She stated that it was informative and had great refreshments. Ms. Shifalo stated that the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) was trying to bring the Main Street Program back to Titusville and she was excited and encouraged by that. Ms. Shifalo stated that the Titusville Environmental Commission (TEC) was working on a wetland ordinance and the Historic Preservation Board (HPB) was working on a demolishing ordinance so that the City does not lose significant, historic structures in Titusville.

Member Nelson congratulated Toni Shifalo for being the secretary of the Main Street Program.

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Christa Sims stated that she served as the junior representative for Academic Community Enrichment, Inc. (ACE) on the Student Advisory Council. She stated that ACE provided supportive teachers, collaborative classmates, and an environment conducive to growth and success. Ms. Sims stated that ACE was facing a serious challenge due to the loss of its school facility. She requested that the City Council assist in raising awareness of ACE's need for a new building or space for its operations.

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Jacie Willis stated that she served as the freshman representative for Academic Community Enrichment, Inc. (ACE) on the Student Advisory Council. She stated that she was also here to ask City Council for assistance in getting the word out regarding ACE's need for a new building or space to use for their school. She stated that she has attended ACE since the first grade and she had watched it transform and grow into a thriving private school. Ms. Willis stated that Academic Community Enrichment, Inc. (ACE) currently serves 170 students and has a waitlist of 30 students. She further stated that the church facility used for classes had recently decided not to renew its

lease, and as a result, ACE was seeking a new location. Ms. Willis requested the City Council's assistance in helping identify a suitable building.

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Trinity Johnson stated that she served as the sophomore representative for Academic Community Enrichment, Inc. (ACE) on the Student Advisory Council. She stated that she had been a student at ACE for three years and that it provided a safe environment for learning. Ms. Johnson also discussed the need for a building to support the school's operations.

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Hannah Downs stated that she was a junior at Academic Community Enrichment, Inc. (ACE) and she had been attending ACE for six years. Ms. Downs discussed the many opportunities she had because of her school. Ms. Downs asked for City Council's assistance in helping them find a new building for their school.

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Joslynn Collver stated that she has attended Academic Community Enrichment, Inc. (ACE) for six years. Ms. Collver stated that ACE created a positive environment for students to thrive and learn. Ms. Collver asked for City Council's assistance in helping them find a new school building.

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Stan Johnston discussed an email regarding violations of freedom of speech that he sent to City staff. Mr. Johnston requested the City Council and citizens receiving clarification on whether holding signs at the podium during petition and requests was allowed.

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CONSENT AGENDA

Member Moscoso advised that she wanted to pull Consent Agenda Item 8E - Brackish Source Water Feasibility Study.

City Manager Abbate read Consent Agenda items A, B, C, D, F, G and H as followed:

- A. Student Advisory Council Scholarship Policy Expenditure - Approve Titusville Student Advisory Council Scholarship Policy expenditure not to exceed \$1,250 and direct staff to forward pending disbursement forms to the City Manager and Finance Department, for the preparation of two individual scholarship checks, as prescribed by the policy. Pending this request, the scholarships will be awarded at the regular City Council meeting on April 28, 2026 (6:30 p.m.).

- B. Contract with Edgewater Group LLC for Professional Engineering Design Services for Titusville Marina Hurricane Repair Project - Execute Contract #CN26-Q-002/LR with Edgewater Group for Professional Engineering Services in the amount not to exceed \$152,410.00 for the City Marina Hurricane Repair Project and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract following review and approval by the City Attorney, City Manager, and Purchasing and Contracting Administrator. Additionally, approve the associated budget amendment.
- C. Property Donation of Lot 5 Block 45 of Sun Valley Subdivision - Accept the donation of the property identified as Parcel ID No.: 22-35-28-01-45-5, Legal Description: Sun Valley Subdivision Lot 5 Block 45.
- D. Space Coast Health Foundation Grant to purchase the Handtevy Pediatric System from Pediatric Emergency Standards, Inc. - Accept grant funding from the Space Coast Health Foundation to support the first year of the program and approve the three-year price lock agreement with Pediatric Emergency Standards, Inc. for the purchase and implementation of the Handtevy Pediatric System, and approve a budget amendment to appropriate the grant funds and related expenditures: (1) Authorize the City Manager to execute the grant funding agreement from the Space Coast Health Foundation for the first year in the amount of \$13,541, which includes the Learning Kit and Mobile App; (2) Authorize the city manager to execute the three-year price lock agreement with Pediatric Emergency Standards, Inc. for the Handtevy Pediatric System in the total amount of \$28,128.85 for three years; and (3) Approve a budget amendment to appropriate the grant funds and associated expenditures.
- F. Limited Bidding and Construction Services for Blue Heron Filter Project - Award Task Order # TOMH006 to Mead and Hunt in the amount of \$90,259 to provide engineering consulting services including, but not limited to, providing bidding services and limited construction services for the Blue Heron Filter project, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Task Order.
- G. Task Order WPTO004 for Knox McRae Master Pump Station Project for Bidding and Construction Services - Award Task Order WPTO004 to Wright-Pierce, Inc, in the amount of \$135,300 to provide engineering consulting services including, but not limited to, providing bidding services and limited construction services for the Knox McRae Master Pump Station project, and authorize the Mayor to execute the Task Order.
- H. First Amendment to Tender and Release Agreement - Approve the first amendment to the tender and release agreement for the Indian River force main project and allow the Mayor to execute the amendment.

