# MINUTES

CITY OF COCOA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

**September 26, 2017**

A Regular City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, September 26, 2017, in City Council Chambers, located in Cocoa City Hall, 65 Stone Street, Cocoa, Florida, as publicly noticed.

## I. OPENING MATTERS:

Mayor Parrish called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

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

The City Clerk took the roll.

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| PRESENT: | Henry U. Parrish III | Mayor |
| | Don Boisvert | Deputy Mayor |
| | Jeri Blanco | Councilwoman |
| | Brenda Warner | Councilwoman |
| | Clarence Whipple, Jr. | Councilman |
| | Anthony Garganese | City Attorney |
| | John 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; Karen Hamilton, Community Services Director; Jonathan Lamm, Deputy Fire Chief; Michael Cantaloupe, Chief of Police; Ed Wegerif, Public Works Director; Teri Butler, Finance Director; Jason McCuen, Helpdesk Support Tech; and Chris Collier, WFO Manager.

## II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:

1. Agenda: Regular Meeting of September 12, 2017 (17-411)
2. Minutes: (a) Regular Meeting of August 8, 2017 (17-373)
   (b) Budget/CIP Workshop of August 9, 2017 (17-394)

The Agenda was amended to remove Items III.1 & III.3 under Awards and Presentations and to add Item VIII.9 under Multi-Year contacts.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilwoman Warner, to approve the Agenda as amended for the Regular meeting of September 26, 2017 and the Minutes for the Regular meeting of August 8, 2017 and the Budget/CIP Workshop of August 9, 2017 were approved as written.**

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

## III. AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:

1. Cocoa Employee Service Award Presentation. (17-347). (Administrative Services Director)

**This item was moved to the October 10, 2017 meeting.**

2. Sister City Presentation. (17-399). (Kathy Mardirosian)

Kathy Mardirosian, representing the Sister City provided a presentation[1] updating Cocoa about the Sister City. She noted that a delegation was sent from Cocoa and Brevard County last year and over the summer a delegation from Israel came to Florida. She spoke in depth about the School to School Exchange Program and explained the program "Saxophones Come Back for a Visit".

She advised that saxophones were given to kids in Beit Shemesh and they were all blown away at the progress they have made in learning to play. The delegation stayed for about a week and stayed in local homes. The saxophonists played in several concerts while here, one of which was at the Kennedy Space Center. It was a great experience and all of the kids are planning to visit each other in the future. Great things are happening with the Sister City.

Council thanked Ms. Mardirosian for the information.

[1] EXHIBIT A: Sister City Program Presentation

3. Proclamation: "National Physician Assistants Week". (17-417). (Mayor Parrish)

**This item was moved to the October 10, 2017 meeting.**

## IV. DELEGATIONS:

Brad Whitmore, 351 Rockledge Drive, Cocoa, spoke in detail about the damage to the waterfront after Hurricane Irma. He stressed the importance of getting paperwork turned in for grants and pointed out that there is a FIND hurricane rebuild fund. Additionally, FWC is working with the US Coast Guard to assess vessels that are a risk or potential risk to the environment. It is a setback for now but will grow in the future.

He further noted that a mooring field is desirable and he recently attended a trade conference and learned of new technology that might be of help. He looked forward to the future and advised that now more than ever we have a chance to make this a boating destination that will attract many to the Village. He further advised that the First Annual Sun Cruisers Seminar is December 2nd and will run concurrently with the Sail to the Sun Rally. This will be hosted at the Cocoa Civic Center.

Mayor Parrish assured Mr. Whitmore that they were bouncing ideas back and forth and asked him about FWC's system for marking boats. Discussion was held regarding FWC and the future of the waterfront.

Councilman Whipple asked how this impacted the Riverfront Development Plan and if this would change the plan.

City Manager Titkanich agreed with Mr. Whitmore that this was a chance to step back and look at what could be done. The Assistant City Manager has been in contact with FWC and with Senator Mayfield's office.

Mayor Parrish advised this was not something new and that the T-dock at Lee Wenner has been damaged at least four times. He spoke of the requirements of the grant and stressed his frustration.

Councilman Whipple receives phone calls from residents at Whitley Bay and wants to make sure that there is inclusion with them so that input can be given before any decisions are made. They have formed the Cocoa Village

Neighborhood Coalition. In response, Mr. Whitmore advised that he was aware of them and they seem like a good group.

Assistant City Manager Fuhrer spoke with FDEP about money issues but pointed out that the issue right now is the clean-up. An emergency contractor would be here on Monday to clean up surface debris. He was waiting to hear back from the contractor to see if they could remove the other debris and the boats. The boardwalk was assessed as a total loss.

Mr. Whitmore agreed that it would be nice if they could get the debris and boats at the same time.

## V. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approve Task Order 2017-05.1 with Anderson Diving, Inc., Jacksonville, Florida, for Subaqueous Pipeline Protection Repair and Stabilization of 36" PCCP Water Main along SR-520, Project No. WS1201; To Approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Approve Change Orders in an amount Not to Exceed $43,866; Pending Approval of the FY18 Budget. (17-309). (Utilities Director)

2. Approve a Municipal Services Agreement with Alliance for Neighborhood Restoration of Brevard for Fiscal Year 2018, pending the final approval of the City of Cocoa Fiscal Year 2018 budget. (17-367). (Chief of Police)

3. Approve a one year policy renewal for the General Insurance Program with Florida League of Cities, Inc., for the period October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018 with an estimated premium of $746,897, pending approval of the FY2018 budget. (17-381). (Administrative Services Director)

4. Approve a Resolution Waiving the Competitive Bidding Process for the Purpose of Making a Sole Source Purchase of Cal Flo Liquid Lime from Burnett Lime Co. Inc., Campobello, South Carolina; To Approve a Resolution Waiving the Competitive Bidding Process for the Purpose of Making a Sole Source Purchase of 1986N Superfloc from Industrial Chemicals Inc., Dallas, Texas; To Approve a Resolution Waiving the Competitive Bidding Process for the Purpose of Making a Sole Source Purchase of LT27 from Fort Bend Services Inc Stafford, Texas; Pending the Approval of the FY2018 Budget. (17-384). (Utilities Director)

