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CITY OF COCOA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

January 24, 2017

A Regular meeting of the Cocoa City Council was held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 in City Council Chambers, located in Cocoa City Hall, 65 Stone Street, in Cocoa, Florida as publicly noticed.

I. OPENING MATTERS:

Mayor Parrish called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Councilman Whipple provided the invocation and Mayor Parrish led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

The City Clerk took the roll.

PRESENT:	Henry U. Parrish	Mayor
	Don Boisvert	Deputy Mayor
	Jeri Blanco	Councilwoman
	Brenda Warner	Councilwoman
	Clarence Whipple, Jr.	Councilman
	Anthony Garganese	City Attorney
	John A. Titkanich, Jr.	City Manager
	Matt Fuhrer	Assistant City Manager
	Carie Shealy	City Clerk

OTHER STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tammy Gemmati, Administrative Services Director; Jack Walsh, Utilities Director; Steve Belden, Community Services Director; Gene Prince, Fire Chief; Mike Cantaloupe, Chief of Police; Teri Butler, Finance Director; Ed Wegerif, Public Works Director; Jason McCuen, Helpdesk Support Tech; Tony Jones, Fleet Manager; and Jonathan Lamm, Deputy Fire Chief.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:

1. Agenda: Regular Meeting of January 24, 2017 (17-33)

2. Minutes: (a) Special Meeting of December 6, 2016 (17-34)

City Manager Titkanich advised that the Agenda was amended to add Item III.2, Sister City Presentation and Item V.5 was moved to City Business Item VIII.4.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilwoman Warner, to approve the Agenda as amended for the Regular meeting of January 24, 2017 and the Minutes for the Special meeting of December 6, 2016.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

III. AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:

1. Recognition of Deputy Mayor Don Boisvert for his completion of the 2016 Advanced Institute for Elected Municipal Officials (AIEMO). (17-35). (Administrative Services Director)

Mayor Parrish presented a plaque to Don Boisvert for attendance at the Advanced Institute for Elected Municipal Officials. Deputy Mayor Boisvert, along with Councilwoman Warner will be attending the Institute for Elected Municipal Officials III next month.

2. Sister City Presentation.

Kathy Mardirosian with the Sister City provided a presentation[1] regarding their trip to Israel. They left on December 14 2016 and she provided details of the trip including families that hosted them, places they visited, and much more. She noted the trip was very successful in fulfilling the mission of the Sister City.

She introduced the President, Bob White, who thanked Council and Mayor Parrish advising that on their first night they had a welcoming party with two officials, Mayor Daniel and the Assistant Mayor Daniel. He provided Mayor Parrish with a second city banner, a book, and a five fingered hand which symbolizes that the hand of God is upon the Mayor and the City of Cocoa. Mayor Parrish thanked them.

[1] EXHIBIT A: Sister City Presentation

IV. DELEGATIONS:

Larry Sinclair, 1052 Mitchell St., Cocoa, voiced his concerns about speeding and traffic. He was tired of calling the Police Department and mentioned that cars go down Fiske Blvd. and Pineda St. at 100 mph. Secondly, he advised that he, along with the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, and city staff would be meeting at the end of the month to discuss a proposal for Broadmoor Acres. He also provided an update on 1115 Broadmoor Street and that he was working with a coaltion of local residents who were willing to invest in the community.

Emma Kirkpatrick, 600 Florida Avenue, HCVA, spoke about the upcoming BBQ & Blues event. It is just over four months away and noted that some of their sponsors would not be back this year. She asked for suggestions and requested that everyone spread the word about sponsorships. They are always looking for new media partners and enthusiastic people who want to get involved.

Mayor Parrish suggested that she speak with Samantha Senger.

Councilman Whipple asked how much of a financial impact this would have. In response, Ms. Kirkpatrick mentioned that they were not financial sponsors, but in-kind. They provided much needed advertising.

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approve Task Order 2017-82 with CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. for Computer Maintenance Management System (CMMS) Selection and Data Development for Implementation. (16-571). (Utilities Director)

2. Approve a Resolution Amending the FY2017 Budget using Water/Sewer Reserves to Cover the Continuation of Work for Capital Projects that were under budgeted or not budgeted in FY2017. (17-13). (Utilities Director)

3. Approve Task Order No. 45 with CDM Smith, Inc., Maitland, Florida, for the Jerry Sellers Water Reclamation Facility Flow Improvement Project Bidding & Construction Services, Project No. WS16SF. (17-16). (Utilities Director)

4. Approve Task Order No. 46 with CDM Smith, Inc., Maitland, Florida, for the Jerry Sellers Water Reclamation Facility Electronic Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Manual, Project No. WS17CM; and Approve a Resolution adjusting the FY2017 budget. (17-19). (Utilities Director)

5. Approval to participate in a cooperative purchase agreement for the purchase of vehicles and the associated equipment, utilizing the Florida Sheriffs Association

and Florida Association of Counties vehicle / equipment purchasing contract # FSA16-VEL24.0 for Police Rated, Administrative, Utility Vehicles, Trucks & Vans and contract #FSA16-VEH14.0 for Cab & Chassis & Other Fleet Equipment; effective dates October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017; and the City of Tallahassee, Florida Purchase contract 2518 / Coggin Ford, formerly known as Mike Davidson Ford; effective dates November 1, 2011-November 1, 2016 extended through January 31, 2017, and the State of Florida Motor Vehicle contract #25100000-16-1; effective dates November 17, 2015 thru November 16, 2017. (17-36). (Public Works Director)

