

# City of Clearwater

*Main Library - Council Chambers  
100 N. Osceola Avenue  
Clearwater, FL 33755*



## Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 4, 2020

6:00 PM

Main Library - Council Chambers

**City Council**

To ensure public safety and comply with the Governor's Safer at Home order in response to the COVID-19 virus, the Clearwater City Council will hold a public meeting on Thursday, June 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. using communications media technology.

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-69, issued by the Office of Governor Ron DeSantis on March 20, 2020, municipalities may conduct meetings of their governing boards without having a quorum of its members present physically or at any specific location, and utilizing communications media technology such as telephonic or video conferencing, as provided by Section 120.54(5)(b)2, Florida Statutes.

### **Rollcall**

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Frank Hibbard, Councilmember Hoyt Hamilton, Vice Mayor David Allbritton, Councilmember Mark Bunker and Councilmember Kathleen Beckman

**Also Present:** William B. Horne II – City Manager, Micah Maxwell – Assistant City Manager, Michael Delk – Assistant City Manager, Pamela K. Akin City Attorney, and Rosemarie Call – City Clerk.

***To provide continuity for research, items are listed in agenda order although not necessarily discussed in that order.***

### ***Unapproved***

#### **1. Call to Order – Mayor Hibbard**

*The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.*

#### **2. Invocation – Rev. Lee Hall-Perkins from Mt. Zion United Methodist Church**

#### **3. Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Hibbard**

#### **4. Approval of Minutes**

- 4.1** Approve the minutes of the May 21, 2020 City Council Meeting as submitted in written summation by the City Clerk.

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2020 City Council Meeting as submitted in written summation by the City Clerk. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

**5. Citizens to be heard re items not on the agenda**

*Ruth Shoenherr said Business Network International (BNI) has been an effective networking platform during the COVID-19 health emergency and encouraged all to attend the Business Open House Zoom meeting on July 2, 2020 at 7:15 a.m.*

*Mark Perkins, a local small business owner, said BNI wants to help the small business community and encouraged all interested to join the local chapter.*

*Marcus Afzil supported the Clearwater Police Department use of body cameras and encouraged the Council to discuss the matter at their next work session and to direct staff to issue an RFP.*

*Bill Jonson said the Forward Pinellas Citizen Advisory Committee reviewed the Five-Year Transportation Improvement Plan and noted the safety intersection improvements for Belcher Road and Gulf to Bay Boulevard was omitted. He encouraged Vice Mayor Allbritton to address the concern at the next Forward Pinellas meeting.*

*Daniel Holuba supported a citizens police oversight committee and said the Clearwater Police Department needed change in leadership and management.*

*Sylvia Patterson submitted a comment opposing surplusizing The Landings. The City Clerk read the comment into the record (see page 15).*

*Erika Escamilla submitted a comment supporting Unimex using an empty lot on Cleveland Street for a Hispanic soccer league. The City Clerk read the comment into the record (see page 17).*

*Police Chief Daniel Slaughter said the Clearwater Police Department condemns the officers' action in Minneapolis. CPD has policies against using neck restraints, requiring the repositioning of a prisoner to prevent positional asphyxia, and reporting all incidents requiring use of force. He said CPD has provided traffic assistance for a protest march held in Clearwater. He said another event will be held in Coachman Park tomorrow at 2:00 p.m.*

*Staff was directed to schedule a council discussion regarding police oversight committees and body cameras in July.*

*Jevante Scott said he supported the use of body cameras by CPD and*

*thanked all who attended the march.*

**6. Consent Agenda – Approved as submitted.**

- 6.1** Approve a recommendation by the Public Art and Design Board for a grant of \$8,500 to FYI Community Partnership, Inc. for their proposal of the creation of an artist-led community mural in the Lake Belleview neighborhood to be funded from the Miscellaneous Public Art Fund (A1901). (consent)
- 6.2** Approve a renewal of the Tampa Bay Multi-Agency Gang Task Force Memorandum of Understanding and the accompanying Mutual Aid Agreement for a five-year period commencing upon execution and expiring on May 30, 2025 and authorize the Chief of Police to execute same. (consent)
- 6.3** Approve Engineer of Record (EOR) Work Order to Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., in the amount of \$198,608 for design services for Lift Station 16 Rehabilitation on Pierce Street (20-0008-UT), and authorize the appropriation officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.4** Approve a Joint Project Agreement (JPA) with Pinellas County for the Reclaimed Water (RCW) Pipe Repair on Old Coachman (Project No. 17-0056-UT) in the amount of \$356,790 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.5** Approve Change Order 1 to Paramount Painting and Services, Inc of Tampa, FL, for East WRF RDT Building Repair (18-0016-UT) in the amount of \$72,145, increasing the contract from \$59,435 to \$131,580, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.6** Declare surplus and authorize disposition of identified vehicles and equipment via auction to the highest bidder, pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Section 2.622, Surplus Personal Property, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.7** Authorize a Purchase Order with Hach Company, for the purchase of Laboratory Equipment, Supplies, and Materials in the amount not to exceed \$150,000 for the period of June 6, 2020 through June 13, 2021, per Clearwater Code of Ordinances Section 2.564(1)(d) Other Government Entities' Bids, and, authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