5. Approve expenses for electric services budgeted in FY2018 and authorize the City Manager to approve the monthly invoices. (17-386). (Finance Director)

6. Approve a two year policy for Workers' Compensation Specific Excess Insurance with Safety National Casualty Corporation for the period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2019, with an estimated annual premium of $145,937,

pending approval of the FY2018 budget. (17-389). (Administrative Services Director)

7. Approve a Municipal Service Agreement with Greater Cocoa Community Partnership, Inc. (Cocoa Main Street) for traffic signal box wrap services and to approve a resolution adjusting the FY 2017 budget; Authorize the City Manager to finalize and execute the Agreement. (17-397). (City Manager)

8. Authorize payment to Superion, LLC. (formerly SunGard Public Sector) for ASP services provided from March 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017 in the amount of $148,774.50. (17-420). (Assistant City Manager)

9. Approve a Resolution declaring the real property located at 434 Barbara Jenkins Street unnecessary for its public purpose related to a conveyance of this real property to North Brevard Charities Sharing Center, Inc. in accordance with previously approved agreements by the City Council. (17-423). (City Attorney)

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

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

## VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Ordinance No. 08-2017/ 2nd & Final Reading: Amending the Future Land Use Map designation of the subject property from Low Density Residential to Medium Density Residential and Conservation and a Development Agreement related to the subject property. (17-288). (Community Services Director)

2. Ordinance No. 09-2017/ 2nd & Final Reading: Amending the zoning designation of the subject property from RR-1 (Rural Residential) to RU-2-15 (Multiple Family Residential). (17-289). (Community Services Director)

City Attorney Garganese advised that this item, Ordinance No. 08-2017 and the next item, Ordinance No. 09-2017 will both be tabled until the October 10, 2017 Regular City Council meeting.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to Table the public hearings for Ordinance No. 08-2017 & 09-2017 until the October 10, 2017 Regular City Council meeting.**

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

## VII. COUNCIL BUSINESS:

1. Consider the reappointment of Mr. Stephen R. Harrell as a member of the General Employees' Pension Board through September 30, 2020. (17-383). (Administrative Services Director)

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to approve the Reappointment of Mr. Stephen R. Harrell as a member of the General Employees' Pension Board through September 30, 2020.**

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

2. Consider an application for appointment of Ms. Sharon Cahill-Ervin to fulfill a vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Board through November 2017. (17-392). (Administrative Services Director)

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Whipple, to approve the Appointment of Ms. Sharon Cahill-Ervin the Planning and Zoning Board through November 2017.**

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

## VIII. CITY BUSINESS:

1. Approve a Budget Resolution adjusting the Fiscal Year 2017 budget in account 001-1600-513.49-00 Other Charges and Obligations to cover additional general and auto insurance liability deductible charges. (17-378) (Administrative Services Director)

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

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

2. Approve a Municipal Services Agreement with Children's Home Society of Florida, Inc., to provide a Parent Engagement and Community Outreach Coordinator and Community Resource Center for the Community School at Endeavour Elementary. (17-400). (City Manager)

Assistant City Manager Fuhrer presented the item and noted that in the prior budget cycle the City was approved by the community school for support for these items. This item will be for the current school year with no additional funding. He explained the two components of the item in detail.

* **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)**

3 Approve a Resolution providing for a temporary waiver of building permit fees related to building or structural damage caused by Hurricane Irma. (17-415). (Community Services Director).

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

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

4. Approval for the City to apply for two African American Civil Rights History Grants through the National Park Service (NPS) FY2017 African American Civil Rights Grant Program. The first grant is a non-matching grant to fund the research necessary to place the building on the NPS National Registry for Historic Sites and provide educational information for the Leon and Jewel Collins Museum of African American History and Culture at The Harry T. Moore Center. The second grant is a non-matching grant to fund the next phase of the renovation to replace the windows and doors with more historic windows and doors for the Leon and Jewel Collins Museum of African American History and Culture at The Harry T. Moore Center. Each grant is for $200,000 and requires no match. (17-416). (Public Works Director)

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

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

**MULTI-YEAR CONTRACTS:**

5. Award Bid # B-18-03-COC, Tropichem Enterprises, Palm Beach Gardens, FL; To Approve the First Amendment to Purchase Agreement with Allied Universal Corp., Miami, Florida for Bid #B-17-04-COC; To Approve the First Amendment to Purchase Agreement with Cheney Lime & Cement Co., Jacksonville, Florida for Bid #B-16-19-COC; To Approve the First Amendment of Purchase Agreement with Harcros Chemicals, Inc., Tampa, Florida for Bid #B-16-19-COC; To Approve the First Amendment to Purchase Agreement with Kemira Water Solutions, Inc., Lawrence, Kansas for Bid #B-16-19-COC; To Approve First Amendment to Purchase Agreement with Tanner Industries, Inc, Southhampton, Pennsylvania for Bid #B-16-19-COC; and to Approve Participation in a Cooperative Purchase Agreement with Airgas USA LLC, South Region, Lawrenceville, Georgia, utilizing the City of Melbourne, Agreement 03-053-0-2016/KS, beginning 06/16/17 through 6/15/18, for the purchase of Liquid Oxygen, for Bid #B-16-19-COC. (17-333). (Utilities Director)

Mr. Walsh advised that this item would cover all of the chemicals at the plant for the next fiscal year.

* **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)**

6. Approve Change Order #1 to Purchase Order 70575 - Task Order 2017-20 "Gravity Sewer Repairs" with Maxwell Contracting, Inc.; To Approve Change Order #2 to Purchase Order 70575 - Task Order 2017-20 "Gravity Sewer Repairs" with Maxwell Contracting, Inc.; To Approve as a Multi-Year Contract from FY2017 to FY2018; Pending Approval of the FY2018 Budget. (17-374). (Utilities Director)

Mr. Walsh presented the item and explained the two actions being approved.