6. Approve the FY 2016-2017 HOME Disbursement Agreement between the City of Cocoa and Brevard County in the amount of $120,281.59. (17-37). (Community Services Director)

7. Authorize the City Manager to execute the 2017 Historic Cocoa Village BBQ & Blues Special Event Agreement with the Historic Cocoa Village Association (HCVA). (17-40). (Community Services Director)

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert to approve the Consent agenda.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Ordinance No. 18-2016/2nd & Final Reading: Establishing a Temporary Moratorium within the jurisdictional limits of the City of Cocoa, prohibiting any and all medical cannabis activities during the moratorium period. (17-43). (Community Services Director)

Attorney Garganese read Ordinance No. 18-2016 into the record by title only as follows. He advised that this was the second and final reading and that this would establish a moratorium for 270 days to allow staff the time to review the amendment passed in November.

ORDINANCE NO. 18-2016

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM WITHIN THE JURISDICTIONAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF COCOA; ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROHIBITING ANY AND ALL MEDICAL CANNABIS ACTIVITIES DURING THE MORATORIUM PERIOD

INCLUDING THE GROWING, CULTIVATION, PROCESSING, MANUFACTURE, DISPENSING, DISTRIBUTION, AND SALE OF MEDICAL CANNABIS, LOW-THC CANNABIS, DERIVATIVE PRODUCTS, AND RELATED ACTIVITIES; DIRECTING STAFF TO DEVELOP PROPOSED LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AND OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING SUCH CANNABIS RELATED ACTIVITIES; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; SEVERABILITY; CONFLICT WITH PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; NON-CODIFICATION; CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Parrish opened the hearing to the public. There being no response, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

Mayor Parrish questioned the time frame of 270 days and asked if other cities were doing the same. In response, City Manager Titkanich advised that based on articles produced, most cities were and they were waiting on the legislature to respond with the appropriate legislation. This time frame puts it past the legislative process and gives the City Attorney's office and Community Services department time to figure things out.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Blanco; Seconded by Councilman Whipple, to approve Ordinance No. 18-2016 on second and final reading.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

2. Ordinance 01-2017/1st Reading: Amending Chapter 5 - Animals and Fowl, to include a new Section 5-35 Backyard Chicken Pilot Program. (17-45). (Community Services Director)

Attorney Garganese read Ordinance No. 01-2017 into the record by title only as follows and advised that this was the first reading of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 01-2017

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; RELATING TO BACKYARD CHICKENS; AMENDING CHAPTER 5-ANIMALS AND FOWL TO INCLUDE A NEW SECTION 5-35 BACKYARD CHICKENS PILOT PROGRAM TO ALLOW THE KEEPING OF CHICKENS AND CHICKEN COOPS WITHIN CERTAIN

RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS; CREATING DEFINITIONS; ENUMERATING TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONCERNING THE KEEPING OF THE BACKYARD CHICKENS; ESTABLISHING A LIMITED PERMITTING PROCESS; PROVIDING FOR A SUNSET OR EXTENSION OF THESE REGULATIONS UPON REVIEW BY THE CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, SEVERABILITY, INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Garganese provided a brief background on this item noting that in 2014 the City had a referendum deciding whether or not the City should allow backyard chickens. This would be a two year pilot program and it would limit the number of chickens allowed to four (4) for an occupied single family property. The City cannot exceed 15 permits for this program; however, if needed the City Council can approve more, but cannot exceed 25 permits. Conditions set forth in the item reflect those of other cities around the country.

Mr. Belden advised that these would be allowed in the RU-1-7, RU 1-7a, and RU-1-10 zoning districts. A map was provided with the item. This item was before the Planning & Zoning Board on January 11, 2017 and passed with a 4-3 vote. They did want the permit fee changed but staff felt that the $75 fee was appropriate.

Mayor Parrish opened the hearing to the public.

Larry Sinclair, 1052 Mitchell St., Cocoa, asked if the areas included neighborhoods like his. In response, Mr. Belden mentioned his was FU1-7. Mr. Sinclair further asked who would enforce this since there was already an enforcement problem. Additionally, there is already a rooster in his neighborhood, and a hen, both of which were maintained without a fence. He understood it was a pilot program but felt that the City already could not keep up with enforcement.

There being no further comments, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

City Manager Titkanich pointed out that this was a non-binding referendum. He assured Council and citizens that an educational campaign on the ordinance would be done. He further mentioned the reference to the pig and advised that he along with several other employees went to the house in question on several occasions and there was not a pig. This was a pilot program and many voters

wanted to give it a chance. Additionally, a rooster would be in violation because only hens were permitted.

Attorney Garganese added that these permits would be issued on a first come first serve basis, providing that the applicant agreed to certain conditions. One being that the premises can be entered and inspected. Limiting the permits to fifteen will make it easier to monitor. This would sunset after a two year time period.

Councilwoman Blanco agreed with Mr. Sinclair to a point. The enforcement concerned her as she knows the officers were overworked. She liked the way the ordinance was written but though that $75 was too high. She believed $50 was a reasonable fee for permits.