**Public Hearings - Not before 6:00 PM**

## **7. Second Readings - Public Hearing**

- 7.1 Adopt Ordinance 9372-20 on second reading, annexing certain real property whose post office address is 25 S. McMullen Booth Road, Clearwater, Florida 33759, into the corporate limits of the city and redefining the boundary lines of the city to include said addition.

**Ordinance 9372-20 was presented and read by title only.  
Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Ordinance 9372-20 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Mayor Hibbard, Councilmember Hamilton, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Councilmember Bunker and Councilmember Beckman

- 7.2 Adopt Ordinance 9373-20 on second reading, amending the future land use element of the Comprehensive Plan of the city to designate the land use for certain real property whose post office address is 25 S. McMullen Booth Road, Clearwater, Florida 33759, upon annexation into the City of Clearwater, as Residential Urban (RU).

**Ordinance 9373-20 was presented and read by title only.  
Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Ordinance 9373-20 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Mayor Hibbard, Councilmember Hamilton, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Councilmember Bunker and Councilmember Beckman

- 7.3 Adopt Ordinance 9374-20 on second reading, amending the Zoning Atlas of the city by zoning certain real property whose post office address is 25 S. McMullen Booth Road, Clearwater, Florida 33759, upon annexation into the City of Clearwater, as Low Medium Density Residential (LMDR).

**Ordinance 9374-20 was presented and read by title only.  
Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Ordinance 9374-20 on second and final reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Mayor Hibbard, Councilmember Hamilton, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Councilmember Bunker and Councilmember Beckman

## **8. City Manager Reports**

- 8.1 Accept Dunedin Ordinance 20-03, an Interlocal Agreement/Gas Franchise with the City of

Dunedin, in order for Clearwater Gas System to continue to provide natural gas service to the citizens of Dunedin and adopt City of Clearwater Resolution 20-26.

On May 19, 2020, the City of Dunedin Commission approved and adopted on second reading, Ordinance 20-03 which provides for an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Clearwater, setting forth the terms of a franchise for Clearwater Gas System to provide natural gas service in Dunedin.

The previous franchise with City of Dunedin was approved on May 1, 1990 and expired on April 30, 2020. Currently, CGS is operating on a month to month basis under the provisions of that franchise agreement due to unavoidable delays resulting from the COVID-19 health emergency.

The effective date of the new franchise shall be the 1st day of the month following approval of the Interlocal Agreement by the City of Clearwater. The Agreement provides the City of Clearwater a 15-year non-exclusive right to continue to construct, operate and maintain all facilities necessary to supply natural gas to the City of Dunedin. The agreement also provides for a renewal option for an additional 15 years.

The Interlocal Agreement provides for a 6% franchise fee to be paid by the consumers of natural gas within the City of Dunedin. The prior franchise fee was 5%.

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to accept Dunedin Ordinance 20-03, an Interlocal Agreement/Gas Franchise with the City of Dunedin, in order for Clearwater Gas System to continue to provide natural gas service to the citizens of Dunedin. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

**Resolution 20-26 was presented and read by title only. Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Resolution 20-26. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Mayor Hibbard, Councilmember Hamilton, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Councilmember Bunker and Councilmember Beckman

- 8.2** Accept a Gas Utility Easement from Carlos Saenz, for the construction, installation, and maintenance of gas utility facilities on real property located at 14671 State Road 52, Hudson, FL and adopt Resolution 20-25.