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

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

7. Consider the approval of a multi-year contract for Quote # DK2018-01, Pest Control Services, to Florida Pest Control and Chemical Company, Orlando, FL for monthly pest control services to City buildings. The contract service begins October 1, 2017 and ends on September 30, 2020, with two additional 12 month extensions, for a total of five (5) years (FY2018, FY2019, FY2020, FY2021 and FY2022), pending approval of the FY2018 Budget and four additional fiscal years. (17-380). (Public Works Director)

* **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)**

8. Approve Addendum to the Bilateral Modification extending the term of the Continuing Services Agreement (CSA) with Bussen-Mayer Engineering Group, Inc. and Mead & Hunt, Inc. for all necessary tasks associated with Engineering Services for Design, Permitting and Services during Construction of the Utility Conveyance System Upgrades & Expansion projects approved by City Council on July 11, 2017. (17-398). (Utilities Director)

Mr. Walsh advised that this item had been previously approved but they added more information and clarity, along with the work that is remaining on the project.

Councilman Whipple questioned the addendum on Table 1.

Mr. Walsh provided numbers and explained the task orders that have already been issued and approved.

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

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

9. Approve the Services of Logan Diving & Salvage, Jacksonville, Florida, to perform Emergency Assessments and Repairs to all Subaqueous Pipes in the City of Cocoa System to include S.R. 520, S.R. 528, and S.R. 401, Project No. WS1201; To Approve as a Multi-Year Contract from FY2017 through FY2018; To Approve a Resolution Amending FY2017 Budget; To Approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Approve Change Orders in the Amount of $20,000. (17-426). (Utilities Director)

Mr. Walsh spoke about this item advising that it was in regards to what has been happening over the last two weeks or so. City Manager Titkanich declared an emergency condition so that work could begin. More money may be needed, and that is why they are asking for $200,000. Additionally, they have issued task orders for these companies due to proximity and the availability of resources.

Councilman Whipple supported their efforts 100% and was aware that this is an emergency situation. A lot of work was being done by the Utilities division, including the water plan.

Mr. Walsh explained what each company was responsible for during the repairs. He does not anticipate that there will be any power issues but was asking for discretion from the City Manager for anything related to this item.

Councilman Whipple thanked him and appreciated all of the information. The unknown is the unknown and they have to have the financial backing.

Mayor Parrish agreed.

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

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

## IX. INFORMATIONAL AGENDA:

1. Fire Incident Summary Report for August, 2017. (17-401). (Fire Chief)

2. Cumulative purchase approvals over $35,000 and under $50,000 for period 10/01/2016 to 08/31/2017. (17-402). (Finance Director)

3. Cocoa Police Department District Event Statistics for May, June, and July 2017. (17-403). (Chief of Police)

4. FY 2017 Budget Adjustment Report. (17-412). (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. (17-413). (Finance Director)

6. Estimated and Actual Income and Expenses to date. (17-414). (Finance Director)

## X. REPORTS:

Mr. Wegerif mentioned that his staff has been busy cleaning up during this hurricane recovery period. They have cleaned over 500 feet of storm drains, replaced stop signs, street signs, tree debris, fixed the road where it was washed out on Indian River Drive and Dixon, and removed large trees. He appreciates the resident's patience on Oak Street while trees were being removed. Additionally, Public Works staff assisted Utilities with tree removals around water main breaks. This is a huge issue with these big oaks and can expect more with future hurricanes.

Mayor Parrish stated that he stopped in at Travis Hardware and the flooding went into the store. He feels that some of the draining pipe issues contributed to the flooding issue.

Chief Cantaloupe reminded everyone that on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 is National Night Out. There will be two locations, Juny Rios Martinez Park and at the corner of Blake and Stone Street in the Diamond Square area.
He further reminded everyone of Coffee with a Cop on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 from 8 a.m. – 9 a.m. at the new Flying J store on S.R. 524.

Ms. Hamilton thanked all of the members of the Community Services team for their contributions during the hurricane. All of their help made the damage assessments easier to complete. She noted that Code and the Building departments assessed over 600 properties. Damage was around $3 million. Economic Development also went to businesses to check on them. Leisure Services provided a comfort station at the Civic Center for those who needed to charge their phones or just needed to cool off.

Lastly, she advised that she met with UCF grad students who would be doing a study of the Fiske Corridor. She explained what they would be doing and the plan to get them acquainted with the City.

Mr. Walsh read a statement regarding the Utilities Department into the record as follows and provided photos[2] of the Utility crews working during and after the storm:

*"Hurricane Irma created significant damage for the Cocoa Utilities Systems. Two major pieces of infrastructures were affected and as a result impacted our customers. Overall, the utility received over 176 calls for water service/breaks and of those calls, 41 were water main break repairs. Irma hit on Monday, by Friday afternoon, field operations had responded to all breaks and requests and the only outstanding calls were areas where power or trees prevented crews from making the final repairs.*

*As most everyone knows by now, the transmission main under SR 520 failed at approximately 0430AM on Monday, September 11th during the hurricane which created a system wide loss of water and water pressure and a system wide boil water notice was issued for all users. City crews moved quickly into response mode. By Tuesday evening the mainland and north Merritt Island and North Cape Canaveral had water pressure back. And by Wednesday night, the entire system was pressurized and large breaks were identified at SR 520 Indian River and SR 520 and the Banana River. Over the course of the next two days, boil water notices were rescinded in the same phasing the water was restored.*

*In a matter of 60 hours, the Cocoa water system was back in pressure and crews were responding to breaks and making repairs. A solid plan was prepared and executed in a methodical and systematic fashion to restore pressure and water in segments. The reason for this was the location and number of breaks contributing to the loss of system pressure were not known. A grid was set up and crews were out spotting and searching*

[2] EXHIBIT B: Statement from Jack Walsh & Hurricane Irma photos

*for breaks along with other agencies within the Cocoa system assisting in their respective jurisdictional areas to locate breaks. Originally reported as two breaks, the break reported in the Banana River has been ruled out as a break and normal operations has resumed along the east end of SR 520.*