Councilwoman Warner concurred. She believed $50 was more reasonable. She mentioned a neighboring city who also had an ordinance like this and they have approximately two active permits. Many have found that chickens were not as fun as people think they are. She agreed with the pilot program and felt they should give it a try.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Councilwoman Blanco, to approve Ordinance No. 01-2017 on first reading but change the permit fee to $50 as opposed to the staff recommended $75.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

3. Ordinance 02-2017/1st Reading: Amending Appendix A, Zoning, Article XIII, Supplementary District Regulations, Section 28, Regulating Businesses Providing For The Sale Or Rental Of New and/or Used Vehicles. (17-47). (Community Services Director)

Attorney Garganese read Ordinance No. 02-2017 into the record by title as only as follows, advising that this was first reading of the ordinance. He mentioned that this was changing the time periods of which special sales can be held and would also propose permitting vehicles to be displayed on non-paved surfaces during special sales period.

ORDINANCE NO. 02-2017

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; AMENDING APPENDIX A, ZONING, ARTICLE XIII, SUPPLEMENTARY DISTRICT REGULATIONS, SECTION 28, REGULATING BUSINESSES PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OR RENTAL OF NEW AND/OR USED AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT, MAJOR RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT, AND MOBILE HOMES AND ACCESSORY USES THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, SEVERABILITY, INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Parrish opened the hearing to the public. There being no response, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Whipple, to approve Ordinance No. 02-2017 on first reading.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

4. Ordinance No. 04-2017/2nd & Final Reading: Repealing Chapter 8, Article V, Enterprise Zone Development Agency; and relieve its members from service on said Agency. (17-49). (Community Services Director)

Attorney Garganese read Ordinance No. 04-2017 into the record by title only as follows and advised that this was the second and final reading. He noted it was for basic housekeeping purposes.

ORDINANCE NO. 04-2017

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; REPEALING CHAPTER 8, ARTICLE V – ENTERPRISE ZONE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY; PROVIDING FOR THE DISSOLUTION OF THE CITY'S ENTERPRISE ZONE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND FORMALLY RELIEVING THE MEMBERS THEREOF FROM SERVICE ON SAID AGENCY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Parrish opened the hearing to the public. There being no response, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Blanco; Seconded by Councilman Whipple, to approve Ordinance No. 04-2017 on second and final reading.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

VII. COUNCIL BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of a request by property owner Mary P. Lorkovic to remove a tree located in the public right of way adjacent to 1802 Baylor Ct. (17-44). (Community Services Director)

Mr. Belden noted that this item was in regards to a request made by Mary Lorkovic about the removal of a tree. She advised that it was causing damage to the sidewalk and right-of-way. The City's arborist assessed the tree and the tree is healthy, it was not dying, and is not of immediate threat. If the tree was dead, the removal approval must go before the Tree Board, which is also the Planning & Zoning Board.

After inspection, it was noticed that there was no significant damage other than some slight lifting of the sidewalk. Ms. Lorkovic provided an invoice for work done on the irrigation system. She did not want reimbursement but would like the tree removed so that further repairs do not have to be made.

Mr. Belden advised that the Planning & Zoning Board recommended denial at their January 11, 2017 meeting by a 6-1 vote. Staff was recommending denial of the tree removal. He noted that her son, Ron Nelson was in attendance and believed that he had a solution.

Mr. Ron Nelson, 10325 Olcet St., Orlando, and Mary Lorkovic's son, advised that he looked at the tree also. He agreed that the tree looked healthy but needed a root cut, which was causing the sidewalk to lift and causing the other problems.

Mayor Parrish asked City Manager Titkanich if the root removal could be done. City Manager Titkanich advised that Public Works could go and remedy the situation.

Council advised that they upheld the Planning and Zoning Board's recommendation.

Mayor Parrish clarified for Mr. Nelson that as a Council they would deny the request but Public Works would remedy the situation.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to accept the Planning & Zoning Boards recommendation.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

VIII. CITY BUSINESS:

1. Approve a Resolution amending the FY2017 Budget to record transactions relating to the issuance of the $8,000,000 Fire Protection Assessment Revenue Bonds, Series 2016; Approve the use of General Fund Reserves (Assigned Fund Balance); Approve the use of Capital Projects Fund Contingency. (17-41). (Finance Manager)

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Whipple, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

2. Approval for the City to apply for the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant in the amount of $101,190, and to commit $25,298 towards the match requirement in the application in order to provide victim advocate services to crime victims. The total amount equals $126,488. (17-46). (Chief of Police)

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Councilwoman Blanco, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

City Manager Titkanich pointed out that as annotated in the agenda item, this position and the advocate position were subject to grant funding.

3. Approval for Staff to apply for the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Violence Against Women Grant. Awards range from $100,000 to $450,000, and will be available for Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, and 2020. (17-50). (Chief of Police)

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilwoman Warner, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

4. Award Bid # B-17-05-COC, Harry T. Moore Center Renovation, to C & D Construction with an not to exceed amount of $325,256, in order to meet the budgetary guidelines set forth by the Historic Preservation Grant awarded for this project. (17-29). (Public Works Director)

Mr. Wegerif presented the item and provided information on the two grants that had been awarded for this project. The work for the smaller grant was completed. This grant was the larger of the grants and negotiations were made with the contractor to scope down the project to funds that they could afford.

Mayor Parrish asked how long this project would take. In response, Mr. Wegerif advised typically six months and that they should be done by June, or they would have to apply for an extension. The building had moisture issues and that came from underneath. It was built on a wood floor with a crawl space underneath. All of it would be sealed with plastic to keep moisture from getting in and it would be climate controlled.

