



Village of
ESTERO

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VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
PACKET
JANUARY 22, 2025, 09:30 AM



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AGENDA
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9401 Corkscrew Palms Circle, Estero, Florida
January 22, 2025, 09:30 am

1. CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

Pastor Kyle Strom from Ocean Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDITIONS, AND DELETIONS

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

4. CONSENT AGENDA

a. January 8, 2025 Village Council Meeting Minutes

Attachment: [01082025 minutes.pdf](#)

5. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS DEFERRED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

6. ACTION ITEMS

a. Approval of Estero Sports Park Master Plan and authorization to submit the infrastructure plan for permits to the SFWMD

Recommended Action

The staff recommendation is to request Council approval of the agenda item as presented.

Financial Impact

The approval of the Master Plan does not have any immediate cost. However, the development of the Sports Park will likely be the most expensive capital project in the Village's short history. Adjustments to the scope and final cost of the project are possible on a continuing basis as the project evolves.

Attachment: [SS Sports Park Master Plan_final.pdf](#)

Attachment: [2025.01.15 Estero Sports Park Master Plan_Alternate.pdf](#)

7. SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

a. Second Reading of Ordinance 2025-01 regarding Village seal and administrative code.

An Ordinance of the Village Council of the Village of Estero, Florida, Amending § 2-1 (Official Seal) and § 2-2 (Administrative Code) of the Village Code; Making Related Findings; and Providing for Severability, Codification and an Effective Date.

Recommended Action

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-01.

Financial Impact

Ordinance has no financial impact.

Attachment: [SS Ord No 2025-01 Seal and Admin Code.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Ord No 2025-01 Estero Seal and Admin Code.pdf](#)

8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

9. VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT

10.VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

Adjourn Regular Session and Convene Workshop Items

11.WORKSHOP

a. Planning, Zoning, Design Board Appointments

Attachment: [SS PZD Board Appointments.pdf](#)

Attachment: [1 PZD Board Members Official.pdf](#)

Attachment: [2 Resolution 2024-04 PZDB Appointment.pdf](#)

b. 2025 Estero Fest/10th Year Anniversary

Attachment: [SS Estero Fest.pdf](#)

Attachment: [2025 Estero Fest Flyer.pdf](#)

Attachment: [Site Plan 2025.pdf](#)

12.ADJOURNMENT

General Attachments

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2025, 9:30 A.M.

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09:30:40 >>Mayor McLain: AND WELCOME TO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, A
09:30:42 PLACE THAT WE NORMALLY CALL PARADISE.
09:30:45 THIS MORNING, WHEN I GOT UP AT 6 AND WALKED MY DOG AT 45 AND
09:30:50 RAIN, I SAID, I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS PARADISE OR NOT.
09:30:53 BUT IF YOU LOOK ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN, IF WE LIVED
09:30:59 IN CHICAGO OR NEW YORK OR TALLAHASSEE EVEN, I GUESS WE CAN
09:31:03 CALL THIS A TEMPORARY LAPSE, BUT IT IS PARADISE AND WE'RE
09:31:07 LUCKY TO BE LIVING IN.
09:31:09 I WOULD LIKE TO NOW CALL THE JANUARY 22nd, 2025, 9:30
09:31:14 VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER.
09:31:15 [SOUNDING GAVEL]
09:31:16 I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO REMIND EVERYONE THAT IF YOU HAVE A CELL
09:31:19 PHONE, PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT'S TURNED OFF SO IT DOESN'T
09:31:23 INTERRUPT THE MEETING.
09:31:23 AND THOSE FOLKS THAT ARE GOING TO SPEAK, INCLUDING COUNCIL,
09:31:27 WHEN YOU DO SPEAK, PLEASE GET TO THE MICROPHONES AS CLOSE --
09:31:32 PROBABLY LIKE I AM RIGHT HERE SO WE CAN RECORD THE DIALOGUE
09:31:36 ON THAT.

09:31:37 SO LET'S START THIS MORNING WITH THE INVOCATION.
09:31:42 WE'RE FORTUNATE TODAY TO HAVE PASTOR KYLE STROM FROM OCEAN
09:31:44 CHURCH HERE.
09:31:45 WELCOME, KYLE.
09:31:51 >> GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE.
09:31:52 LET'S BOW OUR HEADS AND TAKE THIS MEETING TO THE LORD.
09:31:56 HEAVENLY FATHER, WE ARE SO GRATEFUL THAT WE HAD ANOTHER DAY
09:32:00 THAT WE CAN GET UP.
09:32:02 WE CAN BREATHE AIR INTO OUR LUNGS, AND WE CAN GO ABOUT THE
09:32:06 BUSINESS THAT YOU HAVE FOR US.
09:32:08 LORD, I THANK YOU FOR THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS AWESOME CITY.
09:32:13 LORD, I PRAY THAT UNITY WOULD BE IN THIS MEETING AND UNITY
09:32:18 WOULD BE AMONGST OUR CITY.
09:32:20 LORD, I PRAY FOR OUR FAMILIES AS WELL.
09:32:23 LORD, THIS CITY IS AN AMAZING CITY, AND THERE ARE AMAZING
09:32:27 FAMILIES IN IT AND PEOPLE ARE FLOCKING HERE IN DROVES.
09:32:31 LORD, I JUST PRAY FOR JUST THE FAMILY.
09:32:34 I PRAY FOR HUSBANDS AND WIVES.

09:32:35 I PRAY FOR KIDS.
 09:32:36 LORD, I PRAY FOR SAFETY IN OUR CITY.
 09:32:39 LORD, I KNOW THERE'S GOING TO BE MANY DECISIONS THAT WILL
 09:32:42 HAPPEN THIS MORNING.
 09:32:43 LORD, I PRAY THAT WE'LL HAVE HUMBLE HEARTS AS WE GET UP AND
 09:32:48 TALK AND THAT AS DECISIONS ARE MADE, THAT WE WOULD BE
 09:32:52 UNIFIED IN THAT.

 09:32:53 LORD, THANK YOU FOR EVERY PERSON IN LEADERSHIP YOU PUT THEM
 09:32:57 THERE.
 09:32:58 LORD, WE GIVE YOU HONOR.
 09:33:00 WE GIVE YOU PRAISE IN EVERYTHING WE DO.
 09:33:03 IN YOUR NAME, AMEN.
 09:33:06 >>Mayor McLain: THANK YOU, PASTOR KYLE.
 09:33:09 HAVE A GREAT DAY.
 09:33:10 WOULD YOU ALL PLEASE STAND FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE?
 09:33:15 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]
 09:33:27 >>Mayor McLain: MADAM CLERK, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?
 09:33:32 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: HERE.
 09:33:34 >>Larry Fiesel: HERE.
 09:33:36 >>Mayor McLain: HERE.
 09:33:38 >>Lori Fayhee: HERE.
 09:33:40 >>Rafael Lopez: HERE.
 09:33:41 >>Jim Ward: HERE.
 09:33:42 >>George Zalucki: HERE.
 09:33:44 >>Mayor McLain: NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS THE APPROVAL OF THE
 09:33:46 AGENDA.
 09:33:47 DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES THEY
 09:33:51 WOULD LIKE TO MAKE?
 09:33:53 IF NOT, I'D LIKE FOR A MOTION.
 09:33:56 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: SO MOVED.
 09:33:57 >>Mayor McLain: VICE-MAYOR HAS MADE THE MOTION.
 09:33:59 SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN FIESEL.

 09:34:02 MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
 09:34:03 >>Larry Fiesel: AYE.
 09:34:06 >>Lori Fayhee: AYE.
 09:34:07 >>Rafael Lopez: AYE.
 09:34:09 >>Jim Ward: AYE.
 09:34:10 >>George Zalucki: AYE.
 09:34:11 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: AYE.
 09:34:13 >>Mayor McLain: AYE.
 09:34:14 AT THIS POINT OF THE MEETING, WE WILL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT ON
 09:34:18 ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA.
 09:34:21 DO WE HAVE ANYONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?
 09:34:23 >>Carol Sacco: YES, WE DO.
 09:34:24 GARY ISRAEL FROM STONEYBROOK.
 09:34:26 >>Mayor McLain: WELCOME, GARY.

09:34:30 >> HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OF YOU.
 09:34:32 STILL A GREAT DAY TO BE A BUCKEYE.
 09:34:33 [LAUGHTER]
 09:34:34 I'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU AN OPPORTUNITY TO SAVE THE DATE,
 09:34:42 FEBRUARY 15, SATURDAY, 10:00 IN THE MORNING ACROSS THE
 09:34:45 STREET COMMUNITY ESTERO CHURCH.
 09:34:47 OUR CHURCH WILL BE HOSTING OUR SECOND ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE
 09:34:50 PETS THAT MORNING.
 09:34:51 IF YOU'VE GOT PETS THAT YOU'D LIKE SOME HELP WITH, LET'S GET
 09:34:57 INVOLVED, GOD INVOLVED WITH THEM AND HELP YOU OUT.
 09:35:00 10:00 ON FEBRUARY 15.

 09:35:02 THANK YOU.
 09:35:04 >>Mayor McLain: THANK YOU, GARY.
 09:35:06 >>Carol Sacco: NO, MAYOR, THAT'S IT.
 09:35:09 >>Mayor McLain: NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS AGENDA ITEM 4A, THE
 09:35:16 JANUARY 8 MINUTES.
 09:35:17 DO ANY COUNCIL MEMBERS HAVE ANY ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS,
 09:35:20 CORRECTIONS?
 09:35:21 IF NONE, I'LL LOOK FOR A MOTION TO APPROVE.
 09:35:27 >> SO MOVED.
 09:35:27 >>Mayor McLain: COUNCILMAN LOPEZ HAS MADE THE MOTION.
 09:35:30 SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WARD.
 09:35:32 MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
 09:35:34 >>George Zalucki: AYE.
 09:35:35 >>Jim Ward: AYE.
 09:35:37 >>Rafael Lopez: AYE.
 09:35:38 >>Lori Fayhee: AYE.
 09:35:40 >>Larry Fiesel: AYE.
 09:35:41 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: AYE.
 09:35:42 >>Mayor McLain: AYE.
 09:35:43 NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS ITEM 6A, APPROVAL OF ESTERO SPORTS
 09:35:48 PARK MASTER PLAN AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT THE
 09:35:53 INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN FOR PERMITS TO S.W.F.W.M.D., OR SOUTH
 09:35:59 FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT.
 09:36:00 WE ARE ROLLING HERE PRETTY QUICK.
 09:36:02 DID I MISS AN AGENDA ITEM HERE?

 09:36:05 NO.
 09:36:06 WE'RE RIGHT ON SCHEDULE.
 09:36:08 STEVE, WOULD YOU PLEASE INTRODUCE THIS?
 09:36:09 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.
 09:36:12 AS YOU KNOW, AND YOU'VE SEEN IN THE PAST, THE MASTER PLAN
 09:36:18 FOR THE SPORTS PARK HAS BEEN A MAJOR TOPIC OF OUR WORK PLAN.
 09:36:22 WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS FACILITATE THE SUBMISSION OF THIS
 09:36:28 PLAN TO THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE
 09:36:32 NECESSARY PERMITS TO MAKE THIS PROJECT HAPPEN.
 09:36:34 ORIGINALLY THIS WAS SCHEDULED TO GO IN TOTAL TO THE PLANNING

09:36:40 AND ZONING BOARD WITH THIS MASTER PLAN AS WELL AS THE
 09:36:48 LANDSCAPE PLAN AND THE PATTERN BOOK.
 09:36:52 THE PATTERN BOOK IS WHAT GUIDES THE ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS ON
 09:36:56 THE PROJECT AND, OF COURSE, THE LANDSCAPE PLAN COMES TOWARDS
 09:36:59 THE END OF THE PROJECT WHEN WE'RE LOOKING TO FINALIZE THE
 09:37:04 QUALITY BUILD-OUT WITH PROPER LANDSCAPING.
 09:37:07 TO FACILITATE THIS AND MOVE THE TIMELINE ALONG, WE'VE KIND
 09:37:11 OF SPLIT THIS UP, SUGGESTING THAT WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS
 09:37:16 MASTER PLAN AND TAKE THE PATTERN BOOK AND THE LANDSCAPE PLAN
 09:37:23 A LITTLE LATER IN THE PROCESS WHEN WE STILL HAVE PLENTY OF
 09:37:27 TIME TO GET ALL OF THAT DONE AND HAVE THE REVIEW BY THE
 09:37:30 PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD AND, OF COURSE, THE COUNCIL.
 09:37:34 SO THIS IS A REAL MINOR CHANGE IN THE PLAN BUT ALL GEARED
 09:37:41 TOWARDS GETTING THIS PROJECT DONE QUICKLY.
 09:37:43 WE HAVE RECEIVED SOMEWHAT RELATED TO THIS WE HAVE RECEIVED

 09:37:49 PROPOSALS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK.
 09:37:55 THAT WOULD BE THE SECOND PHASE OF THE BUILD-OUT.
 09:37:57 HERE THE FIRST PHASE WAS THE FOOTBALL FIELD.
 09:38:01 THE SECOND PHASE IS THE BUILD-OUT OF THE UTILITIES, THE
 09:38:08 SIDEWALKS, THE HARD-SCAPE, DRIVEWAYS, PARKING LOTS, TWO OF
 09:38:14 THE SOCCER -- LONG FIELD SOCCER FIELDS AND BASEBALL FIELDS
 09:38:19 AND OTHER RELATED ISSUES.
 09:38:21 SO WE'RE TRYING TO MOVE THAT ALONG QUICKLY AS WELL.
 09:38:25 ALL INTENDED TO GET THE HIGH 5 AND GOLF DRIVING RANGE IN
 09:38:35 SOMETIME IN THE FIRST OR SECOND QUARTER OF 2026.
 09:38:41 THERE ARE REALLY NO CHANGES IN THE MASTER PLAN CONCEPT.
 09:38:45 I WOULD NOTE THAT SOME PEOPLE HAVE CALLED US AND SAID, HEY,
 09:38:49 WHERE IS THE RESTROOM?
 09:38:51 WHERE ARE THE CONCESSIONS?
 09:38:52 ALL OF THAT WE'LL PULL TOGETHER AS WE GET READY FOR THE
 09:38:58 BUILD-OUT OF THE STRUCTURE WHICH IS NOT QUITE AT THIS POINT.
 09:39:00 THOSE FINER POINTS AND THE SMALLER DETAILS REALLY DO NEED TO
 09:39:05 BE THOUGHT THROUGH FURTHER.
 09:39:08 SO WE'RE COLLECTING COMMENTS AS WE GO, BUT THIS IS THE STEP
 09:39:13 TO GET THE MAJOR PIECES DONE AND SUBMITTED FOR PERMITTING.
 09:39:18 >>Mayor McLain: DOES COUNCIL HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?
 09:39:19 GO AHEAD, VICE-MAYOR.
 09:39:21 >>Larry Fiesel: STEVE, WE HAVE TWO PLANS HERE.
 09:39:25 WE HAVE THE MASTER CONCEPT PLAN AND WE HAVE AN ALTERNATE
 09:39:28 PLAN.

