

City of Rockaway Beach City Council Meeting Minutes



Date: Tuesday, April 6, 2021
Time: 3:00 P.M.
Location: Rockaway Beach City Hall, 276 HWY 101 -Civic Facility

CALL TO ORDER – Sue Wilson, Mayor

ROLL CALL

[Mayor - Sue Wilson: Present](#)
[Position #1 - Keith Cantrell: Present](#)
[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Present](#)
[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Present](#)
[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Present](#)
[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Present](#)

OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-966 A RESOLUTION DECLARING REAL PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING CITY STAFF TO EXECUTE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO CONVEY THE PROPERTY

Wilson read the following: The Rockaway Beach City Council considers it necessary and convenient to further the public interest to sell the property, as it is no longer needed for public use.

Shepard stated the offer is for \$299,000 and the that original asking price was \$349,000. Shepard stated that Realtor Valerie Schumann was in attendance and will answer any questions the council had. Walhood asked what the potential buyers anticipate using the building for? Schumann stated there is no plan yet on what will be put in the building. Schumann stated she thought the City might receive another offer in the upcoming days. Hayes mentioned she did her own research on the value of similar buildings and believes the building should be sold for more and stay on the market longer. Shepard asked Schumann if she had a suggestion on a counteroffer? Schumann asked if the Council would consider \$315,000 to \$320,000 as a counteroffer. Wilson stated her concern with how low the offer the City received was, and mentioned the City is in no hurry to sell the building and believes the city could get a higher offer. Cantrell asked if potential buyers are aware of all the remodeling that has been done, Schumann said yes. Hayes stated an open house could possibly be a good idea for people to stop by and look at the building. Shepard stated the council could counteroffer by amending the sell price in the resolution.

Shepard suggested council amend the sale price shown in Resolution 21-966 from \$299,000 to \$325,000.

Cheek made a motion, seconded by Cantrell to amend the asking the price and adopt the resolution as amended with a new sale price \$325,000; motion carried.

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Motion](#)

[Position #1 - Keith Cantrell: 2nd](#)

[Position #1 - Keith Cantrell: Approve](#)

[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve](#)

[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve](#)

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve](#)

[Position #2 - Tom Martine: Approve](#)

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-967 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE A LAW ENFORCEMENT INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH TILLAMOOK COUNTY

Terry Watts stated his concerns to the Council about an IGA with Tillamook County. Shepard went over some of the main points of a draft contract he is working on with Tillamook County. He stated that time was short and that his focus was ensuring Rockaway did not have a lapse in law enforcement coverage, and that both he and Police Charlie Stewart have been working on this nonstop for the past week. They both believed that the best short term and long-term solution for Rockaway would be working with Tillamook County Sheriff's office. Shepard went over some general terms he had discussed with the Sheriff's office, including the number of dedicated officers the city would require for dedicated service in Rockaway, emergency response, code enforcement, additional coverage for special events, reporting at regular city council meetings and that they would need to operate out of city hall in Rockaway Beach. That the City could request specific officers and request that specific officers be replaced if the city felt it was necessary. Cheek asked if the officers would be working 24/7 or just certain hours a day, Shepard stated they would work four full time shifts plus 24/7 call out coverage. Stewart stated currently the county is working 10-hour shifts per deputy. Cheek asked if the officers would be in rockaway 10-hours each day of the week, Stewart stated typically the contracts are for a set number of hours per the week, and even if not on duty they are on call. Hayes stated she believes a public notice should have gone out sooner to inform the public of what is going on and given them an opportunity to come to the meeting but does think this would be the best option for Rockaway. Cheek asked how long the contract would be. Shepard stated the contract would be best at 2 years. Cheek asked if four officers were not enough if the City could request another, Shepard said yes.

Martine asked if the City would have night coverage. Shepard confirmed. Chief Stewart added that part of the agreement would be supplemental coverage and for emergency needs there is always coverage. Wilson stated the City is not disbanding the PD, the officers are going elsewhere to have better opportunities and the that the City did not remove the department. Shepard stated the Council is not approving a contract at this meeting, it is just approving the resolution for the City Manager and Mayor to work to negotiate a contract with the county. That real progress could be made if the County knew the City was serious. Hayes asked if Shepard would present the contract at a meeting, Shepard said yes once there is a completed contract. Shepard added that he was obligated to include this agenda item at this meeting despite the short notice in order to give the council this sensitive information at the earliest opportunity. He added that he would keep the council informed as new information becomes available, but cautioned that the process may take some time as both agencies are working through their annual budgets.

Cheek made a motion, seconded by Martine to approve Resolution 21-967; motion carried.

[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Motion](#)
[Position #2 - Tom Martine: 2nd](#)
[Position #1 - Keith Cantrell: Approve](#)
[Position #3 - Kristine Hayes: Approve](#)
[Position #4 - Terry Walhood: Approve](#)
[Position #5 - Penelope Cheek: Approve](#)
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ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:54pm.

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 14th
DAY OF APRIL 2021


Mayor, Sue Wilson



City Manager, Luke Shepard