Mayor Parrish asked if the museum could begin in June. The City Manager noted that as soon as it was completed and they could relocate PAL to the northern portion it could be started.

Mayor Parrish expressed his desire to keep this project rolling. Councilman Whipple concurred and advised that he had met with the City Manager about and discussed about ten items that needed to come to Council and this was one of them.

Councilman Whipple asked Mr. Wegerif if there was money to donate to the museum, since it would be the Leon and Jewel Collins Heritage Museum. In response to his question, both the City Manager and Mr. Wegerif pointed out that all of these grant funds would be used on renovations. Mr. Wegerif advised that money for the museum would have to be another grant or funding source.

Councilman Whipple further clarified if the grant was a matching grant. Mr. Wegerif explained that the grant was not an exact match. Discussion was held

on the funding and City Manager Titkanich explained that the grant was not a 50/50 match.

Councilman Whipple mentioned that he had further questions and would get with the City Manager.

Mayor Parrish believed this was a really big thing for the City and it needed to happen.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Councilman Whipple, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

MULTI-YEAR CONTRACTS:

None.

IX. INFORMATIONAL AGENDA:

1. Cumulative purchase approvals over $35,000 and under $50,000 for the period of 10/01/16-12/31/16. (17-27). (Finance Director)

2. Cocoa Police Department District Event Statistics for the month of October, 2016. (17-28). (Chief of Police)

3. FY 2017 Budget Adjustment Report. (17-30). (Finance Director)

4. Relation between the estimated and actual income and expenses to date. (17-31). (Finance Director)

5. Approved change orders to construction contracts that the City Council has authorized the City Manager, by resolution, to approve in excess of the City Manager's spending authority. (17-32). (Finance Director)

6. Review of the Employee Health Center utilization report provided by CareATC for December 2016 and update on Health Center municipality partnership. (17-39). (Administrative Services Director)

X. REPORTS:

Mr. Belden provided an update from the last Council meeting when resident Virgie Prude approached Council for help on her home. Staff reached out and although it took a little while to get in touch with her, they did. The roof leak was repaired by her son and she was on the rehab list. She was number eighty so it will be a while before they get to her. The building inspector also went to her house and found an electrical problem which was affecting some of her issues she spoke about. Staff was working with her the best that they can to resolve some of the issues she was having.

Chief Cantaloupe announced that the Police Department had started the Park, Talk, and Walk Program. Officers would be going to various neighborhoods and parking, getting out of their cars and talking with citizens. He asked that citizens be honest about any problems going on. He believed that this would be a successful program.

Additionally, he stressed the need for pedestrians to use crosswalks. There have been several issues were they were not being used and pedestrians were being struck. If they are seen not using a crosswalk, an officer (even the Chief) will get out and remind them where they are. Pedestrian citations will be issued if the problem continued.

Mayor Parrish questioned the Chief about speeding in neighborhoods. In response, Chief Cantaloupe advised that they began an aggressive campaign today in Virginia Park. Mayor Parrish felt that the best thing to do was to walk the neighborhoods. He was very happy about that program.

Ms. Butler provided Council with information pertaining to billing errors that occurred last week in regards to Brevard County residential sewer. It was a combination of human error and others. Approximately 180 sewer accounts in the Suntree/Viera area were overbilled. She explained that letters were sent and all accounts were fixed. Additionally, there were 10,000 accounts that were under billed by .96 cents. The most cost effective way to fix this was to add $.96 onto the next bill. She assured Council that they hoped to have it all worked by and corrected by the end of the week or early next week.

There was an explanation on their water bill and due dates were extended due to the error.

Mr. Wegerif advised that the Fire Station #1 project was underway. The tree was removed and the fencing was going up. He was excited to see that beginning.

Mayor Parrish asked for an update on Fiske Boulevard. In response, Mr. Wegerif mentioned that lighting would begin in January and FPL should be done by mid-February. All lights would be changing to LED. The final layer of paving was also going down, and striping would be done. The east half was done and they were working on the west side.

Assistant City Manager Fuhrer commented on his attendance at the event for the Cocoa High School Tigers at Riverfront Park. It was a good community event and there was a good turnout.

City Manager Titkanich sadly announced the passing of former Councilwoman Pat McCrary who served on Council from October 2007 through January 2010. Thoughts and prayers are with the family. He mentioned that the City Clerk had sent funeral arrangement information.

Councilman Whipple commented on the Cocoa High School football celebration and believed that if they continue with this kind of success it was going to put Cocoa on the map. He was happy to see that they have the support like they do. He commended Dr. Blackburn and liked how he asked all of the players who had received scholarships. He made them an offer that if they get their college degree and return to the city they would be hired. He felt that was a huge deal to make that offer and really said something about Dr. Blackburn's character.

All Council agreed that he deeply cared about Cocoa.

Councilwoman Warner concurred about the celebration and congratulated Dr. Soliven on her promotion. She further offered congratulations to Rashad Wilson who will be Cocoa High School's new principal. She wished him a smooth transition.

Additionally, she believes that the best investment made was the stadium at the high school. She noted that ever since they have had their own stadium they have excelled and hoped it continued.

Mayor Parrish added that the celebration exuded a good hometown feel. He believed that Dr. Blackburn could feel that also. It was evident that everyone cared about each other and wanted to see things go in the right direction.

All of Council was impressed with the confidence that the players portrayed when being introduced.

Mayor Parrish questioned an update regarding the sunken boat. In response, Assistant City Manager mentioned that FWC was still trying to get derelict status on the boat.