Carlos Saenz (Grantor) has granted a non-exclusive five-foot wide natural gas easement, on property located on State Road 52, just west of Hays Road (Parcel ID# 11-25-17-0000-00100-0015) in Pasco County, for the installation of a natural gas distribution line. This main line will serve a commercial customer

(Dairy Queen) located at 14671 State Rd 52 and will provide service to a future commercial customer located at 14685 State Rd 52.

The easement grant is sufficient for the City to maintain and replace its facilities as necessary in perpetuity, or until such time as the City determines to abandon its use.

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to accept a Gas Utility Easement from Carlos Saenz, for the construction, installation, and maintenance of gas utility facilities on real property located at 14671 State Road 52, Hudson, FL. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

**Resolution 20-25 was presented and read by title only.**

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Resolution 20-25. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Mayor Hibbard, Councilmember Hamilton, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Councilmember Bunker and Councilmember Beckman

- 8.3** Accept a Natural Gas Easement from Weingarten Nostat Inc, for the construction, installation and maintenance of gas utility facilities on real property located at 23654 US Highway 19 North and adopt Resolution 20-24.

Weingarten Nostat Inc (Grantor) has granted a non-exclusive five-foot wide natural gas easement, on property located in the Shopping Center at the Southwest corner of Sunset Point and US Highway 19 (Parcel ID# 06-29-16-00000-410-0200) in Clearwater, for the installation of a natural gas distribution line. This main line will serve two commercial customers located at a newly constructed building within the main site parcel (sub-parcel address 23894 & 23886 US Hwy 19 N, Clearwater) and will provide service to future commercial customers within the Plaza if requested.

The easement grant is sufficient for the City to maintain and replace its facilities as necessary in perpetuity, or until such time as the City determines to abandon its use.

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to accept a Natural Gas Easement from Weingarten Nostat Inc, for the construction, installation and maintenance of gas utility facilities on real property located at 23654 US Highway 19 North. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

**Resolution 20-24 was presented and read by title only.**

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Resolution 20-24. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Mayor Hibbard, Councilmember Hamilton, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Councilmember Bunker and Councilmember Beckman

- 8.4** Approve the correction of a scrivener's error in that certain resolution adopted on May 21, 2020, which accepted a utility easement from Florida Spine Properties, LLC, changing the resolution mistakenly labeled as number 20-07 to Resolution 20-08, and adopt Resolution 20-27.

Resolution 20-27 corrects a scrivener's error in the resolution adopted as Resolution 20-07 at the May 21, 2020 council meeting to accept a utility easement from Florida Spine Properties, LLC. Resolution 20-27 changes the adopted resolution from Resolution 20-07 to Resolution 20-08.

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to approve the correction of a scrivener's error in that certain resolution adopted on May 21, 2020, which accepted a utility easement from Florida Spine Properties, LLC, changing the resolution mistakenly labeled as number 20-07 to Resolution 20-08. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

**Resolution 20-27 was presented and read by title only.**

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Resolution 20-27. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Mayor Hibbard, Councilmember Hamilton, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Councilmember Bunker and Councilmember Beckman

- 8.5** Confirm COVID-19 Emergency Proclamation and adopt Resolution 20-28.

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to Confirm COVID-19 Emergency Proclamation. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

**Resolution 20-28 was presented and read by title only.**

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Resolution 20-28. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Mayor Hibbard, Councilmember Hamilton, Vice Mayor Allbritton, Councilmember Bunker and Councilmember Beckman



- 8.6** Appoint one member and reappoint Herb McLachlan to the Audit Committee as citizen representatives with terms to expire May 31, 2025.

**APPOINTMENT WORKSHEET**

BOARD: Audit Committee  
APPOINTED BY: City Council  
FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE: Not required  
RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: City of Clearwater  
SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS: None  
TERM: 5 years  
MEMBERS: 5  
CHAIRPERSON:  
MEETING DATES: As required  
APPOINTMENTS NEEDED: 1

THE FOLLOWING NAMES ARE BEING SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION FOR ONE MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE AUDIT COMMITTEE AS A CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE WITH TERM TO EXPIRE 5/31/2025:

1. Lisa Burley - 1520 Gulf Blvd., #1204, 33767 - Budget/Financial Management Analyst
2. Rick Foxx - 1129 Charles St., 33755 - Real Estate Broker
3. David Jaye - 2856 Shady Oak Ct., 33761
4. Peter Kohut - 240 Windward Passage, Unit 105, 33767 - Civil Engineer
5. Bill Jonson - 2694 Redford Court West - Retired Internal Auditor/Accountant

Note: Herb McLachlan is completing his second term and has expressed an interest to continue serving on the Committee.

