



**VILLAGE COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR WORK SESSION OF AUGUST 9, 2022
ASSEMBLY HALL
395 MAGNOLIA ROAD
PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA**

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REGULAR MEETING

The Pinehurst Village Council held a work session at 6:58 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2022, in the Assembly Hall of Pinehurst Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina.

The following were in attendance:

Mr. John C. Strickland, Mayor
Mr. Patrick Pizzella, Mayor Pro Tem
Ms. Lydia Boesch, Councilmember
Mr. Jeffrey Morgan, Councilmember
Ms. Jane Hogeman, Councilmember
Mr. Jeff Batton, Assistant Village Manager
Ms. Kelly Chance, Village Clerk

And approximately 11 attendees, including 6 staff and 1 press.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor John Strickland, called the Council work session to order.

2. Discuss Contract to Update the Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Master Plan.

Mark Wagner, Parks & Recreation Director, and Rachel Carter, McAdams Consulting, presented Council with the results of the RFQ for the Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Master Plan. Mr. Wagner noted staff reviewed the two proposals that were received and, based on scoring, chose to extend the offer to McAdams Company. He noted he has started working with Rachel on the scope of services that were included in the RFQ and trying to fine tune it and stay within budget. He stated staff is looking for direction from Council as to whether they are in agreement with the proposal before entering into the contract and starting the process of doing inventory and analysis.

Mr. Wagner stated that following input from Council, they would seek engagement from the public via open houses, a survey, and other avenues. He noted they would also go through the results of the Village Community and Business surveys and utilize that data for input.

Rachel Carter stated this plan is for a 10-year planning horizon and so decisions will be made for short, mid, and long term recommendations. She noted McAdams has a matrix for prioritizing projects and a hierarchy to help with the process. Mr. Wagner noted staff will be looking at the Village's Comprehensive Plan, the Bicycle Pedestrian Plan, and previous Parks & Recreation Master Plans so they do not deviate from the Villages set goals.

Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella complimented Ms. Carter for the professional presentation and work product. Councilmember Morgan stated he feels that pickleball will be a prominent comment that comes out during this process and that there will be a push for some additional facilities or additional time be made available in the community center for open gym and such.

Ms. Carter stated the work product will take from six to eight months once the contract is started. She noted throughout the process she will have a sit down with Council and perhaps the planning board to keep all parties together and in the same

perspective. She stated there will also be public input opportunities. Mr. Wagner and Ms. Carter noted they will come back to Council throughout the process with various updates.

3. Discuss the Downtown Pinehurst Amenity Action Plan.

Jeff Batton, Assistant Village Manager, and Beth Powell, McAdams, presented Council with a proposed design for the Pinehurst Downtown area. She stated they worked with a traffic expert to help resolve some issues with the downtown traffic flow. Ms. Powell presented a master plan reformatted for discussion that outlined the process for development of the plan. She noted they took into consideration the character and history of Pinehurst, Olmsted's firm's designed landscapes, and historic postcards to develop some of the concept plan aspects.

Ms. Powell noted areas of traffic flow that existed near market square, Chinquapin, Dogwood, Cherokee, and Village West. She discussed cut-through alleys, angled parking, broader sidewalks, lighting focus, and more pedestrian walkability. Also discussed were landscape opportunities which could be prioritized and completed over spans of times. Ms. Powell demonstrated a potential timeline of proposed projects to help the community begin to see progress. She noted this concept plan does not include a full and detailed landscape plan and there is an element of wayfinding to consider.

Mr. Batton requested guidance from Council on implementation of the plan. He stated some of the amenity stuff has already put in the SOP for next fiscal year, and if in agreement with Council, staff could move forward with acquiring a landscape plan and implementing some of the plan, based on funding availability. Council advised to look at the trees in the landscape and determine how to work on some of the issues in the longer term.

4. Cannon Park Synthetic Turf Proposal.

Mark Wagner, Parks & Recreation Director, presented Council with a proposal from FieldTurf USA for synthetic turf for Cannon Park. Mr. Wagner stated staff received 21 different bidders on the project, with the winner being FieldTurf USA. He stated the pricing is in line with what the contract says it should be and the total for the project would come to 1.36 million dollars. He noted the previous year's budget for this project was 1.23 million and since that time there has been a price increase for fuel and material pricing.

Mr. Wagner stated the project would start with design and permitting in September, if Council approved, with construction beginning in late October or early November. He noted the project would be completed in mid February before the spring season for sports starts. Mr. Wagner reported he had spoken with Planning and did not anticipate any permitting issues. Council advised to continue to do due diligence to ensure if there is another price increase, there is valid reason. Mr. Wagner stated staff will do the due diligence and supply any updates needed before bringing the item forward for approval.

5. Other Work Session Business

No other work session business was discussed.

6. Potential Future Agenda Items

No potential future agenda items were discussed.

7. Motion to Adjourn.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella, seconded by Councilmember Hogeman, Council unanimously approved to adjourn the work session, by a vote 5-0, at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelly Chance,
Village Clerk

A videotape of this meeting is located on the Village website: www.vopnc.org

Vision: The Village of Pinehurst is a charming, vibrant community which reflects our rich history and traditions.

Mission: Promote, enhance, and sustain the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors.

Values: Service, Initiative, Teamwork, and Improvement