City Clerk Wanda Wells advised that one speaking cards were submitted for Consent Agenda Items.

Stan Johnston discussed Consent Agenda Items 8F and 8G. Mr. Johnston stated that he was not in support of these agenda items. Mr. Johnston discussed presentations and asked if he was allowed to have signs at the podium.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to approve Consent Agenda items A, B, C, D, F, G, and H in accordance with recommendations. Vice-Mayor Cole seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Member Moscoso	Yes
Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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Brackish Source Water Feasibility Study – City Manager Abbate advised the request was to award Task Order CDMTO003 to CDM Smith, Inc., in the amount of \$96,290 to provide engineering consulting services for a feasibility study for a brackish water source and authorize the Mayor to execute the Task Order. Additionally, approve the associated Budget Amendment.

The City of Titusville currently has three sources of ground water, the Area II wellfield, the Area III wellfield and the Area IV wellfield. Area II and III wellfields were part of the surficial aquifer. While Area IV was part of the Floridian aquifer. The City also purchased some water from the City of Cocoa. These sources combined made up the City’s consumptive use permit issued by St John’s River Water Management District. These combined sources were permitted to supply 6.01 million gallons per day (MGD) to the City, which met current demands and allowed for excess capacity for development.

Increases in consumptive usage from these existing sources may be limited in the future. As a result, the Public Works department would like to begin exploring alternative sources of water.

As a result, the Public Works department engaged CDM Smith, Inc to provide a proposal for a feasibility study to explore brackish water sources and evaluate concept level treatment facilities that would be needed. The feasibility study included taking into consideration permitting requirements and financial impacts. The final deliverable would be a report outlining the findings and options along with recommendations for next steps.

Member Moscoso asked why the City was focusing on the brackish water option and that she was interested in looking at the other options.

Public Works Director Sandy Reller reviewed the options and stated the recommended option was a combination of desalination and ground water brackish water study.

Member Moscoso stated that the City of Titusville had sufficient water supply and was not in an emergency situation, but she expressed appreciation for staff’s forward-thinking approach. Member Moscoso inquired whether a new plant would be required.

Public Works Director Sandy Reller stated that it was possible that a new water treatment plant would be required; however, the feasibility study would evaluate whether it would be needed.

Member Moscoso asked if this item could be reviewed by the Titusville Environmental Commission (TEC).

Vice-Mayor Cole stated that he felt this item was preparing for the future and he was not in support of delaying the study.

Member Stoeckel stated that she wanted to ensure the City had enough water supply for the residents of Titusville. Member Stoeckel also suggested allowing the Titusville Environmental Commission to review this item.

Member Moscoso stated that she supported allowing the Titusville Environmental Commission (TEC) to review this item and having staff provide a presentation to the City Council with additional information.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to table this item to the regular City Council meeting on April 28, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. and staff provide a presentation to City Council with additional information. Vice-Mayor Cole seconded the motion.

Member Stoeckel stated that she was in support of the Titusville Environmental Commission (TEC) reviewing this item at their meeting in April 2026.

Amended Motion: Member Nelson moved to table this item to the regular City Council meeting on April 28, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. to allow the Titusville Environmental Commission (TEC) to review at their meeting in April 2026. Following TEC’s review, staff would provide a presentation to City Council with additional information including TEC’s recommendations. Vice-Mayor Cole seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes
Member Moscoso	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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ORDINANCES – SECOND READING, PUBLIC HEARING AND RELATED ACTION

Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Application No. 9-2024 Titusville Storage – City Manager Abbate advised the request was to consider Conditional Use Permit Application No. 9-2024 to allow a mini-warehouse use at property identified by Brevard County Parcel ID No. 22-35-26-00-504.1, located west of US Highway 1 and south of State Road 50, currently designated with the M-1 zoning district.

