

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE WELLINGTON VILLAGE COUNCIL

Wellington Village Hall
12300 Forest Hill Blvd
Wellington, FL 33414

Tuesday, February 24, 2026
6:30 p.m.

Pursuant to the foregoing notice, a Regular Meeting of the Wellington Council was held on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, commencing at 6:30 p.m. at Wellington Village Hall, 12300 Forest Hill Boulevard, Wellington, FL 33414.

Council Members present: Michael J. Napoleone, Mayor; Tanya Siskind, Vice Mayor; John T. McGovern, Councilman; Maria Antuña, Councilwoman; and Amanda Silvestri, Councilwoman.

Advisors to the Council: Jim Barnes, Manager; Laurie Cohen, Village Attorney; Tanya Quickel, Deputy Village Manager; Ed De La Vega, Assistant Village Manager; and Chevelle D. Hall, Village Clerk.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Napoleone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **INVOCATION** – Father Steven Thomas, Retired Rector of St. David's in the Pines Episcopal Church, delivered the invocation.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Mayor Napoleone led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mr. Barnes indicated staff recommended approval of the Agenda as amended.

1. Postpone Item 8B, Resolution No. R2026-04, (Lotis Amendment), to date certain of March 10, 2026.
2. Move Regular Agenda Item 9A, Sixth Amendment, to Consent Agenda as Item 7E.
3. Add Ordinance No. 2026-10 to the Regular Agenda as Item 9B.

A motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Councilwoman Silvestri, and unanimously passed (5-0), to approve the Agenda as amended.

At this time, the applicant requested for a team member to appear remotely for Public Hearing Item 8C and for additional time of 40 minutes for Items 8C and 8D. It was consensus of Council to allow the remote appearance and 40 minutes for the applicant presentation and five minutes for each member of the public who wished to speak.

5. **CONSIDERATION OF EXTENDED TIME REQUESTS BY INTERESTED PARTIES FOR QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS, IF ANY**

There were no requests to consider.

6. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- A. 26-7614 PRESENTATION BY DOUG CRANE, PALM BEACH COUNTY LIBRARY DIRECTOR**

Mr. Barnes introduced the item.

Mr. Douglas Crane conducted a presentation regarding the Library.

The Village Council provided comments regarding the library.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. 26-7582 MINUTES OF THE ACME IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

- B. 25-7338 AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO PYROTECNICO FIREWORKS, INC. FOR THE ANNUAL FOURTH OF JULY FIREWORKS DISPLAY**

- C. 26-7612 RESOLUTION NO. AC2026-02 (LAND SWAP AGREEMENT WITH MH WELLINGTON 2023 LLC)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ACME IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT APPROVING A LAND SWAP AGREEMENT WITH MH WELLINGTON 2023 LLC; AUTHORIZING THE BOARD PRESIDENT AND BOARD SECRETARY TO EXECUTE ALL DEEDS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO CLOSE ON THE EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- D. 26-7615 RESOLUTION NO. AC2026-01 (AUTHORIZING THE BOARD PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT, AND BOARD SECRETARY, EXECUTE A SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED IN FAVOR OF WELLINGTON PROPERTY OWNER LLC, TOGETHER WITH ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO CLOSE ON THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS "K-ARK)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE ACME IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE BOARD PRESIDENT OR VICE PRESIDENT, AND BOARD SECRETARY, TO EXECUTE A SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED IN FAVOR OF WELLINGTON PROPERTY OWNER LLC, TOGETHER WITH ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO CLOSE ON THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS "K-PARK, HAVING PARCEL ID NUMBER 73-42-43-27-05-026-0011, TOGETHER WITH A 3.6+/- ACRE PARCEL LOCATED ADJACENT TO AND SOUTH OF K-PARK, HAVING PARCEL ID NUMBER 73-41-44-24-06-003-0000 AND REFERRED TO AS THE "RIGHT OF WAY PARCEL;" AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- E. **26-7616** SIXTH AMENDMENT TO PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH WELLINGTON PROPERTY OWNER LLC AND APPROVAL OF TERMINATION OF PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH EIM

This item formerly Item 9A.