Mayor Parrish asked if there were any updates on the port project. In response, City Manager Titkanich advised that it was moving forward. Flying J has pulled permits and were ready to start construction and they were currently working with Walmart in regards to the distribution center. Additionally they were meeting with the developer regarding the SR 524 property.

City Manager Titkanich acknowledged Didier Menard and Greg Kolb from CH2M Hill who were in attendance. He noted that they were a primary sponsor at the Annual Economic Development Breakfast.

Mayor Parrish polled Council on their feelings about the Joe Lee Smith Center completion. Council agreed it needed to be done but wanted to finish the Harry T. Moore Center first.

Mayor Parrish then polled Council on the parking garage. City Manager Titkanich advised that he and Mr. Belden had discussed a possible RFP being done in order to update the parking feasibility study and to get numbers. This would most likely have to be done through public/private partnerships.

Mayor Parrish felt that there were a lot of good companies out there, however, City Manager Titkanich advised that they have to like the project and it has to be good for the company.

Mayor Parrish mentioned that when he looked at all that had been done before he took office such as the Police Department and City Hall, now Fire Departments, they need to seriously look at replacing the Civic Center. It would be a long term goal.

Councilwoman Warner agreed she would not be against it but it would not be a prioritized goal over the next couple of years.

Discussion was held on the deed restrictions.

All Council agreed that it could be a long term goal.

Legislative Action Days in Tallahassee were discussed and City Manager Titkanich advised that he would be talking with Mr. Sansom. For those who wish to participate in the action days, the dates are March 21st and 22nd. He mentioned in the past they would go up a day early but did not feel the need to this year.

Mayor Parrish would like to go. Councilwoman Warner will also go and Councilman Whipple was not sure.

In closing, Mayor Parrish asked about the crime package and City Manager Titkanich advised that it was being worked on.

IX. ADJOURNMENT.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilwoman Warner, to adjourn the Regular meeting of January 24, 2017.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Henry U. Parrish III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carie Shealy, City Clerk


Sister City Program
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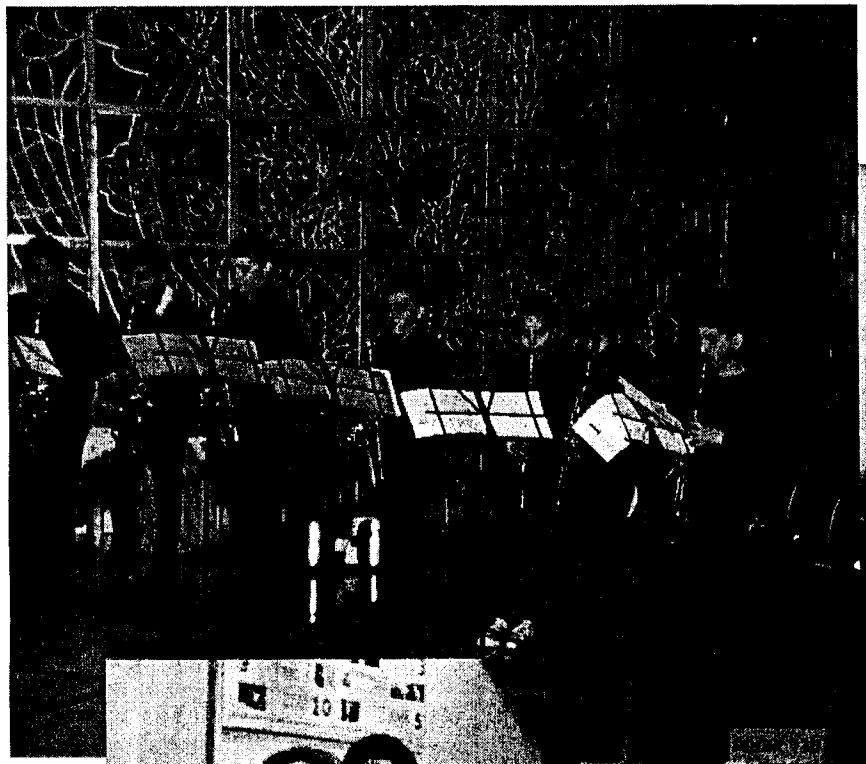
Israel Peace Ambassador Tour 2016

December 14th - December 25th, 2016

Sister City will be sending a delegation from Brevard County, Florida to our Sister City of Beit Shemesh, Israel.