 09:39:29 MY UNDERSTANDING IS IF COUNCIL APPROVES THIS TODAY, THIS
 09:39:32 HELPS MOVE IT FORWARD TO THE S.W.F.W.M.D. APPROVAL PROCESS
 09:39:36 KNOWING THAT THIS IS AN ONGOING PROJECT THAT'S GOING TO HAVE
 09:39:39 SOME REFINEMENTS AS WE MOVE ALONG.
 09:39:42 SO WHAT WE SEE ON THIS SITE PLAN IS MORE IMPORTANT TO THE
 09:39:48 SOUTH WATER MANAGEMENT PROCESS THAN WHAT THE FINAL PRODUCT

09:39:52 IS GOING TO LOOK LIKE BECAUSE WE'LL BE REFINING IT MOVING
 09:39:56 FORWARD.
 09:39:56 I GUESS THE ONE THAT IS THE ALTERNATE PROPOSAL, NOT SURE WHY
 09:40:04 WE WOULD BE LOOKING AT THAT, THE MASTER PLAN IS WHAT WE'RE
 09:40:06 TRYING TO APPROVE TO MOVE FORWARD, ISN'T IT?
 09:40:09 >>Steven Sarkozy: RIGHT, CORRECT.
 09:40:10 THERE ARE SOME MINOR CHANGES HERE, PARTICULARLY WITH THE
 09:40:15 WATER FEATURE AND THE TOT LOT AREA.
 09:40:18 SOME OF THE COMMENTS WE'VE GOTTEN BACK, IT'S TOO CLOSE TO
 09:40:21 THE LAKE FOR A TOT LOT AND WE DON'T WANT KIDS WANDERING IN
 09:40:29 THE LAKE THINKING THAT IS A BEACH.
 09:40:31 SO MAYBE THAT'S SOMETHING WE LOOK AT, AT A LATER DATE.
 09:40:37 BUT THE KEY FEATURES HERE OF THE DRIVEWAY, THE PARKING LOTS,
 09:40:43 THE LAKE ITSELF, THE DRAINAGE, THE UTILITIES, UNDERGROUND
 09:40:48 UTILITIES, ARE ALL BASIC TO BOTH.
 09:40:54 >>Larry Fiesel: WE WOULD ONLY BE SUBMITTING THE CONCEPT
 09:40:56 PLAN, NOT THE ALTERNATE WITH IT?
 09:40:58 BECAUSE I THINK THAT IS CONFUSING IF WE WOULD SUBMIT BOTH OF
 09:41:01 THESE.

 09:41:01 >>Steven Sarkozy: NO, WE'LL SUBMIT BASICALLY JUST THE
 09:41:04 INFRASTRUCTURE.
 09:41:08 >>Mayor McLain: BUT WE DO HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION TODAY.
 09:41:10 YOU'VE GIVEN US TWO OPTIONS HERE.
 09:41:14 THE ONE I'M LOOKING AT FIRST WHICH IS ACTUALLY DIFFERENT --
 09:41:17 THE ONE WE HAVE ON THE SCREEN I THINK 18 ON THE SCREEN IS
 09:41:24 THE FOOD TRUCK PARKING.
 09:41:25 THE OTHER VERSION WHERE 18 IS ON THE SCREEN HAS THE SPLASH
 09:41:31 PAD AND A PLAY AREA.
 09:41:33 THE FOOD TRUCKS WOULD THEN PARK ON ONE OF THE ROADWAYS IN
 09:41:37 THERE.
 09:41:39 BUT THE ROAD ITSELF, THE MASTER PLAN, THE ROAD ITSELF AND
 09:41:43 THE REST IS GOING TO REMAIN AS IS.
 09:41:45 SO WE NEED TO MAKE THAT DECISION.
 09:41:47 DO WE WANT A SPLASH PAD OR NOT TODAY INCLUDED ON THIS AND
 09:41:51 WE'LL SUBMIT ONE JUST SO WE DON'T HAVE ANY CONFUSION AT ALL
 09:41:55 AND KEEP THIS THING GOING AT THE FASTEST PACE POSSIBLE.
 09:41:59 GO AHEAD, VICE-MAYOR.
 09:41:59 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: ALTHOUGH I WAS EXCITED TO SEE THE
 09:42:03 PLAYGROUND AND SPLASH PAD ON THE ORIGINAL DESIGN, I CAN
 09:42:07 UNDERSTAND USING THAT SPACE FOR FOOD TRUCKS.
 09:42:10 FOOD TRUCK BUSINESS IS HUGE.
 09:42:12 EVERY COMMUNITY IS PUTTING IN PADS FOR FOOD TRUCKS.
 09:42:14 WHEN WE HAVE LARGE VENUES HERE OR MULTIPLE ORGANIZATIONS
 09:42:19 WORKING ON THESE FIELDS AT THE SAME TIME, THE CONCESSION

 09:42:23 STANDS AREN'T ENOUGH.
 09:42:24 WITH THE FACT THAT THE COMMUNITY PARK JUST RE-DID THE

09:42:29 PLAYGROUND THAT'S THERE AND IT'S BEAUTIFUL, I DON'T THINK WE
 09:42:32 NEED TWO IN THIS AREA.
 09:42:35 SO I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF MAKING THAT SECTION THE FOOD
 09:42:40 TRUCK.
 09:42:41 QUESTION: IS IT GOING TO REMAIN A GREENSPACE OR IS IT
 09:42:45 ASPHALT WITH CONNECTIONS?
 09:42:47 HOW DO YOU VISUALIZE THAT SPACE BEING IF IT'S GOING TO BE
 09:42:50 FOR FOOD TRUCKS?
 09:42:52 >>Steven Sarkozy: HONESTLY, WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN INTO THE
 09:42:54 DETAIL YET.
 09:42:55 BUT KNOWING YOUR COMMENTS AND SHOULD YOU SELECT THAT ROUTE,
 09:43:01 MAKE SENSE, AND WE COULD PUT IN THE UNDERGROUND UTILITIES TO
 09:43:06 PROVIDE --
 09:43:07 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: OF COURSE, YOU'D HAVE TO.
 09:43:09 I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF THE ALTERNATE PLAN.
 09:43:13 >>Mayor McLain: ANY OTHER COMMENTS?
 09:43:15 >>Jim Ward: I JUST HAD A QUESTION RELATIVE TO THE PARKING
 09:43:19 ACCESS ON EITHER SIDE OF THE DEVELOPMENT.
 09:43:22 I CAN SEE THE PARKING OVER BY THE HIGH 5, THE PARKING ACCESS
 09:43:27 TO GET OVER TO THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE PROJECT FIELD.
 09:43:32 HOW WOULD THAT BE ACCOMMODATED?
 09:43:36 >>Steven Sarkozy: WELL, ON FIELD NUMBER 1, WHICH IS ON THE
 09:43:41 FAR EAST -- NORTHEAST SIDE, THAT'S GOING TO BE A LITTLE BIT

 09:43:46 OF A WALK TO GET TO THAT.
 09:43:48 WHAT WE'RE THINKING IS THAT THE TWO SOCCER FIELDS, OR LONG
 09:43:55 FIELDS, THAT ARE TOWARDS THE WEST WOULD BE THE FIRST ONES
 09:43:58 THAT WE WOULD BUILD SO THAT THEY HAVE EASY ACCESS TO THE
 09:44:04 PARKING AND THEN PROBABLY COME BACK LATER AND DO THE THIRD
 09:44:07 ONE SHOULD IT BE NEEDED.
 09:44:09 WE PRESUME IT WILL BE NEEDED.
 09:44:12 >>Jim Ward: BUT EVEN ACCESS TO THE PICKLEBALL COURTS,
 09:44:16 LABELED 22 OR EVEN 11 AND 12, WOULD THAT BE FOR ACCESS FOR
 09:44:22 PARKING BY THE FOOTBALL FIELD?
 09:44:23 >>Steven Sarkozy: IT WOULD BE YES AND ACCESS FROM THE HIGH
 09:44:26 SCHOOL SIDE.
 09:44:29 >>Jim Ward: THE ACCESS ROAD COMING INTO THE PARKING BY HIGH
 09:44:33 5, THERE'S NOTHING SHOWN HERE, BUT HOW WOULD THAT BE
 09:44:38 ACCESSED?
 09:44:38 >>Steven Sarkozy: WELL, THERE IS A ROAD SHOWN THERE NEAR 17,
 09:44:48 WHICH IS THE SCULPTURE AREA, A SORT OF PEANUT SHAPED KIND OF
 09:44:53 ROUNDABOUT, BUT YOU WOULD COME OFF VIA COCONUT, RIGHT ABOUT
 09:44:57 THE AREA WHERE THE MAINTENANCE SHED IS LOCATED AND SLIP INTO
 09:45:02 THE PARKING LOT WITH HIGH 5 OR SWING AROUND TO THE MAJOR
 09:45:08 PARKING AREA, WHICH WOULD BE ON THE SOUTH SIDE.
 09:45:12 >>Jim Ward: SO YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE AREA WHERE 17 IS, THAT
 09:45:16 WOULD BE THE ENTRY POINT AND THEN HAVE TO TRAVERSE ALL THE
 09:45:19 WAY DOWN TO THE PARKING LOT?

09:45:21 >>Steven Sarkozy: YES.

09:45:24 YOU COULD ALSO GET TO HIGH 5 OFF OF THE ENTRANCE ON WILLIAMS
09:45:30 AS WELL.
09:45:31 WHICH IS DOWN NEAR 24.
09:45:36 >>Jim Ward: OKAY.
09:45:37 THANK YOU.
09:45:40 >>George Zalucki: I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THE SPLASH PAD
09:45:43 AS WELL SINCE WE NEED TO MAKE THAT DECISION TODAY.
09:45:45 I CONCUR WITH THE VICE-MAYOR.
09:45:47 ONE OF THE THINGS I THINK ABOUT SPLASH PADS, ALTHOUGH IT'S A
09:45:50 NICE AMENITY FOR KIDS, I THINK -- I'M CONCERNED FROM A
09:45:54 SAFETY PERSPECTIVE OF THE MAINTENANCE AND THE ONGOING
09:45:57 CONCERNS OF WATER FACILITIES AND THE MAINTENANCE ON WATER
09:46:03 FACILITIES IN ADDITION TO THE SAFETY OF THE CHILDREN.
09:46:07 I ALSO CONCUR THAT IT IS ALMOST REDUNDANT.
09:46:11 THEY JUST SPENT A LOT OF MONEY RIGHT NEXT DOOR ON THE
09:46:14 CHILD'S PARK OVER THERE, WHICH I TOOK MY GRANDKIDS TO NOT
09:46:17 EVEN TWO WEEKS AGO.
09:46:19 I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF LEAVING THAT SPACE OPEN POTENTIALLY
09:46:23 AGAIN FOR FOOD TRUCKS OR WHATEVER SPACE WE DESIGNATE IT FOR
09:46:27 PERHAPS IN THE FUTURE.
09:46:28 THANK YOU.
09:46:33 >>Lori Fayhee: I THINK WE DO HAVE TO HAVE SOMETHING THERE,
09:46:36 THOUGH, FOR THE YOUNGER PEOPLE.
09:46:38 THE PARK IS A GOOD DISTANCE.
09:46:40 IF YOU HAVE AN OLDER CHILD PLAYING BASEBALL AND THE YOUNGER

09:46:44 ONES GET BORED, YOU'RE GOING TO WANT TO BE ABLE TO HAVE
09:46:48 SOMETHING TO ENTERTAIN THEM, JUST SOMETHING TO CONSIDER, I
09:46:53 THINK.
09:46:54 >>Mayor McLain: I DON'T THINK THAT WOULD CHANGE MOVING
09:46:58 FORWARD BECAUSE THAT SPACE IS GOING TO BE THE SAME.
09:47:00 WE CAN KIND OF MODIFY THAT JUST A LITTLE BIT.
09:47:03 I DO THINK WHEN YOU LOOK AT FIVE, I'M NOT SURE STEVE WHERE
09:47:12 -- IF WE HAD A VETERANS DAY EVENT OR SOMETHING THERE, WOULD
09:47:16 FIVE BE THE AREA WHERE WE WOULD HOLD IT OR IS THERE ANOTHER
09:47:20 AREA WHERE WE WOULD ACTUALLY HAVE THE STAGE YOU THINK,
09:47:23 TEMPORARY OR WHATEVER?
09:47:25 >>Steven Sarkozy: WELL, HONESTLY, WE DON'T KNOW YET.
09:47:27 AND IT MAY CHANGE FROM EVENT TO EVENT.
09:47:30 YOU HAVE TWO LARGE LAWN AREAS.
09:47:32 ONE JUST NORTH OF THE FOOTBALL FIELD.
09:47:35 THAT COULD BE SET UP WITH A STAGE.
09:47:37 AND YOU ALSO HAVE THE AREA THAT IS THROUGH THE CENTRAL PART
09:47:46 LABELED SIX.
09:47:47 THAT'S ALMOST FOUR ACRES.
09:47:49 BOTH ARE ALMOST TO FOUR ACRES.