On March 4, 2026, the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval as presented, 5-1. One member voted no because he thought there were too many storage facilities in Titusville and the City should stop and evaluate what was being allowed in the City.

The applicant was requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow a mini-warehouse use at a vacant 2.55± acre property located west of S. Washington Avenue (U.S. Highway 1) and south of State Road 50, having Brevard County Parcel I.D. No. 22-35-26-00-504.1, currently designated with the Light Industrial Services and Warehousing (M-1) zoning district. A CUP was required to permit a mini-warehouse use in the M-1 zoning district according to Section 28-214. – Mini-warehouse.

The conceptual site plan illustrated a four-story mini-warehouse building, associated parking, stormwater facilities, and wetland preservation area. The property was currently vacant and had been designated as “Industrial” on the City’s future land use map as early as 1988. The current M-1 zoning district was placed on the property with the adoption of the citywide rezoning Ordinance No. 5-1993. The property has 438 feet of frontage along U.S. Highway 1, an arterial road, and abuts the Florida East Coast Railroad along the rear.

City Attorney Treasure read the *Quasi-judicial rules of Procedures*.

Cole Oliver, the applicant, stated that he agreed with the staff report and the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Oliver stated that he was available for any questions.

Member Moscoso asked if there were any other four-story storage units in Titusville.

Principle Planner Eddy Galindo stated that there was one on South Street, but there could be others. He also stated that the maximum height in this zoning district was fifty feet.

Member Moscoso stated that she was not a fan of storage units or that it was four stories. Member Moscoso asked if the applicant would be open to planting native plants.

Cole Oliver, the applicant, stated that native plants were included as part of the low-impact development guidelines.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to approve Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Application No. 9-2024 Titusville Storage, as recommended by staff and the Planning and Zoning Commission. Member Stoeckel seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes
Member Moscoso	Yes
Member Nelson	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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ORDINANCES-FIRST READING – None.

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OLD BUSINESS

Contract for Bayview/Seminole Lift Stations Project – City Manager Abbate advised the request was to award Contract for Bid CN26-B-004/LR to AMCON Development Group LLC of Winter Springs, FL for the replacement of Seminole Lift Station and Demolition of Bayview Lift Station in the amount of \$4,135,774.83 and authorize the Mayor to execute the Contract.

This item was tabled at the January 29, 2026 Council Meeting to allow for additional discussion. A public meeting was subsequently held on February 6, 2026.

Assistant Public Works Director Ashleigh Smith stated that the private survey discussed at the January 29, 2026 Council meeting had since been received, and the project design had been revised to align with the findings of that survey. The updated design confirmed that the project would be constructed entirely within the public right-of-way. The engineering firm, CDM Smith, accepted responsibility for the survey discrepancy and completed the necessary design revisions at no additional cost.

Additional concerns raised during the public meeting focused primarily on construction sequencing and maintaining access to adjacent properties. These matters have been discussed with the contractor and would continue to be coordinated with residents to ensure property access was maintained throughout construction. Some attendees also expressed concern that the existing concrete roadway would be replaced with asphalt. They were informed that the project includes replacement with river rock concrete, not asphalt. Staff has also agreed to coordinate the preferred fence with the adjacent resident.

The Bayview lift station was a 1960s bunker style lift station located at Bayview Street and Riverside Drive along the bank of the Indian River Lagoon. Over the years, this lift station has been subject to erosion related to hurricanes with various remediation efforts needed due to its

proximity to the bank of the Lagoon. In an effort to reduce sewer infrastructure along the river, on May 24, 2022, City Council approved the award of work order #CDMWR011 to CDM Smith, Inc. to provide engineering consulting services including, but not limited to, the preparation of design drawings and specifications, permitting, bidding assistance, and construction administration services to demolish the existing Bayview Lift Station (LS) and divert its sanitary sewer collection system to a new Seminole LS. Due to the change in depth required to re-route the sewer from the Bayview lift station, the Seminole lift station must be replaced. The Seminole lift station was last renovated in 2011 and construction of the new lift station would consist of upgraded infrastructure, a retaining wall and shoreline restoration.

Member Moscoso asked staff to explain the \$2,000,000 grant that was received for this project and how much of that grant was spent.