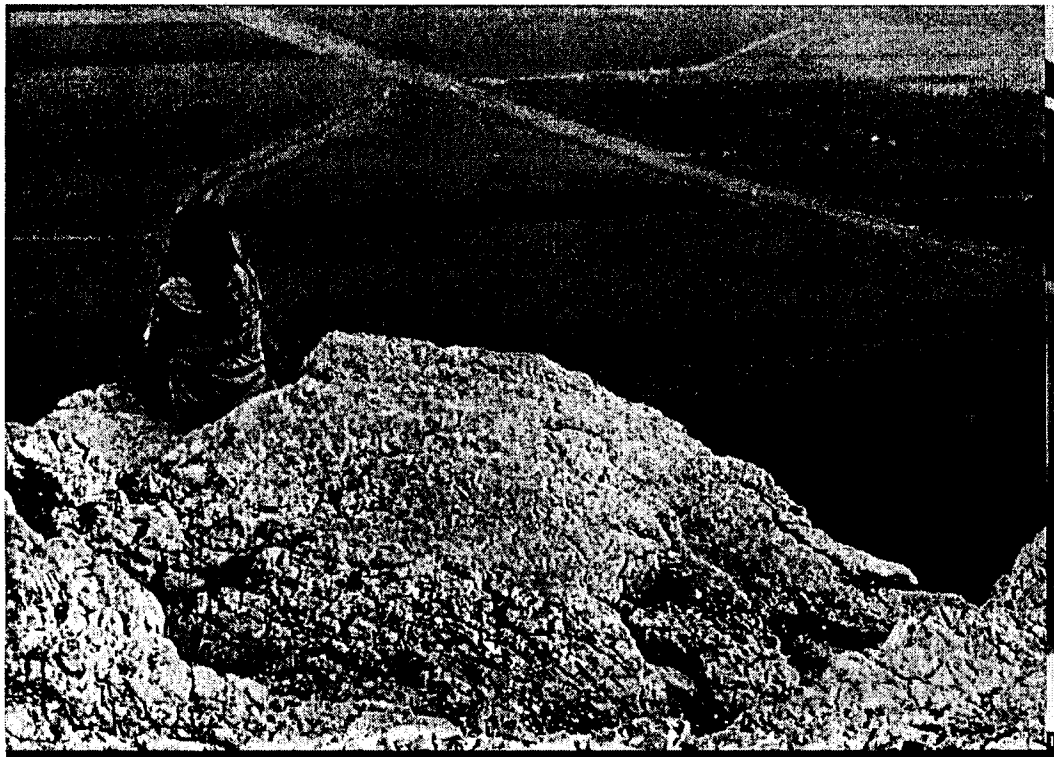
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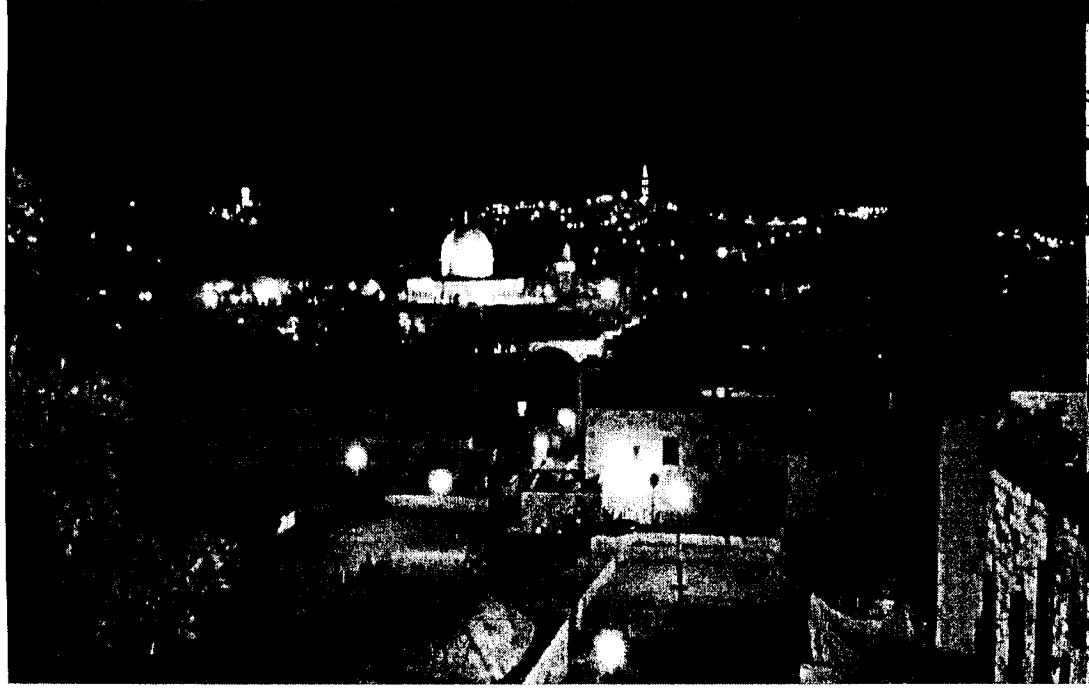