09:47:54 DEPENDING UPON WHAT'S HAPPENING EITHER AT THE FOOTBALL FIELD
 09:47:56 OR AT THE BASEBALL FIELDS OR AT THE LONG FIELDS, YOU MAY
 09:48:02 ALTERNATE DEPENDING ON HOW TO SEPARATE THE CROWDS.
 09:48:04 >>Mayor McLain: WE WANT -- THAT FLEXIBILITY I THINK IS
 09:48:06 IMPORTANT.

09:48:07 ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PLAN?
 09:48:11 I JUST HAVE A COUPLE OF COMMENTS ON THIS.
 09:48:19 I THINK WHAT WE'VE GOT BEFORE US IS REALLY GREAT.
 09:48:23 WHEN YOU LOOK AT A HUNDRED ACRES, I'VE BEEN AROUND LONGER
 09:48:26 THAN SOME.
 09:48:26 WE INITIALLY BOUGHT THE 20 ACRES AND WE WERE GOING TO GET
 09:48:30 THAT DEVELOPED.
 09:48:31 WE'VE OBVIOUSLY DELAYED THAT SO WE COULD DO A WHOLE MASTER
 09:48:34 PLAN IN THERE, WHICH IS I THINK A GREAT THING, BUT IT IS
 09:48:38 FROM MY STANDPOINT A LITTLE BIT FRUSTRATING THAT WE
 09:48:42 ORIGINALLY HAD THOUGHT THAT WE COULD GET OUR ENTERTAINMENT
 09:48:45 SPOT UP AND RUNNING OPTIMISTICALLY WHEN WE FIRST STARTED BY
 09:48:51 THE END OF 2024.
 09:48:53 NOW WE HAVE EXPANDED THE WHOLE PROGRAM AND NOW WE'RE LOOKING
 09:48:58 AT I THINK REALISTICALLY SECOND QUARTER OF 2026 AND EVEN TO
 09:49:02 DO THAT, IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S GOING TO BE SOME PUSHING IN
 09:49:08 THERE.
 09:49:09 SO MY CONCERN AND THE MASTER PLAN I THINK IS GREAT.
 09:49:15 VOTE FOR IT.
 09:49:15 NO SPLASH PAD, I THINK I'M IN FAVOR OF IT.
 09:49:19 BUT I WOULD ASK OUR STAFF AND STEVE MANAGER AND VIESTE TO
 09:49:24 PUT ALL EFFORTS IN THAT THEY CAN TO LOOK AT THIS AND LOOK --
 09:49:28 WE'VE GOT S.W.F.W.M.D. WE HAVE TO GET FORWARD.
 09:49:31 LET'S GET THIS DONE, GET APPROVAL ON THAT.
 09:49:34 THAT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

09:49:36 WE ALSO HAVE TO HAVE A CONSTRUCTION MANAGER THAT I KNOW
 09:49:39 YOU'VE ALREADY GOT THE BIDS BACK IN AND THAT CONSTRUCTION
 09:49:43 MANAGER, I HAVEN'T SEEN THE PRICING.
 09:49:45 REVIEW THAT HERE SHORTLY.
 09:49:48 I WANT THEM TO BE INVOLVED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
 09:49:51 THEN WE NEED TO ALSO, IF WE WANT -- I'D LIKE TO FAST TRACK
 09:49:56 OUR ENTERTAINMENT AREA BECAUSE EVERY MONTH THAT WE DON'T
 09:49:59 HAVE HIGH 5 UP AND RUNNING POTENTIALLY IS A HUNDRED THOUSAND
 09:50:05 DOLLARS.
 09:50:05 NOW, THAT MAY BE ON THE UPSIDE, BUT YOU'VE SEEN THE NUMBERS
 09:50:09 BEFORE AND WE'RE THINKING IT COULD BE BETTER THAN THAT.
 09:50:11 WE'RE SPENDING A LOT OF MONEY.
 09:50:14 ANY WAY WE CAN GET THAT HUNDRED THOUSAND QUICKER I THINK IS
 09:50:17 GOOD.
 09:50:17 I'M ASKING STAFF TO PUSH THIS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
 09:50:21 I TALKED TO MARY BRIEFLY THIS MORNING.

09:50:24 AS WE ARE GOING OUT FOR S.W.F.W.M.D., WE CAN PROBABLY GO TO
 09:50:27 PLANNING AND ZONING AND LOOK AT THE BUILDING.
 09:50:31 BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW, WE'VE ROTATED THE BUILDING.
 09:50:33 WE MADE JUST ONE WALL STRUCTURALLY A LITTLE DIFFERENT.
 09:50:37 PLANNING AND ZONING AND ARCHITECTURE HAS TO LOOK AT THAT
 09:50:40 AGAIN.
 09:50:40 IT'S NOT MAJOR CHANGES.
 09:50:43 HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET THAT APPROVED.
 09:50:45 AND THEN OUR NEW CONSTRUCTION MANAGER, IF WE CAN GET THE

 09:50:49 ROAD IN, THEN WE CAN START DOING OUR ENTERTAINMENT AREA AND
 09:50:54 HOPEFULLY GET THAT UP TWO, THREE, FOUR, FIVE MONTHS EARLIER.
 09:50:59 I'D LIKE TO SEE THAT HAPPEN IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.
 09:51:03 I'M WILLING, STEVE, TO HELP AS MUCH AS I CAN.
 09:51:07 I DON'T WANT TO ENCUMBER, BUT I THINK WE'VE GOT A GREAT
 09:51:10 PLAN.
 09:51:11 THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR ESTERO.
 09:51:14 I JUST HATE DELAYS.
 09:51:18 WHATEVER WE CAN DO TO SPEED THIS UP.
 09:51:20 BUT ON THE PLAN ITSELF, IF WE HAVE NO OTHER COMMENTS, I'LL
 09:51:26 ACCEPT A MOTION -- I THINK THE MOTION -- WELL, WHOEVER WANTS
 09:51:30 TO MAKE THE MOTION.
 09:51:31 VICE-MAYOR, YOU CAME UP WITH THE FIRST SHOT.
 09:51:33 >>Carol Sacco: WE HAVE TO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.
 09:51:36 WE DON'T HAVE ANY PUBLIC COMMENT, BUT WE DID HAVE TWO
 09:51:38 E-COMMENTS THAT WERE SENT OUT YESTERDAY.
 09:51:40 >>Mayor McLain: OKAY.
 09:51:41 THANK YOU.
 09:51:42 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: I MOVE THAT WE ADOPT THE ALTERNATE
 09:51:45 MASTER PLAN CONCEPT.
 09:51:47 >>Mayor McLain: DO WE HAVE A SECOND?
 09:51:49 >> SECOND.
 09:51:50 >>Mayor McLain: SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN ZALUCKI.
 09:51:52 MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
 09:51:56 >>Carol Sacco: WAS IT LOPEZ OR ZALUCKI?

 09:51:57 >>Mayor McLain: GEORGE.
 09:52:00 >>Rafael Lopez: HE BEAT ME TO IT.
 09:52:02 >>Carol Sacco: COUNCILMEMBER FIESEL?
 09:52:05 >>Larry Fiesel: AYE.
 09:52:06 >>Lori Fayhee: AYE.
 09:52:07 >>Rafael Lopez: AYE.
 09:52:07 >>Jim Ward: AYE.
 09:52:11 >>George Zalucki: AYE.
 09:52:11 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: AYE.
 09:52:12 >>Mayor McLain: AYE.
 09:52:13 NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS THE SECOND READING, 7A, PUBLIC HEARING
 09:52:19 FOR ORDINANCE 2025-01 REGARDING VILLAGE SEAL AND

09:52:22 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.
 09:52:23 MADAM CLERK, HAS THIS ORDINANCE BEEN PROPERLY ADVERTISED?
 09:52:27 >>Carol Sacco: YES, MAYOR.
 09:52:28 >>Mayor McLain: MADAM CLERK, PLEASE READ THE TITLE OF THIS
 09:52:31 ORDINANCE.
 09:52:31 >>Carol Sacco: ORDINANCE 2025-01, AN ORDINANCE OF THE
 09:52:35 VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, AMENDING
 09:52:37 SECTION 2-1 (OFFICIAL SEAL) AND SECTION 2-2 (ADMINISTRATIVE
 09:52:43 CODE) OF THE VILLAGE CODE; MAKING RELATED FINDINGS; AND
 09:52:47 PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE
 09:52:50 DATE.
 09:52:52 >>Mayor McLain: THANK YOU.
 09:52:52 STEVE, WOULD YOU PLEASE INTRODUCE THIS ORDINANCE?

 09:52:55 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.
 09:52:57 THIS IS A SECOND READING.
 09:52:58 IT WAS DISCUSSED A BIT AT THE FIRST READING.
 09:53:00 I'LL AGAIN TURN IT OVER TO OUR VILLAGE ATTORNEY IS TO
 09:53:06 INTRODUCE THIS AND EXPLAIN ANY QUESTIONS THAT THE COUNCIL
 09:53:09 MAY HAVE.
 09:53:10 >>Robert Eschenfelder: MAYOR AND COUNCIL, WE WENT OVER THIS
 09:53:13 IN DETAIL IN THE FIRST READING.
 09:53:15 NOTHING HAS CHANGED UNLESS ANYONE HAS ANY QUESTIONS.
 09:53:18 IT'S PRETTY SELF-EXPLANATORY.
 09:53:23 >>Mayor McLain: DOES COUNCIL HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, COMMENTS,
 09:53:24 ADDITIONS, CHANGES?
 09:53:24 IF NOT, DO WE HAVE ANYONE TO SPEAK ON THIS?
 09:53:28 >>Carol Sacco: THERE'S NO PUBLIC COMMENT AND NO E-COMMENTS.
 09:53:30 >>Mayor McLain: NOBODY TO SPEAK.
 09:53:32 I NEED A MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2025-01.
 09:53:39 >> SO MOVED.
 09:53:39 >>Mayor McLain: COUNCILMAN WARD HAS MADE THE MOTION AND
 09:53:45 SECONDED BY LARRY.
 09:53:50 MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.
 09:53:53 >>George Zalucki: AYE.
 09:53:53 >>Jim Ward: AYE.
 09:53:55 >>Rafael Lopez: AYE.
 09:53:58 >>Lori Fayhee: AYE.
 09:53:58 >>Larry Fiesel: AYE.

 09:54:00 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: AYE.
 09:54:00 >>Mayor McLain: AYE.
 09:54:01 WE'RE FAST TRACKING, LARRY, FOR YOU TO GET OUT OF HERE.
 09:54:07 COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS.
 09:54:12 I CAN'T REMEMBER WHERE WE STARTED.
 09:54:14 GO TO THE VICE-MAYOR FOR HER COMMENTS AND AROUND THE TABLE.
 09:54:17 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: MAYOR, I HAVE NOTHING TODAY.
 09:54:20 >>Larry Fiesel: I HAVE NO COMMENTS.

09:54:21 OH, WAIT A MINUTE.
 09:54:23 I WOULD.
 09:54:24 I WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE THREE COUNCIL MEMBERS THAT
 09:54:27 HAVE BEEN REELECTED AND ELECTED WITHOUT OPPOSITION TO SERVE
 09:54:31 IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS.
 09:54:33 >>Mayor McLain: THANK YOU.
 09:54:37 >>Lori Fayhee: I SECOND THAT.
 09:54:38 [LAUGHTER]
 09:54:38 BUT I HAVE NOTHING.
 09:54:41 THANK YOU.
 09:54:45 >>Jim Ward: JUST A QUICK NOTE, AS YOU REFERENCED, THE THREE
 09:54:50 OF US ARE RUNNING UNOPPOSED.
 09:54:52 I JUST WANT TO COMMENT ON THE DOYLE'S ELECTION GROUP UP IN
 09:54:58 FORT MYERS WHO ARE DOING AN OUTSTANDING JOB AND REALLY
 09:55:02 HELPED US THROUGH THIS PROCESS OF PREPARING THE MATERIALS
 09:55:05 THAT NEED TO GO INTO IT.
 09:55:07 JUST A COMMENT ON THE GREAT JOB THAT THEY DO.