*Once we suspected there was an underwater break, Logan Diving, a preapproved contractor for the City of Cocoa, immediately mobilized and began assessing the damage and identifying the beaks and issues. The results from their dives has revealed that significant undermining of the transmission main created the break at the SR 520 and the Indian River Lagoon. In addition, there are several other locations where partial undermining has occurred and will need to be shored up and protected for the future.*

*Logan Diving will be inspecting all subaqueous crossings and ensuring that all needed shoring and pipe protections are installed as necessary over the next few weeks. This will ensure the water system is protected now and in the future.*

*As of today, all the broken pipe at the Indian River crossing has been removed and the new pipe and repair materials were delivered today to begin pipe repair work. We anticipate that within the next week, the repairs to the SR 520 break will be complete and placed back into operation.*

*The second infrastructure problem is related to the transmission line that runs over Sykes Creek on the Brevard County bridge. Although there is no issue with the water main, the bridge was inspected after the hurricane and the bridge supports that extend into Sykes Creek were scoured by high velocity water. Brevard County has closed the bridge indefinitely while a repair plan is developed and executed. Brevard County and others have reviewed the data collected and determined that as long as traffic stays off the bridge, the bridge is stable. The County and the City of Cocoa continue to monitor the bridge and the Cocoa water line.*

*There has been much discussion on social media and citizens may have some concerns over the continued availability of potable water. If a catastrophic failure were to occur today, the Cocoa water system would still be able to provide water to all of its customers. However, under this failed condition, some operations at the Cape Canaveral Port Authority would need to be curtailed to ensure everyone in the system could maintain the appropriate water pressure.*

*If the Sykes Creek crossing were to have a problem <u>after</u> we complete the SR 520, then the Cocoa Utilities System will be able to function normally and all facilities including the Cape Canaveral Port Authority can function normally. This was concluded after detailed analysis of the hydraulics of the system using a digital hydraulic modelling software.*

*To that end, the Cocoa Engineering and Operations staff have been hard at work preparing contingency plans in the event that the Sykes Creek crossing would need to be replaced or rebuilt. Our goal is to be ready to execute the plan when called upon. The plan includes a layout of the new water main, materials, connection points and other details pertinent to completing the repair or replacement of the crossing.*

*In closing, for the first time in the history of the utilities system to my knowledge, we had a system wide water failure creating a system wide boil water notice but I believe and know that our response was well planned, methodical and well executed and wasted no time in getting citizens' back in water as soon as possible. I credit the entire utilities staff, mangers, support staff, plant operators, mechanics, engineers, and the hard working crews in the field for both the water system and the sewer who tirelessly and unselfishly worked many hours on behalf of our customers. They put the customers of this utility system first and got the job done and I know they would do again without hesitation if and when the need arises. I am extremely proud of their performance and proud to be their Director and leader of such an amazing group of people."*

He also provided a slide show of various photos of the Utility crews working during the storm.

Mayor Parrish believed that he and his staff did a great job. He is aware that it is not over but they did a great job.

Mr. Walsh thanked him and pointed out that he met with the County staff and the meeting was about the bridge. They are working towards an RFQ. They want to move swiftly and have an abbreviated bid period. There is FEMA and funding available which will offset the funds.

Mayor Parrish thought this was good news.

Assistant City Manager Fuhrer spoke about the course of the recent hurricane and realized that working in local government is the essence of public service. Everyone supported each other and he is proud to be a part of Team Cocoa. He is proud of the citizens also, who took the effort to help prepare for themselves and to help each other. He is proud to be here and proud to serve.

City Manager Titkanich thanked and acknowledged all of the employees who helped and responded to assess all things. He thanked the Public Safety officers, Public Works staff, and the Utility crews. Damage assessment teams started shortly after they went out. He further thanked the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire chief for their leadership before, during and after the storm at the EOC.

Additionally, City Manager Titkanich acknowledged the efforts of Samantha Senger and Yvonne Martinez, the Public Information Officers for keeping everyone up to date on social media and with the press. He thanked Administrative Services and Finance who continue to work to make sure employees are paid, and Purchasing to ensure that all contracts were in order. He reiterated his thanks to the Utility crews and Public Works crews. He learned a lot this time with each of the challenges and advised that prior to testing there is learning and preservation.

Lastly, he thanked the residents for their patience, understanding, and support. It was a crazy, exhausting week, but that took second place to the determination of the City's employees to respond to citizens' needs. He again thanked Council for their support in allowing them to do what they do.

City Attorney Garganese applauded the City and mentioned that it was a great job done by Team Cocoa.

Councilman Whipple echoed the sentiments of the City Manager. There was much professionalism during this time and he thanked all of the employees for what they did. Additionally, he thanked the Mayor, who was out there engaging citizens, and was there for Council and administration. He was impressed by him during this time.

Councilwoman Blanco also echoed the same sentiments. She cannot thank employees and staff enough for their efforts and hard work during the trying time. Everyone went above and beyond. She appreciated the Police Department patrolling her neighborhood while the power was out. It gives you peace of mind. It makes you realize what a great city this is.

She further agreed with Councilman Whipple's comments regarding the Mayor. She appreciated him very much during this time.

In closing she mentioned that the District 4 Town Hall Meeting is October 17th at the Cocoa Presbyterian Church on Dixon Blvd. She invited all to come if they could.

Councilwoman Warner agreed with everything being said and could not be more proud. She pointed out that there were other employees that were away from their homes also, not just police and the fire. They had to all be away from their

families during this time. She spoke about the first hurricane that she endured here in Florida and realized with this storm why she always fills her bathtub with water. She advised that you can always lose water so you need to be prepared.

On Saturday, September 30th in the Village at the Gazebo there will be a ribbon cutting to recognize that the Village is now dog friendly. She invited all to come down to the ceremony.

Councilwoman Warner let Mr. Wegerif know that there is a Cocoa High Football Sign on Florida Avenue by El Charro's hanging and it could hurt someone. Mr. Wegerif assured her it would be looked into. In addition, there was some flooding on Westminster. A house had water going into it due to the speed bumps and the way that the road is. The speed bumps prevent the water from draining. Mr. Wegerif has never heard of this issue before. She mentioned that she had photos.

