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RESULTS: February 6 City Council Meeting

North Myrtle Beach, SC – February 7, 2017 – During the February 6 North Myrtle Beach City Council meeting, Mayor Marilyn Hatley presented a Proclamation honoring Dr. Peter Chambers for his support and encouragement of the city’s ocean lifeguard program. Dr. Chambers donated \$5,000 to the city to provide ocean lifeguards with additional equipment and public education materials.



Dr. Peter Chambers (4th left) receives Proclamation from Mayor Marilyn Hatley

Also known as “Surf Doc”, Dr. Chambers began his life-long involvement with lifesaving while working as a lifeguard on the West Coast and he ultimately settled in North Myrtle Beach. His medical knowledge is highly regarded by the U.S. Lifeguarding Association. Dr. Chambers is also a Flight Surgeon for the United States Air Force and currently serves in the Air Force Reserve.

In spite of his busy schedule working as a physician, Dr. Chambers began working with North Myrtle Beach’s ocean lifeguards in his spare time, and continues to share his extensive knowledge with the city’s lifeguards, benefitting all who swim in our ocean waters.

City Council appointed North Myrtle Beach resident James Snyder to the Planning Commission. He replaces Ty Bellamy, whose term has expired.

City Council approved special event permits for the March 11 St. Patrick’s Day Parade and St. Patrick’s Day Festival on Main Street. The parade, conducted by the North Strand Optimist

Club, will be held 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The festival, managed by the North Myrtle Beach Parks & Recreation Department, will be held 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

City Council approved a special event permit for the May 5-7 Divas Half Marathon & 5K. The half marathon and 5K will take place on May 7, 7:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The start for both races will be located along South Ocean Boulevard between 1st and 2nd Avenues South. The finish line will be located on Main Street between Hillside Drive and Ocean Boulevard.

City Council tabled until its February 20 meeting second reading of a request to amend the Bahama Island Planned Development District, a.k.a. North Myrtle Beach RV Resort and Dry Dock, in order to first complete an associated development agreement.

City Council voted unanimously to approve the first reading of the ordinance at its October 3, 2016 meeting. There was ongoing discussion about requiring a separate development agreement. The proposal was tabled at Council's October 17, 2016 meeting for this reason.

The Planning Commission held its first public hearing on the proposed development agreement at its January 10, 2017 meeting. There were no public comments and no comments from the Commission. The development agreement should be in its final proposed form by Council's February 20 meeting.

City Council tabled until its February 20 meeting first reading of a request to amend the Barefoot Dye Club Planned Development District.

City Council voted unanimously to table first reading of the proposed ordinance at its November 21, 2016 meeting to a December 14, 2016 workshop, citing a concern over increased density and seeking a better understanding of the proposal. At the December 14, 2016 workshop it was determined that the proposal provided by the developer required reconsideration by the Planning Commission because significant changes had been made to the site plan. At its January 24, 2017 meeting the Commission considered the revisions made to the site plan and commitments to deed restrict short-term rentals and parking along Gray Heron Drive. The Commission tabled the item to its second meeting in February to ensure that the developer meets his legal obligations with respect to a review of his proposal by the Dye Estates HOA.

Coastal Resort Holdings has requested a reconfiguration of Tract IMF-3, located in the Dye Club, by changing the approved residential uses from detached to attached, increasing the approved density, and creating a new parking lot and site design. The revised site plan encompasses 8.09 acres, and increases density to 51 townhomes spread across both sides of Gray Heron Drive in Dye Estates. The proposed layout would contain 40 four-bedroom units and 11 three-bedroom units. In contrast, the approved 1999 site plan contained a total of 37 units with 29 detached cottage units on the north side of Gray Heron Drive and 8 on the south side. Additionally, the amended 2001 site plan replaced the 29 detached cottage units on the north side only with 21 detached units.

The new layout would require 122 parking spaces. 122 spaces would be provided within driveways or additional parking stalls located throughout the development. A detailed review of the parking requirements will take place by city staff once site plans have been submitted.

City Council voted to remove from the table a proposed ordinance to rezone 9.33 acres of land located at the corner of Hillside Drive and 10th Avenue South from R-1 (Single-Family

Residential Low Density) to R1B (Single-Family Residential Low-Medium Density). No other motion was made regarding the proposed rezoning, which means zoning for the land remains R1.

City Council held a public hearing on a proposed ordinance to amend the Bahama Island PDD Development Agreement. No members of the public commented on the proposed ordinance.

City Council passed first reading of an ordinance to amend the Bahama Island PDD Development Agreement.

The amendment to the Bahama Island PDD Development Agreement applies to the portion of the PDD controlled by Myrtle Beach Power Sports, Inc. (MBPS), the original development agreement will apply to the portion of the PDD currently owned by Canal Industries.

The Public Improvements/Public Benefits portion of the document include:

1. MBPS will dedicate approximately 1.2 acres of land to the City for right of way (ROW) within the PDD, which will be conveyed to the city via a deed of dedication upon completion of the road improvements. The dedicated ROW will contribute to the connectivity between Old Crane Road and C-Versie Road. MBPS will construct two lanes, including a round-about, of this future four-lane roadway at a location depicted on the Revised Master Plan and make the offsite improvements to Old Crane Road, which will include drainage and roadway paving per County standards, within two years of the effective date of the amendment to the PDD Development Agreement.
2. MBPS will provide pass-through drainage across Phase 1 of the PDD, which will benefit not only the PDD but also properties along Sand Ridge Road. MBPS will extend an existing 72-inch drainage pipe past the location of the existing outfall ditch to discharge directly into the Intracoastal Waterway.
3. Prior to the issuance of the first Certificate of Occupancy for any commercial building within Phase 1 of the PDD, MBPS will make a financial contribution to the city for funding additional public beach parking at the rate of \$400) for each RV site with a sewer connection.

At the request of the applicant, City Council tabled until its February 20 meeting first reading of an ordinance to amend the North Beach Plantation Planned Development District (PDD).

The applicant, The LandArt Company, authorized agent for NB Villas Holding Company LLC, has requested a reconfiguration of the Phase III Tower area and surrounds into the North Beach Villa Homes by changing the approved residential uses from attached to detached, reducing the number of units, decreasing the approved density, proposing building architectural standards and creating a new parking lot and site design that changes the open space and amenity layouts and proposes landscaping for the area. This amendment also addresses the scheduled closing of the emergency access only gate located in the oceanfront Towers Neighborhood.

The revised site plan replaces the 120-unit Phase III Tower with 13 townhomes serviced off of a one-way driveway accessed from North Beach Boulevard. Each unit has 6 bedrooms. The previously approved plan has a total of 729 dwelling units with an estimated density of 12.9

dwelling units per acre. This revised plan reduces that number to 622 total dwelling units with an estimated density of 11.3 dwelling units per acre.

The new layout would require 46 parking spaces. The site plan provides 37 vehicular parking spaces and 4 golf cart parking spaces beneath the townhomes. However, because many of these parking spaces would be obstructed by another parking space, only 26 of the spaces provided underneath the townhomes may be counted towards the required parking count. The remaining 20 required spaces are being provided in the existing adjacent parking structure. The adjacent parking structure also provides a surplus 14 parking spaces in addition to the spaces required in the Oceanfront Neighborhood section of the PDD.

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