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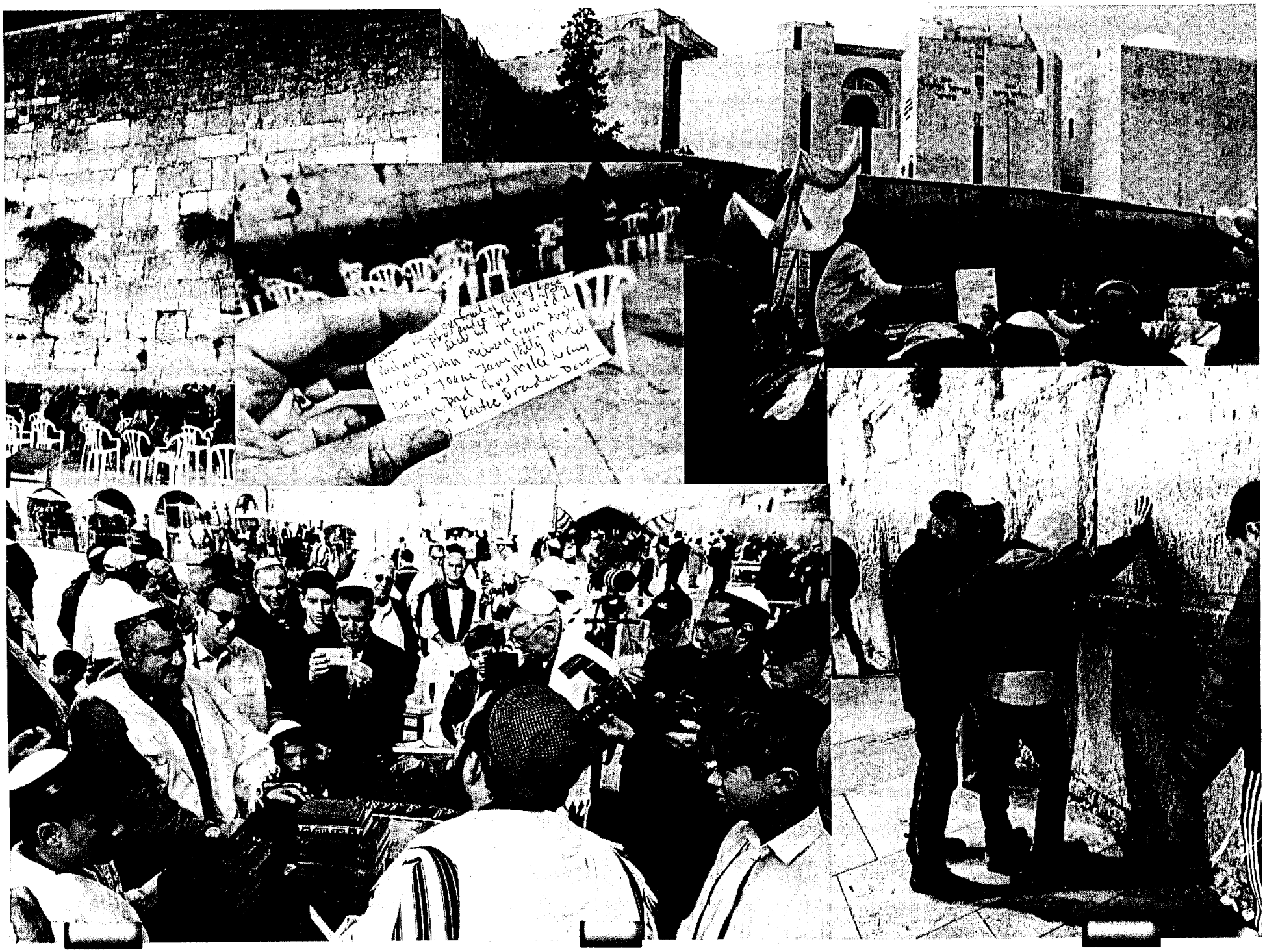