Mr. Barnes indicated staff recommended approval of the Consent Agenda as amended.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Siskind, seconded by Councilwoman Antuña, and unanimously passed (5-0), to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. **26-7610** RESOLUTION NO. R2026-04 (WELLINGTON VILLAGE (FKA K PARK) CONDITIONAL USE FOR POD A SCHOOL)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL, APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE (PETITION 2025-0001-CU) FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY FORMERLY KNOWN AS K PARK, TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 71.27 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF STRIBLING WAY AND US441/SR7, AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, TO ALLOW A 1,750-STUDENT PRIVATE SCHOOL WITH OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES WITHIN POD A OF THE WELLINGTON VILLAGE MUPD; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Barnes introduced the item.

Ms. Hall read the Resolution No. R2026-04 by title.

Ms. Cohen stated the item is Quasi-Judicial. She swore in the individuals who wished to speak on the item.

Ex-parte Communications:

Councilwoman Silvestri: Councilwoman Silvestri stated she had spoken with Karen Yung, Kevin Ryan, Jeff Clarke, Village staff, and her husband. She said she could be fair and impartial.

Vice Mayor Siskind: Vice Mayor Siskind stated she had spoken with Village staff. She said she could be fair and impartial.

Mayor Napoleone: Mayor Napoleone disclosed that he had spoken with Jeff Clarke, Karen Yung, Kevin Ryan, and Village staff. He said he could be fair and impartial.

Councilman McGovern: Councilman McGovern disclosed he had spoken with the team for the applicant and Village staff. He said he could be fair and impartial.

Councilwoman Antuña: Councilwoman Antuña stated she had spoken with staff. She said she can be fair and impartial.

Kelly Ferraiolo, Senior Planner, entered the files into record and talked about the request. She stated the item was postponed on February 10, 2026 to provide Wingrove Academy additional time to finalize the scholarship program dedicated for Wellington residents. Staff had no additional presentation.

Lentzy Jean Louis, Planner/Urban Design Studio, introduced Jeff Clarke, CEO of ElevateED.

Mr. Clarke presented the Wingrove Academy Wellington Community Scholarship Program: student eligibility criteria, award determination, continuing eligibility, timeframe, number of recipients, reporting, community use of facilities - policy.

There was discussion regarding students and annual updates.

Mr. Barnes stated staff recommends that this be added to the list of conditions.

Public Hearing

A motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Vice Mayor Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0) to open the public hearing.

Public Comment:

1. Bruce Tumin spoke about property tax studies and other fees regarding the school and if Acme Improvement District voted at an official meeting to sell the property.

There being no further public comments, a motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Vice Mayor Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0) to close the public hearing.

A motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Councilman Silvestri, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Resolution No. R2026-04 (Wellington Village (FKA K Park) Conditional Use For Pod A School), with the caveat that the memorandum of understanding and condition will be finalized as agreed to.

~~B. 26-7581 RESOLUTION NO. R2026-07 (LOTIS 2 MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT)~~

~~A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL, FOR A MASTER PLAN AMENDMENT (PETITION 2025-0001-MPA) FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY, KNOWN AS LOTIS WELLINGTON 2, A MIXED-USE PROJECT, TOTALING 52.44 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF STATE ROAD 7, APPROXIMATELY HALF A MILE NORTH OF FOREST HILL BOULEVARD, AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; MODIFYING THE MASTER PLAN AND CONDITIONAL USE APPROVALS BY ABANDONING THE CONDITIONAL USE FOR THE MINIATURE GOLF INDOOR/OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT USE, INCREASING THE CONDITIONAL DAYCARE USE FROM 210 TO 230 STUDENTS, ADDING A COMBINED RESTAURANT AND RETAIL USE AND A FREESTANDING RESTAURANT USE, AND TO MODIFY CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A~~

~~SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.~~

This item postponed to a date certain of March 10, 2026 Village Council Meeting.