Zip codes of current members on board:

- 1 - 33755
- 2 - 33756
- 1 - 33767
- 1 - 33761

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to appoint Lisa Burley and reappoint Herb McLachlan to the Audit Committee as citizen representatives with terms to expire May 31, 2025. The motion**

**was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

- 8.7** Approve Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) G1K66 between the City of Clearwater and the State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), authorize a transfer from Airpark Fund reserves of \$6,403.60, authorize the appropriate officials to execute same and adopt Resolution 20-23.

FDOT JPA Agreement G1K66 provides 80% grant funding for the Clearwater Airpark Vehicle Replacement Project, with Airpark Reserves providing a 20% match. This agreement provides for the purchase of a vehicle and associated accessories to replace a 2008 pickup truck. The project cost is \$32,018.00 with FDOT contributing \$25,614.40, Airpark Fund providing a \$6,403.60 match.

**APPROPRIATION CODE AND AMOUNT:**

A mid-year budget amendment will establish Capital Improvement project G2012, Clearwater Airpark Vehicle Replacement, recognizing a budget increase of \$25,614.40 in FDOT grant revenues and a transfer of Airpark Fund reserves of \$6,403.60 to provide required matching funds.

**USE OF RESERVE FUNDS:**

Funding for the City's portion of this agreement will be provided by mid-year budget amendment allocating Airpark Fund reserves in the amount of \$6,403.60 to capital improvement project G2012, Clearwater Airpark Vehicle Replacement. The remaining balance of Airpark Fund reserves after 25% working capital reserves is approximately \$544,170 or 85% of the current Airpark Fund operating budget.

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to approve Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) G1K66 between the City of Clearwater and the State of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), authorize a transfer from Airpark Fund reserves of \$6,403.60, authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.**

**Resolution 20-23 was presented and read by title only.**

**Councilmember Hamilton moved to adopt Resolution 20-23. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:**

**8.8 Memorial Causeway Bridge Lighting**

Following Council approval in December 2019, staff has contracted with consultants H.W. Lochner to design and engineer aesthetic lighting for the

Memorial Causeway Bridge. This lighting will enhance the unique architecture of the bridge and produce a smooth color gradient that can be controlled by city staff. The project is now nearing a permittable design stage.

The current construction estimate is \$1,339,987. A budget of \$1,600,000 was established for this project based upon preliminary cost estimates. Less design costs, available project funding of \$1,433,344 is sufficient to cover this construction estimate.

As this project is connected to Imagine Clearwater by means of a server room in the back-of-house area of the stage, changes in the orientation or location of the stage could impact completion of the lighting.

Remaining Design Timeline:

June 24, 2020	90% Design Submittal
July 1, 2020	90% Construction Estimate
July 17, 2020	Final Plans and DOT Permitting
August 14, 2020	DOT Permit and USCG Approvals

*In response to questions, Cultural Affairs Coordinator Christopher Hubbard said LED lights will be used. The project is at 60% design. He said he would speak with the consultant to determine if solar or sustainable energy could be integrated into the project. The City would be responsible for costs associated with enhanced lighting; the Florida Department of Transportation handles the cost for the current static lighting. Assistant City Manager Michael Delk said staff has not approached FDOT to fund the lighting but staff can request they continue their current funding participation. Mr. Hubbard said the DOT permit review process includes looking at the bridge structure as part of the light installation.*

*It was requested that staff provide information on the electricity consumption and annual cost and life expectancy of the LED lighting and associated hardware.*

*It was suggested that solar or sustainable energy options be considered for Coachman Park.*

*There was council consensus for staff to move forward with the project.*

## **9. City Attorney Reports – None.**

## **10. Closing comments by Councilmembers (limited to 3 minutes)**

*Vice Mayor Allbritton said we've all been shaken with the news this past week with the demonstrations and he is proud of Clearwater Police. We all have heavy hearts on what has happened and it's on all of our minds.*

*Councilmember Bunker said he has been watching the coverage of the demonstrations and protests and it seems like a turning point. At the event attended by Council in Clearwater, everyone was showing solidarity and we are at the point as a country where we have to face the issues.*