 09:55:12 >>George Zalucki: THANK YOU, MAYOR.
 09:55:13 JUST VERY QUICKLY, I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER OUR CONDOLENCES TO
 09:55:17 COUNCILPERSON JAMIE BOGACZ FROM THE CITY OF BONITA SPRINGS
 09:55:22 AND HER HUSBAND TIM, WHO IS ALSO A FIREFIGHTER FOR THE
 09:55:24 COMMUNITY OF BONITA SPRINGS, THE PASSING OF THEIR SON.
 09:55:27 OUR DEEPEST THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR
 09:55:30 FAMILY.
 09:55:30 AND JUST OTHER THAN THAT, IT WAS A GREAT CELEBRATION FOR
 09:55:35 SCOTTY WOOD THAT SOME OF US ATTENDED, CELEBRATION OF LIFE.
 09:55:41 GREAT EVENT AND HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AND MISSED.
 09:55:43 THAT'S ALL, MAYOR.
 09:55:44 THANK YOU.
 09:55:45 >>Mayor McLain: I JUST HAVE A COUPLE.
 09:55:47 BEEN PRETTY BUSY AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR.
 09:55:50 I THINK A LOT OF YOU HAVE BEEN TO SOME OF THE MEETINGS, THE
 09:55:52 LEGISLATIVE SESSION.
 09:55:53 WE REVIEWED SOME PRIORITIES.
 09:55:57 WE LISTENED TO WHAT THE STATE WAS DOING IN THEIR PRIORITIES.
 09:56:00 YOU CAN READ THAT IN THE PAPER.
 09:56:02 WE ONLY HAD 90 SECONDS TO SPEAK.
 09:56:05 I HAD TO SPEAK RELATIVELY QUICKLY.
 09:56:08 BASICALLY WHAT WE PROPOSED WAS THAT WE CONTINUE OUR EFFORTS
 09:56:13 FOR OUR UTILITY EXPANSIONS WITH BRINGING SEPTIC AND SEWER TO
 09:56:18 THOSE LOCATIONS THAT HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED AT THIS POINT.
 09:56:22 HOPEFULLY WE GET SOME RENT MONEY OR DOLLARS FROM THE STATE

 09:56:25 TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN.
 09:56:26 WE ALSO INDICATED THAT OUR TOP PRIORITY FOR US WAS BERT SO
 09:56:31 THAT WE COULD GET STATE SUPPORT FOR THE POTENTIAL \$82
 09:56:33 MILLION PURCHASE OF THAT, JUST THE RAILROAD, NOT THE

09:56:38 IMPROVEMENTS ON IT.
 09:56:40 LIKE GEORGE SAID, SEVERAL OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEMBERS,
 09:56:44 COUNCIL MEMBERS AND STAFF HAD A WONDERFUL CELEBRATION OF
 09:56:49 LIFE FOR SCOTTY WOOD.
 09:56:51 THOSE OF YOU THAT DON'T KNOW SCOTTY, SCOTTY WAS THE CHAIRMAN
 09:56:55 OF OUR PLANNING, ZONING, ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD AND DID
 09:56:58 AN EXCELLENT JOB.
 09:57:01 OVER THE YEARS AS WE'VE SEEN DEVELOPMENT WITHIN ALL OF
 09:57:04 ESTERO, HE'S GOT HIS FINGERPRINT ON ALL OF THAT.
 09:57:08 WHAT'S IMPORTANT, I THINK, FOR COUNCIL, STARTED OUT WITH
 09:57:12 THAT AND LET'S KEEP THAT SAME DISCIPLINE GOING FORWARD SO
 09:57:16 THAT WHEN WE DO DRIVE INTO ESTERO, PEOPLE NOTICE THE
 09:57:20 ARCHITECTURE AND THE COLORS AND THE CLEANLINESS AND THE
 09:57:24 STREETS.
 09:57:24 AND WE THANK HIM FOR HIS DEDICATION AND HIS WIFE FOR LETTING
 09:57:32 HIM DO THAT AND VOLUNTEER FOR THAT.
 09:57:34 THAT'S GOOD.
 09:57:35 I GUESS ONE OTHER COMMENT, YOU CAN SEE RIGHT DOWN BELOW ME,
 09:57:40 WE ALSO HAVE ANOTHER MAJOR CONTRIBUTOR TO THE VILLAGE OF
 09:57:43 ESTERO.
 09:57:44 WE ORDERED A BRASS PLAQUE FOR DON ESLICK.

 09:57:53 WE FINALLY GOT THAT HERE.
 09:57:54 I WAS GOING TO HANG IT ON THE WALL IN THE COUNCIL UNTIL WE
 09:57:58 HAVE ANOTHER EITHER BUILDING OR BRIDGE OR WHATEVER TO DO IT,
 09:58:01 BUT IT PROBABLY WEIGHS -- STEVE LIFTED IT.
 09:58:04 I LIFTED IT YESTERDAY.
 09:58:06 IT PROBABLY WEIGHS 45 POUNDS.
 09:58:07 WE'RE LITTLE AFRAID IF WE HUNG IT ON THE WALL HERE, IT MIGHT
 09:58:11 COME DOWN AND HIT SOMEBODY.
 09:58:12 SO WE'RE NOT SURE WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO WITH THAT.
 09:58:15 WE ARE GOING TO TAKE A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE PLAQUE AND PRESENT
 09:58:18 IT TO HIS WIFE SO THAT SHE'S GOT A REMEMBRANCE OF THAT.
 09:58:24 WE MADE A PROMISE TO HER THAT WE WOULD HAVE RECOGNITION FOR
 09:58:28 HIM.
 09:58:28 TWO MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS TO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO HAVE PASSED.
 09:58:33 WE'RE GOING TO MOVE FORWARD AS A WONDERFUL VILLAGE INTO THE
 09:58:37 FUTURE WITH OTHER PEOPLE MAKING GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS AS WE
 09:58:40 MOVE ALONG.
 09:58:41 WITH THAT, NO FURTHER ADO, WE'LL TURN IT OVER TO OUR
 09:58:46 ATTORNEY.
 09:58:47 >>Robert Eschenfelder: -- LITIGATION OUTCOME AND I DON'T
 09:58:52 HAVE ANYTHING FURTHER.
 09:58:53 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR.
 09:58:55 I DO HAVE A COUPLE OF ITEMS.
 09:58:56 FIRST, ON BEHALF OF ALL OF STAFF, CONGRATULATIONS TO
 09:58:59 VICE-MAYOR RIBBLE AND JIM WARD FOR YOUR ELECTION.

09:59:06 IT SAYS A LOT THAT YOU WERE REELECTED BUT ALSO THAT THERE
 09:59:10 WERE NO CHALLENGERS.
 09:59:12 PEOPLE ARE SATISFIED WITH WHAT YOU'RE DOING AND WE
 09:59:18 APPRECIATE THE PARTNERSHIP WITH STAFF.
 09:59:20 WE ARE INVOLVED, AS THE MAYOR MENTIONED, IN THE BERT
 09:59:25 PROJECT, STILL TRYING TO POSITION THAT WITH THE LEGISLATURE.
 09:59:30 ONE MAJOR ACTIVITY THAT WE HAVE IS THE APPLICATION FOR A
 09:59:34 FEDERAL RAISE GRANT.
 09:59:37 RAISE IS AN ACRONYM FOR THE TYPE OF GRANT THAT'S AVAILABLE.
 09:59:42 I CAN'T EVEN TELL YOU WHAT THE ACRONYM STANDS FOR, BUT IT'S
 09:59:46 A MAJOR SOURCE OF FUNDING FOR RAILS TO TRAILS CONVERSIONS.
 09:59:53 THAT IS DUE BY JANUARY 31st.
 09:59:58 IT'S PUTTING EVERYBODY UNDER A LOT OF DURESS ON TOP OF
 10:00:04 EVERYTHING ELSE THAT'S GOING ON.
 10:00:05 WE DO HAVE SOME NEW STAFF MEMBERS THAT I'D LIKE TO
 10:00:10 INTRODUCE.
 10:00:14 YOU'VE SEEN MAYBE A FEW OF THESE PEOPLE AROUND.
 10:00:17 THEY HAVE BEEN HERE FOR A FEW WEEKS ALREADY.
 10:00:19 BUT FIRST OFF, ROBERT WILEY.
 10:00:22 HE'S IN THE BACK.
 10:00:24 ROBERT SIGNED ON, RETIRED AFTER 35 YEARS AS AN ENGINEER FOR
 10:00:30 COLLIER COUNTY.
 10:00:31 HE ACTUALLY LIVES OUT EAST CORKSCREW.
 10:00:37 I GUESS GOT BORED WITH RETIREMENT, SO HE CAME TO US AS A
 10:00:41 PART-TIME PERSON.

 10:00:42 HE IS A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER OUT OF WEST VIRGINIA AND WITH
 10:00:45 HIS BACKGROUND IN COLLIER COUNTY, HE KNOWS THE ROPES AND HAS
 10:00:49 BEEN VERY HELPFUL THROUGH THE WHOLE PROCESS OF THE FEMA
 10:00:57 PROCESS THAT WE'VE BEEN THROUGH HAVING BEEN A FLOODPLAIN
 10:01:00 ADMINISTRATOR DOWN IN COLLIER.
 10:01:02 BUT ROBERT WILL LIKELY BE THE PERSON ON POINT FOR A LOT OF
 10:01:07 OUR UTILITY EXTENSION PROGRAMS.
 10:01:10 WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK DOING
 10:01:13 THAT WORK, BUT WE'LL ALSO NEED SOMEBODY TO HANDLE, OF
 10:01:17 COURSE, SOME OF THE DAY-TO-DAY ISSUES.
 10:01:20 ROBERT HAS BEEN THROUGH THAT BEFORE.
 10:01:24 IT'S A GREAT CONNECTION.
 10:01:26 I THINK HE'S HAVING FUN HERE TO THE EXTENT YOU CAN HAVE FUN
 10:01:31 WHEN DEALING WITH FEMA AND UEP PROJECTS, BUT HE'S BEEN A
 10:01:35 GREAT ADDITION TO STAFF.
 10:01:36 SECONDLY, WE JUST BROUGHT ON BOARD CHRIS BAKER.
 10:01:44 CHRIS IS COMING ON AS OUR ASSISTANT TO THE COMMUNITY
 10:01:51 DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR.
 10:01:53 MARY HAS GOT A FEW THINGS GOING ON, SO SHE'S BEEN BUSY AND
 10:01:58 FRANKLY CHRIS CAN HELP US MOSTLY DOWNSTAIRS WITH A LOT OF
 10:02:04 THE WORK WITH CGA, PERMITTING, THE FEMA PROCESS AND SEE
 10:02:14 MOSTLY, AT LEAST INITIALLY AT THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD

10:02:18 AS YOU TAKE SOME OF THE BURDEN OFF OF MARY.
 10:02:20 CHRIS HAS HIS UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE IN PLANNING FROM THE
 10:02:25 UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AND HIS MBA FROM AUBURN UNIVERSITY AND

 10:02:32 HAS WORKED IN GOODYEAR, ARIZONA, WHERE, AS A LARGER CITY HE
 10:02:39 WAS REALLY HEAVILY INVOLVED IN THE REVAMPING OF THE
 10:02:42 PERMITTING PROCESS AND THE CONTROL OF THE PERMITTING.
 10:02:47 SO THAT WILL HELP US HERE AS HE'S DOWN STAIRS TAKING OVER
 10:02:52 DIRECT OVERSIGHT OF CGA.
 10:02:54 HE IS ORIGINALLY FROM ALABAMA.
 10:02:56 THERE IS A CLOSE CONNECTION THERE AND HE WILL BE WORKING,
 10:03:02 LIKE I MENTIONED, DOWNSTAIRS WITH CGA.
 10:03:05 LAST BUT NOT LEAST IS KRISTIN SCHUMACHER WHO IS OUR NEW
 10:03:11 FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR.
 10:03:13 KRISTIN COMES TO US FROM FORT MYERS BEACH AND IS CERTIFIED
 10:03:21 FLOODPLAIN MANAGER, SO SHE'S VERY ACTIVE WITH FEMA AND IS
 10:03:27 TAKING OVER THAT ROLE, RESPONDING DIRECTLY WITH A LOT OF THE
 10:03:30 RESIDENT ISSUES.
 10:03:33 EVEN THOUGH WE ARE THROUGH THE PROCESS WITH FEMA OF
 10:03:37 RESPONDING TO THE CONCERNS THAT THEY HAD LAST YEAR, WHICH
 10:03:41 TURNED THE OPERATION ON ITS HEAD FOR SIX TO NINE MONTHS, WE
 10:03:46 STILL HAVE THE ONGOING COMPLIANCE ISSUES WITH THE PLANS THAT
 10:03:55 WE'VE SUBMITTED TO FEMA.
 10:03:57 AND AT ANY TIME, FEMA CAN AND LIKELY WILL COME IN AND DO
 10:04:01 AUDITS, NOT ONLY OF ESTERO, BUT EVERY OTHER CITY ALONG THE
 10:04:06 COAST AND ELSEWHERE TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S FULL
 10:04:08 COMPLIANCE.
 10:04:09 A LOT OF CHANGES INTERNALLY AND JUST ALL INTENDED TO HELP US
 10:04:18 MOVE THE BALL FORWARD.