C. 26-7599 RESOLUTION NO. R2025-67 (ISLA CARROLL POLO AND RESIDENCES PUD MASTER PLAN)

A RESOLUTION OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL, APPROVING THE MASTER PLAN FOR (PETITION 2025-0002-MP) ISLA CARROLL POLO AND RESIDENCES PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1,350 FEET SOUTH OF PIERSON ROAD ON THE WEST SIDE OF 120TH AVENUE SOUTH TOTALING 79.17 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; TO ADOPT THE ISLA CARROLL POLO AND RESIDENCES MASTER PLAN; TO DESIGNATE A 44.84-ACRE RESIDENTIAL POD WITH 27 SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING UNITS; TO DESIGNATE A 34.33-ACRE CLUB/AMENITY POD WITH EQUESTRIAN FACILITIES; TO ADOPT A PROJECT STANDARDS MANUAL (PSM); PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

D. 26-7598 ORDINANCE NO. 2025-29 (ISLA CARROLL POLO AND RESIDENCES REZONING)

AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL, APPROVING A REZONING [PETITION NUMBER 2025-0004-REZ] FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS ISLA CARROLL POLO AND RESIDENCES; LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1,350 FEET SOUTH OF PIERSON ROAD ON THE WEST SIDE OF 120TH AVENUE SOUTH, TOTALING 79.17 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; TO AMEND THE ZONING DESIGNATION FROM EQUESTRIAN RESIDENTIAL/EQUESTRIAN OVERLAY ZONING DISTRICT (ER/EOZD) TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT/EQUESTRIAN OVERLAY ZONING DISTRICT (PUD/EOZD); PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Barnes introduced the item and stated the applicant will conduct one presentation for both items.

Ms. Hall read Resolution No. R2025-67 and Ordinance No. 2025-29 by title.

Ms. Cohen stated the item is Quasi-Judicial. She swore in the individuals who wished to speak on the item.

Ex-parte Communications:

Councilwoman Silvestri: Councilwoman Silvestri stated she had spoken with Neil Schiller, Glen Fleischer, Judy Sloan, Ash Atkinson, Kristy Lund, Frank McCourt, Johnny Meier, Tatiana Yaques, Paige Nuñez, John Greene, staff, her husband, Liz Mariaca and Don Dufrane. She said she could be fair and impartial.

Vice Mayor Siskind: Vice Mayor Siskind stated she had spoken with Don Dufrane, John Greene, Murray Kessler, Ash Atkinson, Luis Rodriguez, Sheryl Anders, Rachel Eidelman, Jeffrey Robbert and Liz Mariaca. She said she could be fair and impartial.

Mayor Napoleone: Mayor Napoleone disclosed that he had spoken with staff, his wife, Neil Schiller, John Bowers, Tatiana Yaques, Paige Nuñez, Brett Winters, Stephen Levin, Sergio Guerriero, Annabelle Garrett, Don Dufrane, Pam Wildman, Judy Sloan, Kristy Lund, Glen Fleischer, Blake, Jordan and Sarah Goos, John Greene, Liz Mariaca, Roxanne Stein, and read emails. He said he could be fair and impartial.

Councilman McGovern: Councilman McGovern disclosed he had spoken with the entire team for the applicant, Sarah Goos, Annabelle Garrett, Judy Sloan, Ash Atkinson, Kristy Lund, Liz Mariaca, John Bowers, Michael Drahos, John Greene, Bob Margolis, Don Dufrane, Mary Lou Bedford, Lewis Jacobs, Mark Bellissimo, Doug McMahan, Doug Marty, Michael Prince, Maureen Brennan, Sergio Guerriero, Bryan Seymour, Chip McKinney, Kathleen Gannon, Matt Forest, staff, his wife and read all of the emails. He said he could be fair and impartial.

Councilwoman Antuña: Councilwoman Antuña stated she had read emails, spoken with staff, Annabelle Garrett, Randy Halvorsrod, Kristy Lund, Maureen Brennan, Glen Fleischer, Tatiana Yaques, Liz Mariaca, John Bowers, Mary Lou Bedford, Neil Schiller, and her husband. She said she could be fair and impartial.

