



CITY COUNCIL'S MESSAGE

SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

At the September 8 council meeting, Mayor Desiderio spoke about the resolutions on council's agenda that were necessary to prepare for an upcoming bond sale. The mayor explained that the bond sale will provide for permanent financing of several of the city's capital improvements made over the past few years and is part of the city's ongoing financial management planning. The mayor also reiterated his previous statements that Sea Isle is in excellent financial shape; and that current tracking of revenues and expenditures points to a solid position for establishing next year's budget.

The mayor also mentioned a great accomplishment by our city clerk's daughter, Julianna Romano, who is one of only fifteen high school students nationwide selected to participate in the Sea Otter Sound Coastal Academy, where she is studying and living for a semester in Naukati Bay, Alaska. She flew out to Alaska in the last week of August and will explore the coastal ecosystems of Southeast Alaska during her time there, which goes through the first week of November.

Following the mayor's comments, the Sea Isle City Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services Division were honored for their outstanding service to the community. The city council joined the mayor in congratulating and honoring several members of the Fire Department and EMS Division who were in attendance at the meeting.

Each of the resolutions on the consent agenda were approved, including...

- Resolution 127, which authorized the approval of vouchers.
- Resolution 128, which provided for the combination of several prior issues of general improvement bonds into a single bond issue of \$22,000,000, in preparation for a bond sale.
- Resolution 129, which determined the form and details of the \$22,000,000 bond sale, which will take place in October.
- Resolution 130, which authorized the installation, removal and storage of the 2026 Holiday Display by Mosca Design for \$154,856.
- Resolution 131, which designated old security cameras as surplus property to be auctioned online.
- Resolution 132, which designated a 2016 jet ski as surplus property to be auctioned online.
- Resolution 133, which designated a beach patrol boat as surplus property to be auctioned online.

During the "Citizen Comment" portion of the meeting, several citizens stepped to the microphone and commented on the following:

- Potential hours for the Community Center during the fall and winter, with requests to maintain hours until 8 p.m. (The administration will be reviewing this matter and will inform council and the public of any future changes to operating hours).
- Remembrance of the September 11 attack on the country; and the support the United States received from many nations of the world.
- Request for crosswalk markings on Park Road at the Community Center.
- Question regarding the construction of the ADA ramp to the promenade at 47th Street. (It is scheduled to be completed by the end of this year).
- Question regarding the city's overall debt. (The debt to be incurred by the bond sale is not the city's total debt).

Our next City Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 22, at 10:00 AM on the third floor of City Hall – and we hope to see you there!

Best regards from the members of City Council,

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