

CITY OF BRADENTON

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 19, 2019

9:00 a.m.

The City of Bradenton City Council met in the City Hall Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida, at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 19, 2019.

Present: Mayor Wayne Poston; Councilman Ward I Gene Gallo; Councilman Ward II Gene Brown; Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff; Councilman Ward IV Bill Sanders; and Vice Mayor/Ward V Harold Byrd, Jr.

City Officials: Carl Callahan, City Administrator/Economic Development Director; Sharon Beauchamp, City Clerk & Treasurer; Catherine Hartley, Planning & Community Development Director; Chuck Edwards, Fire Chief; Melanie Bevan, Police Chief, Jim McLellan, Public Works & Utilities Director; and Scott Rudacille, Interim City Attorney.

Mayor Wayne Poston opened the meeting.

Engagement Letter - Vose Law Firm Representation as Conflict Counsel

Carl Callahan, City Administrator/Economic Development Director explained in the event an issue should arise where there is a conflict of interest with the Interim City Attorney, Scott Rudacille or Blalock Walters, the City will need to engage an attorney as Conflict Counsel.

Mr. Rudacille said an example of when to utilize the services of Conflict Counsel is if an existing client with the firm enters into a contract with the City. He added in that instance, he would not be able to represent the client or the City due to conflict of interest.

Councilman Roff questioned the reasoning behind recommending Vose Law Firm as opposed to other firms in the area.

Mr. Rudacille explained Becky Vose has represented several government entities and is the City Attorney for the City of Anna Maria. He added he has worked with Ms. Vose several times in the past.

MOTION TO APPROVE VOSE LAW FIRM AS CONFLICT COUNSEL was made by Councilman Roff and seconded by Vice Mayor Byrd. Motion passed 5:0.

The Special City Council Meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

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