Lastly, she spoke of the AKC dog show held this past weekend where Copper left with many ribbons. Officer Hattaway did very well. She is hoping that they can find sponsors as Cocoa will probably have the first K9 in the country doing something like this.

She also pointed out that it was Larry Sinclair's birthday and he would be attending the next City Council meeting.

Deputy Mayor Boisvert concurred with all of the other comments and thanked the City crews, citizens, and employees. It was a great job done by everyone.

In closing, Mayor Parrish mentioned that everything that he wanted to say has been said, he just thought it was a great job done by all. All of the citizens were very impressed with how organized the city was and of our levels of the operation. He was more thankful that it was not as bad of a storm as it could have been. There is still damage and there were many different things that caused the breaks. Many of the pipes were new. He did not appreciate the media insinuating that the City's system is old and not being taken care of. That is offensive.

He pointed out that there is a $130 million capital improvement plan for the next five years for the water system alone.

Mayor Parrish mentioned the tainted water report and assured citizens that we are doing all of the right things. There are also a number of citizens calling who have asked if there was any way in which they can help. He believes that may be something the City wanted to think about during the next storm.

He found out that like Police and Fire, the Utility crews were also first responders. He stated there is nothing wrong in asking for help and was appreciative of the other cities who offered their help.

Lastly, Riverfront Park is a park unlike any other and it is a great location in a great city. We are going to have to start from square one, fix the docks and push the legislature to do things. He wants to make sure all options are looked into.

## XI. ADJOURNMENT.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Whipple, to adjourn the Regular meeting of September 26, 2017.**

**AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blanco, Warner, Whipple**

**THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)**

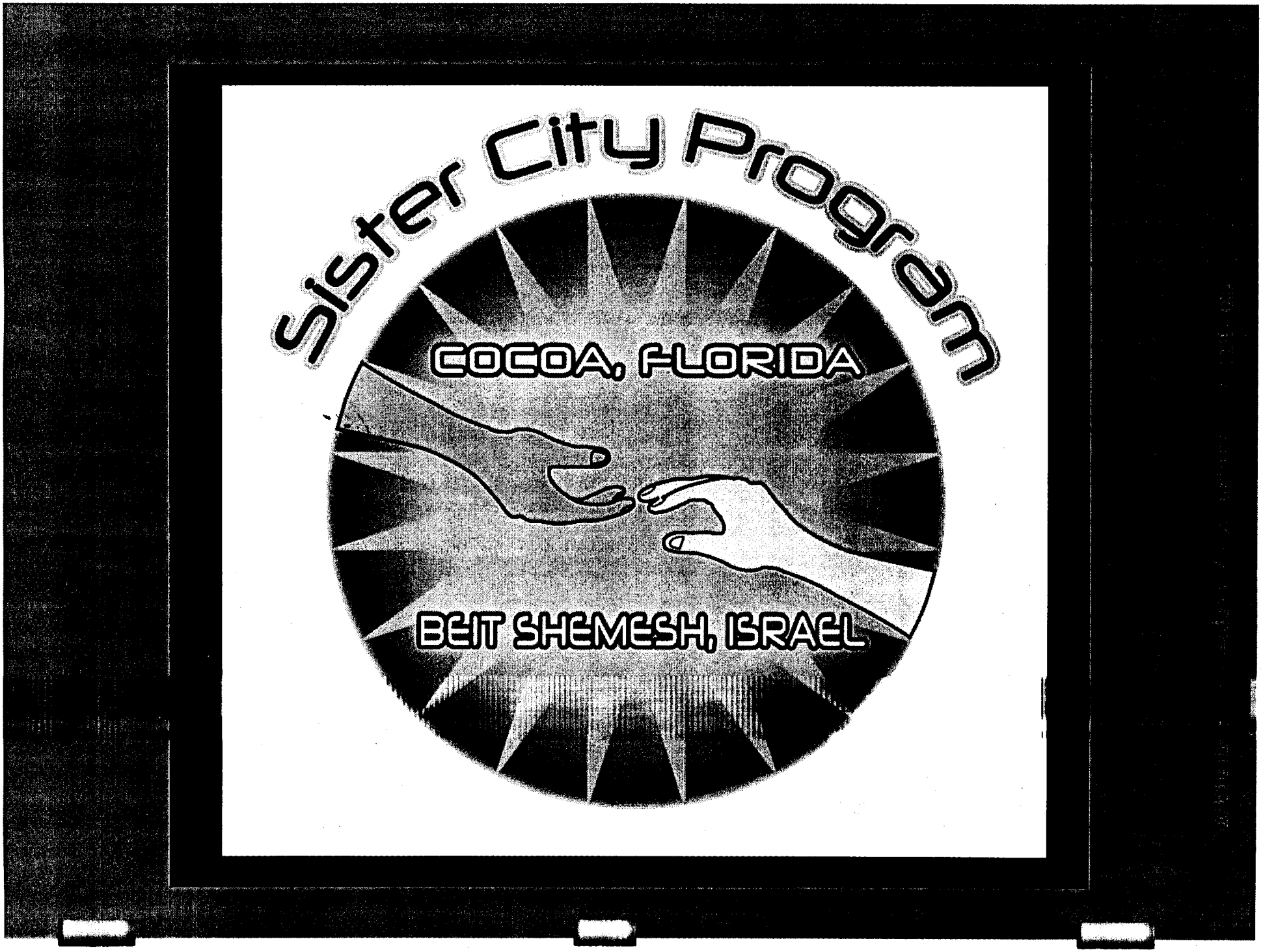
**The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.**

**Henry U. Parrish III, Mayor**

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**Carie Shealy, City Clerk**