Assistant Public Works Director Ashleigh Smith stated that the grant was a federal resiliency grant associated with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 initiatives. She explained that the project was not fully grant-funded and that approximately \$1.75 million in grant funding remained. She further stated that the majority of the construction costs were funded by the City.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to award Contract for Bid CN26-B-004/LR to AMCON Development Group LLC of Winter Springs, FL for the replacement of Seminole Lift Station and Demolition of Bayview Lift Station in the amount of \$4,135,774.83 and authorize the Mayor to execute the Contract, as recommended. Vice-Mayor Cole seconded the motion. The roll call vote was:

Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes
Member Moscoso	Yes
Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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Discussion — City Internal Auditor – City Manager Abbate advised that the request was to discuss the City Internal Auditor. (At their regular City Council meeting on February 10, 2026, the City Council postponed this agenda item to this meeting.) City Manager Abbate advised that all City Council Members had an individual meeting with Internal Auditor Amelia Robinson.

Mayor Connors stated that Internal Auditor Amelia Robinson was highly effective in her role and an asset to the City of Titusville. He emphasized the importance of the City Council establishing the appropriate structure to ensure proper checks and balances over the use of tax dollars. Mayor Connors recommended that the Internal Auditor report directly to the City Council, as intended by the City Charter.

Member Nelson stated that, at a minimum, the City Council should receive the Internal Audit report and that it would be beneficial for Internal Auditor Amelia Robinson to be present to deliver the report. Member Nelson also stated that she appreciated that the Internal Audit reports included suggestions and she thought it was beneficial for City Council Members to meet with her individually.

Member Stoeckel stated that she supported the Internal Auditor, Amelia Robinson, continuing to report to the City Manager, with modifications to certain processes. Member Stoeckel emphasized the importance of ensuring that any reports provided to the City Manager were also transmitted to the City Council. She further expressed support for the Internal Auditor meeting individually with City Council Members on a more frequent basis and for exploring the possibility of designating the Internal Auditor as a charter officer, similar to the Assistant City Attorney.

Member Moscoso stated that she was also in support of all audit reports being provided to the City Manager and the City Council at the same time.

Member Nelson stated that she was in support of the one-on-one meetings between the Internal Auditor and City Council members. Member Nelson was also in support of the audit reports being provided to the City Manager and the City Council at the same time.

City Manager Abbate stated that providing all reports to both the City Manager and City Council Members concurrently was a workable solution.

Mayor Connors stated that he was in support of the Internal Auditor reporting directly to City Council. Mayor Connors also discussed a charter review process.

Motion: Member Stoeckel moved to direct staff to transition the City's Internal Auditor to a charter position as stated in the City's Charter with the position reporting directly to the City Manager. The Council would have the autonomy to speak, individually, with the City's Internal Auditor. In addition, the audit reports provided to the City Manager would also be provided to the City Council at the same time and Council would be able to meet with the City's Internal Auditor at will without going through the City Manager. Member Nelson seconded the motion.

Member Moscoso asked if this would give City Council the authority to hire or fire the Internal Auditor position.

City Attorney Treasure confirmed that all charter positions were appointed and removed by City Council.

The roll call vote was:

Member Stoeckel	Yes
Member Moscoso	Yes
Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Connors discussed a recommendation to establish an Asset Manager position that would operate independently of any department or supervisor to track the City’s assets, including equipment and supplies. He emphasized that the Internal Auditor’s recommendations were important and that he wanted to ensure the City Council reviewed those recommendations.

Member Nelson stated that the Internal Auditor had also recommended reducing the City purchasing card spending limit to \$2,500. Member Nelson stated that she was in support of this change.

Member Moscoso stated that she wanted to ensure the Asset Manager position would also review the assets of the Titusville Police Department.

City Manager Abbate stated that the Asset Manager position would oversee the City’s entire physical asset base and would report directly to the City Manager or Assistant City Manager. He explained that the position would have significant authority to ensure accurate inventory management and proper stewardship of City property. City Manager Abbate further stated that he intended to present this item to the City Council during the mid-year review at the regular City Council meeting on April 28, 2026.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to allocate a full-time equivalent (FTE) position for an Asset Manager and reducing the policy for purchasing card limits from \$5,000 to \$2,500. Member Stoeckel seconded the motion.

Member Moscoso stated that she supported this motion but suggested adding this item to the next agenda to give the citizens an opportunity to make comments. Member Nelson stated that she did not have a problem with that suggestion. City Manager Abbate stated that both suggestions from the Internal Auditor being discussed were part of his management response that was being released this week.

Motion withdrawn by Member Nelson.

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Health Benefits Consultant RFP Solicitation – City Manager Abbate advised the request was to approve Benefits Consultant Request for Proposal (RFP) solicitation.

Human Resources Director Joe Denaro stated that staff recommended approval of a Benefits Consultant Solicitation and setting this action as a priority.

Mayor Connors stated that one of the suggested questions was not included in the report. He noted that the question asked whether the City worked with any other governments within a fifty-mile radius and requested that the report included the per-member, per-month cost for the past five years.