 10:04:21 WE'VE BEEN VERY -- AS YOU KNOW, WE'VE BEEN VERY SELECTIVE
 10:04:28 AND PATIENT WITH HIRING OF STAFF, WANTING TO KEEP EVERYTHING
 10:04:34 GOVERNMENT-LIGHT.
 10:04:35 THIS IS STILL VERY MUCH GOVERNMENT-LIGHT, A CITY OF 40,000,
 10:04:40 EXPANDING UP TO 60, 65 THOUSAND DURING THE SEASON, AND
 10:04:45 ESSENTIALLY HAVING 15 FULL-TIME STAFF AND THEN CONTRACTORS
 10:04:49 DOING WORK IS STILL VERY MUCH DIFFERENT THAN MOST CITIES
 10:04:55 ANYWHERE IN SOUTH FLORIDA.
 10:04:57 BUT THAT'S VERY HELPFUL IN KEEPING OUR COSTS DOWN, WHICH
 10:05:01 ALLOW US TO HAVE, WE THINK THE LOWEST TAX RATE IN THE STATE
 10:05:06 OF FLORIDA.
 10:05:07 SO WELCOME THESE PEOPLE AND YOU'LL SEE THEM AROUND.
 10:05:14 >>Mayor McLain: WELCOME TO ALL.
 10:05:16 I WILL NOW ADJOURN THE REGULAR SESSION AND CONVENE A
 10:05:19 WORKSHOP.
 10:05:19 THE WORKSHOP BASICALLY HAS TWO ITEMS THAT WE'LL BE TALKING
 10:05:24 ABOUT.
 10:05:25 THE FIRST ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 11A, PLANNING, ZONING, AND

10:05:29 DESIGN BOARD APPOINTMENTS.
 10:05:30 STEVE, WOULD YOU INTRODUCE THIS ITEM?
 10:05:33 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.
 10:05:35 AROUND THE FIRST QUARTER OF EVERY YEAR, WE HAVE CHANGES
 10:05:42 SOMETIMES ON COUNCIL AND SOMETIMES ON THE PLANNING AND
 10:05:46 ZONING BOARD.
 10:05:48 THIS IS ONE WHERE WE HAVE TWO BOARD MEMBERS THAT ARE AT THE

 10:05:54 END OF THEIR TERMS.
 10:05:58 THERE'S BEEN CONSIDERABLE THOUGHT GIVEN TO WHAT TO DO AND
 10:06:02 WHEN TO DO IT IN TERMS OF TRANSITIONS ON THE BOARD OR
 10:06:06 REAPPOINTMENTS.
 10:06:07 I'D LIKE TO MAYBE CALL MARY FORWARD TO GIVE TO YOU OUR
 10:06:14 THOUGHTS ON WHAT MIGHT BE THE BEST STRATEGY.
 10:06:17 >>Mary Gibbs: SO OUR PLANNING, ZONING AND DESIGN BOARD WE
 10:06:20 KNOW IS OUR ONE VOLUNTEER BOARD.
 10:06:23 WE HAVE JAMES TATOOLES AND AL PAIVANDY WHOSE APPOINTMENTS
 10:06:28 WOULD RUN OUT AT THE END OF APRIL.
 10:06:30 THEY ARE THE TWO THAT ARE UP FOR REAPPOINTMENT UNLESS YOU
 10:06:33 WANTED TO GO OUT AND DO LIKE A BROAD OUTREACH.
 10:06:36 WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT IT, WE DID A BROAD OUTREACH LAST YEAR
 10:06:39 AND THAT'S HOW WE ENDED UP WITH DAN WILLIAMS AND SOME OF THE
 10:06:42 OTHER APPOINTMENTS.
 10:06:43 WHAT WE WERE SUGGESTING IS THAT WE JUST REAPPOINT BOARD
 10:06:49 MEMBER TATOOLES AND PAIVANDY FOR ANOTHER ONE-YEAR TERM.
 10:06:53 THAT WAY IF WE DO THAT, THEN NEXT YEAR WE'LL HAVE FIVE
 10:06:58 MEMBERS WHO WOULD BE DUE FOR REAPPOINTMENT AND WE CAN DO A
 10:07:01 BROADER OUTREACH NEXT YEAR.
 10:07:02 IT'S A LITTLE BIT EXTENSIVE TO DO A BROAD OUTREACH EVERY
 10:07:07 YEAR BECAUSE IT SEEMS LIKE WE'RE ALWAYS DOING SOMETHING.
 10:07:10 BUT BOARD MEMBER TATOOLES AND PAIVANDY HAVE BEEN DOING A
 10:07:14 GOOD JOB.
 10:07:14 BOARD MEMBER TATOOLES HAS BEEN ON FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

 10:07:16 BOARD MEMBER PAIVANDY, WHO IS AN ARCHITECT, HAS BEEN ON FOR
 10:07:18 LESS THAN A YEAR.
 10:07:19 WE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE FAIR TO REAPPOINTMENT THEM FOR
 10:07:21 ANOTHER YEAR.
 10:07:22 WE HAVE THE VACANCY FROM SCOTTY WOOD THAT WE KNOW BECAUSE OF
 10:07:25 HIS PASSING.
 10:07:26 HE WOULD HAVE BEEN UP FOR ANOTHER TERM IN APRIL.
 10:07:30 WHAT I'M SUGGESTING IS WE JUST REAPPOINTMENT THE TWO
 10:07:34 EXISTING MEMBERS FOR ANOTHER YEAR, LEAVE HIS POSITION VACANT
 10:07:37 FOR NOW BECAUSE WE HAD THOUGHT WE MIGHT WANT TO SKINNY DOWN
 10:07:41 THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE ON THE BOARD, AND THEN NEXT YEAR WE CAN
 10:07:44 COME BACK AND DO THE BROADER OUTREACH, IF THAT'S WHAT YOU
 10:07:46 WANT.
 10:07:48 >>Mayor McLain: ANY QUESTIONS FROM COUNCIL?

10:07:50 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: ONE QUICK ONE.
 10:07:52 MARY, YOU DON'T FORESEE ANY PROBLEM HAVING AN EVEN NUMBER ON
 10:07:56 THE BOARD?
 10:07:57 >>Mary Gibbs: I THINK IT'S WORKING.
 10:07:59 WE HAD ONE CASE THAT I REMEMBER, ONE OR TWO IN ALL THE YEARS
 10:08:03 WHERE WE DID HAVE A TIE VOTE.
 10:08:04 IT WAS A TIE VOTE AND REVOTED AND IT WAS ANOTHER TIE VOTE SO
 10:08:07 IT WENT TO COUNCIL FOR DETERMINATION.
 10:08:10 WE PROBABLY HAD IT HAPPEN ONCE OR TWICE.
 10:08:12 SO I THINK FOR ANOTHER YEAR, LET'S SEE HOW IT PLAYS OUT AND
 10:08:16 THEN WE CAN KIND OF RECONSIDER EVERYTHING.

 10:08:18 I DID WANT TO MENTION TOO, I ASKED BOTH OF THE BOARD MEMBERS
 10:08:23 IF THEY WERE INTERESTED IN SERVING.
 10:08:25 THEY BOTH SAID, YES, THEY WOULD LIKE TO.
 10:08:28 THEY KNEW THEY WOULD GET A BIG RAISE, WHICH WAS ZERO.
 10:08:32 >>Mayor McLain: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
 10:08:34 ANY OBJECTIONS TO TAKING THE RECOMMENDATIONS?
 10:08:39 >>Mary Gibbs: THIS IS A WORKSHOP, SO I THINK I HAVE TO COME
 10:08:41 BACK -- IF YOU WANT TO DO THIS, I'LL COME BACK WITH A
 10:08:44 RESOLUTION FOR A VOTE.
 10:08:46 >>Mayor McLain: I'D SAY NO OBJECTIONS TO BRINGING A
 10:08:49 RESOLUTION BACK.
 10:08:49 MADAM CLERK, DO WE HAVE ANYONE TO SPEAK?
 10:08:53 >>Carol Sacco: NO ONE.
 10:08:54 >>Mayor McLain: OKAY.
 10:08:55 GREAT.
 10:08:55 THE NEXT WORKSHOP RELATES TO ITEM 11B, 2025 ESTERO
 10:09:00 FEST/10th YEAR ANNIVERSARY.
 10:09:04 STEVE, WOULD YOU PLEASE INTRODUCE?
 10:09:06 >>Steven Sarkozy: THANK YOU, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.
 10:09:09 ESTERO FEST HAS BEEN ONE OF OUR BIG COMMUNITY EVENTS.
 10:09:16 LAST YEAR, THERE WERE ABOUT 2,000 PEOPLE AT THE ESTERO FEST.
 10:09:20 IT'S BEEN HOSTED, SPONSORED BY THE ESTERO CHAMBER OF
 10:09:25 COMMERCE AND HAS BEEN A GREAT EVENT THAT ALLOWS FOR VENDORS,
 10:09:31 MANY FOOD TRUCKS AND ENTERTAINMENT TO REALLY CREATE AN
 10:09:35 INVITING COMMUNITY EVENT THAT SEEMS TO BE GROWING QUITE A

 10:09:39 BIT EACH YEAR.
 10:09:41 LAST YEAR, THE VILLAGE HAD A TENT THAT WE HAD AT ESTERO
 10:09:45 FEST.
 10:09:47 WE PUT OUT SOME OF OUR BOARDS AND MAPS SHOWING SOME OF OUR
 10:09:53 MAJOR PROJECTS.
 10:09:55 AND THAT WENT OVER REALLY WELL BECAUSE IT GAVE A CHANCE FOR
 10:09:59 PEOPLE JUST TO WALK BY AND SEE WHAT WAS GOING ON.
 10:10:03 THIS YEAR, WE'RE THINKING THAT INSTEAD OF ONE TENT, WE MIGHT
 10:10:07 HAVE TWO, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE ONE TENT COULD BE ALMOST
 10:10:12 DEVOTED SOLELY TO THE UTILITY EXTENSION PROGRAM, WHICH IS

10:10:17 GOING TO BE A MAJOR UPHEAVAL IN SOME OF THOSE NEIGHBORHOODS.
 10:10:20 AND THEN THE OTHER TENT COULD BE JUST A GENERAL TENT WHERE
 10:10:24 PEOPLE COULD COME IN AND SEE OTHER PROJECTS THAT WE'RE
 10:10:28 DOING.
 10:10:28 THAT ALL THEN RAISED THE QUESTION AS TO HOW WE GO ABOUT THIS
 10:10:37 AND WHAT LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP AND WHAT DO WE DO IN TERMS OF
 10:10:45 GOODIES OR THE MATERIALS THAT THE VILLAGE GIVES AWAY, SWAG.
 10:10:53 IN THE PAST, WE'VE GIVEN OUT INSULATED GROCERY BAGS, AND
 10:10:59 THAT GOES OVER GREAT.
 10:11:00 BUT THEY ARE NOT CHEAP, BUT THEY ARE A GREAT WAY TO
 10:11:06 ADVERTISE ESTERO.
 10:11:08 SO WHAT WE THOUGHT WE WOULD DO IS JUST BRING THIS BACK FOR
 10:11:11 THE COUNCIL AND TALK ABOUT WHAT IS OUR LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP.
 10:11:19 COUNCILMEMBER ZALUCKI HAS BEEN WORKING ON THIS WITH THE
 10:11:22 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND MAY HAVE SOME COMMENTS HERE AS WELL

 10:11:26 REGARDING THE SPONSORSHIP LEVELS.
 10:11:29 BUT I THINK EVERYONE GOT THIS HANDOUT THAT TALKS ABOUT THE
 10:11:36 LEVEL OF FINANCIAL COMMITMENT, WHICH IS CERTAINLY WELL
 10:11:40 WITHIN OUR BUDGET.
 10:11:41 BUT JUST WANT YOU TO BE AWARE OF WHAT'S OUT THERE.
 10:11:45 TODAY, WE'RE LOOKING FOR YOUR FEEDBACK ON THE SPONSORSHIP
 10:11:48 LEVEL AND JUST A GENERAL ENDORSEMENT OF THE DIRECTION.
 10:11:53 I SHOULD SAY THAT THE ESTERO FEST IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY,
 10:11:58 MARCH 15th.
 10:12:00 IT'S QUICKLY APPROACHING.
 10:12:08 >>Mayor McLain: ANY QUESTIONS?
 10:12:12 >>George Zalucki: I WOULD BE HAPPY TO COMMENT.
 10:12:13 MAYOR, THANK YOU.
 10:12:14 ESTERO FEST HAS BEEN A GREAT SUCCESS.
 10:12:17 WE MISSED ONE YEAR BECAUSE OF COVID.
 10:12:19 2020 I THINK WE DID OUR FIRST ESTERO FEST FOLLOWED BY 2023,
 10:12:25 '24 AND NOW 2025.
 10:12:29 I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A GREAT WAY TO BRING THE COMMUNITY
 10:12:32 TOGETHER WITH THE CHAMBER AND THEN ALSO INFUSE THE 10th
 10:12:35 ANNIVERSARY OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, WHICH WAS RECOMMENDED
 10:12:38 AS WELL.
 10:12:38 AND I THINK IT JUST BLENDS VERY, VERY WELL.
 10:12:42 THIS IS GOING TO BE A GREAT FAMILY EVENT.
 10:12:44 STARTS AT 1:00 IN THE AFTERNOON AND GOES ALL THE WAY TO 8.
 10:12:47 WE HAVE ENTERTAINMENT THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

 10:12:48 THE BEN ALLEN BAND THAT EVERYBODY IS FAMILIAR WITH, BUT ALSO
 10:12:52 FOUR OTHER PERFORMING ACTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE DOING THEIR
 10:12:56 THING THROUGHOUT THE DAY ON THE STAGE.
 10:12:58 THERE'S GOING TO BE FOOD TRUCKS AND KID ZONES AND LEE COUNTY
 10:13:03 SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS GOING TO BE THERE ALONG WITH THE ESTERO
 10:13:06 FIRE RESCUE.

