CITY COUNCIL'S MESSAGE ***OCTOBER 29, 2026***

At the October 27 council meeting, Mayor Desiderio reported on the city's annual best practices report, which is a comprehensive administrative, operational, and fiscal checklist mandated by the state. The mayor reported that the city will receive 100 percent of the allotted state aid based on our performance on the best practices checklist.

In addition, the mayor reported on the resolution on the council meeting agenda awarding a professional services contract to the law firm of Maley Givens to assist and guide the council and administration on the development of the former LaCosta site. The city received a request from the property owner to consider the site as an area in need of redevelopment, and the firm of Maley Givens has extensive experience in this matter.

The mayor also reported on the upcoming start of the Townsends Inlet dredging project, which had been delayed by last week's nor'easter.

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

- Resolution 147, which authorized the approval of vouchers.
- Resolution 148, which authorized the refund of a Hometown Hero program fee.
- Resolution 149, which authorized award of a professional services contract to the law firm of Maley Givens as special counsel for the matter of redevelopment of the former LaCosta site.
- Resolution 150, which authorized the designation of recreation department card tables as surplus property to be auctioned online.

During the "Citizen Comment" portion of the meeting, two citizens stepped to the microphone and commented on the following:
-The success of the Beachcombing Program, where over 2,000 citizens attended this past season. The program is seeking volunteers for next season.
-Suggestion for the planting of a pollinator garden at the entrance to Sea Isle City at Townsends Inlet.
-Thanking the mayor for his efforts in getting beach replenishment for Sea Isle.
-Complimenting the city on the Hometown Hero Banner program.

Our next City Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 10, at 10:00 AM on the third floor of City Hall – and we hope to see you there!
Also on November 10, at 1:00 p.m. in council chambers, the administration will review the proposed 5-year capital plan with city council.

Best regards from the members of City Council,

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