Kelly Ferraiolo, Senior Planner, stated this is the final reading of the rezoning and entered the files into record. She relayed the various modifications the applicant had made to the master plan. The applicant is 120th Avenue South, LLC. and the agent is Seth Behn, Esq., Lewis, Longman & Walker, P.A. She stated the applicant's team will make their presentation first.

Neil Schiller, Esq., Government Law Group, on behalf of the applicant, submitted a binder of eight (8) expert letters/reports into the record. He introduced Frank McCourt, Founder and Executive Chairman/McCourt Partners, who spoke briefly to Council about their plan.

Mr. Schiller reviewed the changes that have been made to the plan and project since first reading and showed various related renderings of the project.

Bob McMurtry, Interim COO/United States Polo Association (USPA), spoke about their partnership/agreement regarding Isla Carroll field and showed an illustration about threats to Polo.

Joe Camp (sp), from the McCourt Team, spoke about access via easement and the Gray Trail.

Ms. Cohen asked who do the easements run in favor of.

Mr. Camp stated in favor of the land owner.

Mr. Schiller reviewed slides and graphics regarding public benefits of the project, economic benefits, chart of amenities pertaining to residents, members, and the public, plan evolution, using the comprehensive plan, land use decisions, comprehensive plan consistency, Equestrian Element 1, Equestrian Element 3, no conflict with the LDRs, compatible and consistent with existing uses, compatibility with NPC, changed conditions, environment, logical and orderly development pattern, compatible and consistent with existing uses, Section 6.8.8 – LDRs, comparison with WLP and overflow parking areas.

Taylor Pankonien, AICP, from Hart Howerton appeared remotely. She stated she had been working with Isla Carroll as their lead planner for over two years. She said she prepared the zoning compliance report that was submitted this evening and certifies that their plans meet all of criteria and the code as outlined in the report.

Mr. Schiller reviewed a slide titled “Isla Carroll exceeds the requirements for approval and Conclusion”.

Ms. Ferraiolo reviewed the applicant requests and showed a slide of the current zoning map and proposed zoning map. She showed a graphic of the proposed Isla Carroll Polo and Residences PUD Master Plan. She discussed the Pod Breakdown and Residential Density. Ms. Ferraiolo said a Project Standards Manual had been submitted as required by the Land Development Regulations (LDRs) and will be adopted by resolution. She reviewed a corresponding slide regarding the project standards manual. She referenced required improvements and contributions, and other requirements. Ms. Ferraiolo said the Equestrian Preserve Committee (EPC) and the Planning, Zoning and Adjustment Board (PZAB) recommended denial of both applications (rezoning and master plan), and Council approved the rezoning on first reading with a 3-2 vote. Ms. Ferraiolo referenced the findings of fact and said Resolution No. R2025-67 includes conditions of approval if the requests are approved. She also said, as a matter of housekeeping, if the ordinance and resolution are approved, an updated legal description will be replaced in Exhibit A.

Public Hearing

A motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Councilwoman Silvestri, and unanimously passed (5-0) to open the public hearing.

Public Comment:

1. Robert N. Schmidt spoke in support of the project.
2. Kathleen Gannon spoke in support of the project.
3. Doug Marty spoke in support of the project.
4. Chrys Beale (sp) spoke in support of the project.
5. Bob Margolis spoke in support of the project.
6. Bruce Tumin commented about the board, committee and Council votes on the project and spoke about education grants, transportation modes, access to fields, and parking.
7. Sarah Goos spoke in opposition of the project.
8. Robin Parsky spoke in support of the project.