*Councilmember Beckman said her heart is heavy and social injustice must stop. Everyone needs to speak up and speak out and voice our outrage, sadness and determination to work to bring necessary change. The death of George Floyd put a spotlight on the national problem. What happens in other communities and states affects us all. We all need to be part of the solution and work together to make our world a safer, more just and equitable place. She said she met one of the people who called in tonight, Jevante Scott, who was involved in the unity march in January. She said they are now working together to help reach out to younger people to engage them civically and register them to vote. She said June is pride month and the LGBTQ community comes together to celebrate freedom to be themselves. She says she hopes all people make Clearwater a welcoming, diverse, and strong community. She encouraged all to register to vote.*

*Councilmember Hamilton said he looks forward to having the opportunity to have members from all aspects of the community to work collectively toward a workable atmosphere and solution. He said he looking forward to the Governor to open Phase 2; as a business owner, it is a huge step and he encouraged those who need to take extra precautions to do so, but it is a great opportunity to get out for those who can.*

## **11. Closing Comments by Mayor**

*The Mayor thanked the demonstrators in Clearwater who have done it right. He thanked Clearwater police for making the route from the MLK center to Coachman Park safe by stopping traffic and making sure all those that were marching were being careful. He said he thinks people felt better after hearing the speeches and seeing the enthusiasm as well as the diversity in the park, as well as how peacefully it dispersed. I promised I would help facilitate a summit and have already laid some framework and talked to several Pinellas County Commissioners and will be coming to Council for some additional feedback; this is something I want all of us to be a part of. He recognized Marian Justice who passed away last week and was 99 years old. He said the Salvation Army is continuing to do food distributions at the Social Services Center on Druid Rd. and Highland Ave. on Wednesday's at 3:00 p.m. and will start a second location on Friday, June*

12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Ruth Eckerd Hall. He encouraged all to participate in the Census. He said hurricane season has begun and encouraged all to be prepared. Florida has entered Phase 2 of and reviewed all business type re-openings and restrictions and said all businesses must adhere to social distancing and sanitizing guidelines. He said there is a voucher program for restaurants within the CRA district for citizens to receive and use. Clearwater Customer Service will not charge a late fee or shut off services for non-payment until July 1, 2020. There is a summer reading challenge with prizes through the Library for teens and children from June 8 – July 31, 2020; information is available online and at library branches. The Aging Well Center at the Long Center is offering a variety of free virtual program. The City is offering rent/mortgage and utility payment assistance for those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **12. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Attest

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Mayor  
City of Clearwater

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City Clerk

## City Council on 2020-06-04 6:00 PM

Meeting Time: 06-04-20 18:00

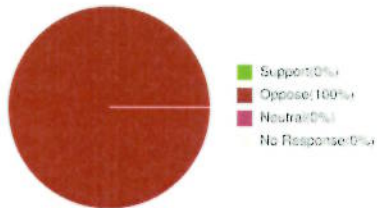
### eComments Report

Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
City Council on 2020-06-04 6:00 PM	06-04-20 18:00	32	1	0	1	0

#### Sentiments for All Meetings

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#### Overall Sentiment



## City Council on 2020-06-04 6:00 PM

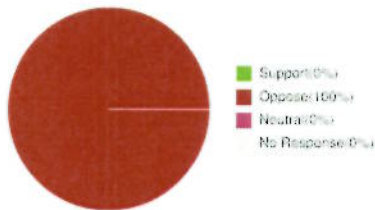
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Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
5. Citizens to be heard re items not on the agenda	1	0	1	0

### Sentiments for All Agenda Items

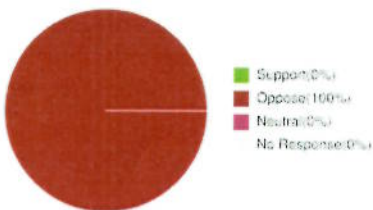
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#### Overall Sentiment



#### Agenda Item: eComments for 5. Citizens to be heard re items not on the agenda

#### Overall Sentiment



### Sylvia Patterson

Location:

Submitted At: 7:48pm 06-02-20

Hello Mayor and City Council,

We know that it will be up to the voters to decide whether they think we should keep the green space that is The Landings Golf Club or pave it over and put in an industrial park.

But, there are many people who are concerned about exactly how the referendum will be worded. That could make all the difference in whether people will vote Yes or No, unfortunately.

We have faith that the city council will take this into consideration when they compose the referendum, and will be fair when they write it.

Even with the short notice, it was good that many people commented during the city council meeting on May 21st, whether in person, or through comments that they sent in online.