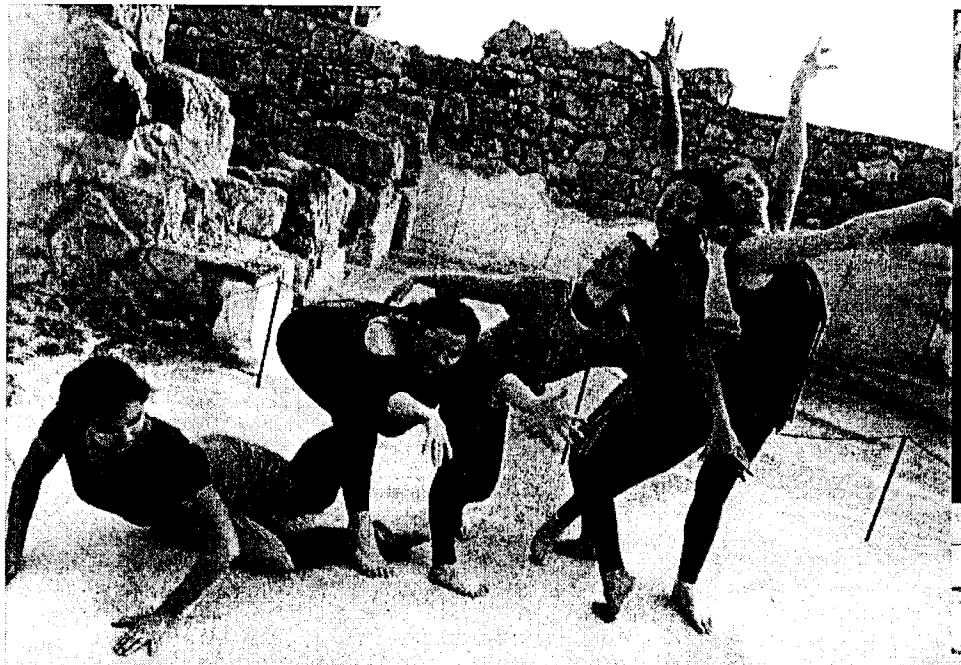




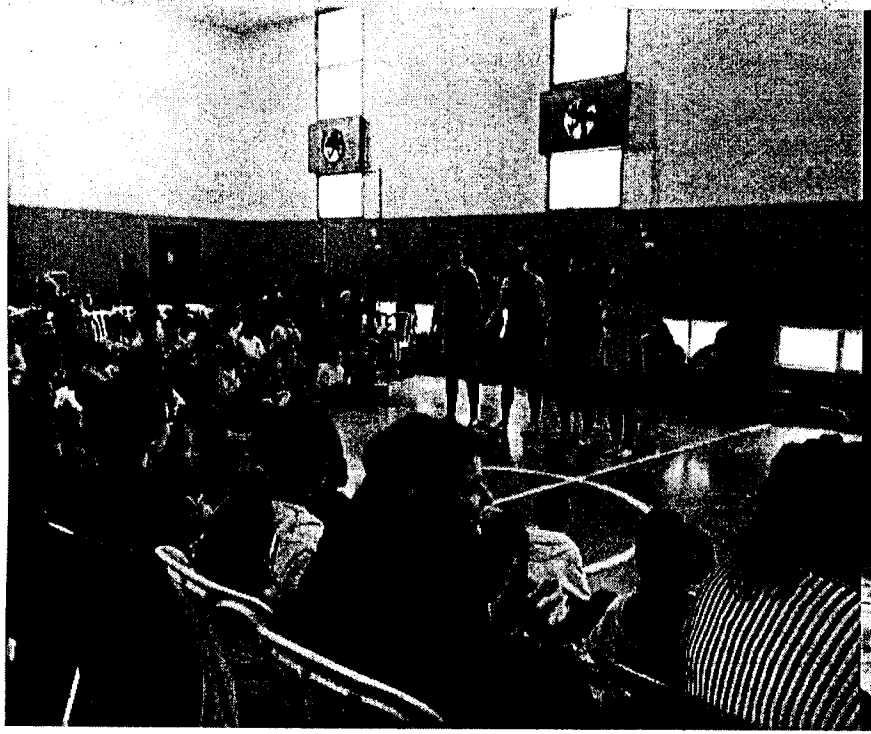






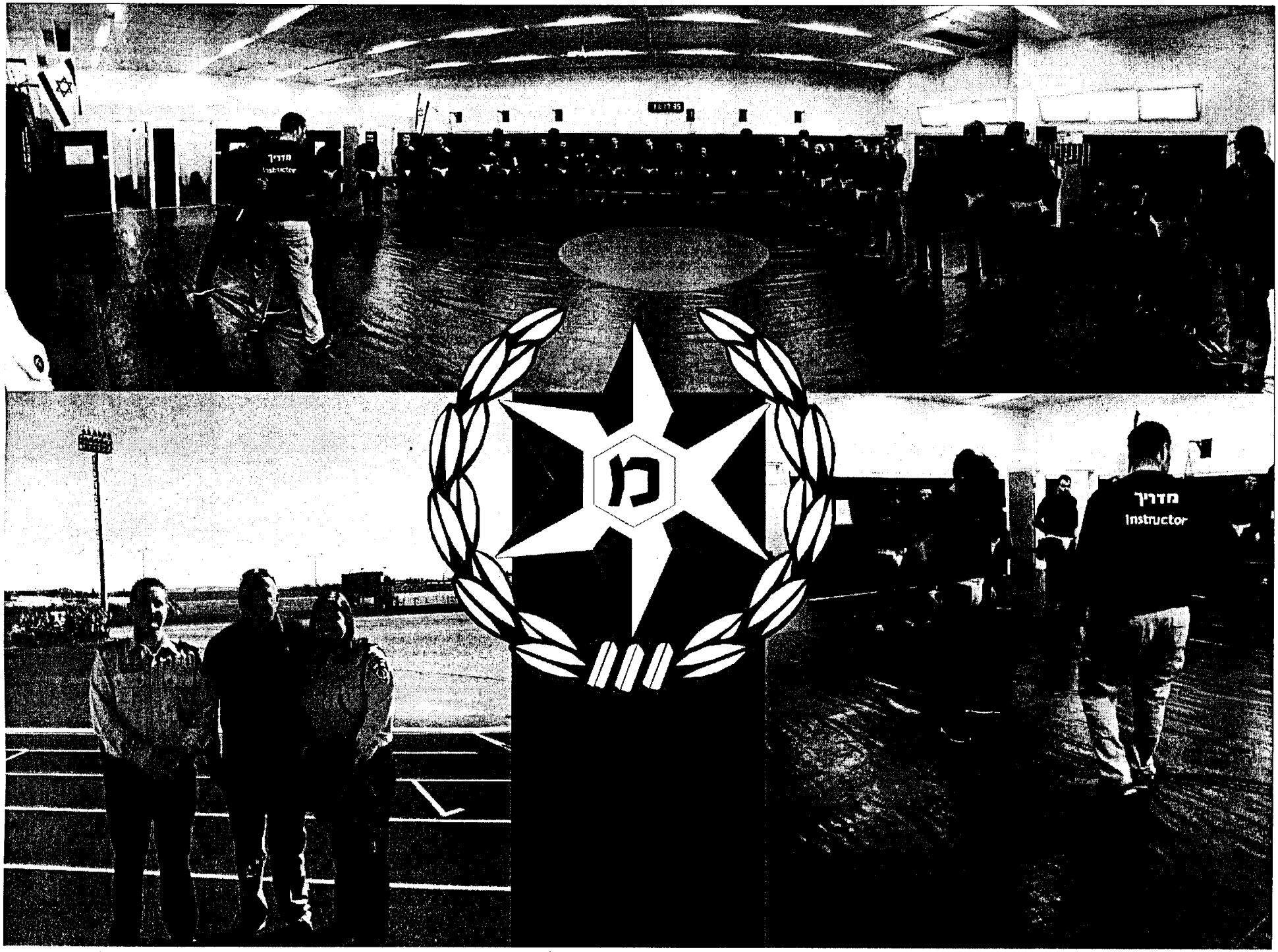











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