9. Paulo Santana spoke in support of the project.
10. Jill Townsend spoke in opposition to the project.
11. Helena Stormanns spoke in support of the project.
12. Judith Sloan spoke in opposition of the project.
13. Diego Urrutia spoke in support of the project.
14. Randy Halvorsrod spoke in opposition to the project.
15. Kristy Lund spoke in opposition to the project.
16. Avery-Anna Hogan spoke in support of the project.
17. Annie Carruthers spoke in support of the project.
18. Maureen Brennan spoke in opposition to the project.
19. Ignacio "Nacho" Figueras spoke in support of the project.
20. Matt Guerriero spoke in opposition of the project.
21. John Greene spoke in support of the project.
22. Ken Marlin spoke in opposition to the project.
23. Phoebe Weseley spoke in opposition to the project.
24. Tim Gannon spoke in support of the project.
25. Pam Wildman spoke in opposition to the project.
26. Carol Coleman spoke in opposition to the project.
27. Liz Mariaca spoke in support of the project.
28. Brittany Halstead spoke in support of the project.
29. Ruben Gracida spoke in support of the project.

Vice Mayor Siskind read the following cards of those who opposed but did not wish to speak into the record: Tanya Nordby and Erin Gallagher.

Vice Mayor Siskind read the following cards of those who support but did not wish to speak into the record: Marcus Shult, Laura Nores, Rob Gray, Eva Kohn, Jennifer Preletz Santana, Sydney Norick, Melissa Burns, Linda Margolis, Harris Bundy, Stacie Simpkins, Olexa Celine, Karen Klopp, John Klopp, Tricia Holloway and Jim Ward.

There being no further public comments, a motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Vice Mayor Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0), to close the public hearing.

As a part of Mr. Schiller's rebuttal, Maria A. Fehretdinov, Esq., Stearns Weaver Miller Weissler Alhadeff & Sitterson, P.A. gave comments regarding the project and provided a letter to Council.

Ms. Cohen spoke to Council regarding rezoning and referenced standards.

Mayor Napoleone asked if there had been changes to the license agreement with USPA since the last hearing.

Mr. Schiller stated there had been no changes to the agreement since the last hearing.

Mayor Napoleone and Councilman McGovern asked questions regarding approval regarding WLP.

Ms. Fehretdinov responded to their questions.

Discussion took place between the Village Council, Ms. Cohen, Mr. Stillings, the applicant and representatives from the applicant's team about the property and project.

A motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Vice Mayor Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0), to go past 11:00 pm by one hour.

The Village Council gave comments and asked questions regarding the license agreement, permits, equestrian lifestyle, farms, number of lots, property, equestrian amenities, polo fields, viewing area, trailer parking, parking, the agreement, homeowners association, lot size, design, Section 6.8.8 of the LDR, deed restrictions, restrictive covenant, children's training, staffing, costs to residents to access the horses, traffic, membership, hours of the club, schedule for use of the polo fields and conditions of approval.

Mr. Schiller gave his closing statement regarding the project.

There was further discussion regarding the project and conditions of approval.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Siskind, seconded by Councilman McGovern, and failed (4-1; Vice Mayor Siskind dissenting) to approve Ordinance No. 2025-29 (Isla Carroll Polo and Residences Rezoning) on second reading.

A motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Vice Mayor Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0), to extend the meeting for 35 minutes.

- E. 26-7578** ORDINANCE NO. 2026-08 (LAKE WORTH ROAD ANNEXATION)
AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL APPROVING THE UNIFORM METHOD ("INVOLUNTARY") ANNEXATION (PETITION NUMBER 2026-0001-ANX), OF A PORTION OF LAKE WORTH ROAD TOTALING 5.5+/- ACRES, LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 0.6 MILES WEST OF STATE ROAD 7, IN PALM BEACH COUNTY, AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; AMENDING SECTION 12 OF THE VILLAGE CHARTER BY REDEFINING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF WELLINGTON; DIRECTING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS ANNEXATION; DIRECTING THE VILLAGE CLERK TO FILE A COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN PALM BEACH COUNTY, THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER ADOPTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH

SECTION 171, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Barnes introduced this item.

Ms. Hall read Ordinance No. 2026-08 by title.

Mr. Barnes discussed the item and stated staff will work with the county regarding the annexation.