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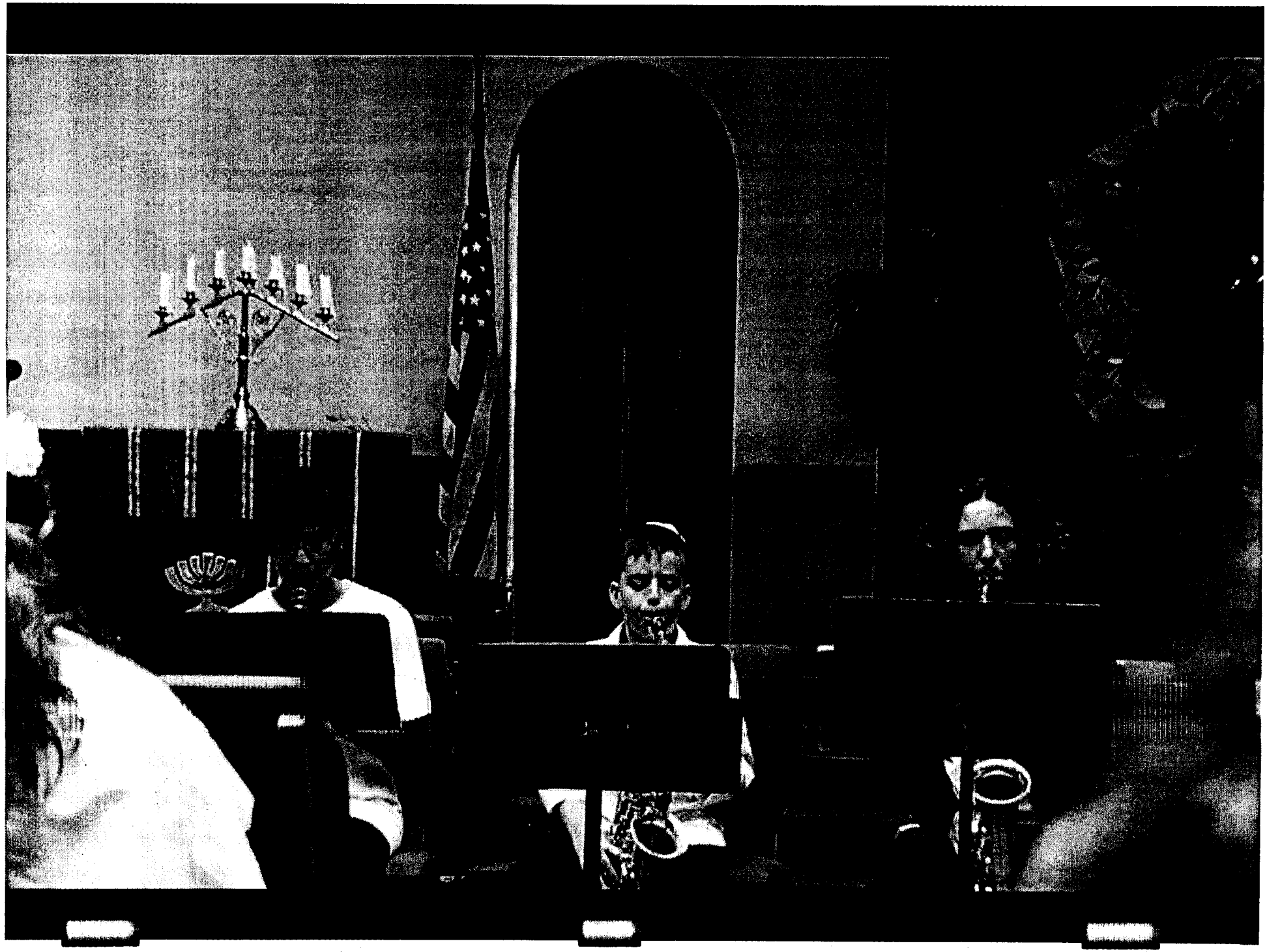
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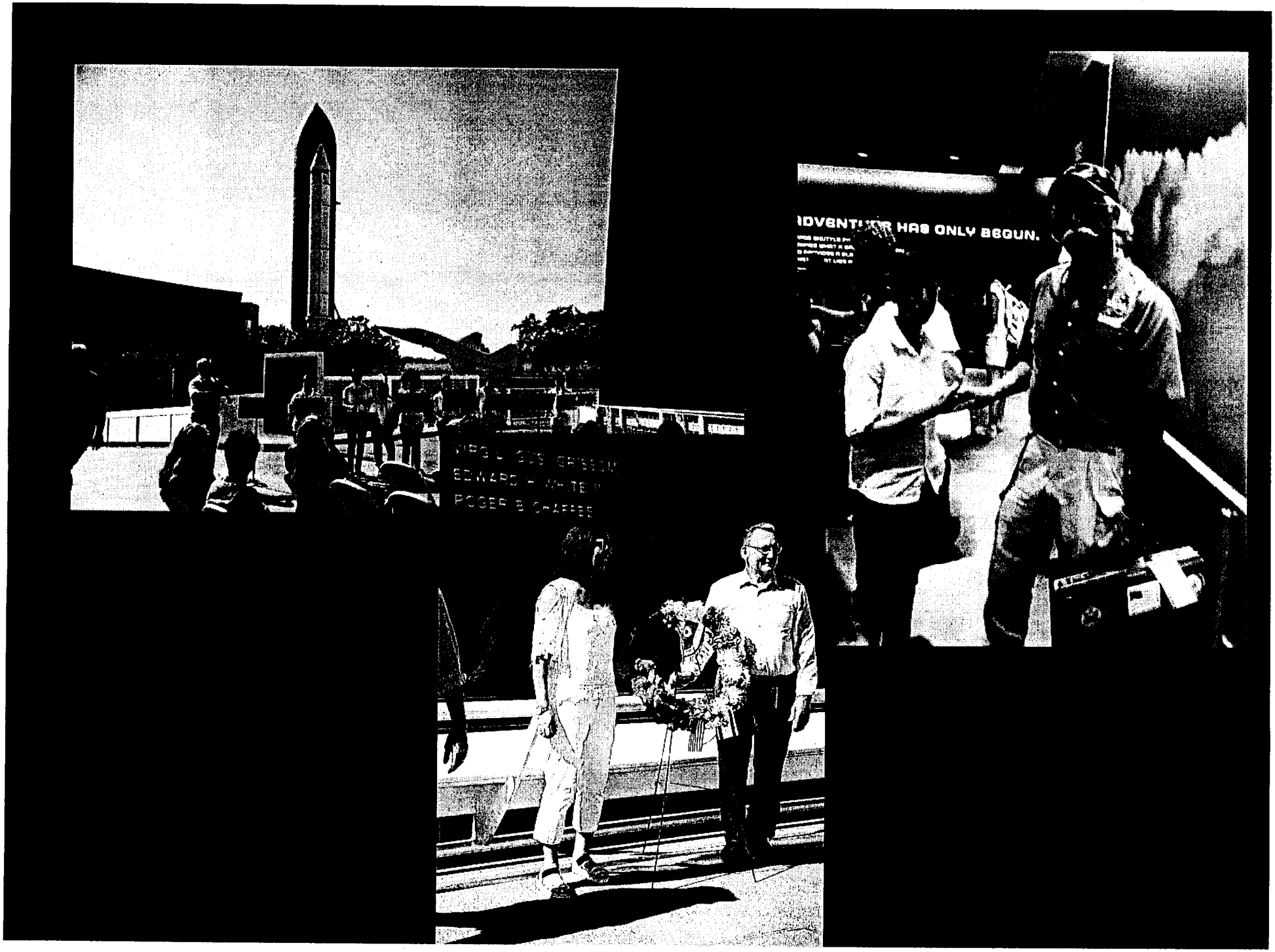