10:13:06 SO THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF ACTIVITY.
 10:13:08 FOOD TRUCKS, I THINK LAST COUNT, NINE FOOD TRUCKS THAT
 10:13:11 SIGNED UP FOR THIS.
 10:13:12 IT'S GOING TO BE A PRETTY BIG FESTIVE EVENT.
 10:13:15 IN THINKING ABOUT HOW THE VILLAGE CAN SPONSOR OR COOPERATE
 10:13:20 OR SUPPORT THIS EVENT, THE CHAMBER IS OFFERING FIVE
 10:13:25 DIFFERENT TIERS OF SPONSORSHIPS, STARTING WITH THE TITLE
 10:13:30 SPONSOR, WHICH HAS BEEN SOLD.
 10:13:32 ONLY ONE OPPORTUNITY THERE.
 10:13:33 THE HEAD LINER, THERE'S ONLY ONE OPPORTUNITY, THAT'S BEEN
 10:13:36 SOLD.
 10:13:36 THE NEXT LEVEL IS THE PREMIER LEVEL, WHICH IS \$3500.
 10:13:41 THERE ARE TWO SPOTS.
 10:13:42 ONE IS SOLD.
 10:13:44 ONE IS OPEN.
 10:13:44 AFTER THAT, IT IS THE STAR SPONSOR, WHICH IS \$2500.
 10:13:48 THEN IT GOES DOWN TO SPOTLIGHT AND FESTIVAL, \$1,000 AND
 10:13:53 \$500.
 10:13:54 IN SPEAKING WITH STEVE, I THINK HE RECOMMENDED OR IS

 10:13:59 COMFORTABLE WITH THE \$3500 SPONSORSHIP.
 10:14:01 ONE OF THE CONCERNS IS, HEY, IF WE TAKE THAT LAST SPOT, WILL
 10:14:05 THAT PUT THE CHAMBER IN A PINCH FOR PERHAPS A BUSINESS
 10:14:08 ASSOCIATE OR BUSINESS THAT WANTED TO PARTICIPATE.
 10:14:11 I BROUGHT IT UP AT OUR COMMITTEE MEETING THAT WE JUST HAD
 10:14:14 TWO DAYS AGO, AND THEY SAID THEY DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEM WITH
 10:14:18 IT.
 10:14:19 IF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL IS SO INCLINED, THE \$3500 SPONSORSHIP
 10:14:22 IS AVAILABLE.
 10:14:23 AND WITH THAT, YOU GET THE TWO TENT SPOTS ON-SITE WHICH
 10:14:28 COORDINATES WITH WHAT STEVE SEES AS US PARTICIPATING IN AND
 10:14:31 A LOT OF OTHER BENEFITS THAT I THINK ARE IMPORTANT AS FAR AS
 10:14:35 MARKETING, LOGO ON ALL EVENT MARKETING MATERIALS BY THE
 10:14:39 GREATER ESTERO, SOCIAL MEDIA MENTIONS UP TO TWO SPONSORSHIP
 10:14:42 ANNOUNCEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE EVENT ON THE STAGE, THE GREATER
 10:14:47 ESTERO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEBSITE PRESENCE WITH A LINK TO
 10:14:49 THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO WEBSITE AS WELL.
 10:14:50 THE LOGO, VILLAGE LOGO ON THE BIG STAGE BANNER WHICH IS
 10:14:56 BEHIND THE BEN ALLEN BAND WHICH IS VERY VISIBLE THROUGHOUT
 10:15:00 THE DAY.
 10:15:00 LOGO ON THE EVENT PROGRAM, MENTIONS IN PRESS RELEASES, TWO
 10:15:05 VENDOR SPACES AT THE EVENT, AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, PLUS,
 10:15:09 ALONG WITH THAT GET A COUPLE OF VIP SEATING TICKETS, A FOOD
 10:15:13 VOUCHER FOR \$50 AND A COUPLE OF ADULT BEVERAGES FOR WHOEVER
 10:15:17 WANTS TO GO AHEAD AND PARTICIPATE.

 10:15:18 BUT THOSE ARE THE BENEFITS TO THAT LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP.
 10:15:24 IN TALKING WITH STEVE, IF THE COUNCIL IS SO INCLINED, I

10:15:28 WOULD SUPPORT THE PACKAGE AND I THINK IT'S WRITTEN THAT THE
 10:15:31 VILLAGE SPENDS UP TOWARDS MAYBE \$10,000.
 10:15:34 I THINK THAT INCLUDES THE BAGS, THE GIVEAWAY BAGS, CAROL?
 10:15:40 >>Carol Sacco: YEAH, LITTLE MORE THAN THAT, BUT YES.
 10:15:43 >>George Zalucki: I THINK WE SET A GOAL OF 20,000.
 10:15:47 ANYWAY, I WOULD SUPPORT THE VILLAGE ENGAGING IN THIS AND
 10:15:52 BEING PART OF THE COMMUNITY EVENT, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE IT
 10:15:56 IS OUR 10th ANNIVERSARY.
 10:15:58 THOSE ARE MY COMMENTS.
 10:15:59 >>Mayor McLain: ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL?
 10:16:01 GO AHEAD, JIM.
 10:16:02 >>Jim Ward: AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, I SERVE AS THE LIAISON
 10:16:05 BETWEEN THE VILLAGE AND THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.
 10:16:07 I WANT TO THANK COUNCILMAN ZALUCKI FOR HIS PARTICIPATION.
 10:16:12 THIS EVENT IS BY FAR THE BIGGEST EVENT THAT THE CHAMBER OF
 10:16:15 COMMERCE PUTS ON.
 10:16:17 DONE IT FOR I THINK FOUR YEARS NOW.
 10:16:21 EVERY YEAR IT CONTINUES TO GROW.
 10:16:22 LAST YEAR I DID PARTICIPATE IN WORKING AT THE VILLAGE OF
 10:16:26 ESTERO TENT.
 10:16:28 IT WAS AMAZING TO ME HOW MANY PEOPLE ACTUALLY STOPPED BY
 10:16:31 THAT TENT AND HAD CONVERSATIONS.
 10:16:33 WE HAD A BULLETIN BOARD UP THERE ABOUT THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO

 10:16:37 AND THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE VILLAGE AND WHAT'S GOING ON
 10:16:41 WITHIN THE VILLAGE.
 10:16:42 IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO EDUCATE THE RESIDENTS OF THE
 10:16:46 VILLAGE OF ESTERO AS TO WHAT ACTUALLY IS GOING ON WITHIN THE
 10:16:50 VILLAGE.
 10:16:50 I THINK IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO PARTICIPATE IN
 10:16:55 THAT EVENT.
 10:16:56 I DO SUPPORT OUR PARTICIPATION AND OUR SPONSORSHIP OF THAT.
 10:17:03 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: I WOULD SUPPORT THAT ALSO AT THE \$3500
 10:17:06 LEVEL.
 10:17:06 THIS IS A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO REACH A LOT MORE PEOPLE WITH
 10:17:10 WHAT WE'RE PLANNING TO DO HERE IN ESTERO.
 10:17:14 MANY PEOPLE STILL HAVE NO IDEA WHAT'S GOING ON.
 10:17:19 >>Rafael Lopez: I ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE TENT LAST YEAR,
 10:17:22 AND WE WERE SHOWING PLANS OF THE SPORTS PARK, AND THERE WERE
 10:17:26 A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WE WERE DOING AND WE
 10:17:30 GOT A LOT OF POSITIVE FEEDBACK ABOUT THE SPORTS COMPLEX.
 10:17:33 SO THE FACT THAT THE VILLAGE PARTICIPATES AND THE VILLAGE
 10:17:38 COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE THERE IS A POSITIVE JUST TO PROMOTE THE
 10:17:45 VILLAGE.
 10:17:48 >>Mayor McLain: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
 10:17:49 YEAH, THIS IS ACTUALLY THE LARGEST EVENT THAT WE HAVE IN
 10:17:52 ESTERO.
 10:17:52 VETERANS DAY -- I THINK FOR US TO DO A LITTLE MARKETING AND

10:17:58 EXPLANATION IS WORTH IT.

10:17:59 AND THE PEOPLE, I KNOW, INCLUDING MY WIFE DIANE LOVE THOSE
 10:18:06 REFRIGERATOR BAGS.
 10:18:07 I TOLD HER SHE CAN'T HAVE ANY MORE.
 10:18:09 SHE PROBABLY HAS THREE OR FOUR ALREADY.
 10:18:11 THEY ARE EXPENSIVE, BUT THEY ARE LASTING, AND THEY HAVE OUR
 10:18:14 NAME ON IT.
 10:18:15 AS PEOPLE GO AROUND, VILLAGE OF ESTERO WILL BE PLASTERED IN
 10:18:19 EVERYBODY'S GROCERY CARTS.
 10:18:20 I SUPPORT THAT.
 10:18:21 10,000 IS PROBABLY A LITTLE SHY OF THAT.
 10:18:26 STEVE INCREASED THAT A SLIGHT PERCENT.
 10:18:29 >>Steven Sarkozy: WELL, WHEN YOU FACTOR IN A NEW TENT AND
 10:18:31 ALL OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE GOING TO DO FOR THE 10th
 10:18:37 ANNIVERSARY ON TOP OF ESTERO FEST AND THE LIKELY INCREASED
 10:18:40 NUMBER OF PEOPLE, WE DON'T WANT TO RUN OUT OF STUFF, AND WE
 10:18:44 WANT TO MAKE SURE WE DO IT IN A POSITIVE WAY ALSO.
 10:18:48 >>Jim Ward: JUST A QUICK FOLLOW-UP, I THINK IT IS A GREAT
 10:18:53 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE SECOND TENT TO AGAIN EDUCATE OUR
 10:18:56 RESIDENTS ABOUT THE SEPTIC TO SEWER SYSTEM, WHICH IS A MAJOR
 10:18:59 PROJECT THAT WE HAVE ONGOING.
 10:19:00 I THINK IT IS A PROJECT THAT'S VERY WELL RECEIVED WITHIN THE
 10:19:05 COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO THE QUALITY OF
 10:19:08 WATER AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.
 10:19:14 I THINK THAT IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE SECOND TENT.
 10:19:16 >>Rafael Lopez: CREDIT TO THE CITY MANAGER FOR PUTTING UP
 10:19:18 THE TENT LAST YEAR.
 10:19:19 HELPING OUT WITH THAT.
 10:19:23 >>George Zalucki: JUST A COUPLE MORE QUICK COMMENTS.
 10:19:26 SPEAKING WITH CAROL, WE TRY TO BRING A LOT OF ATTENTION TO
 10:19:29 THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO AT THIS EVENT WITH 10th ANNIVERSARY
 10:19:32 BALLOONS AND THE LIKE.
 10:19:34 WE'RE GOING TO LAYER ON TOP OF THE EVENT TO REALLY KIND OF
 10:19:37 FOCUS ON THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO AS WELL.
 10:19:39 BUT THE OTHER THING THAT WE TALKED ABOUT WAS ACTUALLY HAVE A
 10:19:43 PRESENCE AND PRESENTATION ONSTAGE.
 10:19:45 I DID RUN THAT BY THE COMMITTEE, AND THEY ARE COMPLETELY
 10:19:48 OKAY WITH THAT.
 10:19:49 MAYOR, I WOULD SUSPECT YOU WOULD PROBABLY PUT SOMETHING
 10:19:52 TOGETHER AND MAYBE INCLUDE THE ENTIRE COUNCIL AND PERHAPS
 10:19:55 FOLKS THAT PARTICIPATED ON THE COUNCIL IN THE PAST AND STAFF
 10:19:58 AND WHATNOT.
 10:19:59 WE'LL HAVE SOME REALLY GOOD PRESENCE.
 10:20:02 MY PLAN IS PERHAPS TO HAVE THAT RIGHT BEFORE THE BEN ALLEN
 10:20:05 BAND TAKES THE STAGE.
 10:20:08 WE'LL BE IN THE SPOTLIGHT.

10:20:09 THANK YOU.
 10:20:09 >>Mayor McLain: I THINK AS WE GET CLOSER TO THIS EVENT, WE
 10:20:13 NEED TO LOOK AT EITHER WORK ASSIGNMENTS FOR COUNCIL, UNLESS
 10:20:16 YOU ALL WANT TO BE THERE, IT GOES FROM 1 TO 8.
 10:20:19 >> 8 P.M.

 10:20:20 >>Mayor McLain: PRETTY LONG DAY.
 10:20:21 SO WE COULD FIGURE OUT IF WE ALL NEED TO BE THERE THE WHOLE
 10:20:24 TIME OR TAKE SOME SHIFTS IN THERE.
 10:20:26 >>George Zalucki: MAYOR, LET ME CLARIFY.
 10:20:27 THE BUSINESS EXPO IS FROM 1 TO 5.
 10:20:31 THAT'S NORMALLY WHEN THE TENTS START TO BREAK DOWN BECAUSE
 10:20:33 THEY WANT TO GET READY FOR THE PARTY THAT BEN ALLEN
 10:20:37 PROVIDES.
 10:20:38 SO THE COMMITMENT COULD BE LONGER THAN FIVE IF YOU WANT, BUT
 10:20:42 THAT'S WHEN THE TENTS ARE STARTING TO BREAK DOWN.
 10:20:44 IT WOULDN'T BE REALLY AN ALL-DAY, ALL-NIGHT COMMITMENT.
 10:20:48 >>Mayor McLain: AROUND SIX -- TO BE ONSTAGE WITH THE VILLAGE
 10:20:57 TEN YEAR --
 10:20:58 >>George Zalucki: RIGHT AROUND 5:00, BECAUSE BEN TAKES THE
 10:21:01 STAGE AT 5.
 10:21:02 HE'S FROM 5 TO 8.
 10:21:03 >>Mayor McLain: GOOD.
 10:21:04 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
 10:21:05 DO WE HAVE ANY PUBLIC WANTING TO SPEAK?
 10:21:09 >>Carol Sacco: DO NOT.
 10:21:09 >>Mayor McLain: I WILL NOW ENTERTAIN A MOTION --
 10:21:12 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: THIS IS A WORKSHOP.
 10:21:17 >>Carol Sacco: GOING TO ADJOURN THEN.
 10:21:22 >>Vice-Mayor Ribble: IT'S A WORKSHOP, SO IT IS A GENERAL
 10:21:25 CONSENSUS THAT WE WILL AGREE --

 10:21:27 >>Mayor McLain: WE'RE GOOD ON THAT.
 10:21:28 A MOTION TO ADJOURN IS WHAT I WAS LOOKING FOR.
 10:21:31 DO I HAVE A MOTION TO ADJOURN?
 10:21:33 >> SO MOVED.
 10:21:34 >>Mayor McLain: LARRY HAS MADE THE MOTION AND COUNCILPERSON
 10:21:36 FAYHEE HAS MADE THE SECOND.
 10:21:38 [SOUNDING GAVEL]
 10:21:38 MEETING ADJOURNED.

