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May 18, 2026

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ATTENDANCE: Mayor Barbara Smyth; Commissioner Tony Lopez; Commissioner Ronald Paladino; Commissioner Fran Collier-Clemmons

STAFF: Chief James Walsh; Deputy Chief Terry Blake; Deputy Chief Joseph Dinho; Benjamin Yeung, Senior Traffic Engineer, TMP; Nell Blaszkiewicz, Traffic Analyst, TMP

OTHERS: James Gallagher; Kislene Bosse Belizaire; Pastor Kevin Profit; Sue Brown-Gordon

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Smyth called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Smyth called the roll, and all those listed in the attendance were present.

**III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no public comments this evening.

**IV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

**A. APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR TRAFFIC AUTHORITY MEETING ON APRIL 20, 2026.**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER PALADINO MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS SUBMITTED.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED WITH THREE (3) IN FAVOR AND ONE (1) ABSTENTION- MAYOR SMYTH**

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. UPDATES FOR THE GREGORY BURNETT SR. MEMORIAL 5K/FUN RUN- INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

Mr. Yeung provided an update, noting that the event was originally scheduled for May 3, 2026, but the organizers requested it be moved to October 18, 2026. It will be held at the same location and time as originally requested.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. APPROVE PROPOSED FULL STREET CLOSURES FOR THE 2026 ROWAYTON FIREWORKS**

Mr. Gallagher provided an overview of the event and noted that the only changes from last year are that, based on their experience, the roads will now close at 7:30 PM instead of 5:30 PM, and there will be increased staffing.

- \*\* COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE ITEM.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**B. APPROVE PROPOSED FULL STREET CLOSURE FOR THE 2026 KINGDOM RESTORATION BLOCK PARTY**

Pastor Profit provided an overview of the event, noting that it will be larger this year, that they are collaborating with Youth Works, and that it will be expanded to Ryan Park.

- \*\* COMMISSIONER LOPEZ MOVED TO APPROVE THE ITEM.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**C. APPROVE PROPOSED FULL CLOSURE FOR 2026 SONO ART FESTIVAL**

Ms. Brown-Gordon provided an overview of the event, noting that the footprint has not changed.

- \*\* COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO APPROVE THE ITEM.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**D. APPROVE PROPOSED SPEED LIMIT CHANGE REQUEST TO OSTA FOR DRY HILL ROAD AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS**

Ms. Blaszkiewicz noted that the current speed limit in the area is 30 MPH, and TMP is requesting that the state reduce it to 25 MPH, which would also apply to some of the surrounding streets.

- \*\* COMMISSIONER PALADINO MOVED TO APPROVE THE ITEM.**
- \*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

**\*\* COMMISSIONER COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO ADJOURN.**

**\*\* THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Dilene Byrd