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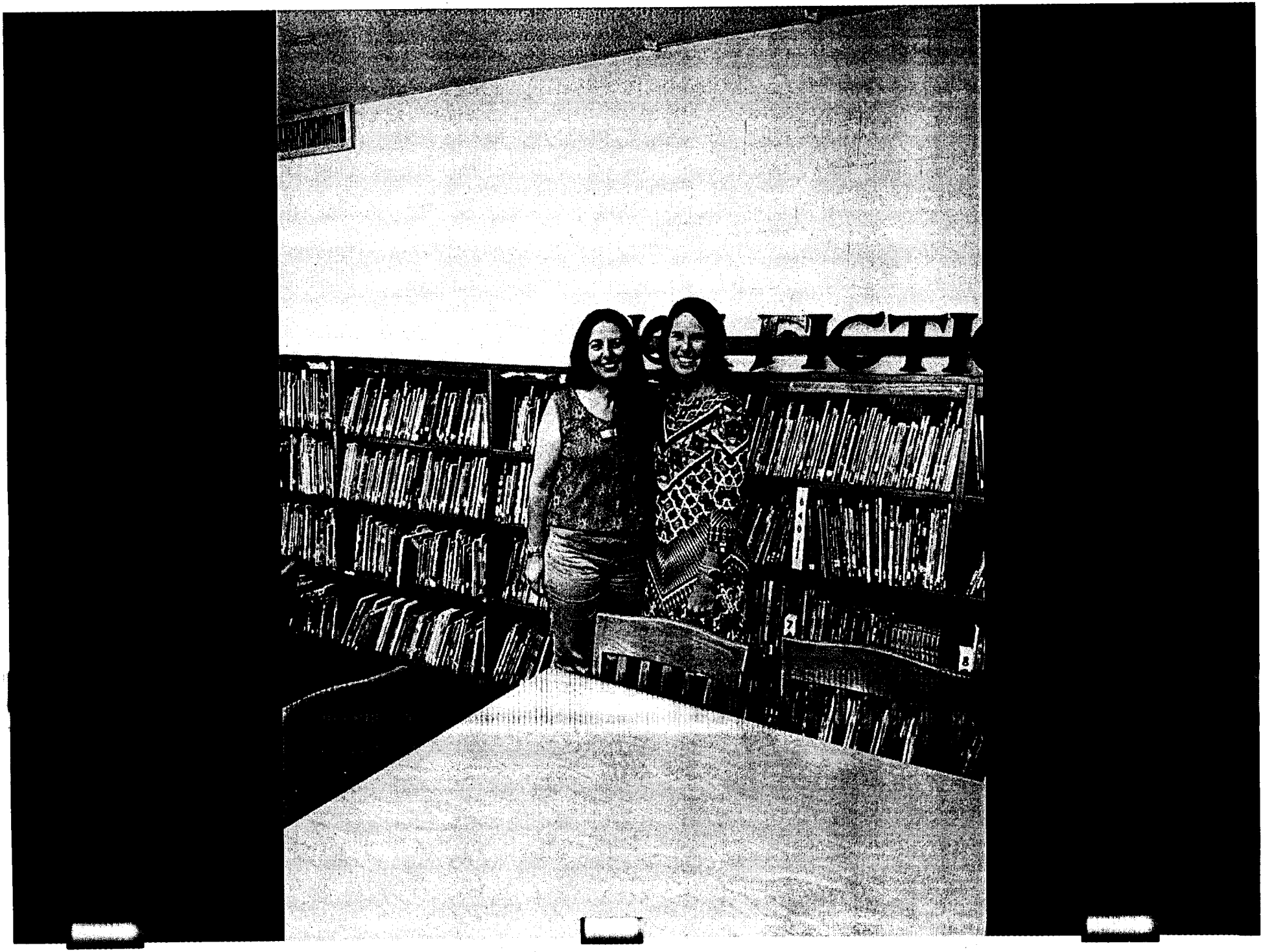

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**Council Meeting – Utilities Brief** **9/26/17**

Hurricane Irma created significant damage for the Cocoa Utilities Systems. Two major pieces of infrastructures were affected and as a result impacted our customers. Overall, the utility received over 176 calls for water service/breaks and of those calls, 41 were water main break repairs. Irma hit on Monday, by Friday afternoon, field operations had responded to all breaks and requests and the only outstanding calls were areas were power or trees prevented crews from making the final repairs.

As most everyone knows by now, the transmission main under SR 520 failed at approximately 0430AM on Monday, September 11th during the hurricane which created a system wide loss of water and water pressure and a system wide boil water notice was issued for all users. City crews moved quickly into response mode. By Tuesday evening the mainland and north Merritt Island and North Cape Canaveral had water pressure back. And by Wednesday night, the entire system was pressurized and large breaks were identified at SR 520 Indian River and SR 520 and the Banana River. Over the course of the next two days, boil water notices were rescinded in the same phasing the water was restored

In a matter of 60 hours, the Cocoa water system was back in pressure and crews were responding to breaks and making repairs. A solid plan was prepared and executed in a methodical and systematic fashion to restore pressure and water in segments. The reason for this was the location and number of breaks contributing to the loss of system pressure were not known. A grid was set up and crews were out spotting and searching for breaks along with other agencies within the Cocoa system assisting in their respective jurisdictional areas to locate breaks. Originally reported as two breaks, the break reported in the Banana River has been ruled out as a break and normal operations has resumed along the east end of SR 520.