Human Resources Director Joe Denaro stated that the question could be added to the request for proposal (RFP).

Member Stoeckel asked how staff was ensuring that the City would retain the best benefits consultant moving forward.

Human Resources Director Joe Denaro stated that all of the components that were included in the scope of work as well as the questions were vetted through the procurement staff and human resources staff with some additional components that were vetted through council.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to approve the Benefits Consultant Request for Proposal (RFP) solicitation, as modified by adding one additional question to the RFP: (1) If you worked with any other governments within a fifty-mile radius, include the per member, per month, cost year over year, for the last five years. Vice-Mayor Cole seconded the motion The roll call vote was:

Member Moscoso	Yes
Member Nelson	Yes
Mayor Connors	Yes
Vice-Mayor Cole	Yes
Member Stoeckel	Yes

The motion carried unanimously.

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NEW BUSINESS – None.

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PETITIONS AND REQUESTS FROM THE PUBLIC PRESENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS) – None.

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MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor's Report – Mayor Connors provided his individual report.

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Council discussed the Land Development Regulations Section No. 28-275 – Recreation and Commercial Amusement (indoor) and Section 28-276 Recreation and Commercial Amusement (outdoor) and expressed concern of the lack of zoning districts that permit indoor and outdoor recreation. Council discussed permitting indoor and outdoor recreation in the Downtown Mixed Use (DMU) zoning and requested moving forward with an ordinance. In addition, Council requested staff review other jurisdictions to determine where they permit indoor and outdoor recreation and incorporate this use in an ordinance beyond the downtown. Staff also advised that they would respond to one Council Member’s question on the difference between Regional Mixed Use (RMU) 300 and (RMU) 400 zoning districts at a later date.

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Mayor Connors requested authorization to declare the month of April 2026 as Water Conservation Month.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to authorize a proclamation declaring the month of April 2026 as Water Conservation Month to be presented at the City Council meeting (Presentation Meeting) on March 24, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. Member Stoeckel seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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No additional action items.

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Council Reports –

Council provided their individual reports.

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Member Nelson discussed a medical incident to which Station 11 of the Titusville Fire Department responded. The individual was transported by helicopter to a hospital in Orlando under a different name. Member Nelson noted the difficulty in locating her friend due to the use of the other name designation. She stated that she was unsure how to resolve the issue but expressed interest in exploring potential solutions.

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Member Moscoso discussed the Mayor's Minute and asked Mayor Connors for more information regarding commercialization of the Titusville Marina.

Mayor Connors stated that Titusville Marina operated under a land lease deal with the State of Florida, which limited commercial activity on the property. The City of Cocoa also had a land lease deal with the State of Florida but were allowed commercialization. The City of Titusville owns the marina and was currently exploring amending this state lease to unlock its economic potential.

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Member Moscoso inquired about a letter sent to local churches from the Mayor's Office inviting them to a meeting with pastors and City leadership. She asked for clarification on who was included in City leadership and whether other Council Members were invited to attend.

Mayor Connors stated that he had invited pastors to meet and discuss issues within the community.

Member Moscoso stated that she would like to be informed of such matters so she would be able to respond to questions from the public.

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Member Moscoso discussed an ethics complaint that had been notarized by City staff and asked whether City staff were permitted to provide notary services to the public.

City Manager Abbate stated that there was no policy in place regarding notary services; however, he had directed staff to develop an administrative policy restricting notary services to official City business during work hours.

Mayor Connors stated that a notary verifies the identity of the individual and the signature, and that the document itself was not relevant to the notarial act.

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Vice-Mayor Cole stated that the Community Workshop on March 7, 2026 was successful and expressed support for making it an annual event. He also thanked City staff for their efforts in contributing to their success.

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Member Stoeckel discussed the possibility of City Council purchasing a table at the North Brevard Prayer Breakfast scheduled for April 3, 2026. She stated that, two years prior, the City had purchased a table for Council members at the event and stated that it was the Council's decision whether to do so again.

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Member Stoeckel stated that the Space Coast League of Cities awarded seven scholarships to high school seniors and college students and three of them were students from Titusville.

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Mayor Connors stated that he had been working with Special Projects Coordinator Heather Kenney to plan a Fourth of July parade. City Manager Abbate stated that staff would present a spending plan for both the parade and the Red, White and Boom event for City Council's approval.

City Managers Report – City Manager Abbate submitted his written report.

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City Manager Abbate advised that the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Visioning and Public Input Meeting was scheduled for March 19, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. at the First Methodist United Church.

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No additional action items.

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City Attorneys Report – None.

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With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Andrew Connors, Mayor

ATTEST:

Wanda F. Wells, City Clerk