CITY COUNCIL'S MESSAGE *October 5, 2023*

At the start of the September 26 City Council meeting, Mayor Desiderio announced the winners of this year's Beach Tag Art Contest, and he also revealed the designs that will appear on Sea Isle City's 2024 beach tags. Our congratulations go to each of the artists who created winning designs, and our thanks go to all of the youngsters who submitted entries in the contest.

Also on September 26, Ordinance 1705 was introduced with First Reading. This ordinance was written to increase the cost of Sea Isle City's beach tags by $5 (for daily, weekly and seasonal tags). Ordinance 1705 will have Second Reading and Public Hearing (and possible adoption) during the October 24 City Council meeting.

As was the case during our September 12 meeting, Ordinance 1702 was also listed for Second Reading and Public Hearing on City Council's September 26 agenda. However, Ordinance 1702's Second Reading and Public Hearing was once again continued until our October 24 meeting, because some items need further review before finalizing the ordinance. Ordinance 1702 was written to amend the existing ordinance related to the construction of new homes so to meet FEMA flood requirements.

Each of the resolutions on the September 26 Consent Agenda was approved, including...

- Resolution 165, which authorized a Shared Services Agreement between Sea Isle City and Cape May County's Municipal Utilities Authority for Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling Services.
- Resolution 166, which authorized the Submittal of a Grant Application for the Boardwalk Preservation Fund Program, which is administered by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs and funded by the American Rescue Plan / State Recovery Funds.
- Resolution 169, which adopted Sea Isle City's Emergency Operations Plan, thus complying with the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management's requirement for recertification every two years.
- Resolution 170, which recognizes October 6 as "Knock-Out Opioid Abuse Day."
- Resolution 171, which authorized the approval of a Raffle Application for the Yacht Club of Sea Isle City's Sailing Foundation.

Our next City Council meeting will take place at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, October 10, 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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