Mr. Stillings said there will be an Interlocal Agreement when the item comes back for second reading.

Public Hearing

A motion was made by Councilman McGovern, seconded by Vice Mayor Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0) to open the public hearing.

There being no public comments, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Siskind, seconded by Councilwoman Silvestri, and unanimously passed (5-0) to close the public hearing.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Siskind, seconded by Councilwoman Antuña, and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve Ordinance No. 2026-08 (Lake Worth Road Annexation) on first reading.

9. REGULAR AGENDA

A. ~~26-7616~~ SIXTH AMENDMENT TO PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH WELLINGTON PROPERTY OWNER LLC AND APPROVAL OF TERMINATION OF PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH EIM

This item was moved to the Consent Agenda as Item 7E.

B. 26-7608 CONSIDERATION OF VILLAGE MANAGER'S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Mr. Barnes introduced the item.

Councilman McGovern presented the item and said there was a memorandum providing the salaries of managers in the ten largest municipalities. He stated this extends the manager's contract until December 31, 2030 and discussed the changes to the contract.

There was Council discussion regarding the contract.

Public Comment:

1. Bruce Tumin spoke regarding the manager and employees.
2. Jim Mantrozos read an email he received from Mr. Barnes a year ago.

Mr. Barnes responded regarding the email.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Siskind, seconded by Councilwoman Antuña, and passed (5-0), to approve Contract with Mr. Barnes for the Village Manager position as amended.

C. ORDINANCE NO. 2026-10 (CHARTER AMENDMENT OF COUNCIL SALARY)

AN ORDINANCE OF WELLINGTON, FLORIDA'S COUNCIL INCREASING THE COUNCIL COMPENSATION, AS PERMITTED BY WELLINGTON'S CHARTER, AND AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II, SECTION 2-16 (SALARY ADDITIVE OF COUNCIL MEMBERS EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2004) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(THIS ITEM ADDED TO THE AGENDA)**

Mr. Barnes introduced the item.

Councilman McGovern presented this item regarding Councilmember salaries.

Ms. Cohen stated this would not take effect until after the election.

Public Hearing

A motion was made by Councilwoman Silvestri, seconded by Vice Mayor Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0) to open the public hearing.

Public Comment:

1. Bruce Tumin spoke regarding the ordinance not being published for first reading.

There being no public comments, a motion was made by Councilwoman Silvestri, seconded by Vice Mayor Siskind, and unanimously passed (5-0) to close the public hearing.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Silvestri, seconded by Councilwoman Antuña, and unanimously passed (4-1; Vice Mayor Siskind dissenting) to approve Ordinance No. 2026-10 (Council Salaries) on first reading.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Barnes indicated there was one comment card submitted for Public Comment.

Public Comment:

1. Bruce Tumin spoke about HOA and code enforcement.

11. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

MS. COHEN: Ms. Cohen presented the following report:

Ms. Cohen stated she had no report.

12. MANAGER'S REPORT

MR. BARNES: Mr. Barnes presented the following report:

The Next Council Meeting will be held on March 10, 2026.

Agenda Review will be held at 4:30 pm on March 9, 2026.

13. COUNCIL REPORTS

COUNCILWOMAN SILVESTRI: Councilwoman Silvestri presented the following report:

- Councilwoman Silvestri waived comment.

VICE MAYOR SISKIND: Vice Mayor Siskind presented the following report:

- Vice Mayor Siskind waived comment.

COUNCILWOMAN ANTUÑA: Councilwoman Antuña presented the following report:

- Councilwoman Antuña waived comment.

COUNCILMAN MCGOVERN: Councilman McGovern presented the following report:

- Councilman McGovern waived comment.

MAYOR NAPOLEONE: Mayor Napoleone presented the following report:

- Mayor Napoleone waived comment.

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Village Council, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Siskind, seconded by Councilwoman Silvestri, and unanimously passed (5-0) to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 a.m.

Approved:

Michael J. Napoleone, Mayor

Chevelle D. Hall, Village Clerk