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**DRAFT MINUTES
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**

**Village of Estero Council Chambers
9401 Corkscrew Palms Circle
Estero, FL 33928**

January 8, 2025 9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

Pastor Kevin Morris Estero Community Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jon McLain - District 3, Vice Mayor Joanne Ribble - District 1, Councilmember Larry Fiesel - District 2, Councilmember Lori Fayhee – District 4, Councilmember Rafael Lopez - District 5, Councilmember Jim Ward - District 6, and Councilmember George Zalucki - District 7.

Also present

Village Manager Steve Sarkozy, Village Attorney Robert Eschenfelder, Public Works Director David Willems, Community Development Director Mary Gibbs, Finance Director Kevin Greenville, Deputy Village Clerk Tammy Duran, and Village Clerk Carol Sacco.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDITIONS, AND DELETIONS

Motion: Motion to approve agenda.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Ribble
Seconded by: Councilmember Fiesel

Action: Approved agenda.

Vote: (Roll Call)

Aye: Councilmembers Fayhee, Fiesel, Lopez, Ward, Zalucki, Vice Mayor Ribble, and Mayor McLain

Nay:

Abstentions:

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- (a) December 18, 2024 Village Council Meeting Minutes
- (b) Financial Report for Month ended October 2024

Staff Presentation/Comments

Steve Sarkozy, Village Manager
Kevin Greenville, Finance Director

Council Questions or Comments

Mayor McLain

Motion: Motion to approve consent agenda.

Motion by: Councilmember Ward
Seconded by: Councilmember Lopez

Action: Approved consent agenda.

Vote: (Roll Call)

Aye: Councilmembers Fayhee, Fiesel, Lopez, Ward, Zalucki, Vice Mayor
Ribble, and Mayor McLain

Nay:
Abstentions:

5. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS DEFERRED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

6. ACTION ITEM

- (a) Village of Estero Water Monitoring Contract – 2025

Staff Presentation/Comments

Steve Sarkozy, Village Manager
David Willems, Public Works Director

Council Questions or Comments

Councilmembers Ward, Zalucki, Fiesel, and Mayor McLain

Public Comments

None

Motion: Motion to approve award of Task Authorization 14 to Contract EC 2022-38 to Johnson Engineering to provide water monitoring services for The Village of Estero for \$193,411, approve a \$19,000 contingency for additional services that may be required to complete the project, and authorize the Village Manager to sign the STA and other additional

implementing documents within the scope of the STA on behalf of the Village of Estero Council.

Motion by: Councilmember Fayhee

Seconded by: Councilmember Fiesel

Action: Approved award of Task Authorization 14 to Contract EC 2022-38 to Johnson Engineering to provide water monitoring services for The Village of Estero for \$193,411, approve a \$19,000 contingency for additional services that may be required to complete the project, and authorize the Village Manager to sign the STA and other additional implementing documents within the scope of the STA on behalf of the Village of Estero Council.

Vote: (Roll Call)

Aye: Councilmembers Fayhee, Fiesel, Lopez, Ward, Zalucki, Vice Mayor Ribble, and Mayor McLain

Nay:

Abstentions:

7. FIRST READINGS

- (a) First reading of Zoning Ordinance No. 2024-14, Coconut Trace CPD Amendment – Tract F

An Ordinance of the Village Council of the Village of Estero, Florida, Approving with Conditions an Amendment to the Commercial Planned Development and a Deviation for a Reduced Type D Landscape Buffer for the Property Located in the Coconut Trace Subdivision Located on US 41, West of Lyden Drive and East of the Marsh Landing Community; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date

Staff Presentation/Comments

Steve Sarkozy, Village Manager

Mary Gibbs, Community Development Director

Council Questions or Comments

Councilmembers Fiesel, Zalucki, Ward, Vice Mayor Ribble, and Mayor McLain

Public Comments

None

Motion: Motion to pass first reading and schedule second reading for February 5, 2025, and the applicant will provide us with additional information.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Ribble

Seconded by: Councilmember Lopez

Action: Passed first reading and schedule second reading for February 5, 2025 and the applicant will provide us with additional information.

Vote: (Roll Call)

Aye: Councilmembers Fayhee, Fiesel, Lopez, Ward, Zalucki, Vice Mayor Ribble, and Mayor McLain

Nay:

Abstentions:

- (b)** First Reading of Ordinance 2025-01 regarding Village seal and administrative code.

An Ordinance of the Village Council of the Village of Estero, Florida, Amending § 2-1 (Official Seal) and § 2-2 (Administrative Code) of the Village Code; Making Related Findings; and Providing for Severability, Codification and an Effective Date.

Staff Presentation/Comments

Steve Sarkozy, Village Manager

Robert Eschenfelder, Village Attorney

Council Questions or Comments

Vice Mayor Ribble

Public Comments

None

Motion: Motion to pass first reading and schedule second reading for January 22, 2025.

Motion by: Councilmember Fiesel

Seconded by: Councilmember Zalucki

Action: Passed first reading and schedule second reading for January 22, 2025.

Vote: (Roll Call)

Aye: Councilmembers Fayhee, Fiesel, Lopez, Ward, Zalucki, Vice Mayor Ribble, and Mayor McLain

Nay:

Abstentions:

8. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS / FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmembers Fayhee, Fiesel, Lopez, Ward, Zalucki, Vice Mayor Ribble, and Mayor McLain

9. VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Robert Eschenfelder, Village Attorney

Council Questions or Comments

Councilmember Ward and Mayor McLain

10. VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT

None

Adjourn Regular Session 10:37 am and Convene Workshop Items 10:37 am

11. WORKSHOPS

(a) Corkscrew Road (Woodlands to Ben Hill Griffin) Landscaping update

Staff Presentation/Comments

David Willems, Public Works Director

Council Questions or Comments

Councilmember Zalucki

(b) Public Works Update

Staff Presentation/Comments

Steve Sarkozy, Village Manager

David Willems, Public Works Director

Council Questions or Comments

Councilmembers Zalucki, Fiesel, Ward, and Mayor McLain

(c) Community Development 2025 Work Plan Discussion

Staff Presentation/Comments

Steve Sarkozy, Village Manager

Mary Gibbs, Community Development Director

Council Questions or Comments

Councilmember Zalucki, Feisel, Ward, Vice Mayor Ribble, and Mayor McLain

(d) FPL Follow up

Staff Presentation/Comments

Steve Sarkozy, Village Manager

Council Questions or Comments

Mayor McLain

Council concurred unanimously for Mayor McLain to write a letter to Florida Power & Light.

12. ADJOURNMENT at 11:25 am

Motion by Councilmember Fiesel and seconded by Councilmember Lopez.

ATTEST:

VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA

By: _____

By: _____

Carol Sacco, CMC, Village Clerk

Jon McLain, Mayor

(td/CS)

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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET
VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
January 22, 2025

Agenda Item:

Approval of Estero Sports Park Master Plan and authorization to submit the infrastructure plan for permits to the SFWMD.

The staff recommendation is to request Council approval of the agenda item as presented.

Background:

The Village has assembled about 100 acres for the purpose of developing a Sports and Entertainment District to serve the entire community. The property assembled include:

- 55-acres on a 99-year lease from the Lee County School District for \$10 per year,
- 25-acres purchased from Lee County for \$700,000, and
- 20-acres purchased in two separate transactions for a total of \$5,025,000

As a package, the park will accommodate most of the active recreational needs of the community.

On October 2, 2024, the Village Council approved a Master Planning proposal with Perez & Associates to develop a Master Plan of the entire 100-acre parcel. That process included an aggressive timetable including:

- Community forums (on October 29, 2024, and the second on November 19, 2024)
- Planning and Zoning Board review of the Concept Plan on December 10, 2024, and
- Village Council review of the Concept Plan on December 18, 2024.

One of the final action steps is Council approval of the Final Master Plan originally scheduled for January 22, 2025.

Description:

Council approval of the Master Plan will allow the submission of the plan to the South Florida Water Management District for review and approval of the storm water conveyance and ponding needs for the entire site.

Action Requested:

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The staff recommendation is to request Council approval of the agenda item as presented.

Process and Timeline:

The aggressive timetable is necessary because the Village is bringing private investment as part of the public-private partnership approach to the development of the Sports Park.

The Pattern Book which will detail the architectural details of all structures, and the Landscape Plan will be developed and presented to the Planning and Zoning Board and Village Council in the coming months.

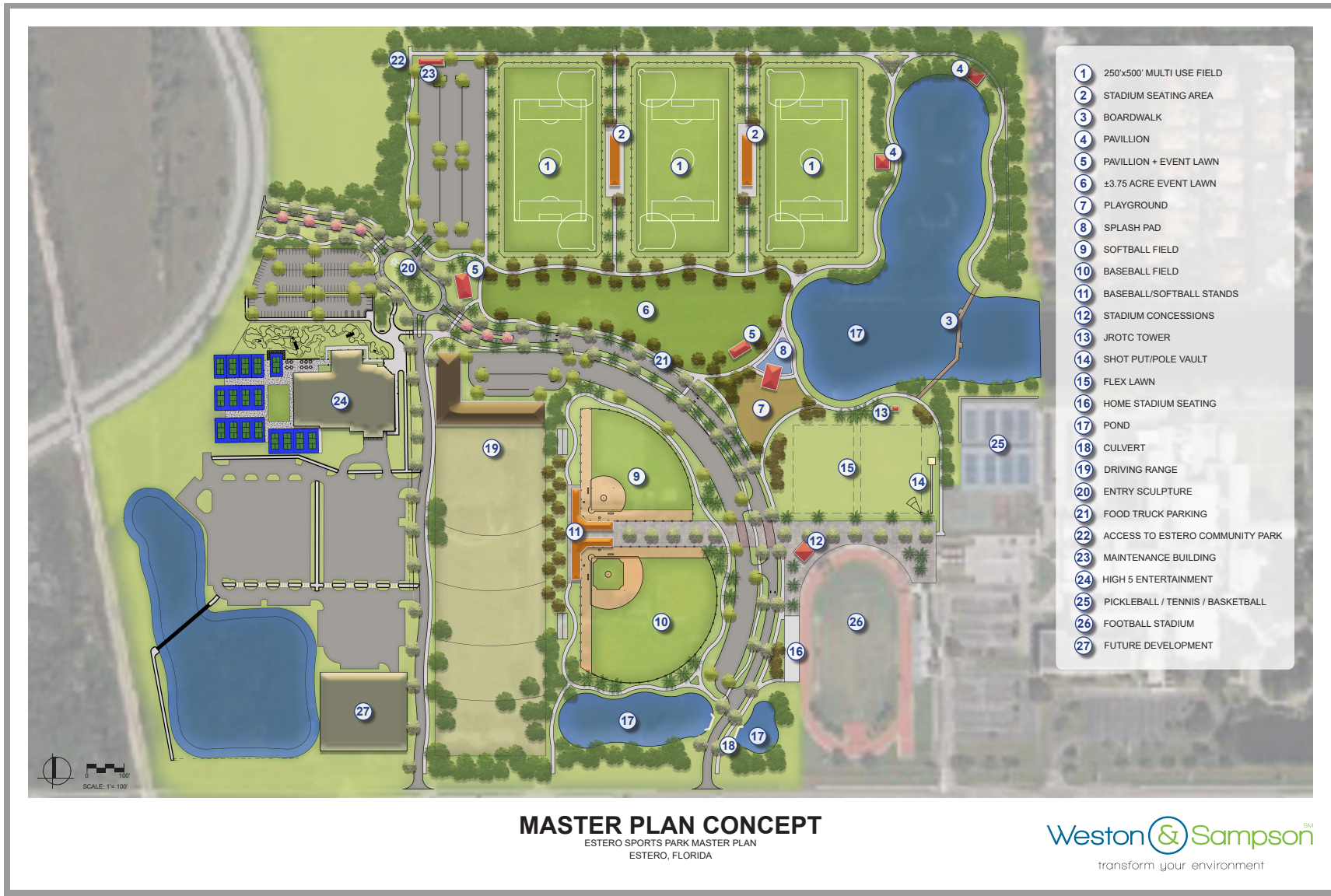
Financial Impact:

The approval of the Master Plan does not have any immediate cost. However, the development of the Sports Park will likely be the most expensive capital project in the Village's short history. Adjustments to the scope and final cost of the project are possible on a continuing basis as the project evolves.

Prepared by: Steve Sarkozy

Attachments:

1. Master Concept Plan Maps (original and the alternate removing the play area)





AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY SHEET
VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
January 22, 2025

Agenda Item:

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2025-01 regarding Village seal and administrative code.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-01.

Description:

The first revision in the recommended Ordinance addresses the Village seal. In 2020, the Village Council adopted an official seal of the Village, which is now set forth in § 2-1 of the Village Code. Florida Statutes § 165.043 provides that the manufacture, use, display, or other employment of any facsimile or reproduction of a municipal seal, except by Village officials or employees in the performance of their official duties, without the express approval of the Village Council, shall constitute a misdemeanor crime of the second degree.

With ever-growing technological abilities of criminals to make documents look “official” when in fact they are fraudulent, and with the greater potential that unauthorized persons may attempt to use the Village seal for unauthorized and improper purposes on social media or websites, the Village Attorney recommends that the Village Council add an express reference to the potential criminal penalty to its code to ensure that all persons and entities which may contemplate using the Village seal for unauthorized or fraudulent purposes are fully aware of the potential penalty for doing so.

The second revision in the Ordinance relates to adoption of an administrative code. When the Village was initially formed, it adopted significant portions of the Lee County Code and related County procedures. Specifically, in § 2-2 of the Village Code, the Village adopted the entire Lee County Administrative Code as it existed in 1997, as well as any subsequent amendments thereto over the years.