Once we suspected there was an underwater break, Logan Diving, a preapproved contractor for the City of Cocoa, immediately mobilized and began assessing the damage and identifying the beaks and issues. The results from their dives has revealed that significant undermining of the transmission main created the break at the SR 520 and the Indian River Lagoon. In addition, there are several other locations where partial undermining has occurred and will need to be shored up and protected for the future.

Logan Diving will be inspecting all subaqueous crossings and ensuring that all needed shoring and pipe protections are installed as necessary over the next few weeks. This will ensure the water system is protected now and in the future.

As of today, all the broken pipe at the Indian River crossing has been removed and the new pipe and repair materials were delivered today to begin pipe repair work. We anticipate that within the next week, the repairs to the SR 520 break will be complete and placed back into operation.

The second infrastructure problem is related to the transmission line that runs over Sykes Creek on the Brevard County bridge. Although there is no issue with the water main, the bridge was inspected after the hurricane and the bridge supports that extend into Sykes Creek were scoured by high velocity water. Brevard County has closed the bridge indefinitely while a repair plan is developed and executed. Brevard County and others have reviewed the data collected and determined that as long as traffic stays off the bridge, the bridge is stable. The County and the City of Cocoa continue to monitor the bridge and the Cocoa water line.

There has been much discussion on social media and citizens may have some concerns over the continued availability of potable water. If a catastrophic failure were to occur today, the Cocoa water system would still be able to provide water to all of its customers. However, under this failed condition, some operations at the Cape Canaveral Port Authority would need to be curtailed to ensure everyone in the system could maintain the appropriate water pressure.

If the Sykes Creek crossing were to have a problem after we complete the SR 520, then the Cocoa Utilities System will be able to function normally and all facilities including the Cape Canaveral Port Authority can function normally. This was concluded after detailed analysis of the hydraulics of the system using a digital hydraulic modelling software.

To that end, the Cocoa Engineering and Operations staff have been hard at work preparing contingency plans in the event that the Sykes Creek crossing would need to be replaced or rebuilt. Our goal is to be ready to execute the plan when called upon. The plan includes a layout of the new water main, materials, connection points and other details pertinent to completing the repair or replacement of the crossing.

In closing, for the first time in the history of the utilities system to my knowledge, we had a system wide water failure creating a system wide boil water notice but I believe and know that our response was well planned, methodical and well executed and wasted no time in getting citizen back in water as soon as possible. I credit the entire utilities staff, mangers, support staff, plant operators, mechanics, engineers, and the hard working crews in the field for both the water system and the sewer who tirelessly and unselfishly worked many hours on behalf of our customers. They put the customers of this utility system first and got the job done and I know they would do again without hesitation if and when the need arises. I am extremely proud of their performance and proud to be their Director and leader of such an amazing group of people.

EXHIBIT B: Hurricane Irma Photos

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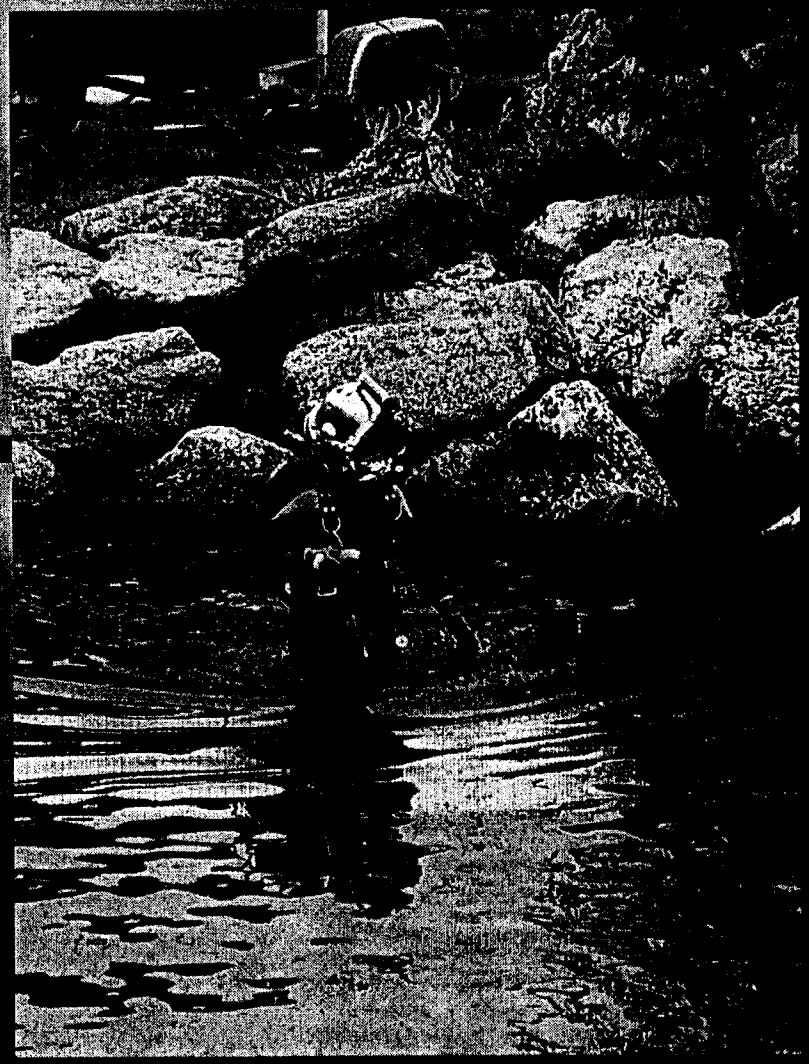
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