It seems like there were about 20 people who commented. A few other people and I have made a petition available, so that people who are not in support of the industrial park can let that be known.

At this point we have 346 people who have signed it. So, you can see that many people feel strongly that the industrial park should not happen in this location. (I am working on getting the results of the petition to you. In the meantime, I submitted photos of the petition and the number of signers that it shows.)

Of course, the majority of these people live in the residential areas surrounding the golf course. Contrary to what Rob Webster said about there not being residential areas that will be impacted, the fact is that there are many residential areas, within a mile or so.

One of the most concerning negative aspects of having a light industrial park in this area is that there are five schools, which may have children who walk or ride their bikes to school.

I believe I heard during the meeting that there might be 3800 people who will work at the industrial park. In a Tampa Bay News Weekly article, I read that it could possibly be 5000 people.

How could it be safe for these children, walking and riding their bikes to and from school, with that many more drivers on the roads in the area?

These schools are Sky Crest Elementary, Plato Academy, Delphi Academy, Clearwater Kennedy Middle School and Lakeside Christian.

I, personally, do not play golf, but that does not mean I don't appreciate having the green space that the golf course provides in my area. I live approximately 1.2 miles from the golf course in Clearview Lake Estates.

I am in favor of Clearwater becoming more and more beautiful, not less and less attractive.

Thank you for considering my opinion and thank you so much for serving on our city council.

Sylvia Patterson  
Clearview Lake Estates

1941 Stardust Dr. (please don't say my exact address, if possible)



6/4/2020 cc

Citz to be Heard

Call, Rosemarie

**From:** Erika Escamilla <erikaep84@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 3, 2020 4:53 PM  
**To:** ClearwaterCouncil  
**Subject:** Open soccer fields  
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Good afternoon city council members:

I would greatly desire to speak in person but understand given the circumstances that we now have to speak up in email format. We pleaded and begged Mrs. Amanda with the CRA for an opportunity to have members of the Hispanic community use an empty lot owned by the city of Clearwater which is located on Cleveland St., but we were disregarded completely. Now I come to you to once again ask for an opportunity to lease the Belmont Park located on South MLK Jr. Ave and Howard St. It is located in a predominantly African American community with a growing Hispanic community. We think it can become an opportunity of social interaction and integration if we can make this happen. Israel Secundino, a community leader in Clearwater, has had a soccer league for years in Dunedin at the fields on Union St. He has requested our organization Unimex to request this on his behalf. I am attaching the schedule he was running before the pandemic but had to abruptly end for the same reason. We know the Clearwater Community Garden leases the property from the city of Clearwater for the rate of a dollar per year, and we hope Mr. Israel Secundino can lease the Belmont park for a similar amount, noting that this helps not only kids stay physically active in sports but both parents as well. Doctor have always said the body needs physical activities like sports to boost our immune systems and fight of disease, which now more than ever it has to become a priority in our lives. The Hispanic soccer league would be in charge of keeping the property clean, maintained and insured.

On another personal note. Doctors and environmentalists have warned us for years that the radio-frequency radiation produced by 5G towers can be dangerous for the human body, debilitating our ability to fight off disease. I want to know if there is the ability to know where these towers were placed during quarantine. I believe we have the right to be informed and even have 5g stopped if no test to prove its safety has been done, like the town of Easton in Connecticut. We all want high speed internet but not with a price tag that includes risking our health, especially since we have so many elders in our city.

Respectfully,  
Erika Escamilla



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# HISPANIC SOCCER LEAGUE SCHEDULE

LUNES	MARTES	MIERCOLES	JUEVES	VIERNES	SABADO	DOMINGO
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
LIGA VARONIL (MENS LEAGUE 30+)		YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE (FEMALE)	LIGA FEMENIL (FEMALE LEAGUE)			KIDS LEAGUE
7:00-9:00PM		7:00-9:00PM	7:00-9:00PM  (8:00-10:00PM PREFERRED)			5:00-9:00PM
8 TEAMS		5 TEAMS	8 TEAMS			6 TEAMS OF 10 YEAR OLDS & 6 TEAMS OF 13 YEAR OLDS
2 FIELDS NEEDED		2 FIELDS NEEDED	2 FIELDS NEEDED			3 FIELDS WITH 4 HOURS EACH OR 2 FIELDS WITH MORE HOURS
DURATION: 18 WEEKS APROX (3 AND A HALF MONTHS)						