The Village Attorney has recommended that this provision be removed from the Village Code. First, it is legally questionable whether the Village’s own code could be prospectively modified simply because the County Administrator administratively changes a County administrative code provision. In addition, many of the County administrative code’s provisions are inconsistent with or not relevant to the Village’s

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current operations. Finally, the Village attorney confirmed with the Village's management team that the County administrative code is not widely known to them, and they do not actually apply it in daily practice.

With that said, there is merit in empowering the Village's CEO to adopt and maintain Village-specific administrative rules and procedures. Therefore, the Village Attorney recommends revision of the current Code provision to remove incorporation of the County administrative code, but to also authorize the Village Manager to create and maintain similar administrative rules and procedures as that official deems necessary and expedient. The draft Ordinance provides for this authority, but confirms that any such rules or procedures must not conflict with any Village Code provisions or other Council-adopted policies, and should be published to employees, contracted workers, and Village customers so they can be aware of the rules and procedures.

Action Requested:

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-01.

Process and Timeline:

The Ordinance was adopted on first reading at Village Council's January 8, 2025 meeting. Once adopted after a second reading and public hearing, the Ordinance will become effective January 22, 2025.

Financial Impact:

The Ordinance has no financial impact.

Prepared by: Robert Eschenfelder, Village Attorney

Attachments:

1. Ordinance No. 2025-01

ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - 01

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, AMENDING § 2-1
(OFFICIAL SEAL) AND § 2-2 (ADMINISTRATIVE CODE)
OF THE VILLAGE CODE; MAKING RELATED FINDINGS;
AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION
AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, in 2020, the Village Council adopted an official seal of the Village, which is now set forth in § 2-1 of the Village Code; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes § 165.043 provides that the manufacture, use, display, or other employment of any facsimile or reproduction of a municipal seal, except by Village officials or employees in the performance of their official duties, without the express approval of the Village Council, shall constitute a misdemeanor crime of the second degree; and

WHEREAS, the Village desires to ensure, through codification of this penalty, that all persons and entities which may contemplate using the Village seal for unauthorized or fraudulent purposes are fully aware of the potential penalty for such actions; and

WHEREAS, when the Village was initially formed, it adopted significant portions of the Lee County Code and related County procedures; and

WHEREAS, specifically, in § 2-2 of the Village Code, the Village adopts the entire Lee County Administrative Code, including any subsequent amendments thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Village Attorney has recommended that this provision be removed from the Village Code because many of the County administrative code's provisions are inconsistent with or not relevant to the Village's operations, and are not widely known to current Village staffers; and

WHEREAS, the Village Attorney has recommended that to replace the adoption of the County's administrative code, the Council should establish the general authority of the Village Manager to create, maintain and revise Village-specific administrative rules and procedures which are not inconsistent with Village Codes or Council-adopted policies; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council finds that it is in the Village's best interests to adopt the provisions of this Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Village Council of the Village of Estero, Florida, that:

Section 1. Section 2-1 (Official seal) of the Village Code is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 2-1. - Official seal.

- (a) The Village hereby adopts the following as its official seal:



- (b) Pursuant to Florida Statutes § 165.043, the manufacture, use, display, or other employment of any facsimile or reproduction of the village's seal, except by village officials or employees in the performance of their official duties, without the express approval of the village council, shall constitute a second-degree misdemeanor.

Section 2. Section 2-2 (Administrative Code adopted) of the Village Code is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 2-2. – Village administrative rules and procedures authorized.

- (a) The village manager is authorized to develop administrative rules and procedures regarding the operation or conduct of village business. Such administrative rules and procedures may address internal matters such as maintenance, security, procurement, and other operational aspects of village operations, and may include promulgation of related forms.
- (b) Administrative rules and procedures adopted pursuant to subsection (a) above may not conflict with any provision of the village code, nor any resolution or other policy action adopted by the village council. Administrative rules and procedures should be published to the village's website or otherwise made available for village employees and contracted workers to access. Administrative rules and procedures should be directed at the administrative work of village employees and contracted workers, or designed as forms or procedures for applicants or customers of village services to use. They shall not have the effect of law, and no citizen or business may be cited for violation thereof.

Section 3. For purposes of codification of any existing section of the Estero Village Code herein amended, words underlined represent additions to original text, words ~~stricken~~ are

deletions from the original text, and words neither underlined nor stricken remain unchanged.

Section 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, provision or word of this Ordinance is held unconstitutional or otherwise legally invalid, same shall be severable and the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected by such invalidity, such that any remainder of the Ordinance shall withstand any severed provision, as the Village Council would have adopted the Ordinance and its regulatory scheme even absent the invalid part.

Section 5. The Codifier shall codify the substantive amendments to the Estero Village Code contained in Sections 1 through 2 of this Ordinance as provided for therein, and shall not codify the exordial clauses nor any other sections not designated for codification.

Section 6. Pursuant to Florida Statutes § 166.041(4)(a), prior to the date the public notice of the public hearing for this Ordinance was published, the Village prepared and posted on its website a business impact estimate which included: a) a summary of the Ordinance, a statement of the public purpose to be served by the Ordinance, b) an estimate of the direct economic impact of the Ordinance on private, for-profit businesses in the Village, c) an estimate of direct compliance costs that businesses may reasonably incur due to the Ordinance, d) identification of any new charge or fee on businesses created by the Ordinance or for which businesses will be financially responsible, e) an estimate of the Village's regulatory costs and of revenues from any new charges or fees imposed on businesses to cover such costs, and f) a good faith estimate of the number of businesses likely to be impacted by the Ordinance.

Section 7. Pursuant to Florida Statutes § 166.041(4), this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED ON FIRST READING by the Village Council of the Village of Estero, Florida on the 8th day of January, 2025.

ADOPTED ON SECOND AND FINAL READING by the Village Council of the
Village of Estero, Florida on the 22nd day of January, 2025.

VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA

Attest:

By: _____
Jon McLain, Mayor

By: _____
Carol Sacco, Village Clerk

WORKSHOP ITEM SUMMARY SHEET
VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
January 22, 2025

Agenda Item:

Planning, Zoning, and Design Board Appointments

Description:

The Planning, Zoning, and Design Board is a volunteer board appointed by the Council. The board was combined several years ago from two boards, (Planning and Zoning Board and Design Review Board) and consists of 9 members.

Two Board members' terms will be expiring on April 30, 2025. These members are James Tatooles and Al Paivandy (Architect), who were reappointed on May 1, 2024. Additionally, there is currently one vacancy (Scotty Wood), whose term would have also expired on April 30, 2025.

A year ago, the Council did a broad outreach for members, resulting in changes in terms and appointments of 6 of the 9 members.

Staff recommend the following for this year:

- Reappoint Board Members Tatooles and Paivandy for a 1-year term
- Leave vacant position (Scotty Wood) unfilled

Next year 5 members' terms will expire, and broad outreach could be done at that time.

With regards to the vacancy (Scotty Wood), staff recommends waiting until next year to determine if the vacancy needs to be filled, since the Council's original direction was to reduce the amount of members on the board over time.

Financial Impact: n/a

Prepared by: Mary Gibbs

Attachments:

1. Planning, Zoning, and Design Board current list and terms
2. Resolution No. 2024-04 Appointing Members to The Village Of Estero Planning Zoning And Design Board

**PLANNING ZONING AND DESIGN BOARD
REVISED 10/29/2024**

Michael Sheeley/Vice Chairman 10-29-2024 15661 Old Wedgwood Court Fort Myers, FL 33908 Cell: 239-850-1440 Email: sheeley@estero-fl.gov mike@mk-arch.com (updated 2/7/2022)	Re-Appointed: 05/1/2024 Term Expires: 4/30/2027 Appointed: 05/01/2021
James Tatooles 8524 Via Lungomare Circle, Unit 101 Estero, FL 33928 Cell: 847-373-5166 Email: tatooles@estero-fl.gov jtatooles@viprealty.com	Re-Appointed: 5/1/2024 Term Expires: 4/30/2025
Anthony Gargano – Chairman 05/01/2024 23923 Amalfi Coast Road Estero, FL 34135 Home: 239-444-5525 Cell: 609-221-4899 Email: gargano@estero-fl.gov argargano@n2ss.com	Re-Appointed: 05/1/2024 Appointed Chairman 04/03/2024 Term Expires: 4/30/2027
Barry Jones 22675 Forest View Drive Estero, FL 33928 Home: 239-495-2069 Cell: 239-565-0427 Email: jones@estero-fl.gov bjonesqtr@comcast.net	Appointed: 5/1/2021 Reappointed: 5/1/2023 Term Expires: 4/30/2026
Jim Wallace 9510 Corkscrew Palm Circle #1 Estero, IL 33928 Home: 239-404-3208 Cell: 239-405-3208 Email: wallace@estero-fl.gov Jimwallace.genova@outlook.com	Appointed: 5/1/2021 Reappointed: 5/1/2023 Term Expires: 4/30/2026
Kristin Jeannin State-Registered Landscape Architect 4499 E. Alhambra Circle Naples, FL 34105 Phone: 239-738-0929 kristin@metislandscapes.com Kristin Jeannin's Office Manager Mikey 239-260-1728	Appointed: 5/1/2021 Reappointed: 5/1/2023 Term Expires: 4/30/2026
Dan Williams 11840 Solemar Court Estero, FL Phone: 816-812-4052 dwilliams@estero-fl.gov dan.williams2tmc@gmail.com	Appointed: 05/01/2024 Term Expires: 04/30/2027

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Al Paivandy 17595 S Tamiami Trail, Suite 114 Fort Myers FL Phone: (239) 288-4377 Cell: (904) 612-4557 Paivandy@estero-fl.gov al1paivan@comcast.net	Appointed: 05/01/2024 Term Expires: 04/30/2025
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VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 04

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO PLANNING ZONING AND DESIGN BOARD; ESTABLISHING TERMS OF THE MEMBERS; APPOINTING A CHAIR; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Land Development Code adopted by the Council on January 27, 2021 established a Planning, Zoning and Design Board in lieu of two separate boards; and

WHEREAS, four members' terms expire on April 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, there are two vacant positions on the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council has advertised and received applications from individuals desiring to be appointed to the Planning, Zoning and Design Board, as well as from existing members of the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Village Council of the Village of Estero, Florida:

SECTION ONE. The following individuals are hereby appointed to the Village of Estero Planning, Zoning and Design Board with terms as indicated:

BOARD MEMBER

TERM

- | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Al Paivandy | 5/1/2024 - 4/30/2025 |
| 2. James E Tatooles | 5/1/2024 - 4/30/2025 |
| 3. Leonard E Scotty Wood III | 5/1/2024 - 4/30/2025 |
| 4. Dan Williams | 5/1/2024 - 4/30/2027 |
| 5. Anthony Gargano | 5/1/2024 - 4/30/2027 |
| 6. Michael Sheeley | 5/1/2024 - 4/30/2027 |

SECTION TWO. The Council appoints Anthony Gargano Chair of Village of Estero Planning, Zoning and Design Board.

SECTION THREE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

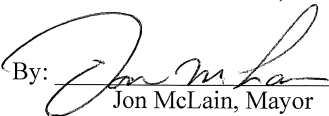
ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL of the Village of Estero, Florida this 3rd day of April, 2024.

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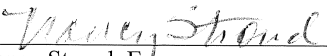
Attest:


Carol Sacco, Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA

By: 
Jon McLain, Mayor

Reviewed for legal sufficiency:

By: 
Nancy Stroud, Esq.,
Village Land Use Attorney

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Agenda Item:

At a recent Village Council meeting, the idea of highlighting the Village's 10th Anniversary at the 2025 Estero-Fest was mentioned and was referred to a Workshop for further discussion.

The 2025 Estero-Fest is scheduled for Saturday, March 15th with active planning and solicitation of sponsors currently underway.

Description:

Estero-Fest is organized and sponsored by the Estero Chamber of Commerce. This will be the third year in a row for this event, each year growing in attendance and popularity. The 2024 event attracted about 2,000 people. The Village had a tent, displayed some of our current projects and distributed shopping bags and other Village-related promotional items. The Village informational material and display of the Sport Park plans got some timely feedback and was well received.

Proposed is the Village again attending as a "Sponsor" at a level to be determined, plus Estero promotional materials for a total of about \$10,000. The Village logo would be used by the Chamber to advertise the event. The Village would get two (2) tents; one could be used to present details of the Utility Extension Projects in the West Broadway area and the other could be used to highlight general activities and accomplishments of the Village.

Council feedback on this proposal is requested.

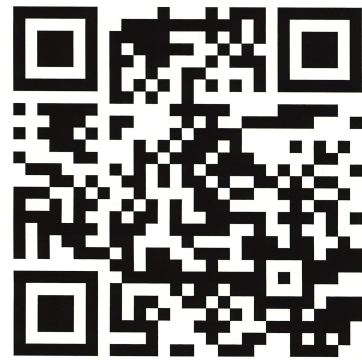
Financial Impact:

In addition to the cost of the sponsorship, the Village will spend some funds on promotional materials and the allocation of staff time to set-up and attend the event.

Prepared by: Steve Sarkozy

Attachments:

1. 2025 Estero-Fest flyer
2. Estero Community Park Site Map



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- 📍 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd, Estero
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Estero Fest

2025



Saturday March 15th 1pm-8pm



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- Beer & Wine Garden
- Beverages
- Ice Cream
- Biz Expo: Vendors Galore!
- Bounce House
- Face Painting
- Live Music & DJ
- Kids Zone:
- Games & Crafts
- Lee County Sheriff & Estero Fire Rescue
- Ben Allen Band & more!



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GECC Member - \$ 200.00
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 Display hours 1pm-5pm!
 PA mentions throughout the day! Visit our website for more information.



Biz Expo Vendor Opportunities



VIP Packages

\$50 - Premium viewing of the stage in exclusive VIP area, seating provided by request. 2 complimentary adult or standard beverages. Beer and Wine tent access, cocktail tables available.

